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Council Reaffirms Intent To Rebate

How to assure property owners that the City is sincere in its desire and intent to rebate any monies remaining, above the cost of the Storm Water-Sewer Separation project, was the subject for some lengthy discussion at the regular meeting of the Lowell City Council meeting Monday night.

A proposed agreement submitted by Joseph Neath, attorney, on behalf of Gerald Henry and Myron Henry and "other taxpayers similarly situated" had been previously presented for Council's consideration.

Richard VanderVeen, civil attorney for the City, was present at Monday night's meeting. VanderVeen advised Council that in his opinion they could not legally accept the agreement, as written. He also stated there are already provisions for the return of excess monies, both in an agreement between the City and the Department of Public Works and in the form of a resolution adopted by Council in October of 1972.

Wm. S. Doyle, present at the meeting, voiced what he perceived to be the feeling of the 'concerned taxpayers,' saying he felt that no matter what the council might say, "they just don't believe you and want something more concrete—so many dollars will be returned." He urged Council to take some action that would attempt to satisfy those concerned.

Council then unanimously adopted the following resolution as drafted by attorney VanderVeen.

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City Council for the City of Lowell to assure the citizens who are on the imposed charges roll No. 1, and who have been charged \$1,000 related to the Lowell Sanitary and Storm Sewage Disposal System, that it is aware of their concerns and that the Council is desirous of assuring them in every way possible that they will not be charged any more than will be essential to pay for the project, and

WHEREAS, the Council, by this resolution, wishes to go on public record to promise that it will not enlarge or add to the said Sanitary and Storm Sewage Disposal System unless the enlargement or addition is separately financed.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that (1) the present and existing Lowell Sanitary and Storm Sewage Disposal System will not be enlarged or added to unless the said enlargement or addition is financed separately and fully, and completely independent of the said existing project. (2) That any funds not essential for payment of the interest and principle on the bonds which have been issued to pay for said Project, shall be rebated, pro rata, to those citizens on the imposed charges roll, whose property has been charged the \$1,000, at the earliest possible date, and subject to the Agreement between the City and the County of Kent, dated February 1, 1971, and the law will permit. FURTHER, it is presently estimated by Williams and Works, the engineers for the Project, that the sum which may be rebated may approximate \$400,000, or about \$500 per parcel.

Section E of Contract To Be Omitted

Section E of the contract for the Sanitary Sewage System has been of considerable concern to some taxpayers. It called for the re-construction of Foreman Road from Beach Street to Gee Drive. However, although some engineering work has been done, this project was not intended to be a part of the Sanitary Sewage Project.

Therefore Council adopted a resolution instructing the Department of Public Works to omit Section E of the contract.

DPW Counsel Opinion

An opinion from the legal counsel for the Department of Public Works, Robert Cooper, as set forth in a letter to Mayor Carlen Anderson, in response to his expressed concern regarding the disposition of any funds remaining with the DPW after completion of the Sewer project and finalization of all necessary expenditures, was read at Monday night's meeting.

Mr. Cooper's opinion is as follows:

By the laws of the State of Michigan, the County of Kent cannot use the funds earmarked for the Lowell Sanitary and Storm Sewer Project, whether those funds come from the sale of bonds or from some other source including State or Federal grant monies, for any other purpose other than for purposes in the City of Lowell concerning expenses involving this project or an extension of this project.

Further, based on the contractual agreement between the County and the City of Lowell dated February 1, 1971, any monies remaining in this fund can be used by the County upon the request of the City and the concurrence of the County Board of Commissioners to further extend the sanitary sewers, storm sewers, sewage disposal or water supply improvements in the City or for the purpose of redeeming some of the bonds sold by the County for this project.

At such time as it is determined that funds are available and assuming the City would request these funds be used for the redemption of bonds, bonds would be redeemed at the earliest available time and would be cancelled. This, in turn, would reduce the amount of money payable by the City of Lowell to the County of Kent by an equal amount of money; and, in turn, the City could then cancel the applicable annual payments of the monies necessary to pay the bonds that were redeemed, of those persons who elected to make annual payments. Also, the City could then rebate to those persons that paid the total amount of the charges in cash.

So now, in addition to the pledge of the City Council, there is now on record the letter from the Department of Public Works that specifically states that all funds remaining after project is completed may be used to retire bonds and the savings passed on to each of the 748 property owners.

In other business, Council approved contracts for the rehabilitation and turn back of M-91 and for the construction of Storm Sewers for M-21.

In a 3-2 decision, Council authorized an advisement to the Department of Public Works to have Williams and Works perform the inspectional services and staking for the Lowell Sanitary and Storm Sewage Disposal System. Opposing, and in favor of the Department of Public Works doing the inspectional services were Councilman Harold Jefferies and Mayor Carlen Anderson.



Frank E. Forrest, 24, of Lowell, who plead guilty to a larceny charge was sentenced to a year in jail, last week, by Circuit Court Judge John T. Letts.

Forrest was arrested last year by Lowell Police for entering the home of an elderly Lowell woman, while she was in the hospital, and taking valuable articles, plus a check book.

Sincerest sympathy goes to Mrs. Margarete Raab and family in the death of their husband, father and grandfather, Bill Raab.

The Raabs own the Home Center Store on West Main Street.

Lowell Police are investigating the larceny of approximately \$600 March 1 from the Donald Eickhoff residence on Chatham Street. Their investigation continues.

A mugging and purse snatching incident on Elm Street brought Lowell Police to the scene at 2:15 p.m. on Friday afternoon. Mrs. Lawrence Armstrong was walking home, when a young subject came from behind her and knocked her to the ground, taking her purse.

Witnesses saw the subject get into a car, and were able to obtain a license number.

James Gerald Miles of Dallas, Texas, was arrested March 2 by Lowell Police for driving under the influence. Miles was observed driving left of the centerline when he hit a car headon, driven by Rick Cloud. No injuries were sustained in the accident.

Miles was taken to the Kent County Jail, where he refused to take the breathalyzer test.

No one was injured in the two car collision on South Hudson Street, Sunday. A car driven by Bernard John Jankowski was struck by a car driven by James Allen Rash.

The 1973 Official Highway Map of Michigan is off the press and ready for distribution.

A limited amount of these 'free' maps are available at the Ledger office.

Mayor's Exchange Day, a traditional part of Michigan Week, will find Lowell's Mayor Carlen Anderson and several other City officials spending the day in Vassar.

Saranac will exchange with Brown City.

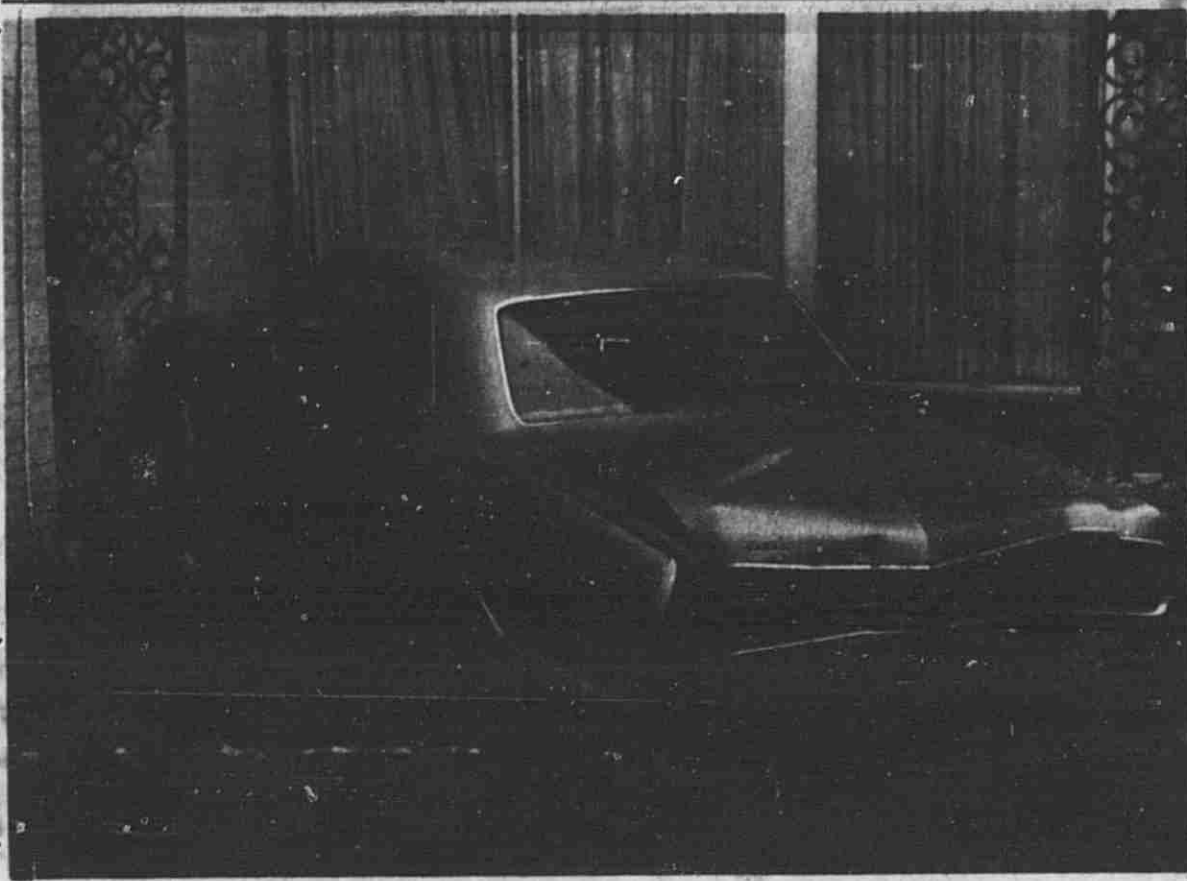
Signs of Spring! At 17 minutes to 9 in the morning of March 1, Alvin Ketcham of Lowell sighted a flock of geese going north.

Mrs. Mable Scott of Alto reported seeing seven robins in her yard Friday, and Margaret DeHaan of Bowes Road, Lowell, reported seeing her first robin Saturday morning.

Clinic March 11

Are you adults up-to-date on your immunizations? Are your children immunized and ready for school?

The Public Health Nurse will be at the Lowell Community Center the 2nd and 4th Monday mornings of each month, from 9 to 11 a.m. She will give immunizations at these times and do counseling on health needs. The date of the next clinic is Monday, March 11.



Bank Is Hit

Lowell Police were called to East Main Street shortly after noon on Saturday, where they found a car parked in the front window of the State Savings Bank.

According to their report, a car driven by Duras Douglas Olin of Lowell was struck in the rear by a car driven by Linnette Susan Karbowski of Saranac. After the impact, the Olin car jumped the curb, crossed the bank's lawn and came to rest in the window.

Luckily, the bank was not open, as desks were in the immediate area where the car struck, breaking windows, shattering brick and denting the wrought iron pillars.

Miss Karbowski complained of discomfort at the scene, while Mr. Olin reported no injuries.

Review Boards Set Assessment Hearings

The Supervisors and clerks of all the townships in the area are putting the finishing touches on the 1973 Assessment rolls this week in preparation for their annual Board of Review meetings next week.

Commencing March 12, the respective Boards of Review will examine the rolls and meet those taxpayers who wish to have their assessments explained or reduced.

Some helpful hints for those residents who plan to attend the meetings include:

Know your lot number, or Plat name, that is on your tax bill. It is best to appear in person, however, if this is not possible, a signed letter will be considered. Don't just tell the Board "my taxes are too high." The Board knows this. Give valid reasons why, in your opinion, your assessment is too high.

Try to compare your property with other like properties. Your Assessor and the Board strive for uniformity. Don't shout or use profanity to impress the Board. The Boards are experienced, reasonable people who live in your Township or City, and they are taxpayers, too.

The Board may raise, lower or leave your assessment as it is. They may visit your property. They will make their decisions based on local knowledge, replacement costs, economic conditions, current market value. You will be informed by letter of their decision in your case.

Some Board of Reviews may require that all statements and claims be made under oath. Lowell City taxpayers can attend the Board of Review meeting on Monday, March 12, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. or Tuesday, March 13, during the same hours, in the Lowell City Hall, 301 East Main Street.

Other Meetings

The Cascade Township Board of Review will meet March 12 and 13 between the hours of 9 a.m. until 12 noon and 1 p.m. to 4, on both days, and succeeding days, until all taxpayers are heard. The meetings will be held in the Cascade Township Hall, 2800 Orange Street, S.E.

Ada Township Hall, 555 Ada Drive, will be the scene of the Board of Review meetings in Ada Township. Meeting on March 12 and 13, the Board will hear

all persons wishing to review their assessments between 9 a.m. and 12 noon and 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on both days.

Taxpayers in Bowne Township can attend the meetings on March 12 and 13 from 9 a.m. until 12 noon, and 1 to 4 p.m. on Monday and from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 6 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday. The hearings will be held in the Bowne Township Hall on Linfield Avenue in Alto.

Reviewing the tax roll and hearing all claims, the Vergennes Township Board will convene from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 4:30 p.m. on March 12 and 13 at the Vergennes Township Hall, corner of Parnell Road and Bailey Drive.

Residents of Lowell Township will gather at the Township Hall corner of Cascade Road (Old US-16) and Segwun Avenue on March 12 and 13. Monday's meeting will be held from 9 a.m. until 12 noon and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, the Board will meet from 3 to 6 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m.

In Grattan Township all residents will be heard at the Grattan Township Hall on March 12 and 13. Each resident in the township has been notified by mail of the board's hours.

FOREST HILLS VOTERS SPLIT MILLAGE VOTE

Voters in Forest Hills School District approved renewal of the 15 mill operating tax for one year by a vote of 2,069 to 875 with 29 spoiled ballots on Monday, March 5.

However, the two mill additional money was turned down by a close vote with 1,511 voting no and 1,440 voting yes with 22 spoiled ballots.

A total of 2,973 voters went to the polls out of a possible 9,300 registered voters.

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Mystery Picture

The photo of Ray and Ethel Alexander was identified last week by Bonnie Howard of 418 High Street, Lowell.

This week's mystery picture can be identified at 12 noon on Friday by calling 897-9261. The winner will get a 'free' year's subscription.

Win Free Movie Tickets — To The Strand Theatre, Lowell, by filling out the coupon in this edition and depositing it in the "Lucky Box" at the Strand. p48

St. Patrick's Euchre Party — Saturday, March 17 at 7:30 p.m. at Lowell Masonic Temple. Donation \$1.50 per person. Prizes — Lunch. Everyone welcome. c48

Above The Board Growing Danger

In an effort to awaken the school system and the community to the growing danger of venereal disease among area youth, School Board members were told Tuesday night that the Lowell Jaycees have joined Jaycees throughout the country to promote a V.D. awareness program.

Gary Weemhoff, chairman of the local program, spoke before the board requesting a permission to carry the program into the senior high school. Quoting State Health Department figures to show that V.D. is the most widely spread communicable disease today and is increasing, Weemhoff stated that the Jaycees would like to show films every hour of the day in the auditorium so that students can view them during their study hall periods. This showing would be strictly on a voluntary basis, he noted.

Following each film showing, Robert Blett of the Kent County Health Department, and School Nurse Helen Noah, would be on hand to answer any questions that might arise and to pass out resource pamphlets.

In addition, Jaycees suggest that the topic be discussed in all biology and life science classes for that one day with the teacher responsible for the discussion period.

The board requested a preview of the films to be used before they give their okay to showing it before the students.

Program Positive

The feed-back given the board on the recent in-service program was all positive. Dick Venema presented a brief report on his elementary teacher response showing photographs of new "learning centers," "cross-age helpers," "personalized learning through games," and other innovative ideas already put to use since the California group inspired his teachers.

Junior High Asst. Principal Art Bieri, in the absence of Principal John Gabriel, commented upon the positive attitude shown the group. The junior high faculty benefited as much, if not more, than any other staff since their new building will be the first complete facility in which this method of team teaching can be used.

Senior High Principal Dennis McMahon concurred that his faculty benefited greatly and will keep a close and interested watch on the Junior High program next year.

Elementary teachers at Bushnell and Alto were led by Principal Roger Buck and all reported enthusiastic response to the three-day sessions, agreeing that the more "open" a classroom is, the more structured it has to be and that the new program must be approached slowly.

Negotiations Coming

With contract negotiations coming up shortly, the board was approached by the Michigan Association of School Boards with an offer to help with teacher negotiations.

Although there are reputed to be several advantages to having the association's negotiator, there will be a

cost involved and the board requested time to think it over.

Bids Are High

Bids for the proposed new bus garage were received and reviewed by Architect Donn Palmer. Although bids were requested for several types of construction (metal, wood, pole and masonry) only the masonry price was anywhere near feasible and even this was considered somewhat high.

Bieri Brothers submitted the low bid of \$114,463 and the transportation committee has been instructed to negotiate with the company to cut where possible and report its recommendation back to the board.

Approve Expenditure

Board members again voted to pay the expenses of Lowell special education students attending Forest Hills to attend a one-week camp session late this Spring.

Calendar Accepted

A tentative school calendar was accepted by the board for the 1973-74 school year. There will be the same number of school days but one teacher-service day will be shifted from the middle of the year to the beginning to help the staff in moving into the new building and in changing classrooms around. The calendar must now be approved by the teachers.

Space Usage

A right-of-way request for use of school property behind the baseball bleachers was submitted by King Milling Company. The board referred it to a special committee to work it out with King Doyle whose previous use of space near that area is now blocked by a fence.

Testing Programs

Counselors and remedial reading teachers appeared in a body, headed by Senior High Guidance Counselor Gordon Gould, to report on testing programs used in the Lowell system.

Favorable results were reported on the new Pacer Testing program which was in use for the first time this year. Since most of the trouble areas for any student come in either reading or math, this diagnostic test points out the actual difficulty area in which the individual student needs special help. This is shown on computer sheets and returned to the teacher.

The teacher can then refer to a correlative file of resource material and use the material which corresponds to the particular trouble the student is having. The teacher or a para-professional will work with that student in the particular area. The child is then re-tested for that problem and then goes on.

In the Junior High, the Michigan Assessment test is given to seventh grade students which shows not only where Lowell students stand compared with other schools in Michigan but also their level of improvement since fourth grade. The Stanford Achievement Intelligence test is given to students in the eighth grade to note growth in mental achievement but, as yet, no I.Q. tests are given to the sixth grade.

Reading tests are also given to all sixth and seventh grades and to eighth grades as the need is seen. These reading tests test both reading ability and frustration level.

In senior high, the emphasis on testing begins in the tenth grade with strictly vocational preference tests which show the student where his interest really is. In the eleventh grade preliminary tests are given at the

student's request for those interested in going on to college. The Scholastic Aptitude Test or American College Test are given to prospective college students in the senior year.

Dr. Robert Reagan, board president, asked the high school counselors "whatever happened to career days?" Could explained that they have found it far better to have various business representatives speak throughout the year rather than to try and do everything in one day.

It was obvious to those attending the meeting that system-wide the counselors are working together both with each other and with the county specialists to give the Lowell students needed guidance and the teaching staff valuable assistance in educating the individual.

Push 'Ag' Class

Still plugging away to get agriculture added to the high school curriculum, Dave Wingeier mentioned that he had taken several local students down to Michigan State to attend Agriculture Day there.

Wingeier has also volunteered to be the para-professional if he can ever get the class back into the high school.

Willard Marks Passes, Was Ada Resident

An Ada resident, Willard Newton Marks, passed away February 28 at the Kent Community Hospital in Grand Rapids.

Funeral services for Mr. Marks, 64, of 7213 Bronson, were held Friday afternoon at the O'Brien-Gerst Funeral Home in Cascade. The Rev. Jack Richards of the Ada Congregational Church officiated.

Burial services, under the auspices of Ada Lodge No. 280, F&AM, were held at the Ada Cemetery.

Mr. Marks leaves his wife, Doris; one daughter, Mrs. William (Jeanne) Serne of Cascade; a son Jack of Ada; one brother, Carlton of Arizona; one sister, Mrs. Paul (Neva) Schalm of Florida; 12 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Fog Causes Crash

Thick fog Saturday night was believed to be the cause of an accident on Ada Drive about 9:30 p.m. Louis Schuh was eastbound on Ada Drive just before Ada village limits, when his pickup truck struck the rear of a semi-truck-trailer parked along side the roadway.

Apparently Schuh was unable to negotiate the sharp curve in the dense fog. Schuh, of 4321 Burton Street, Grand Rapids, was taken to the Osteopathic Hospital where he was reported in critical condition.

City Council Reviews Storm Sewer Charges

City Manager Blaine Bacon stated today, March 6, that Council decisions on objections to the storm sewer charges imposed were available at the City office.

Letters are being prepared in answer to those submitted by property owners during the past several months, and will be mailed during the next several weeks.

Jane's Jabber

A 'Meaty' Topic

Along with the weather, the rising cost of food prices has been discussed and discussed these past weeks. It's a "meaty" topic for conversation and that's no baloney!

We are given all the reasons why there have been such increases, especially in meat prices, but all the reasons do nothing to alleviate the fact that a dollar or more a pound for hamburger seems a bit ridiculous.

In these inflationary times we are told we must expect to pay more because of the increased demand and decreased supply of meat. But a 20 to 30 cent a pound increase on some items from one week to the next seems a little high.

A number of suggestions for beating the high cost of eating are being tossed out for consideration.

A Congressman from Connecticut has advised consumers they should engage in a total boycott on the purchase of meats for one week starting April 1. He also suggested sending grocery slips to the White House. (I'd zlick that one as putting too heavy a burden on an already over-burdened postal service—and besides, who knows where they might end up—in the waste basket no doubt!)

Some families have decided to eat eggs in place of meat once or twice a week. Chicken and fish could be served another two nights with beans (protein) and an all vegetarian dinner for the fifth and sixth night. For the seventh meal comes a suggestion from two Oklahoma University seniors—a beef stew made with dog food. The students say it is very tasty. They like "Skippy" brand—in case you are interested. They recommended "Chuckwagon" as their favorite dry food.

Our canine creature is also fond of "Chuckwagon," and if she isn't careful, she may find herself on short rations.

However, psychologically, I don't think I'm prepared for the dog food diet just yet, but am more inclined to go along with the Congressman's idea—beginning on April Fool's Day.

Now, the question is, who will be the bigger fool—me, or the Congressman that suggested it? Anyone care to join me?

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Community Calendar

THURSDAY, MARCH 8

The Susanna Wesley Circle of the First United Methodist Church of Lowell will meet at 8 o'clock Thursday evening, March 8, in the Education Building. Eva Johnson hosts, with Mrs. David Coons program chairman.

The American Legion Auxiliary will meet on Thursday, March 8, 1:30 p.m. in the Club room.

FRIDAY, MARCH 9

Cyclamen Chapter No. 94, Order of the Eastern Star will hold its regular meeting Friday, March 9, at 8 p.m. at the Masonic Temple in Lowell. Let's have a fine turnout.

SATURDAY, MARCH 10

The Three M's of the First United Methodist Church will meet Saturday, March 10, at 8 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Orion Thaler.

Ionia Star Twirlers will have a dance, Saturday, March 10, from 8 to 11 p.m. at Rafter School, south of Ionia, on Tuttle road. All square dancers welcome. Potluck. Caller: Ken Gilmore.

MONDAY, MARCH 12

Showboat Garden Club meeting will be held at the William Cook home on Monday, March 12 at 8 p.m., with Julie Stuart as co-hostess. Avis King will present a program on Ecology.

TUESDAY, MARCH 13

Evening Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Jack Fonger on Tuesday, March 13, at 8 p.m. Guest speaker will be Richard Fonger, director of one of the Kent City Centers.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14

W.S.C.S. meeting March 14, 2 o'clock at Alto Methodist Church. John Rarnjeet will speak on "Pertaining to Indian Customs and Foods." Entertainment and Indian food luncheon served. Hostess Clark Circle.

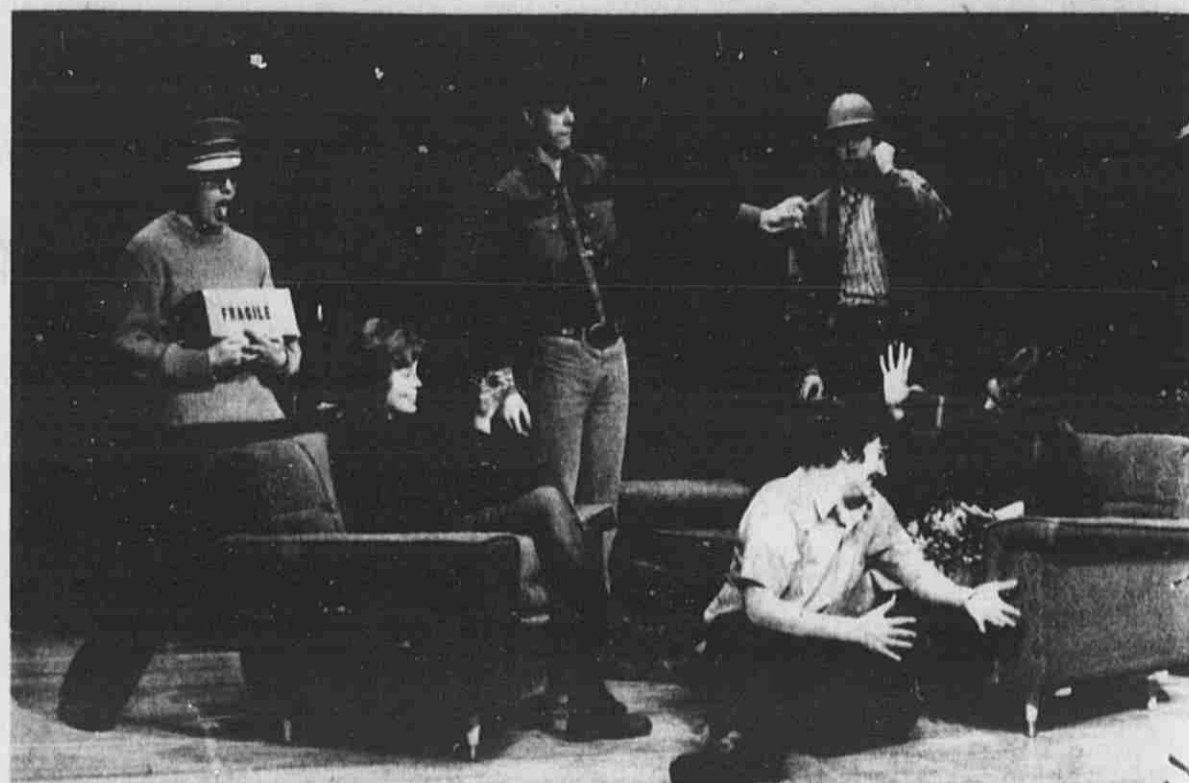
The Women's Club will meet in the Lowell Congregational Church Lounge Wednesday, March 14 at 1 p.m. Mrs. John Briggs will present a program "Preserving Our Michigan Heritage."

Heads County's Fire Commission

At a recent meeting of the Kent County Fire Commission, Arnold Wittenbach, 3rd District Commissioner from Lowell, was elected chairman to replace Jack Root of Rockford.

Other members serving on the Fire Commission are Elmer Smith, supervisor, Lowell Township; Kenneth Anderson, Clerk, Ada Township; George Grasman, Byron Township; Leonard Weller, Cannon Township; John Ostema and Commissioner Fred Eardley.

Wittenbach, who was voted to his third district commissioner's seat in November, has also been elected vice-chairman of the Building, Parks and Transportation Commission.



Lowell Area School's drama class will enter into regional drama competition this Saturday at Farswell, Michigan. Competition in the regionals will be just as stiff as wrestling and basketball, and one mistake could mean the end of the production. Ivan Haney and his cast—Rob Doyle, Cheri McKeage, Nate Blossom, Bob Morris, Tony Ulichnie, and Sue Stephenson, will present "Bar...ot In The Park."



Editor's Mail Box

ents of these children find the time to give support to all the schools their children attend.

Sincerely, Helen L. Vezino 36th Street, Lowell

Dear Editor:

Our County Commissioners, either through ignorance or blatant disregard for the value of human lives, have turned down the request of the Kent County Sheriff's Department to utilize a Federal grant for emergency medical services.

This was an excellent opportunity to display a far-sighted concern for the well being of all the citizens of the county. This program would not only provide prompt emergency treatment by men trained as medical technicians, including cardio-pulmonary education, but would cut down on the number of serious accidents by "selective enforcement."

Selective enforcement means a patrol unit equipped with radar positioned in areas of high accidents to enforce speed laws in problem areas. This is an effective deterrent to the accidents that are taking so many lives each year. Eighty-six people lost their lives in Kent County last year!

Many people are also injured in industrial, farm, and home accidents and countless people suffer heart attacks and serious illness each year. If these people are located in the out-county areas, they may have a 30 minute wait for an ambulance. This is too often a fatal wait. What a pity the commissioners who readily admit a surplus of \$500,000 in operating funds for the county in addition to the revenue sharing funds, cannot see a dollar value in saving human lives!

A concerned citizen

BIDS FOR AIRPORT WORK

The Michigan Aeronautics Commission has announced bids will be taken in March on contracts to provide apron lighting for concourse A and B at the Kent County Airport, and for resurfacing of a runway and two taxiways at the Kalamazoo Municipal Airport.

Bids on the Kalamazoo job will be taken March 20, and on the Kalamazoo job on March 23.

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Kent County was named for Chancellor James Kent, a prominent New York jurist in 1831. At first, Kent County was part of Kalamazoo County. It was set off as a separate county on March 2, 1931.

The first township also was named Kent and included all of Kent County south of the Grand River.

WHAT CITY IS IT?

This city borders on Grand Rapids' west side. It has a population of 11,492 according to the 1970 census. This city gained its city status in November of 1972. Standale shopping center is located in this city. One of its important industries is the Rospach Industry.

Remember, bring your answer to the Lowell Public Library. You may be the winner of our grand prize!

Answer to last week's puzzle: KENTWOOD

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Back To Box Of Band-Aids?

Last week Tuesday, the finance committee of the Kent County Board of Commissioners turned down an opportunity to utilize a federal grant. This grant was proposed by the Kent County Sheriff's Department to set up a system for emergency medical services, for the county.

According to the grant, three emergency medical units, fully equipped, would be on patrol to respond to various emergencies much like the "emergency units" from the Grand Rapids Police Department. Currently, one such unit is operating from the Sheriff's Department, equipped with instruments borrowed from ambulance companies and hospitals. Unless a referendum from the Kent County Board of Commissioners is issued to insure funds to maintain the unit, it will be discontinued.

The finance committee denied the request, stating that the project would cost too much money. The grant calls for the county to pay some \$67,000 for the first year of operation with the federal government contributing \$133,000. The second year would call for the county to match federal funds on a 65-35 basis, and an 80-20 basis for the third year with the county paying the greater portion. Also the question of importance became a factor in the decision to turn down the grant.

The Sheriff's Department has one emergency medical unit in operation which has met a great need to the people of the county. The unit has responded to over 100 personal injury accidents, 53 heart attacks and other illnesses, and has assisted other officers on other routine calls.

In addition, the emergency medical units would have helped curb the soaring accident rate through "selective enforcement." Selective enforcement is positioning a radar equipped car in areas with high accident rates. This has been an effective deterrent in re-

ducing accident rates.

John Pollice of 3516 Quiggle, would not dispute the importance of the emergency medical units after he was resuscitated from near-death by the personnel manning the unit. The incident occurred December 21 when he collapsed at a Cascade gas station. "I think it's ridiculous to take these units off the roads. If one of the commissioners needed them to save their lives, they would see how important they are," Pollice stated.

Undersheriff Robert Hill pointed out that not only the out-county residents need the service of the emergency medical units as many city dwellers also use county roads. He emphasized that, "The emergency medical units would have provided a service to all the people in the county."

The response time by ambulances to out-county areas such as Lowell, Alto, and Caledonia is slow and often victims of heart attacks and traffic accidents have had to wait over 30 minutes for medical help to arrive. Too often this has been a fatal wait. Officials from the Kent County Sheriff's Department suggest that the well-trained personnel who would have manned the emergency medical units could have saved lives in this respect. Undersheriff Hill also stated that "We are beyond the box of band-aids and a dirty blanket technique, the people of this county deserve prompt and efficient medical care."

The five-man finance committee turned down the federal grant 4 to 1. Committee chairman Jackson J. Root of Rockford supports the program and urges all citizens wishing emergency medical services to write expressing their opinions. The address is Finance Committee, c/o Jackson J. Root, 157 N. Monroe, Rockford, Michigan. Persons wishing to sign a petition supporting the emergency medical services, may do so at the Lowell Ledger Office located on North Broadway.

Jaycees Name DSA Winner



The Lowell Area Jaycees are proud to announce Alen Eckman as the recipient of the Distinguished Service Award for 1972.

To honor this occasion, the public is invited to attend a banquet in his honor at the Masonic Temple, Lincoln Lake, March 14, 1973 at 6:30 p.m. Tickets may be purchased at the door, or for reservations call 897-8855 after 5 p.m.

The DSA is the highest honor the Lowell Area Jaycees can bestow on any given individual (between the ages of 18 to 36) outstanding in his community.

Petitions Protest Gas Tax Boost

A citizens protest group is distributing petitions for a referendum to revoke the controversial 2-cent a gallon hike in the state gasoline tax.

"We failed to stop the tax increase from passing the legislature, but the people can still kill it by referendum," said C. A. Hittle of Shelby, president of the Taxpayers Protective League.

Hittle is inviting interested citizens to obtain copies of the referendum petitions by writing to the Taxpayers Protective League, Route 2, Box 173, Shelby, Mi., 49455.

The league has until March 29 to gather the 132,809 signatures necessary to place the proposed repeal of the tax hike before the voters. If the necessary signatures were obtained by the deadline, the tax increase would be suspended at that point until a vote at the next general election in November of 1974.

Center To Hold Night Meeting

The Lowell Community Center Board cordially invites the public to its first night meeting March 21, at 7:30 p.m. The reason for this change, which was brought up at the last regular assembly, is to include those citizens who are unable to attend afternoon meetings.

We urge all persons interested in promoting community welfare to join us at 10763 Grand River Drive. Along with the usual agenda there will be a slide program depicting the efforts and achievements of the migrant day-care project in Kent City.

In this way we hope to inform you of what your center is accomplishing in the area, give you a tour of the building, and receive input from you on additional services for the benefit of the community.

Blue Bird Groups Are Being Organized

FIRST GRADE GIRLS - Blue Bird groups are now being organized.

Mothers and daughters are invited to attend an organizational meeting at Runciman School, Thursday, March 22, 3:45 p.m. in the All Purpose room, or Bushnell, Friday, March 23, 3:30 p.m. in the library.

Call Betty Coons, 897-7159, Pat Smith, 897-7567, or Marilyn Keim 897-9886 if additional information is needed.

Engagement Told

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Roth of 10719 Vergennes, wish to announce the engagement and forthcoming wedding of their daughter, Sally, to Walter Welch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Welch of Waldorf, Maryland.

The couple are planning a June 23 wedding.

ASSOCIATION TO MEET

The Lowell Ministerial Association will meet at the First United Methodist Church of Lowell on Thursday, March 8 at 3 p.m. in the lounge.

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Wednesday, March 14	Saturday, March 17
Tuna & Noodle Casserole with Peas, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Cole Slaw. \$1.59	New York Strip, "Mini" Bread, Baked Potatoes-Sour Cream, Green Beans au gratin & Crisp Green Salad. \$4.39
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Thursday, March 15	SUNDAY
Crowning Glory Meat Loaf, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Savory Baked Corn, Golden Fruit Freeze Salad. \$1.79	SWISS STEAK HAM & SWEET POTATOES \$2.25 SIRLOIN OF BEEF ROAST PORK
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The Family of Wilbur Raab, 11141 Crooked Lake Drive, Rockford, and of Plasti-Cove and Home Center, Lowell, would like to thank neighbors, friends and business acquaintances for all their flowers, visits and contributions to the heart fund on the death of my husband.

Our deepest thanks and appreciation to the Rev. Dean Bailey for his kind words of encouragement during these last few days, and to all our good friends and neighbors who helped us get through this time of grief and sorrow.

A special "Thank You" to Dr. McKay who was always right there when we needed him.

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