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Our 'Jerry' Now Mr. President

Though the Watergate scandal was in full bloom last year at this time, it is doubtful anyone then realized when Congressman Gerald Ford made his yearly visit to Lowell during Showboat week in July of 1973, or again, on August 8, when he was the guest speaker at the Lowell Rotary Club, that he would be catapulted from Congressman–to Vice-President–to President of the United States–within a year–almost to the day.

It would have been redundant for this newspaper to have attempted to report on the "national nightmare" that has held this nation's attention for the past two years. But events of the past week command space –if only for the sake of history.

On Friday, August 9, 1974, Gerald Rudolph Ford became the thirty-eighth president of the United States upon the resignation of former President Richard M. Nixon.

Ford's ascendancy to the highest office in the land is unprecedented in American history, the direct result of the greatest political scandal the country has ever known.

The Watergate affair, like a festering sore periodically erupting and spewing its gore, has now been lanced, and perhaps after a period of healing, will leave but a small scar as a reminder of that painful period.

Last fall, the Nation, buffeted by almost daily Watergate revelations for more than a year, through every media source, was dealt another blow with the resignation of ther Vice-President Spiro Agnew, before some plea bargaining allowed him to plead no contest to the charge of federal income tax evasion.

Plucked by Nixon in October to succeed Agnew, Ford found himself in a position he had not sought, and whose portent he shied from contemplating.

During the ensuing months, trust in the President continued to erode and with the most recent disclosures concerning Watergate tapes, even Nixon's staunchest supporters began to waver–and then topple. With impeachment imminent, with a long Senate trial following, friends and advisors urged his resignation.

Nixon's announcement last Thursday night that he would resign on Friday was the climactic act in a long series of dramatic events, not the least of which was Ford's ascension to President of the United States.

The title of 'Mr. Clean' and other 'honest Abe' qualities have been bestowed upon our new President by some writers–somewhat condescendingly, it has seemed. But Saul Pett, an Associated Press writer, wrote: "Richard Milhous Nixon left the mountain top in a wave of tears. Gerald Rudolph Ford ascended it with simple moving eloquence. He grew taller in the ascension."

Ford's speech before the House of Representatives Monday night further evoked confidence that our ship o' state has at last someone at the helm.

In Ford's acceptance speech last Friday, he 'pledged to do what is right as God gives me to see the right, and to do the very best I can for America."

Not particularly startling words, but the ring of sincerity would seem to be just what the doctor ordered for a nation about to undergo what may be a long recuperative period.

Found on Main Street during Sidewalk Sales Days, a pair of ladies' glasses. Owner may identify same at Kaptain's Korners on West Main.

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All girls planning on competing in sports at Lowell Senior High School during the 1974-75 seasons must take their physicals on Tuesday, August 27 at 7 p.m. in the girl's locker room.

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Automotive Specialist Clare Wingeier has joined the sales staff of Lowell Automotive, Inc. at 113 North Lafayette. He was formerly with Imperial Motors, where he served as manager of the service and parts departments.

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Early Saturday afternoon the apartment of James Wurm, 207½ West Main, was broken into and approximately $220 worth of personal items, mostly stereo equipment, was taken.

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Late Monday afternoon or early Tuesday morning four tires and rims were stolen from Wittenbach Sales & Service on West Main Street. The Lowell Police report jacks were used to obtain the tires from new cars on display.

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A juvenile shoplifter was turned over to the custody of his parents, following his apprehension Sunday at the Lippert Pharmacy on East Main Street. Further action in juvenile court will be taken.

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The Bushnell Elementary was the target of pranksters on two occasions. On August 8, a broken door window was found, but no apparent entry was made into the school. On August 11, all the glass in two more doors were broken out. Damage is estimated to exceed $300.

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A barn on the Lena Hurley farm, Murray Lake Avenue, north of Lowell, was struck by lightning early Tuesday morning and completely destroyed by fire. Damage was estimated at $12,000.

Express Confidence

Following last week's momentous resignation of Richard M. Nixon and the inauguration of this nation's 38th president, the following Western Union message was forwarded to 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington D.C., 20050.

Friday, Aug. 9, 1974
10:10 a.m.

President Gerald Ford

We are elated yet saddened with the events of this day. We share in your great concern for Richard Nixon. We express our unswerving confidence in your ability to lead, and send our continued love and support to you and your family.

God be with you

Carlen Anderson
Mayor, City of Lowell

Ada Construction Doubles '73 Mark

Ada Township Building Inspector Fred Clancy in releasing the July construction figures for new homes, revealed a 100 percent increase over the same seven-month period in 1973.

"Through July of last year we had issued 42 permits for new homes," Clancy said. "This year we issued 84 permits in the same category. However, as a point of interest, the average cost last year was $33,454 while this year the average is down to $31,250."

Included in Clancy's July report to the Board were the facts that Ada had 14 homes started in July with a total valuation of $462,545, and miscellaneous building permits totalling another $24,900.

ROSIE DRIVE INN–Special this week: Hot Dogs, 2 for 67¢. Tuesday night Family Night, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. c19

"AMERICAN GRAFFITI"–starting tonight at the Strand Theatre in Lowell, Wednesday, August 14 thru August 22. c19

City Re-Adopts Sewer Ordinance

City business was disposed of in a short session of the regular meeting of the Lowell City Council on Monday night, August 5.

The sewer ordinance, requiring all structures within the City, from which sewage originates, to connect to the City's sanitary sewer system by August 1, 1975, had to be re-adopted at the August 5 meeting. Originally adopted May 7, 1973 as a requirement of receiving an HUD grant for the sewer separation project, the ordinance had failed to become a part of the City's sewer ordinance.

Council also set August 19, the next regular meeting date, for a Public Hearing on the City Planning Commission's recommendation to vacate Grant, Marsac and North Streets lying west of Lafayette Street.

A request from the Liquor Control Commission for transfer of Tavern and SDM license of the Village Inn to Winthrop and Marian Setchfield was approved.

Council members also gave approval to the yearly contract agreement between the City and the airport.

There was also some discussion concerning the proposed sidewalk on South Hudson with the possibility it might yet be constructed this fall.

It was also noted that Michigan Bell Telephone is installing underground service in the area.

Next regular meeting of your City Council is Monday, August 19, at 8 p.m.

Crash Causes Power Failure

A Grand Rapids Man, Eugene D. Crawford, 22, of 2646 E. Beltline Ave. SE, was listed in fair condition Monday at Butterworth Hospital with a deep facial laceration and head injuries suffered in a crash that caused a minor power loss at Ada.

Kent County Sheriff's Deputies said Crawford was driving alone south on Ada Drive near Thornapple River Drive SE about 2:25 a.m. when his car jumped a curb and rode about 100 feet on the sidewalk before striking a Consumers Power Company pole.

Power was out for nearly an hour for nine Ada village customers, Consumers officials said.

New Student Registration

Any student who has moved into the Lowell Area School district this summer and plans to attend Lowell Senior High School this year should call the school to make an appointment to register.

The counselors will be registering new students by appointment in the student services center of the high school on August 21, 22, and 23. The school phone number is 897-9202.

Even though ninth grade students were registered last spring at the Middle School, this is a reminder to them that before entering high school, it is necessary for all ninth grade students to have a physical examination. Parents should make arrangements for their student to have an examination by the family doctor.

Physical cards are available at the high school office and should be picked up before going to your doctor so that he can fill out the card for the school records.

The August 6th Primary Results

The Republican party in Michigan's 5th Congressional District will attempt to win back the seat it lost last February to Rep. Richard F. VanderVeen with Paul Goebel, jr., a Grand Rapids insurance executive and member of the Kent County Board of Commissioners, as its nominee.

In the August 6th Primary, Goebel found himself in a real struggle against Charles M.Wiersma. The final tabulation gave Goebel 17,853 votes to Wiersma's 14,-535. VanderVeen, the first Democrat to hold the 5th District Seat since 1910, held some 25 years by Gerald R. Ford, ran unopposed and received 25,589 votes.

The figures include the entire district vote which takes in all of Kent County, all of Ionia County, except one township and portions of Montcalm, Clinton and Barry Counties.

Governor's Vote

Sander Levin brushed aside a Democratic primary challenge Tuesday with a solid 2-1 victory over Jerome Cavanaugh to set the stage for his rematch with Republican incombent Governor William G. Milliken.

When 97 percent of the light statewide vote was counted Levin had 436,470 to Cavanaugh's 197,224. Conservative Attorney James Wells collected 82,112 of the party total. Milliken garnered 317,079 votes im the uncontested GOP primary.

The total vote in Kent County was light, following a statewide pattern. Of the 228,287 County voters registered, less than 50,000 turned out to vote, giving a low 22 percent.

In The Townships

ADA TOWNSHIP: Republican, John H. Forshar, supervisor; Kenneth Anderson, clerk; Orison Weaver, treasurer; Karl Kenna, trustee.

Democratic, Edna C. Martin, trustee.

BOWNE TOWNSHIP: Republican, J. Irvin Rodgers, supervisor; Evelyn Smith, clerk; Richard Fairchild, treasurer; Kenneth Sinclair, trustee.

Democratic, none.

CASCADE TOWNSHIP: Paul E. Neumann won the Republican nomination for supervisor, upsetting Daniel R. Ellinger, trustee, by a vote of 599 to 339.

Incumbent Clerk Edward L. Meyer won renomination over Claudia Machusak, 667 to 179. Charles S. Burlingham, appointed trustee, won nomination for a four-year term, as did Jack Lewis. Burlingham had 417 votes, Lewis 406. Defeated trustee candidates were William N. Stellin, 383, and Michael E. Vekasi, 285. There was no Democratic candidate.

GRATTAN TOWNSHIP: Republican, none.

Democratic, Robert C. Lamoreaux, supervisor; James A. Byrne, clerk; Lucille S. Slowinski, treasurer; Martin Byrne, trustee.

LOWELL TOWNSHIP: Carl Haddan defeated Stephen G. Uhen, 93041, to win the Republican nomination for a four-year trusteeship, and Richard M. Huver beat Richard D. Squires, 87-47, to win Republican nomination to fill a vacant trustee seat.

Incumbents Elmer Smith, supervisor; Carol Wells, clerk, and Doris Boyd, treasurer, took the Republican nominations for their jobs without opposition.

No Democrat entered the race.

VERGENNES TOWNSHIP: Republican, Carl Kropf, supervisor; Irene B. Osborne, clerk; Elmer Wittenbach, treasurer; Richard C. Bieri, trustee.

Democrats, none.

In the race for the Third District Kent County Commisioner's seat, Arnold Wittenbach of Lowell easily won a try for a second term, beating Thomas S. Reges, 1,336 to 740, in the Republican primary. Reges campaigned heavily on the landfill issue, saying he would push for special details in the creation of a site in Cascade Township. He said the growing Cascade and Ada Townships were not served adequately by Wittenbach. Reges didn't win in any of the district's six townships.

Democrat candidate Harry Hough, unopposed, received 554 votes.

Marching Band Camp

All Lowell High School band students should report to the band room at 9 a.m., August 19, with their instruments.

Band Director, Robert Rice, has announced that the summer band camp will commence at this time, running Monday through Friday.

Rice revealed the camp hours will be 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 1:30 p.m. to 4 o'clock.

TOO MUCH RAIN!

Thunderstorms have brought some heavy rains to the nation's drought parched midlands. They broke what some experts called the worst drought since the Dust Bowl days of the 1930's, but posed yet another threat to crops–too much rain.

Allen Pearson of the National Severe Storms Forecast Center at Kansas City, Missouri, warned that heavy rains could do more harm than good.

"The weather map looks like spring," Pearson said. "If it's one thing this area doesn't need, it's another bunch of gully washers. We had enough of that this spring."

All Invited To Alto Tractor Pull Saturday

This year's Tractor Pull in Alto will be very different from last years. According to the sponsors, the Alto Businessmen's Association, the second annual event is more organized and should be more competitive.

The contest, which is to be held this Saturday, August 17, will begin shortly after 12:30, the deadline for weigh-ins at Bergy Brother's Elevator.

There will be different weight classes for farm tractors with standard blocks and modified blocks. Competition is open to garden, farm, modified and super stock entries. Premiums in each class will be awarded.

Tractors will be hitched to a progressive weight transfer machine (called "Big Moe")–not a stoneboat–and will pull in a field at the corner of 64th Street and Timpson Avenue.

Anyone interested in competing should call 868-6012 or 868-6883, for more pertinent details on Saturday's program.

Those who do not have a tractor or who don't want to enter the contest may just want to enjoy the action from the sidelines. "We cordially invite everyone" commented the Association, "we hope all will come out for a big day."

The tractor pull will start a chain of events in Alto. From the pull site, spectators can stop off at the Alto Elementary School at 6 p.m., where a Little League baseball game will be played, starring some of the best of the crop.

From there, the action will be happening on Alto's Main Street (Linfield Avenue) where an old-fashioned "Street Dance" will begin at 9 p.m. There'll be live music, lots of fun, and refreshments available.

The climax of the day will be the giving away of a hind quarter of beef to the lucky ticket holder. This phase of the day is also promoted by the Alto Businessmen.

Taking part, also in the planning and preparations for the day are the members of the Alto Sportsmen's Club and Alto American Legion Post No. 528, who will be serving refreshments at the tractor pull and the dance.

Golden Swinger Leaders

A recent election held by Lowell's Senior Citizens' Group, The Golden Swingers, resulted in Emory Bowen being installed into his third term as president. Joining him on the leadership roster are: Nettie Squires (absent from the picture) vice-president; Louise Stowe, second vice-president; Margaret Miller, secretary; and Delores Laux, treasurer.

County Officials' Annual Meeting

More than 400 county officials will take an in depth look at the "future of county government in Michigan" during the 76th annual meeting of the Michigan Association of Counties, August 14-16 at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island.

After hearing both gubernatorial candidates address the meeting on the first day, the county delegates will take part in several panels which will discuss specialized areas of concern. After the election of directors, Dr. John Dempsey, Director of the Department of Management and Budget and one of the top assistants to the Governor will discuss the executive office's position on the proposed Human Services Department (Super Agency) which has been opposed by most county officials.

The final item on the agenda will be a panel discussion which will feature Dr. Gerald Miller, another top aide of the Governor and Director of the Office of Intergovernmental Relations; State Senator Carl Pursell, author of the county executive bill; and Bernard Hillenbrand, Executive Director of the National Association of Counties who will present their views on the future of counties from the congressional, federal, state executive and legislative standpoints.

Freshman Football Players To Report

Lowell High School Freshmen football coach Mike Clark, this week issued a call for all prospective players to report.

"We'll begin pre-season conditioning following the round-up," Clark explained.

"All boys interested in playing during the 1974 schedule," Clark added, "should report to the fieldhouse at 1 p.m. on August 19."

AROUND the AREA

Miss Lisa Lawrence returned home last Wednesday after spending several days with the John Colson family of Rockford.

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U.S. Air Force Sergeant Norman L. Dawson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Dawson of Clarksville, has been selected Outstanding Airman of the Quarter in his unit at Empire Air Force Station, Mich.

Sergeant Dawson, an electronics-communications systems repairman, was selected for his superior duty performance, leadership and exemplary conduct.

He is assigned to the 752nd Radar Squadron, a unit of the Aerospace Defense Command.

The sergeant's wife, Donna, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Blough of Alto.

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Funeral services were held Saturday for Frank Meyering, 69, who passed away August 7 upon admittance at St. Mary's Hospital. Among his survivors is a brother, Jack, of Cascade.

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John J. Przybylo, jr., 51, of Grand Rapids, passed away August 8. Besides his wife, Mildred, he leaves a daughter, two sons, two step-daughters, one step-son, nine grandchildren; his father, a brother, a sister, and a sister-in-law, Mrs. Dorothy Preblo, of Lowell.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Frazee, former Cascade area residents, have made a return visit here to spend some time with their relatives and friends.

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Mrs. Stella Belding is now at the Springbrook Nursing Center in Grand Rapids. She would appreciate hearing from her friends.

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It's anniversary time for Mr. and Mrs. Terry Raab, August 15; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thaler, August 20.

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Mr. and Mrs. B. A. McQueen of Lowell will mark their 50th wedding anniversary on August 19.

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Mrs. Marion Noviskey, 166 Pleasant Street, Lowell, entered Blodgett Hospital, Room 240, for a spinal operation. She will appreciate hearing from her many friends.

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Mr. and Mrs. Howell Minges of Ann Arbor are in Lowell for a week's visit.

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Belated birthday wishes to John Dawson, August 8; Mrs. Walter Schroder, August 9 and Veronica (Ronnie) Dawson, August 12.

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Mr. and Mrs. Roger Raymor will celebrate their 16th wedding anniversary August 17.

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Per Ahlund, a Swedish exchange student, will make his home with Rev. and Mrs. Dean Bailey and family. He will enter Lowell High School, where he will be a senior.

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Darryl E. Onan and Kathy M. Spicer were united in marriage August 3, in the sanctuary of the First United Methodist Church of Lowell.

In the hospital–Phil Watterson, C. Allen Sawdy, Lulu Manciu, Angeline Shippey, Butterworth; Robert McWhinney, Kent Community; Emma Quiggle, Brian Bishop, Blodgett.

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Recently released from the hospital was Barbara Doyle.

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Twenty members of the Congregational Cheerful Doers organization were treated to a delightful luncheon last Thursday noon at Porter Hills Village by a resident, Mrs. Mae Healey.

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Mrs. Melvin (Ida) Court will celebrate her 91st birthday on August 23.

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Myrtle Harr–Kent Community in room 6148 would enjoy a visit from friends. Visiting hours are from 1 to 8 p.m.

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Ernest R. Michael, 81, of Howard City, died August 12 at Kelsey Memorial Hospital in Lakeview. Among his survivors is a daughter, Mrs. William (Juanita) Nelson of Lowell.

An English philosopher slept with a barrel of tar water in his bedroom to cure a cold.

Arthur R. Carter, 78, Passes Away Unexpectedly

Arthur R. Carter, aged 78, of Cascade, a life member of the Paris Grange, No. 19, passed away unexpectedly August 5 in Blodgett Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Carter is survived by his wife, Florence; one son, Richard A. Carter of Wyckoff, New Jersey, five grandchildren, Brenda and Steven Henning of Kentwood, Eric, Gregory and Kevan Carter of Wyckoff, New Jersey; one sister, Mrs. Clyde (Minnie) Arnold of Kentwood and two brothers, Clifford of Cedar Springs and Wilmer of Ann Arbor.

Funeral services were held in the Metcalf Chapel Thursday with interment being made in Oakgrove Cemetery.

Alto Man Passes

Herbert H. Stein, aged 63, of 9710–84th Street, Alto, passed away August 10.

He is survived by his wife, Lois; three sons, Gregory R., Ronald C., and David G.; two sisters, Mrs. Arthur (Ann) Rothbard of Grand Rapids, and Mrs. M. J. (Dorothy) Lamb of Casnovia; five grandchildren.

He was a member of R. C. Hathaway Lodge No. 387 F.&A.M., Caledonia, Grand Rapids Chapter No. 7 R.A.M., charter member Scottish Rite Body in Phoenix, Arizona, and DeMolai Commandry No. 5 K.T.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services were held Wednesday morning at the Grandville United Methodist Church on Wilson Avenue.

Ada Area Resident Frederick Heberly Dies

Frederick R. Heberly, aged 61, of 10373 Five Mile Road NE, Ada, passed away August 5.

He is survived by his wife, Virginia; one daughter, Mrs. Bonnie K. Harrington; one son, James; one brother, James.

Funeral arrangements were made by Roth-Gerst Funeral Home of Lowell with cremation following.

Alto Garden Club's Miscellaneous Sale

A miscellaneous sale, open to the public, will be sponsored Wednesday, August 21, by the ladies of the Alto Garden Club.

Each member is to bring something to sell, and come prepared to buy. The sale will begin at 10 a.m. at the Alto General Store.

A club business meeting will be held following a lunch at the home of Mable Bergy. Bring your own sack lunch.

On the day's program will be two reports–the first on the 'Wild Iris Family' by Mable Thompson and the second, by Ruby Avery on 'Poisonous Wild Flowers.'

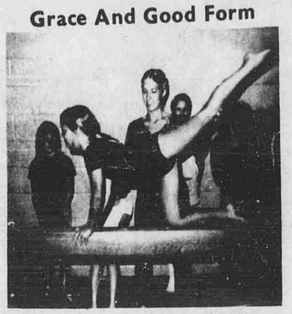
Engagement Told

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Norman of 8369 Whittal Rd., Rockford, announce the engagement of their daughter, Phyllis, to Alan D. Arnett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Arnett of Lowell.

Miss Norman is a 1972 graduate of Rockford High. Mr. Arnett graduated from Lowell in 1970.

No wedding date has been set.

Grace And Good Form



Gymnastics teaches grace and is a good form of exercise. Mrs. Kathy Swift is shown instructing one of the YMCA Summer Gymnastics Classes.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

In May I was asked to start a PTA for the Lowell Area Schools. Mr. Sinke has asked that those with concern attend. The Principals will tell what's heppening in their school. The Middle School is starting an Exploratory Class and no study hall. Runciman has reading helpers. The Summer class brought students up six months to a year in their grades. Board member Phil Kropf and Dave Miller will be there to discuss your concerns and get back to you on any problems you have.

September 15, Mr. Jim Smith of the Effective Training Association will discuss the Parent Effectiveness Training Class now offered. It deals with Problem Solving, Listening and counseling skills values and is a valuable class to any parent or professional.

Mrs. Karen Shanon, director of The East Kent Community Center will discuss how the Center helps families during a crisis.

October 15, President of the Professional and Business Women's Club, Mrs. Ila Melle, will discuss what the club is doing in Lowell, also that Continuing Ed. Aid is available to members.

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Women's Resource Center, Jan B, will be here to talk on the many new opportunities opening up to women and how this center helps women in Career Planning and college, and understanding yourself. Many seminars are held to help you.

Marilyn Chambers of Grand Valley State College is interested in women out of school for five years, who would like to return to college on full or part time basis. Aid is available. You pick your own hours.

November 5, Mrs. Pat Cohill, chairman of the group called Women Survival of Agriculture, will discuss what this group is doing in Kent County for farmers. It's a women's group supported orally by the men and you men are invited to come . . .

Election for officers will be held in November and we want your in-put. Would you like to have movies for 25 cents, once a month? Christmas Carnivals? A voice in the school issues? Then this is the place for you. School board members and principals will be there. See you Tuesday, September 17 at 7:30 p.m. at the Senior High School.

Nancy Kehoe

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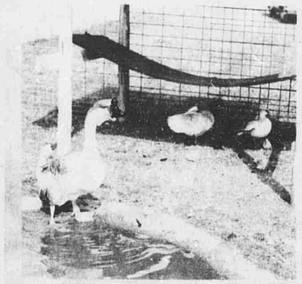

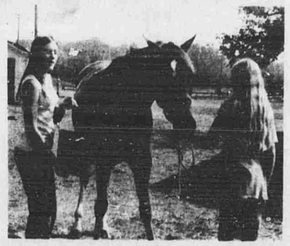

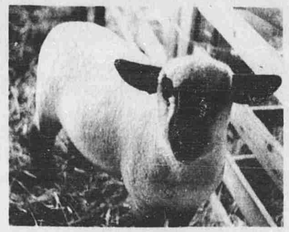

Record entries and shows jammed the midway and exhibit areas last week of the Kent County 4-H Youth Fair at the Lowell 4-H fairgrounds.

"It's the biggest fair we've ever seen and there isn't an inch left for it to grow," was the way Kent County Extension Service Director Richard W. Reath described the fairgrounds. The Extension Service gives direction to 4-H Youth Clubs in the county through the efforts of specialist agents employed by Michigan State University.

Except for a brief thunderstorm which passed over the area Thursday night, it was a perfect fair week, weatherwise.

Most of the people who have watched the fair grow from a one-day affair in the 1920's, were in agreement that this year's happenings were by far the best yet.

For the exhibitors who worked all year long on their projects there were Blue, Red and White ribbons deemed the premium award by the judges, with only a select few being honored with 'Best of Show' ribbons, enabling them to go on to the State 4-H Fair in Lansing.

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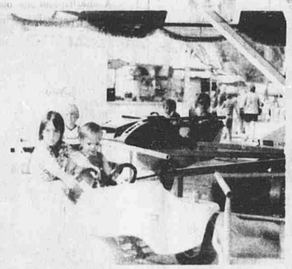

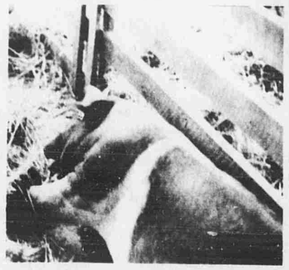

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More Of The Life Of Dr. Ruth Herrick

CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK

These excerpts from the life of Dr. Ruth Herrick of Lowell, were written and compiled by O. Joe Olson for the Dolphin News, the official Greentown, Indiana, publication.

In three parts, we are reprinting this factual account of her life for our readers.

Indian Lore As First Love

By Al De Zutter

Walking with her father along an old Indian trail in the Licking County hills of Ohio, eight-year-old Ruth Herrick stumbled upon an arrowhead.

The discovery was not an uncommon one, but it started her upon a long, winding trail that has led to many historical and archeological discoveries. Today, more than 50 years later, the trail is showing no signs of coming to an end.

Ruth Herrick, who for many years has been practicing medical doctor in Grand Rapids, still has that arrowhead. She also has thousands of other objects she has bought, some that have been given to her, and others she has found or dug up on numerous explorations.

Stirred Collector's Instinct.

She still remembers the original thrill of finding an authentic Indian arrowhead. It aroused in Dr. Herrick what she called the "natural collector's instinct."

This week she will speak to a chapter of the Michigan Archeological Society about a series of discoveries that have proved to be the thrill of a lifetime as a collector.

The discoveries have led Dr. Herrick along the paths of Western Michigan history and Indian lore. They have been one of the most satisfying to her in terms of the search for knowledge–the "desire to know," as she puts it–which to her is an integral part of her hobby.

Since 1949, Dr. Herrick has been unearthing hundreds of objects of Indian treasure from "somewhere near the bank of the Grand River, east of Grand Rapids, almost where the Thornapple river empties."

She does not plan to reveal the exact location until she is sure she has "found all there is to find there."

Treasure of Trade Silver

The buried treasure consists mainly of silver articles –brooches, crosses, bracelets, ear bobs and other decorative objects–all made by white men and traded to the Ottawa Indians for furs.

Some of the silver pieces found had the initials of the smith engraved on them. One she identified was Robert Cruickshank, a famous Montreal silversmith, who worked from 1774 to 1808.

The jewelry included several heart-shaped silver pieces known as Luckenbooth brooches made for centuries in Edinburgh, Scotland. Dr. Herrick has been able to determine from the history of Western Michigan the two early traders who were the most likely distributors.

This discovery has been a great satisfaction to Dr. Herrick who terms work with Indian artifacts as her "first love." She called the hobby "a gorgeous recreation of finding things."

Dr. Herrick has contributed many displays of rare historical artifacts to the Grand Rapids Public Museum. These have included Indian ankle beads, trading beads, food buckets from the War of 1812, medicine bottles from England, cut glass beads from Bohemia and overlay glass ware from Venice.

All of these finds, Dr. Herrick said, were made "practically next to my doorstep." She plans to continue her explorations for Indian artifacts, and added:

"There is always a shovel in my car."

Herrick's Chocolate No. 11

Soon after starting a tour of the Herrick museum at Lowell, Mich., in the fall of 1972, we were examining arrowheads, spears and stone scrapers in the Indian artifacts section of the basement.

In the corner was a dark brown tankard water pitcher, 12" in height, depicting an Indian chief, a product of the Weller Art Pottery company. We admired the painting of Chief Spotted Tail signed by the artist, E. Sulcer, and the pitcher which was impressed "Louwelsa Weller" on the bottom.

Much later, studying a display of Pattern No. 11 upstairs, we noted that Dr. Herrick lacked the lemonade tumbler in chocolate. We told her that we had one and she expressed an interest in owning it.

Two months later we exchanged the No. 11 chocolate tumbler for her tankard pitcher plus some cash to Dr. Herrick. The tankard Indian pitcher is a tangible reminder of a memorable person and event.

Dr. Herrick's Two Museums

Dr. Herrick had a strong affinity for the past. Her life-long interest in antique implements, house furnishings, lighting devices, ironware, china and glassware found display space in two museums she established, one in Grand Rapids and the second in Lowell.

The Grand Rapids museum started in the laundry and a coal bin of her residence and expanded to occupy a converted garage. On May 29, 1949, Dr. Herrick held an "open house" for the carpenters, contractors, plumbers and electricians who had worked on her museum, for members of their families and for other friends.

Vast Display of Collectibles

They saw more than 150 old oil lamps and large collections of iron, brass and porcelain mortars and pestles from all parts of the world, primitive tools and equipment including yokes, coffee mills, sleighbells, copper kettles, jugs and eathenware hot water bottles.

There were 31 different horse bits including a serrated mule bit and a tongue bit with an iron flat piece in the middle for horses that permit their tongues to hang out, Dr. Herrick explained. One prize was a Civil War military bit with the U.S. insignia.

Early logging equipment included log branding hammers, a broadax, gongs, log measures and other tools.

Glassware on Second Floor

On the second floor of the museum were Dr. Herrick's large collections of Dutchware and glassware. She had many blown glass bottles in various sizes, cup plates, salt dips and considerable carnival glass.

Several hundred persons responded to the invitation to view artifacts from years ago. A reporter from the Grand Rapids Press who covered the affair wrote that Dr. Herrick "has been collecting for several years and the display was one of the largest and most varied in this area." He quoted Dr. Herrick as saying:

"The garage was too small for the car so I decided to build a new garage and use the old one for my museum. But I've only begun to get things into shape. Probably I never will be finished."

Undoubtedly one of Dr. Herrick's great ambitions was achieved in the second museum she built and filled at Lowell, 17 miles east of Grand Rapids. Shortly after moving her practice there in 1961, she bought a small house at 211 North Grove, a short side street nearly across from her residence-office at 908 East Main. The house was on the side of a gently sloping hill.

CONTINUED NEXT WEEK

OPEN LETTER from

DAVID GERST

Dear Friends,

In selecting a funeral service, the desire to show loving respect for the departed, yet to avoid later financial hardship to the survivors, these considerations will dictate a sensible choice of casket, vault, and clothing. A frank discussion with the funeral director, being mindful of the position of the deceased in the community and the financial situation of those who remain, should result in a satisfactory arrangement.

Respectfully,

David Gerst

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School Tours For Freshmen

Freshmen and other students new to Lowell Senior High School are invited by the Guidance staff to come to the high school on August 20 for a tour of the building.

Tenth grade students will show the new students around the school, answer any questions, and give out locker assignments. These orientation tours will be conducted informally so come in any time between 8 and 12 in the morning or between 1 and 3 in the afternoon of August 20 to find your locker and to get acquainted with the school before the rush of the first day of school.

Report to the student services center when you come in for your tour.

Guest Ministers

Rev. Gordon Blossom, president of the New Horizons Youth Ministries, is to be the guest preacher at the Cascade Christian Church at both services, Sunday, August 18.

Rev. Blossom has long been active in youth work, and pioneered the founding of Honey Creek Boy's Home, near Lowell.

Speaking at the church on Sunday, September 1, at both the 9:15 and 10:30 services will be Ben L. Herring, the new associate pastor at Cascade Christian.

BIRTHS

Sarah Grace Ballema, born July 6 at Butterworth Hospital in Grand Rapids. She weighed eight pounds, six ounces.

The new arrival is at home with her parents, Dick and Lois Ballema, 703 E. Main, Lowell.

CATSUP FROM CALIFORNIA?

There's about a 3 to 1 chance that the processed tomato product you open comes from California. The state grows more than 4 million tons of canning tomatoes annually or about 75 percent of U.S. production.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

THURSDAY, AUGUST 15

The Golden Swingers, Lowell's Senior Citizens, will have a picnic at Fallasburg Park Thursday, August 15, at noon. Potluck dinner followed by games. All welcome.

The Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) will hold a "Bring-a-Friend" Potluck Thursday, August 15, 12 o'clock noon at the First United Methodist Church, 227 E. Fulton. Volunteers are encouraged to come, Bring-a-Friend, and enjoy good fellowship.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17

Alto Businessmen's second annual tractor pull at 1 p.m. at the corner of 64th Street and Timpson Avenue, Saturday, August 17. Street dance at 9 p.m.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 18

Vintage automobiles of yesteryear's motoring world will chug their way into Charlton Park, between Hastings and Nashville, Sunday, August 18, for the fifth annual Auto Show and Swap Meet.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 20

Flat River Post 8303, V.F.W., will meet Tuesday, August 20, at their club rooms at 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21

The Garden Lore Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Edna Overway on Wednesday, Aug. 21, at 12:30 p.m. for a potluck picnic. Please bring your own table service.

The annual State Police sale of confiscated, unclaimed and recovered merchandise will be held Wednesday, August 21, at the former Boys' Vocational Training School in Lansing. Sale hours will be from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Services Conducted For Former Bowne Resident

Funeral services were held Monday, August 5, 1974 at the Roth-Gerst Funeral Home for Elmer C. Ellis, 79, of Schneider Manor, Lowell, who passed away on Saturday, August 3, at Kent Community Hospital. Reverend Richard Greenwood of the Lowell Congregational Church officiated at the service. Interment was made in Bowne Center Cemetery.

Born on May 26, 1895 in Bowne township, Mr. Ellis resided during his early years in the McCords-Alto area. In October 1916 he married Anna Flynn of Bowne Township and in 1932 moved to Lowell.

An auto mechanic most of his working years, Ellis also sold cars and sold some of the first radios in the Alto area. Ill health forced his retirement in 1953.

He is survived by his wife, Anna; one son, Robert of Lowell; one daughter, Mrs. Sonny (Joan) Siciliano of Wyoming; six granddaughters; one grandson and two great-grandchildren. One son, Gerald, preceded him in death, December 11, 1941.

Women Of The Moose To Meet August 19

The Lowell Women of the Moose, Chapter 1388, will hold their monthly Chapter Night meeting Monday, August 19, at their clubrooms.

Star Recorder Mrs. Deil Smit, chairman and her co-worker Mrs. Muriel Abrahams will be in charge of the program which will start at 8 p.m.

All co-workers are urged to attend. Lunch will be served by the committee.

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Evening Worship 6:00 p. m.

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Morning Worship 10:00 a. m.
Sunday School (All Ages) 11:00 a. m.
Youth Group 3:00 p. m.
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Wednesday Prayer Service 7:15 p.m.

Forest Hills Community Reformed Church
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Church School 11:00 a. m.
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Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
Church School 9:45 a. m.

First Baptist Church - Alto
CORNER OF 60TH STREET & BANCROFT AVENUE
Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
Worship 11 a. m. & 7:30 p. m.
Wednesday Prayer Fellowship 7:30 p. m.
Telephone – 868-3011

First United Methodist Church Of Lowell
621 EAST MAIN STREET 897-7514
"The Good Samaritan" Luke 10:29-37
Worship 8:30 & 9:45 a.m.
Church School 9:45 a.m.
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Sunday School 11:15 a. m.
Evening Service 6:00 p. m.
Wednesday Service 7:30 p. m.

First Baptist Church - Lowell
2275 WEST MAIN STREET
Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
Evening Services 7:00 p. m.
Word of Life 8:15 p. m.
Wednesday Training Hour 7:30 p. m.
REV. EARL DECKER – 897-8835

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201 NORTH WASHINGTON STREET
REV. W. E. HOLCOMB
Church School 10:00 a. m.
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3. Lorraine Tiemeyer

Sr. Calf
1. Ed Alverson
2. Martin Peterson
3. Lynn Wilcox

Jr. Yearling
1. Lavonda Rodgers
2. Phil Knisely
3. Carol Baird

Sr. Yearling
1. Cathy Baird
2. Chris Baird
3. Lloyd Flanagan

2 Yr. Old
1. Ed Alverson
2. Kim Lamoreaux
3. Paul Meyer

3 Yr. Old
1. Chris Baird
2. Lloyd Flanagan
3. Penny Oesch

4 Yr. Old
1. Jeff Oesch
2. Kelly Shade
3. Sam Oesch

Aged Cow
1. Phil Knisely
2. Rob Lamoreaux
3. Jeff Oesch

Best Udder
1. Ed Alverson
2. Kim Lamoreaux
3. Diane Rasch

Daughter & Dam
1. Paul Meyer
2. Carol Baird
3. Diane Rasch

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Reserve Champion – Int. Calf – David Baird
Sr. Champion, 2 Yr. Old – Ed Alverson
Reserve Champion, Aged Cow – Phil Knisely
Grand Champion, 2 Yr. Old, Ed Alverson
Reserve Champion, Aged Cow, Phil Knisely

Jr. Showmanship	Sr. Showmanship
1. Ed Alverson	1. Sam Oesch
2. Paul Meyer	2. Loraine Tiemeyer
3. Paul DeWinter	3. Jeff Oesch
4. Chris Dean	4. Deb Dean
5. Sheila Nugent	5. Sally Oesch
6. Mark Wilcox	6. Tom Oesch

Highest producing Cow
1. Jeff Oesch
2. Carol Baird
3. Chris Baird

Guernsey (5 Animals)

Sr. Calf John Tiemeyer
Intermediate Calf Carla Waldeck
Sr. Yearling
1. Carla Waldeck
2. Alice VanLaan

Jr. Champion Sr. Yr. – Carla Waldeck
Reserve Champion Sr. Calf – John Tiemeyer
2 Yr. Old – Paul Brandt
Sr. Champion – Paul Brandt
Grand Champion, 2 Yr. Old – Paul Brandt
Reserve Champion, Sr. Yearling – Carla Waldeck

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Brown Swiss (5 Animals)

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Jr. Yearling
1. Carl Fuss – Jr. Ch.
2. David Fuss – Res. Ch.

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Aged Cow
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Daughter & Dam Ann Perry

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Diane Lott–B Group–5th Flag Race–A Group– Decoupage.
Jeff Frazer–A Group–2nd Grade Halter, 5th Reining, 5th Horsemanship.
Patti Prins–A Group–3rd Horsemanship.
Julie Thompson–A Group–2nd Pony Halter.
John Stewart–A Group–5th Trail
Margaret Stewart–A Group–A Group–Decoupage
Maryann Courter–A Group–3rd Pony Showmanship, 3rd Pony Halter, 2nd English Equitation, 5th Pleasure.
Patricia VanSlyke–Leathercraft–A, Painting–A, Creative Writing–A, Decoupage–A, Macrame–A, Metal Craft–A, Indoor Gardening–A, Candles–A, Vet Science–A, Horse Science–A, Horse Demonstration–A, (Best of Show) (State), Plant Science–A, Photography –a, Teen Leadership–A.
Fritz Byam–A Group–5th Pony Showmanship, 4th Pony Horsemanship.
Jo Hineline–A Group–4th Flag Race, 5th Cloverleaf.

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Sunday . . . . 7:30 a.m.

Forest Hills Club Plans Family Picnic

The annual 'family picnic' for members of the Forest Hills Sno-mobile Association will be held Saturday, August 24, beginning at 1 p.m., and ending at dark.

Section A in Townsend Park, near the entrance, will be the scene for the get-together which will be started off by games for all.

Each member is asked to bring hotdogs, hamburgers, or whatever, beverages, and a dish to pass, for the picnic which will be devoured around 4 p.m.

The last event of the day will be a rematch softball game between the Jetcats and the Yamadoos. Be there for the action.

In case of rain, but think positive, the picnic will be held at the clubhouse on Ada Drive.

Reviving A Victim

Artificial Resuitation is a main subject in the YMCA Senior Lifesaving Course now in progress. With the aid of "Resusci Annie," a resuitation dummy, instructor Jim Trewhella shows Scott McCambridge, Karen Anderson, Pam Weeks, Sue Condon, Sue Stevens, and Lori McCambridge the steps in reviving a drowning victim. The pupils are also taught how to save a person that is in trouble in the water, and they are learning that a rescue can be made from land or water through the use of ring buoys, articles of clothing, and swimming carries.

Class Schedules

Lowell senior high students will be receiving their class schedules for the 1974-75 school year about August 24 by mail. Locker assignments will accompany the schedules. Any student who does not receive a schedule, please contact the school.

On August 27 and 28 the counselors will be in the student services center of the high school to make changes in student schedules to allow for the necessary changes as for on the job or skill center. Students are asked to call before coming to the school to make these changes.

Alto Sportsmen End Summer League

Saturday, August 10, the Alto Sportsman's Club finished their summer league with a banquet and Calcutta Shoot, after which trophies were presented to summer league shooters.

Members who received team trophies were Mike Crysler, Lois Kauffman, Joe Popowich, Jim Murphy, Dan Kovalick.

Class AA, Floyd Seese, A, Earl Wieland; B, Gene Kuyt; C, Jerry Rogers; D, Paul Seese.

Mike Crylser took high game; Reetha Seese, High woman; Jeff Scott, High Jr. Boy: Liz Graham, High Jr. girl; Jr. Runnerup was Annie Lott; Jr. Runnerup (Boys) Paul Seese; Most improved, Annie Lott,

Calcutta Shoot, Jeff Lott, Mike Crysler, and Floyd Seese.

Mike Chrysler, a young man from Belding who joined the club two years ago did very exceptional shooting in the Calcutta Shoot. He shot 90 straight before missing a bird. However, the shoot being on a handicap basis, was won by Jeff Lott, as Mike would have had to shoot a perfect 100 to win.

Mr. and Mrs. Orton Seese celebrated their 26th wedding anniversary Saturday with the Club at the Alto Sportsman's Club. They wish to thank the Club for a grand day.

The next meeting will be held Monday, September 16 at 8 o'clock at the Sportsman's Club.

There will be a qualifying shoot for teams to go to the M.U.C.C. State Shoot for league members next Sunday, August 18 and Wednesday, August 21.

Marriage Announced

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Story of Lowell announce the marriage of his daughter, Sharon, to John Cromartie, Friday, August 9, in Fountain Street Church Chapel, Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Cromartie is an elementary teacher in the Lowell School System.

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Voters To Face Money Issues In November

When Michigan residents go to the polls next November 5 to elect a new Legislature, the governor, congressmen and top judges and several other top state officials, they also will have an opportunity to vote on three special proposals which could mean more--or less--money in their pockets.

One of those proposals could mean both more and less money in their pockets, strangely enough. It is a proposal to eliminate from the constitution the sales tax of four percent on food and two percent on prescription drugs.

Backers of the proposal contend that it will save the average Michigan family between $60 to $70 a year, although some financial experts contend this is a bit too high.

The lure of saving that much money may blind many voters to the fact that it may ultimately cost them more than they gain because, state budget officials contend, there will be an increase in the state income tax from 3.9 to 4.4 percent to make up the revenue that will be lost if a majority of the voters approve the proposition.

The proposition will be on the ballot if the elections division finds that 265,000 of the estimated 315,000 names on petition signatures are valid.

A proposal that will help veterans of the Vietnam era is a proposition to bond the state for an estimated $205 million. It would give cash bonuses of up to $600 to combat veterans of the Vietnam war era. Those who served in noncombatant roles would get $15 for each month they served up to a maximum of $450. The bonds would be retired from income from taxes.

Finally on the ballot will be Gov. William G. Milliken's proposal for a $1.1 billion bond issue to finance a vast transportation program, largely centered in the 7-county metropolitan area of southeastern lower Michigan. Backers of the bond issue contend it will not require new taxes but some top legislative fiscal experts do not agree that the ultimate estimated cost of $1.5 billion can be paid out of general funds without tax increases. It will be up to the taxpayers to decide.

Another proposal on the November ballot will be one approved by the legislature in 1972 which would, if approved by the voters, bar use of motor vehicle taxes from being used for highway patrol purposes and declare that "not more than one eighteenth of the tax on motor fuels may be diverted from highway purposes for public transportation purposes."

Several proposals failed to obtain sufficient signatures to win places on the November ballot. Among them were propositions to control the use of handguns, reinstate the death penalty in Michigan, limit state taxes to 8.3 percent of the state's total personal income, and roll back salaries of state legislators.

The legislature has until early September to put other proposals on the November ballot.

BITS O' BUSINESS

The Interior Department reportedly is pushing for accelerated development of the nation's oil shale deposits to make the nation independent of foreign oil producers. There is a total of 450 billion barrels of oil in shale deposits in Colorado alone . . . Massachusetts authorities are worried about a sharp increase taking place in number of fatal car accidents involving 18-to-20-years-olds since the state lowered minimum drinking age from 21 to 18.

'TUNED IN'

Clapton Back 'On The Road'

by Rick Moore

The chanting of bare-chested youths in the Fourth of July heat, the hawkers selling tee shirts and programs, the large number of cars with out-of-state license plates--the people had gathered to see a legend, the guitarist's guitarist, the God of the Gibson. After a three-year hiatus, Eric Clapton has returned.

Several hundred of us had shelled out no small amount of cash to attend Clapton's Fourth of July at Ohio State University in Columbus, not knowing who the members of his band would be, not knowing what to expect from the king of string. He had been in hiding for three years, and had made only two personal appearances during that time, releasing no new studio music. Clapton recently admitted that his hibernation was due to heroin addiction, but he kicked his habit, and seemed quite sure of himself when he walked onstage.

Dressed in jeans and a tee shirt, a cigarette dangling from his mouth, "Slowhand" said a few words to the crowd in his cockney accent and started to play. Clapton's attire and no-bull attitude seemed to shout defiance at the Bowies and Rundgrens of the music world. He was there for one thing, and that was to play guitar.

The members of Clapton's new band are Yvonne Elliman (of "Jesus Christ, Superstar"), guitar and vocals; Jamie Oldaker, drums; Dick Sims, keyboards; Carl Radle, bass; and George Terry, guitar. The group started out with some slow ballads, but it wasn't long before Clapton started to play in the style that earned him the title "Best Guitar Player in the World" in Guitar Player magazine in 1970.

The band played two songs from Clapton's days as a member of Blind Faith, and three songs from the new album, "461 Ocean Boulevard;" "Motherless Children," with some great slide guitar from Terry, the soul classic "Willie and the Hand Jive," and "Let it Grow," a Clapton original. The band also jammed for a while and Clapton proved that he's still number one. The audience was a little upset, though, when Eric and friends left without giving an encore.

"461 Ocean Boulevard" perfectly expressed Clapton's musical feelings at this point in time. In addition to the three aforementioned tunes, there is a song by Terry called "Mainline Florida," a tune by Clapton and Elliman called "Get Ready," and songs by Elmore James and Robert Johnson, Clapton's boyhood idols. It's hard to compare this album to Clapton's previous work because his style changes like Michigan weather. But no matter what he plays, Clapton is still number one in most people's books, including mine.

Heat Prostration A Cruel Death

A timely warning from the Kent County Humane Society: leaving your pet in a parked car during the hot summer months, even for a short time, can result in the death of the animal.

Even though windows may be open (making the animal an easy prey to the pet-napper), a parked car becomes unbearably hot in a very short time, and the animal faces a cruel death from heat prostration. Air-conditioned cars are just as likely to become death traps when the cooling system is shut off.

For the sake of your pet, do not leave the animal in your car when the weather is hot. He's better off left at home.

If your dog is overcome by heat exhaustion, you can give immediate first aid by cooling him with cold water and ice, then have a veterinarian check the dog.

Part of the Lowell YMCA Swim Team is pictured getting on the bus to travel to Middleville. On Tuesday, July 23, the YMCA Swimmers had a practice swim meet with the Middleville Team.

U.S. Teachers See Hard Times Ahead

Something odd is happening in the nation's public schools. The children are disappearing.

Whereas a few years ago the nation was in the middle of a baby boom, and school officials could look confidently ahead to growing enrollments, more tax dollars and more teachers, the whole nation is now in the middle of the greatest decrease in the birth rate since the Great Depression. As a result more and more school districts are thinking about firing teachers and closing down school buildings.

"This is a great tragedy for our young people who are coming out of college as teachers and who won't be employed in any great numbers," said Dr. Wilson Riles, who, as head of California's huge public school system, has seen a sudden drop in the number of teachers needed in his state--down 1,000 in one year.

"After world War II," added Riles, "there were so many students that almost any warm body who could stand erect in front of a class was hired. But times have changed."

They have indeed. There were, for example, three million less four-year-olds in the United States in 1970 than there were in 1960.

Why have mothers stopped having babies? Two reasons, according to the experts: The Pill, which gives parents the ability to plan when--and if--they will have children, and the movement toward zero population growth, sparked by fears that the United States is getting overcrowded.

A Gallup Poll of 1967, for example, showed that 40 percent of parents wanted four or more children.

By 1971 that had dropped to 23 percent, while another survey showed that 80 percent of the population sees nothing wrong with a childless marriage.

As a result, the average family size in the United States dropped from 2.8 in 1970 to 2.78 in 1972. If the trend continues, it will be 2.66 in 1980 and 2.59 in 1990.

The result is that teachers are finding it harder and harder to keep their jobs--and teachers fresh out of college are having an even harder time finding employment. In one school district, in fact, a teachers' union has gone to court in an effort to stop massive job cuts.

And then there are the cases like Charlie X (not his real name), a bright young man with a Ph.D. in mathematics who has sent out 300 resumes around the country, trying to find a job. He is willing to work for as little as $850 a month.

So far he hasn't had much luck, though he has high hopes of getting a job in Alaska.

The future isn't completely bleak as far as the teaching profession is concerned. Some experts expect the number of babies born to start increasing about 1980.

This is because the number of potential mothers--women aged 15 to 44--will increase 28 percent by 1985 over the 1960's. Many of these women will have been products of the baby booms of the 1950's.

"We believe that the school age population will be climbing in 1980," said one education expert. "The problem is the next five years."

Another expert was less certain.

"One authority tells us the Pill will push the population down, and the Department of the Census tells us that more potential mothers will cause the population to grow. "It used to be so easy to plan for the future of a school district," added this expert with a sigh. "All you had to do was provide more buildings each year."

PRUNE RAMBLER ROSES AFTER FLOWERS FALL

Hardy rambler roses should be pruned as soon as they're done flowering, according to William Carlson, extension horticulture specialist at Michigan State University.

"This pruning is important," he explains, "because it stimulates the growth of the new canes on which next year's flowers will grow.

"Cut some of the older canes back to the ground and shorten the strong, vigorous canes. The new growth that develops can be trained on a trellis or other support," Carlson advises.

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One hot summer day many of Lowell's youngsters lined up for the open swims at the YMCA Pool at Recreation Park. YMCA Open Swims at 1:30-3 and 7:30-9 p.m. provide lots of fun for both the kids and adults.

Gasoline Tax Collections Drop

Michigan's gasoline tax collections continued to drop in the second quarter ending June 30, posing fresh fears over adequacy of revenues to maintain road and street systems.

Earl F. Rogers, engineer-director of the county road association of Michigan, said official state figures for the April-May-June period show a decrease in motor fuel taxes of $6.6 million or 6.5 percent below the same period a year ago.

"Gasoline tax receipts for the quarter totaled $90.6 million compared with $97.0 million for the same quarter last year while diesel tax revenue dropped from $4.9 million to $4.7 million in the period," Rogers said.

"The continuing decrease in motor fuel taxes which are the main source of revenue for state, county and municipal agencies for the maintenance of roads raises new worry because funds are dwindling at the same time that inflation is increasing operating costs."

Rogers noted that fortunately the blow from decreased revenues was offset by higher auto and truck license receipts during the second quarter. In addition, interest derived from deposits of tax funds was up sharply.

"The 6.5 percent drop in gasoline tax collections was softened by a 17.5 percent increase in weight tax receipts in the April-June period," Rogers declared.

"Official state figures show second quarter license plate returns were $29.7 million compared with $25.3 million a year ago.

"In addition, the state was able to show a net gain of $5.3 million in interest earned on motor vehicle highway funds during the quarter. This represented a 135 percent gain which helped as a one-shot relief to sagging gas collections."

Gross receipts for motor vehicle highway funds during the fiscal year ending June 30 were $60.1 million, up 11.9 percent. After deduction of collection costs and special allocations, however, the amount left for division between state, county and municipal road agencies totaled only $46.2 million, up 9.8 percent.

While gasoline tax collections for the whole fiscal year showed a gain over the prior year, partly reflecting the higher per gallon tax, month-by-month revenues since January have been steadily declining.

State Police have reported an estimated 7.2 percent decrease in travel since January, contributing to the lower gasoline sales.

Letter Policy

The Ledger welcomes all letters from the community and other interested citizens. Some restrictions must be made, however, for reasons of space and time.

Letters should be less than 300-350 words, preferably neatly handwritten or typed.

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All letters must be in by 4 p.m. Friday for publication the following Tuesday.

NOTEBOOK PAPER FROM A CHRISTMAS TREE?

Michigan's oversized Christmas trees may be one answer to the nation's paper shortage, according to Walter A. Lemmien, Michigan State University resident forester at the W.K. Kellogg Forest.

Overgrown Scotch pine trees, intended to be Christmas trees, could be a new source of pulpwood, the forester explains. Located throughout northwest lower Michigan, the trees were planted in the late 1950's and should have been harvested nearly seven years ago. More than 300,000 tons of paper can be obtained from forest thinnings before the final harvest around 1990.

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The survey is conducted monthly by the Bureau for the U.S. Department of Labor in a scientifically designed sample of households throughout the entire United States. The employment and unemployment statistics which are based on results of this survey are used to provide a continuing measure of the economic health of the Nation.

For example, in June the survey indicated that there were 90.9 million men and women in the civilian labor force and 86.2 million were employed. The Nation's unemployment rate, 5.2 percent, was at a level that has held fairly consistent since the beginning of the year.

Facts supplied by individuals participating in the survey are kept strictly confidential by law and the results are used only to compile statistical totals.

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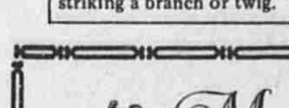

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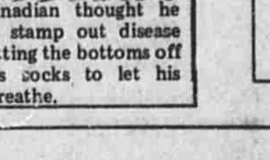

A Canadian thought he could stamp out disease by cutting the bottoms off all his socks to let his feet breathe.

CARD OF THANKS

THANK YOU

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the many people who supported me in the August 6th Primary Election for the nomination of Kent County Commissioner in the Third District. Your continued support in the November 5 General Election will be appreciated. Thank you.

Arnold Wittenbach,
Kent County Commissioner

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CARD OF THANKS

I sincerely wish to thank my friends, neighbors and relatives for their kindness and sympathy. Also for the cards and flowers during my stay in the hospital and on returning home. I especially want to thank all my co-workers at Riverview for the wonderful gift. A special thank you to Dr. Myers and Roxie.

Hazel Tomlinson

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CARD OF THANKS

The class of 1975 of Lowell High School would like to thank Darlene Cahoon for her assistance with the food booth at the 4-H Fair.

Thank you very much

p19

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks and deep appreciation to relatives and friends for the floral tributes, gifts of money to the rescue unit, expressions of sympathy and acts of kindness shown to us in the loss of Elmer Ellis. We wish especially to thank Rev. Richard Greenwood for his comforting message and those who acted as pall bearers for our loved one.

Anna Ellis
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Ellis and family
Mr. & Mrs. C. A. Siciliano and family

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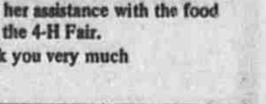

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Board of Education of the Forest Hills Public Schools will hold a public hearing on the proposed 1974-75 school budget at 7:30 p.m., August 20, 1974 at the Board of Education offices located at 5900 Ada Drive, SE, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Copies of the proposed budget are available for public inspection at the board of office prior to the budget hearing.

Gerald D. Gilmore, Secretary
Forest Hills Board of Education

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Lowell Township Zoning Notice

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Lowell Township Zoning Board will hold a public hearing on Thursday, August 29, 1974, at 8:00 P.M. at the Lowell Township Hall for the purpose of rezoning the following piece of property from agricultural to commercial:

Part of the NE ¼ Commencing at Intersection of centerline of Grand River Drive and East section line at a point 1,508.8 ft. North of East ¼ corner; thence North 270.8 ft. to Southerly line of Grand Trunk Railroad ROW; thence South Westerly along said ROW line 578.56 ft. to Easterly line of P M Railroad ROW; thence South along ROW line 328.32 ft. to centerline to said Drive; thence North Easterly along said centerline 568.17 ft. to beginning, Section 11, Town 6 North, Range 9 West.

Carol L. Wells
Lowell Township Clerk

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Danish Girl Enjoys Visit

The 16-year-old Danish girl listened quietly to the car radio as Gerald R. Ford became the 38th President of the United States and then broke into an excited grin as the inauguration drew to a close.

On her way to Detroit Metro Airport to fly back home last Friday, Ulla Foldberg, summer guest of the Robert Courser family in Lowell, held up a photograph of herself smiling into the camera beside an equally smiling President taken on the Showboat just a few short weeks before.

"The people in Denmark are not going to believe this," she laughed.

Lori Courser, 18, was a YFU Exchange Student last year and lived in Faaborg, Denmark with Ulla's family. Arrangements were made between the two girls for Ulla to spend the summer here and it was Lori who also convinced the blond haired Scandanavian that she could learn all the words to the Showboat songs and join the chorus for this summer's performances.

The Robert E. Lee could 'round Cattail Bend every night in the year and it wouldn't be too much for Ulla who thoroughly enjoyed every second of it. "I thought I knew a lot about the United States but I had never heard of the minstrel shows and I think they're great! We don't have anything like that in Denmark and we don't have any type of show where the people can take part in it like they do here," she said in soft-spoken perfect English.

Meeting the President and appearing in the Showboat were high points of her stay here (followed closely by drive-in movies–which they don't have in Denmark–, riding in big cars and seeing Niagara Falls) but the thing she said she was most impressed with was the "niceness" of the Americans. "It's a beautiful, a big country and a fun country, but mostly it seems to be full of nice, nice people."

One thing she was not real crazy about was Lowell's drinking water . . . but then there are a lot of Lowellites who feel the same way.

Not Best, Not Worst

Michigan's treasury department's research section has just released a study of tax rates in the 50 states and the District of Columbia which shows that Michigan is neither the best nor the worst in the matter of tax rates in five categories.

In the matter of gasoline taxes, nine other states have the same or higher rates than Michigan's 9 cents a gallon. Connecticut leads the nation with 10 cents a gallon while Texas has the lowest rate with 5 cents a gallon.

Led again by Connecticut's 21 cents a package, 26 states levy cigarette taxes higher than Michigan's 11 cents a package. As may be expected, North Carolina, a large tobacco-producing state, is low with only two cents a package tax.

Again led by Connecticut, with Pennsylvania as a partner, 10 states have higher taxes on sales than Michigan's four percent. Connecticut and Pennsylvania lead with 6 percent while Delaware, Montana, New Hampshire and Oregon do not levy a sales tax.

At least 41 states levy individual income taxes but most of them are on a sliding scale ranging from 0.5 percent to 19.8 percent (Delaware). Of those levying a flat rate, Tennessee's six percent tops Michigan's 3.9 percent while Indiana and Pennsylvania have set their flat rate at 2 percent.

Michigan's gasoline tax is highest among nearby states such as Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin and Minnesota but, except for Indiana's six cents a package, Michigan's cigarette tax is lowest among those states.

ALTO MAN ENTERS GUILTY PLEAS TO THREE COUNTS

Robert K. Seese, 24, of 13343–64th Street, Alto, pleaded guilty to three charges when he was arraigned Monday, August 5, before District Judge Joseph Bauer in Hastings.

He was ordered to pay a $10 fine plus $14 court costs for having a firearm in his possession while under the influence of liquor. He was sentenced to pay a $25 fine plus $54 costs for driving while his condition was impaired, and another $10 plus $14 for attempted use of marijuana.

He was arrested June 13 on W. State Street in Hastings by Patrolman George H. Atkinson.

Lowell Area Jaycees' Tennis Tournament

ENTRY DEADLINE AUGUST 15

SINGLES
Name ________ Age ________ Sex ________
Address ________ Phone ________

DOUBLES
Name ________ Age ________ Sex ________
Address ________ ________ Phone ________
Name ________ Age ________ Sex ________
Address ________ Phone ________

There will be a men's and boy's divisions and a women's. Men's and boy's divisions will have singles and doubles while the women's will be open. If enough women enter for doubles, there will be a doubles division.

Each person must bring a can of new tennis balls (3 to a can) for entry fee. All balls will be inspected before the match begins. Winner will receive the new can of balls not used.

Dates are as follows: August 17, 1974–Prelims. August 24, 1974: if needed, will be prelims, otherwise finals and semi-finals will be played. Also August 31 will also be used if needed.

Matches will start at 8:30 a.m. SHARP! At the Lowell Municipal Courts on S. Broadway, located in front of the football field. Send the entry form to:

Lowell Area Jaycees
Box 245
Lowell, Mich. 49331

YMCA BALL BITS

SPORTSMAN'S LEAGUE

	W	L
Saranac Brand Foods	11	1
Lowell Merchants	9	3
State Savings Bank	8	4
Freeport Businessmen	8	4
Beachums Furniture	6	4
Draft Dodgers	6	5
Lowell Calvary Church	6	5
Lowell Moose	6	6
The Scrubs	5	7
Lowell Engineering	3	8
Lowell Methodist Church	3	8
The Carpenters	3	9
Lowell Area Jaycees	1	11

PONY LEAGUE (Final Standings)

	W	L
Hastings Broncos	8	1
Lowell Arrows	7	2
Hastings Rangers	7	2
Caledonia Colts	5	4
Lowell Cards	5	4
Lacey Dodgers	4	5
Caledonia Tigers	4	5
Middleville Guekas Market	2	7
Freeport Yoders Service	2	7
Caledonia Cubs	1	8

Single Elimination Tournament: First Place Champions–Caledonia Colts, Second Place–Hastings Rangers.

MAJOR LITTLE LEAGUE

	W	L
Lowell Arrows	8	3
Lowell Cardinals	8	4
Lowell Astros	8	4
Lowell Tigers	5	6
Alto Cubs	4	7
Lowell Giants	3	7
Clarksville Mets	3	8

MINOR LITTLE LEAGUE

	W	L
Lowell Dodgers	9	2
Lowell Mets	8	3
Clarksville Colts	8	4
Lowell Cardinals	5	7
Alto Cubs	4	7
Lowell Giants	3	7
Lowell Tigers	2	9

BOY'S CADET SOFTBALL (Final Standings)

	W	L
Clarksville Thunderbirds	8	0
Alto Blackbirds	7	1
Lowell Cardinals	6	2
Lowell Crows	5	3
Lowell Eagles	3	5
Lowell Orioles	3	5
Lowell Sparrows	2	6
Lowell Robins	1	7
Alto Canaries	1	7

GIRL'S SOFTBALL (7-9 Division) (Final Standings)

	W	L
Lowell Rippers	5	1
Lowell Go-Getters	4	2
Clarksville Angels	2	4
Parnell Tigers	1	5

GIRL'S SOFTBALL (10-12 Division) (Final Standings)

	W	L
Parnell Panthers	4	1
Parnell Pros	4	1
Lowell Sluggers	3	2
Lowell Hitters	2	3
Clarksville Lions	2	3
Alto Champs	0	5

Single Elimination Tournament: First Place Champions–Parnell Pros, Second Place–Parnell Panthers

The above standings are for games played thru August 11th. All leagues end competition this week. Final standings for all leagues will be printed in next week's Ledger.

Snow Club To Meet Sunday

The business meeting of the Flat River Snowmobile Club of Lowell will be held Sunday, August 18. Potluck dinner at 12:30. Meeting immediately following.

Nominations from the floor of candidates for officers will be accepted at this meeting. Elections will be held at the September meeting. All membership dues are due September first and must be paid before running for office or balloting.

John Minges reports that tickets are now available for the beautiful Sno-Jet to be given away in December.

Discourage Burglars

Did you know that 25 percent of today's burglaries could be avoided if homes had adequate locks? James Boyd, Michigan State University housing specialist, recommends using a dead-bolt lock.

"A dead-bolt can be moved only by turning the knob or key. It can't be sprung, jimmied, or opened with a credit card," says Boyd.

Mount the dead-bolt lock one-third of the way down from the top of the door (providing it is not close to a window on the door).

"Also use a door chain lock. Buy one that has a chain guard that locks with a key," adds Boyd.

Place the lock so the chain will not let the door open more than two inches.

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LEGAL NOTICES

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION ACTION
(Under Authority of Act 230, P.A. 1929, as amended)
PRAIRIE CHICKEN REGULATION FOR 1974

The Natural Resources Commission, at its meeting on June 7, 1974, under authority of Secs. 1, 2, 3 and 4, Act 230, P.A. 1925, as amended, established the following regulation regarding the taking of prairie chickens:

For a period of five years beginning September 1, 1974, no person shall hunt, take, or attempt to take prairie chickens statewide.

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Freihofer, Cook, Hecht, Oosterhouse & DeBoer, P.C.
PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF HEARING
State of Michigan, The Probate Court for the County of Kent

ESTATE OF
SIMON KLYN, JR.,
DECEASED
File No. 126-644

TAKE NOTICE: On September 5, 1974, at 10:00 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom, Grand Rapids, Michigan, before the Hon. A. Dale Stoppels, Judge of Probate, a hearing will be held on the petition of Virginia M. Klyn for probate of a purported Will dated March 28, 1961, and for granting of administration to Virginia M. Klyn, as Executrix, or some other suitable person, and for a determination of heirs. Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate must be presented to said Virginia M. Klyn at 1919 Adams, S.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49507 and proof thereof, with copies filed with the Court on or before October 24, 1974. Notice is further given that the estate will be thereupon assigned to persons appearing of record entitled thereto.

Dated: August 5, 1974
Freihofer, Cook, Hecht, Oosterhouse & DeBoer, P.C.
By: George R. Cook, 1125 W. Main Street, Lowell, Mi. 49331, Phone 897-9218
Virginia M. Klyn, Petitioner, 1919 Adams S.E., Grand Rapids, Mich. 49507

GENERAL REVENUE SHARING — ACTUAL USE REPORT

General Revenue Sharing provides federal funds directly to local and state governments. Your government must publish this report advising you how these funds have been used or obligated during the year from July 1, 1973, thru June 30, 1974. This is to inform you of your government's priorities and to encourage your participation in decisions on how future funds should be spent.

ACTUAL EXPENDITURES		
CATEGORIES (A)	CAPITAL (B)	OPERATING/ MAINTENANCE (C)
1 PUBLIC SAFETY	$	$ 2,855
2 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	$	$
3 PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION	$	$ 14,135
4 HEALTH & PUB.	$	$ 1,036
5 RECREATION	$	$
6 LIBRARIES	$	$ 500
7 SOCIAL SERVICES FOR AGED OR POOR	$	$
8 FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	$	$
9 MULTIPURPOSE AND GENERAL GOVT.	$	
10 EDUCATION	$	
11 SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT	$	
12 HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	$	
13 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	$	
14 OTHER (Specify)	$	
15 TOTALS	$	$ 18,526

THE GOVERNMENT OF KEENE TOWNSHIP has received General Revenue Sharing payments totaling $12,110 during the period from July 1, 1973, thru June 30, 1974.

ACCOUNT NO. 23 3 034 007
KEENE TOWNSHIP
TREASURER
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SARANAC MICHIGAN 48881

(D) TRUST FUND REPORT

(1) Balance as of June 30, 1973	$ 28619.81
(2) Revenue Sharing Funds Received from July 1, 1973 through June 30, 1974	$ 12110.00
(3) Interest Earned	$ 900.00
(4) Total Funds Available	$ 41629.81
(5) Total Amount Expended	$ 18526.81
(6) Balance as of June 30, 1974	$ 23103.00

NONDISCRIMINATION REQUIREMENTS HAVE BEEN MET

(E) CERTIFICATION: I certify that I am the Chief Executive Officer and, with respect to the entitlement funds reported hereon, I certify that they have not been used in violation of either the priority expenditure requirement (Section 103) or the matching funds prohibition (Section 104) of the Act.

Carl Beattie — 8-7-74
Signature of Chief Executive — Date
Supervisor
Name and Title

(F) The news media have been advised that a complete copy of this report has been published in a local newspaper of general circulation. I have records documenting the contents of this report and they are open for public scrutiny at 8425 Potters Rd. Saranac, Mi.

HIGHWAY PROJECTS . . .

Bids will be taken August 21 in Lansing on 62 Highway construction and maintenance projects, the State Highway Commission announced this week.

Among the projects in Kent County will be the reconstruction of two-tenths mile of Thornapple River Drive from a point just west of Cascade Road, east, in Cascade including storm sewer construction, base improvement, paving and curb and gutter; to be financed by Federal Aid Urban Program; $100,000; December, 1974, completion date.

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ABOVE THE BOARD

Board Faces Rising Prices

Rising food prices hit the Board of Education Monday night when Hot Lunch Supervisor Marilyn Bovee reported the outlook of the school lunch program for the coming year.

Although Mrs. Bovee was able to hold the line last year without increasing the cost of lunches to the students, (other than classing Middle School with the Senior High), she stated that when school opened last year she was paying $11 per 100 pounds for sugar but that by the time the year was over the price had risen to $30 per 100 and that during the summer it has risen even higher to where now the best price she can get is $38.

This is just one item out of many, all of which have gone up which will necessitate an increase in price to the students. Mrs. Bovee indicated, however, that with careful planning she thinks it possible to hold the increase to only five cents which will make all elementary lunches 35 cents and Middle School and Senior High, 40 cents.

Milk bids for the coming year were opened from three bidders with Meadowgold proposing the lowest figure followed by Sealtest and then Farr View. All three bids contained escalator clauses to allow for further price fluctuation (either higher or lower) throughout the school year.

The bid will be awarded as soon as it is checked to see that all specifications are met.

Caught in the middle on fuel oil, gasoline and motor oil, the school again for the second year received only one bid from a gas and oil supplier. This is largely due to allotments based on previous usage and since the bus fleet, etc., consumes large amounts, the allotments of other possible bidders will not cover it.

Petroleum Supplier was given the contract at the following specified prices: gasoline, 32¢ per gallon; fuel oil, 32¢ per gallon, and motor oil $1.50 per gallon. The price will hold firm for 60 days and then also may fluctuate either up or down.

In other action, the board approved negotiations for non-certified personnel as outlined by Business Manager Gerald Wabeke. Wabeke stated that these final negotiations will just about make a general system-wide salary increase of the accepted government cost of living increase based on the lowest base in each department.

A new agreement covering principals' salaries and working conditions was approved with one lone member, Phil Kropf, dissenting.

"I know that the salaries are in line with those of other schools in this area but I feel that they are out of line with our community," Kropf said as he cast the only no vote. "Maybe we have to pay them but I don't have to like it," he muttered.

What to do with the former Koewers' house, which must be moved in order to make way for additional playground space at Runciman, came in for a long period of discussion at the Monday night meeting but nothing was resolved.

A committee with power to act was finally appointed to meet later this week and determine whether the best course to pursue would be to contract to have it moved and then sell it or rent it; or sell it as is and have the purchasing party move it.

The board unanimously voted to offer a contract to David Burdette, former principal at Three Oakes' River Valley Schools, as the new principal of Bushnell Elementary.

Teaching contracts will also be offered to Peter Siler, senior high agriculture; Maura Kunst, middle school art; Melvin Weaver, middle school counselor; David Steele, Alto third grade, and Joanne Allinder, Bushnell first grade.

Mrs. Allinder's contract will be contingent upon whether or not the board accepts Gail Humphrey's request for a sabbatical leave for the 1974-75 school year.

In other board action, Orion Thaler was appointed to represent the local body at a Board Workshop at Western Michigan University on August 21, and tentative approval was also given to include provisions in the architect's drawing for air-conditioning in the new additions to Bushnell and Alto with the decision being made at a later date as to whether to actually implement them.

In closing, Supt. Leonard Sinke informed members that the first event to begin the new school year will be the annual Teacher-Board-Community Leader Breakfast in the Middle School cafeteria at 8 a.m., Wednesday, August 28.

The board also announced that a public hearing on the new 1974-75 budget has been set for the first regular board meeting in September.

Happy Birthday

AUGUST 15
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Grace Graul
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Nella Mae Sterling

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Bessie Clarke
Barbara Webber
Beth Breland
Kenneth Bryan

AUGUST 20
Anthony Koster
Thelma Roth
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AUGUST 21
Marie MacDonald

SQUASH FLOWERS FALLING OFF

Don't be surprised or worried if you lose the first flowers on your squash and pumpkins, say Michigan State University horticulturists. The first blossoms are male flowers which do not produce fruit. Female flowers develop a little later along with additional male flowers. Loss of the first blossoms does not mean your plants are sick.

New Snow Trail To Run Through Lowell Area

Plans have been unveiled for a major snowmobile trail linking Wabasis Lake, northeast of Grand Rapids, with Gun Lake to the south. The marked public trail running 50 to 60 miles across leased private land and varying in width from eight to 20 feet, depending on terrain, would be the first of its type in west Michigan.

"Until now, the closest public trail has been in Newaygo County" said Roger A. Matthews, trail chairman for the Western Michigan Snowmobile Council. "Most of the 13 clubs we represent have their own trails, but these are available only to members." The north-south route will be established with $20,000 from the State Department of Natural Resources on a one-year pilot basis.

Matthews explained that the trail leasing idea is a departure from the DNR's previous method of leasing large tracts of land for snowmobile use, a policy he says the council opposed as "not being what the snowmobilers want." In return for the money, trail markers and stop signs at road crossings, the DNR has asked the council to determine the location of the trail, contact the landowners for easements and arrange for posting of signs.

Besides providing snowmobilers a scenic path, Matthews says the route will have four objectives: To prevent accidents with cars by taking snowmobilers off the roads, to control as far as possible where snowmobiles will run, to establish a north/south trail to permit snowmobiles to travel from one area to another without trespassing, and to encourage snowmobilers to use facilities that are in their immediate area.

Plans call for the trail to go from Wabasis Lake Park to Fallasburg Park, cross Grand River at Lowell, cross Int. 96 via Segwun Ave., proceed to Coldwater River Park, skirt Middleville and end at Gun Lake (Yankee Springs Recreational Area). The exact routing will be determined by the clubs that comprise the council who have been assigned various sections of the trail. Participating clubs include the Belding Drift Busters, Flat River (Lowell), North Kent, Byron Center, Middleville, Forest Hills, Wayland, Dorr Trailblazers, Greater Grand Rapids, Alaska Night Riders, Gun Lake, Grand Valley, and Dutton.

Most of the trail would be across open pasture, fire trails and existing paths through wooded areas, with access available at several points. "There will not be much carving up of the land involved, although some farmers might need to move their fences," Matthews said.

The timetable calls for the council to acquire leases from landowners between August 15 and October 15, which would give the DNR about a month to complete the trail before the first major snowfall. "The main thing now is to convince the landowners," said Matthews, who said a special dinner will be held early next May for those who participate "so we can discuss any problems they experience and correct them next year."

About April 15, after the season is over, the council will police the trail, picking up any litter which accumulates, Matthews added.

FARMS STILL DECLINING

The number of U.S. farms in 1974 is estimated at 2.8 million—down 1 percent from last year and continuing a steady annual drop since 1936.

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