

Schedule Special February Election Agreements Of

Lowell residents should mark February 17, 1975 on their new calendars. The Lowell City Council, Monday night, set the February date for a Special Election for the sale of bonds to finance construction of a Water Treatment facility.

Though cries for improved water quality for Lowell residents have been heard over the years, often accompanied by great wailing and gnashing of teeth from those who frequently find their "Whites' have taken on an organge hue and no amount of their favorite bleach restores, them to 'whiter than white', petitions to bring the issue to a vote of the citizenry were presented to council the first of November.

A recommendation by City Manager Blaine Bacon to set the special election date for April 7 was countered by Councilman James Hall's proposal for the earlier February date. Hall said he felt the delay to be unnecessary. Manager Bacon had previously read a communication from the Water Resources Commission urging



Lowell Mayor Carlen E, Anderson has proclaimed the week of December 8-14 as 'Mail Appreciation Week' in Lowell, and has urged all citizens to use this occasion to assist the Lowell Post Office by honoring all suggested mailing dates in order to insure a successful 1974 Holiday Mailing Season.

The twenty employees of the Lowell Post Office will join thousands of other postal employees across the nations to deliver billions of greeting cards and gifts in time for Christmas.

Be sure to mail early and use Zip Codes on all mail.

(Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) classes will be made available to interested area residents on December 11, at 7 p.m., at the Lowell City Hall.

CPR is an emergency first aid procedure which re-quires no equipment and combines direct artificial respiration and artificial circulation. It is a procedure used when respiration and/or circulation are absent or inadequate, and seconds count.

There will be no charge for the class which will be instructed by a representative of Bud's Ambulance Service.

Remember, even though there is now an ambulance readily available in this area, CPR⁻ must be started immediately to be successful.

the setting of the Special Election date and advising too long a delay could jeopardize the needed funds.

The City has been assured the money for construction of the Water Treatment facility by a Farm Home Administration Commitment to loan the City the \$1,-100,000 needed over a 40 year period at 5% interest.

A new facility would include a 500,000 gallon storage reservoir, provide 1,500,000 gallons per day of softened water and new water supply wells.

The proposed financing method provides for bond payments to be made through increased water rates, which officials have stated would amount to \$2.83 more per month for water and compared to the cost of a bag of salt a month, needed for a small family water softener. No general property tax is proposed.

In other business, Council voted to close City offices one half day on December 24th but will be open until 5 p.m. on December 31st.

Vandals Pick On Fallasburg Park

Vandalism occurred more frequently at Fallasburg Park during last summer and early in the fall than at any other Kent County park, says Donald D. Arnott, park superintendent.

"It's true that wanton destruction took place at other county parks this year, but vandals 'picked on' Fallasburg," he states. "Last year Townsend Park bore the brunt of vandalism.'

Arnott says many break-ins of the Fallasburg shelterhouse occurred at night during the summer and fall, but one took place during the day.

"Vandals broke windows and smashed down the doors to the Fallasburg shelterhouse as well as dump-ing many empty beer cans and bottles on the grounds," he states.

Arnott also notes that many cans and bottles were dumped at different times in the ditches along Lincoln Lake Road leading to the entrance to the park.

Drivers sometimes ran their vehicles across grassy portions, spinning the wheels, making ruts and killing

the grass. "Naturally, the vandalism put a burden on our

maintenance crews which cleaned up the messes and repaired the destruction, he states. Once in a while, vandals were caught and prosecut-

ed, Arnott says. He points out the park system does not have the manpower to guard the parks and he can give no reason why the vandals "picked on" Fallasburg Park this

Christmas Is For Kids

Lease Signed

In the office of Lowell Attorney George Cook, recently, representatives of Lowell Area Schools and the Lowell Showboat Corporation met to sign a lease agreement evolving from the new Showboat Amphitheatre and stage.

The new facility, costing well over \$60,000 was erected this past Spring with the funds being provided mainly through the generosity of industrial, business and personal monetary donations; some later revealed tax exempt by the IRS.

General terms of the agreement signed by four Showboat and three school officials are:

(1) The School leases to Showboat the property for 40 years with the option to renew the lease for two additional 20-year periods.

(2) The School, in turn, may use the facilities constructed by Showboat at no cost. Concerts, plays and graduation are a few of the possible uses by the School.

(3) If the Lowell Showboat Corporation ceases to exist or discontinues being a non-profit organization, then the facilities would then become the 'sole' property of the School.

Showboat officials signing the agreement were: Mrs. Graydon (Barbara) Brown, Board member; Mrs. Richard (Barbara) Curtis, secretary; Charles Lippert, chairman and Clark Vredenburg, vice-chairman. Representing the school were Board President Dr. Richard Siegle; Superintendent Leonard Sinke; and Business Manager, Jerry Wabeke.

Middle School **Choir Concert**

The annual Lowell Middle School Choir Concert will be held Tuesday evening, December 10, at 8 p.m. in the Middle School Cafetorium. The 6th and 7th grade choirs will perform old time favorites and famous Christmas songs

The 8th grade choir will perform "The Choir Boy Who Couldn't Sing," featuring Bernie Clark, Julie Anderson, Debbie Hinds, Dawn Canfield, Kim Rittersdorf, Kent Dickerson, Doug Heintzleman and Randy Adams. Kris Scheru will narrate. All are invited to attend.

For those not able to attend the evening performance, there will also be a performance at 1:45, December 40, for the 5th and 6th grade students in the cafetorium.

HOLIDAY DEADLINE

Santa Claus Is **Coming To Town**

Santa Claus is coming to town Saturday, December 7, at 2 p.m. Preceding him into Lowell will be "one of the best parades ever" with both school bands, the newly formed Pom Pom girls, and the cheerleaders.

There will be floats by the Girl Scouts, Campfire Girls, Snowmobile Club, Head Start, West Michigan Historical Society, Dental Hygienists, Horizon Club, Wesleyan Church, and many more marching groups. Each Automobile dealer plans to enter vehicles.

Alto will be showing us their new \$30,000 fire truck of which they are very, very proud.

Highlighting the festivities will be the large, colorful heads and costumes that the Dey family and their friends have been working on for the past six weeks or more-Phil Gerard's Big Bad Wolf, Silly Sailor, Old Man, Christmas frog, and the Panda Bear with other friends will be here.

Santa will arrive "Up on The House Top" sleigh, reindeer and all with a treat for good boys and girls. Be on Main Street between Thomets and Lipperts

early to welcome Santa to town!

Cascade Closes Liquor Loophole

A liquor ordinance loophole has been closed by the Cascade Township Board to cut off the possibility of sale of beer and wine on Sundays. The ordinance specifically prohibits the sale of liquor and spirits on Sunday but made no mention of beer and wine, according to township officials.

Treasurer Paul Slater said a check of township records showed electors in a 1952 advisory vote had turned down Sunday sale of beer and wine by a margin of 2 to 1.

Provisions of a proposed new cemetery ordinance were referred to Township Attorney Walter B. Freihofer for drafting as result of a discussion by the board. The ordinance would put into legal form practices the township has followed for many years.

In the past, a Cascade resident could equest up to four graves be reserved for family use in the township cemetery. Under the proposed ordinance, cemetery space would be allocated any township citizen on request at time of need.

The board received for future consideration a request for rezoning of property adjacent to the Grand Rapids Ice Arena, 2845 Thornhill Dr. SE, from B-1 to B-2. The developer proposes to expand the facility to include a second ice rink, 24 bowling lanes and a restaurant for which a liquor license is being sought.

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Clyde Childs of Lowell was arrested by Lowell Police officers Saturday evening on a charge of felonious assault. He was scheduled to be arraigned Monday in the 63rd District Court.

His arrest was made following a gun-related incident and disturbance at Mel's Bar on West Main Street.

Karl Higgins, 17, of Lowell, lost control of the vehicle he was driving and hit a tree on Jefferson Street, south of Avery, Saturday evening.

A juvenile passenger in the auto sustained slight injuries. ...

Michael Atchinson of Ada lost control of his car on North Street, near Jefferson Sunday morning and struck a parked car.

The Lowell police revealed no personal injuries were incurred.

A juvenile was apprehended last week by the Lowell Police, for larceny of tapes from a car parked in the Lowell High School parking lot.

The youth was turned over to the custody of his parents, to await pending Probate Court Action.

Last Wednesday morning, a brave gray squirrel parked atop the light pole at the corner of North Broadway and West Main Street seemed intent on surveying the early morning rush hour as the weather bureau was predicting some three inches of snow which failed to fall.

One could tell by his nonchalant care-free flight that it isn't time to hibernate, yet!

Getting an early start on their Christmas decorating last week was the kaptain's korners apparel shop for guys and gals, on West Main, where amidst their holiday win-

dow display is a colorful, traditional Christmas tree. At Lippert's Pharmacy on East Main Street, the traditional wreath roping has been draped across the front of the building, highlighting their window displays.

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Motorists in Michigan are reminded by the State Police that the legal use for studded snow tires on motor vehicles began December 1 this year, and extends to April 1 next year.

Crewmen from Lowell Light and Power were busy Along Main Street Monday putting up the Chamber's Christmas decorations.

The red-suited Santas will add a festive touch to the annual Christmas parade this Saturday.

Money-both the curse and backbone of politicsplayed a key role in Kent County campaigns this fall, with several candidates listing huge spendings on their annual campaign expenditure reports.

One of the few low, economical spenders was Lowell's 3rd District Kent County Commissioner, Arnold Wittenbach, who spent only \$34 towards his re-election.

CHRISTMAS SPECIALS - Hair dryers, \$5 and up. Curling irons, Shaving Mugs, RK and Redken gift sets. Hair styling gift certificates. Man's c35-37 World, 897-8102.

All area children, ages 13 years and under, will be in for a real treat Saturday, December 21, when they will be the guests of the Lowell Area Jaycees, in a program termed "Christmas Is For Kids."

"It will be a fun day for the kids," revealed the Jaycees as they announced their plans for a full day of events last week.

At the Lowell High School auditorium, animated movies will be shown; once at 10 a.m. and again at 1 p.m. The kids will also get candy treats, and a visit from Santa Claus is guaranteed.

The program, promoted through the cooperation of the Jaycees and the merchants of Lowell, will give the parents adequate time to do their last minute Christmas shopping while the kids are enjoying themselves at the movies.

Tickets, which are free to all children under 13 years old, will be distributed by participating merchants after December 10.

"This fun day for the kids will be the best yet," predicts the Jaycees, as they encourage all eligible kids to attend.

M-21 Bids Expected To Be Taken In 1975

Construction of the four-lane, divided M-21 from the East Beltline to the existing, multi-lane highway at Amway Corp., Ada, is expected to start in about a year.

Bids for the \$3.2 million, 5.3-mile-long highway are expected to be taken late next summer or early fall, says Roger VanderMeulen, assistant district construction engineer at the Grand Rapids office of the Michigan State Highway Department.

The new road, which was to have been built about three years ago, will be constructed mainly on the south side of the present M-21. There will be five lanes near the west end of the new road, VanderMeulen says. Most of the right-of-way has been bought. Completion is slated for November, 1977.

The new road was planned because of the heavy increase in traffic the last few years on M-21 west from Ada. Delay in construction of the new road was due mainly from lack of money, states VanderMeulen.

FIGHTS OFF ASSAILANT

A 28-year-old Lowell woman told police she was on her way to work about 10:45 Saturday night when a man about 21 jumped into her car as she was stopped on 28th Street and attempted to rape her.

She said the man, about 5-feet-10, with a full beard, mustache and shoulder-length red hair entered her car as she was waiting for the light at Kalamazoo Avenue SE, in Grand Rapids.

She told police she turned the corner onto Kalamazoo Avenue where she stopped the car and fought off her assailant.

COMING TO THE STRAND THEATRE-Lowell, New Year's Day, January 1, "The Trial of Billy Jack." Two shows nightly, 7 and 9. c35-38

Due to Christmas and New Year's Days falling on Wednesdays, the following "news deadlines" will be in effect for the December 26 and January 2 issue (combined together).

All news items must be in our possession by December 20. Photographs may be submitted anytime prior to this date.

We ask everyone's cooperation in helping us meet these deadlines. All events scheduled to be held on or before January 10 should be publicized in the December 26-January 2 issue.

Trustee Charles Burlingham read into the minutes the recent policy change by the Federal Aviation Administration which opposes landfills within 10,000 feet of airport runways used by jet aircraft or 5,000 feet of runways used by piston-engined aircraft.

Earlier last month, County Commissioner John K. Boerema, chairman of the County Board of Public Works, said the new FAA policy could jeopardize a county proposal to locate a future sanitary landfill just east of the airport.

Preliminary approval was given Cascade Woods Plat No. 6. Kamminga & Roodvoets is developer of the 60-lot plat. It is in the Cascade Woods area east of the Thornapple River.

Q. Why do we need an improved airport in Lowell? A. Simply to make Lowell a better community. How?

Airport Development Part 1

Specifically, improvement will come in three ways: 1. A better climate for existing or potential busi-

ness and indistry.

- 2. Improved transportation facilities for all Lowell area citizens.
- 3. Improved recreational facilities for all Lowell area citizens.
- 1. Several of our larger industries in Lowell have requested improved airport facilities for faster movement of personnel and material. Surveys of businesses seeking new locations indicate that air transportation facilities within a few minutes driving time away is one of the highest priority items in selection of a new location. Many such businesses today refuse to consider moving to a community without adequate, nearby air transportation facilities.

We must recognize that the well-being of local industry directly affects the economic health of our whole community, both by supplying employment and by contributing a major portion of our local tax base.

2. To understand how an improved Lowell Airport relates to transportation needs of our people, we should understand these basic facts:

Within the last generation or two, transportation time for people going from one place on Earth to another has gone from a maximum of months to hours. Today, depending on how far away one lives from a full-service airport, it is possible for any citizen to go to or come from any other area of the world within twelve hours. Travel time has become vitally important, and will be even more important in the future. An improved local airport will provide a vital link in our national air transportation system, for the benefit of all area residents.

For example, any citizen with an urgent need to get from Lowell to any point hundreds or more miles away quickly will be able to take a charter flight from Lowell and arrive at Detroit Metro or Chicago O'Hare in little more than the

time it now takes to drive to Kent County Airport. From there, he can depart to almost any area of the world. A businessman who regularly flies his own plane to call on customers several hundred miles away and wants to return the same day will save over an hour per day departing from Lowell rather than Kent County. In terms of air time, depending on his aircraft, this will get him 100 to 200 miles further in the same time.

3. While recreational use of an airport is considered by some to be an unimportant reason for its existence, the legitimate value of such use should not be overlooked. Lowell has long suffered from lack of sufficient attractions to enable us to keep here, or bring back, our native sons and daughters who have acquired an education and a well-paid occupation, or to induce this calibre of person to live in the area, even when they are employed here. This is not a healthy omen for our future as a community.

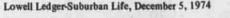
Young, educated, well-paid people are becoming increasingly air-minded. Nationally, their numbers are rapidly increasing, but not in the Lowell area. Isn't it time we did something to reverse this unfortunate trend? While I do not pretend that an improved airport is the whole answer to this problem, it is one answer.

The airport has recreational value even for area citizens who never intend to leave the ground, but who enjoy watching air shows, balloon ascensions, parachute jump contests and just everyday departures and landings.

There are those who say the airport has no value except recreational for a "fortunate few." While this is decidedly untrue, it is an honest judgment based on observation of past activities there. The reason is that the present airport is in-

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ROSIE DRIVE INN-Special This Week: Regular Hamburgs, 3 for \$1.00. Lots of 3's only. 25¢ off on a 20 piece or over Bucket of Chicken. Tuesday nite, Family nite, 4 p.m.-8 p.m. Sunday morning breakfast.





National 4-H Congress To Involve Alto Girl

The 53rd National 4-H Congress to be held Decem-ber 1-5 at the Conrad Hilton Hotel in Chicago, will involve 32 4-H members from Michigan. The congress will be a huge collection of activities.

ranging from a concert by Chicago Symphony and museum visits, to awarding 262 scholarships valued at more than \$182,000. The grants are provided by approximately 60 private donors.

Keynote speaker for the conference is Secretary of Agriculture Earl L. Butz, a 4-H alumnus. His address at the opening session of the congress on Sunday, December'l was expected to center on the theme "4-H-We Can Make It Happen."

Delegates to the congress from Michigan range in age from 15 to 18 and have won recognition in every-thing from beef to bread, from petroleum power to

photography. Kent County will be represented by Marianne Mom-ber of Comstock Park selected for her work in the Health project, and Jaclyn Folkertsma of Alto for En-

Happy

DECEMBER 5

DECEMBER 6

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Max Rica

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Lyle Peck

DECEMBER 9

William Byrne

Mary Phillips David Gort, J

Agnes Nerle

Terri Meredit

James Speerst

Michelle Ralys

Hester White

Nola Bryan

Steve Bauer

DECEMBER 10

Ray Hefferan Bob Johnson

Todd Thuston

Wilbur Boomke

Steve Van Harn

Wally VanderPloeg

Chicken bouillon made

from cubes is less expen-

sive than canned chicken

proth; use the bouillon

in a sauce or a soup when

the chicken flavor is not

George McGraw Robert Doyle

Mike Kline Kara Jackson

FOOD HINTS

CECEMBER 11

Sharlene McClure

Josette Gray

Birthday

omology.

FAMILY NIGHT

EVERY TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY-Family

Style Chicken dinner, salad bar . . . Adults \$2.50. Children \$1.75.

THURSDAY

DECEMBER 5-Hamburger Pie, topped with mashed potatoes and

cheese sauce, salad bar . . . \$1.95. Chicken Ala Gorme, Potatoes,

FRIDAY

DECEMBER 6-Barbecued fresh rabbit, potatoes, toast and salad

Sizzler, baked potatoes, garlic toast, salad bar ... \$3.89.

homemade bread and salad bar with all meals.

bar . . . \$3.75. Choice New York Strip . . . \$4.39. Choice Paul's

SATURDAY

DECEMBER 7-Steak and Froglegs . . . \$3.95. Steak and Shrimp . . .

\$3.95. Steak and chicken . . . \$3.75. All with baked potatoes, sal-

SUNDAY

DECEMBER 8-Baked Swiss Steak, sirloin of beef, roast pork,

ham and sweet potatoes . . . \$2.75. Dressing, potatoes, vegetable,

FEW OPENINGS LEFT-10-70 PEOPLE

NEW MENUEACH WEEK!

salad bar ... \$2.19.

ad bar and garlic toast.



- Lowell Area Schools, Lowell, Michigan, Board of Education Regular Meeting November 11, 1974. Meeting called to order at 7:40 p.m. by President
- Roll Call-Members Present: Siegle, Miller, Metternick, Kropf, Mullen, Thaler, Roberts. Absent: None.
- President Siegle welcomed Roger Roberts, new board members. Motion by Kropf, seconded by Miller, to approve

the minutes of the regular meeting held on October 28, 1974. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion Carried.

Motion by Thaler, seconded by Metternick, to approve payment of general fund bills as listed. Aves: 7. Navs: 0. Motion Carried.

Motion by Miller, seconded by Roberts, to approve payment of building and site bills as listed.

Aves: 7. Nays: 0. Motion Carried. Motion by Miller, seconded by Mullen, to approve the agenda.

Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion Carried. OLD BUSINESS

1. The workshop for board members and administrators on Long Range Goals is scheduled for Decem-ber 7 from 9 to 12; 1-3.

2. Board Policy Committee report. The committee members reported that all board policies have been revised. Recommendations for changes are being typed and will be presented at the next meeting.

3. A car lease proposal was presented by Mr. Wa-beke. The board voted to accept the quotation from Jackson Motors. Roll Call Vote.

Ayes: Roberts, Thaler, Metternick, Siegle, Nays: Miller, Kropf.

Abstension: Mullen. 4. A Citizens' Committee on Curriculum Improve-

ment will be named at the next board meeting. Dr. Siegle requested additional names from board members for this committee.

5. Bushnell building progress report. Mr. Sinke stated that floors and foundations were almost complete, with brick work scheduled for Monday, Novem-

6. Alto building progress report. Mr. Sinke stated that all foundations have been poured and block work has started.

7. The Lions Club proposal for the athletic field was discussed. The question was raised as to location and fencing. Dr. Siegle referred the proposal to the

Building and Site Committee for recommendations 8. A meeting between the YMCA and Board of Education will be held Wednesday, November 13, at 7:30 p.m. at the senior high school. Dr. Siegle appointed Roger Roberts to replace Dr. Reagan on the YMCA

9. A meeting with the city on a joint administration building has been scheduled for Tuesday, November 12, at 7:30 in the high school conference room. 10. The Building and Site Committee report was

given by Dave Miller. The committee recommended the Bushnell site is its first choice for the administration building site! The final selection of the site would hinge on the outcome of the meeting with the city on 11. The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member Kropf, supported by Member Mul-

WHEREAS:

- 1. Mr.-Gilbert Woolworth, a teacher in the Lowell Area Schools, has filed certain grievances numpered 1-74, 2-74, 3-74, 4-74, 7-74 and 8-74; and
- 2. This board of education denied said grievances after conducting hearings pursuant to level four of the grievance procedure contained in Article

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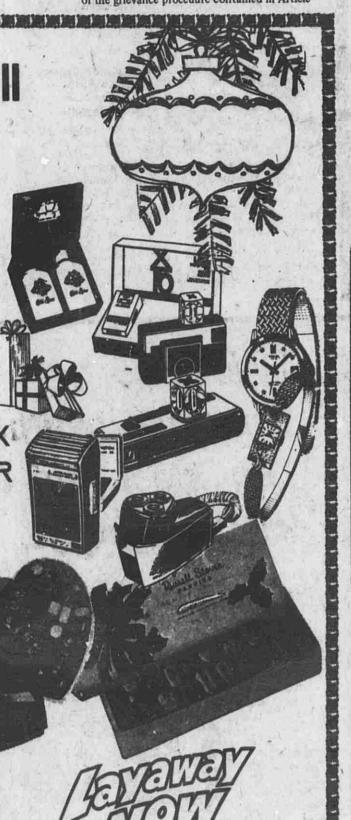
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XIII of the master agreement between this board and the Lowell Education Association; and 3. Mr. Gilbert Woolworth is attempting to process said greivances to level five of said grievance procedure which provides for binding arbitration of certain grievances not resolved at level four of

- said grievance procedure; and 4. This board is of the opinion that certain of said grievances are not subject to the arbitration provisions contained in level five of said grievance procedure and that the Lowell Area Schools will be irreparably harmed if all of said grievances are appealed and processed to level five arbitra-
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT: 1. The Lansing, Michigan law firm of Thrun, Maatsch and Nordberg is authorized to commence legal proceedings in the Circuit Court for the County of Kent to enjoin the attempted submission of said grievances to arbitration pursuant to level five of said grievance procedure. 2. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution

be and the same are hereby rescinded. Ayes: Siegle, Miller, Metternick, Kropf, Mullen, Tha-ler, Roberts. Nays: None.

Motion declared adopted. NEW BUSINESS

1. It was recommended that the board approach the City relative to paving Howard Street and construction of a sidewalk for Howard Street. Mr. Kelly reported that it was his understanding this was in the city's plans for the coming year. 2. Parent-teacher conferences were held on Novem-

ber 6. The principals reported on attendance at their individual buildings. 3. Motion by Metternick, seconded by Mullen, to adopt the final school bond loan resolution for monies

to be received December 1, 1974. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion Carried. 4. Motion by Mullen, seconded by Thaler, to offer a contract for full-time teaching to Daniel L'Herault, ele-

mentary teacher. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion Carried. 5. A report on snowplowing was made by Mr. Wa-beke. He stated an agreement had been reached with Bieri Brothers for snowplowing. He reported that last year's total cost was \$410.

6. Board members were asked to turn in their M.A.-S.B. questionnarire on school board salaries. 7. Mr. Wabeke asked that an executive session be

held to discuss purchase of the Frost house. 8. In the time allocated for audience comments Mrs. McKay raised questions on sidewalks and safety patrols for Amity Street. Mr. Kelly replied that he was working with the city on this specific problem. 9. Motion by Mullen, seconded by Roberts to go

into executive session to discuss the purchase of property and administrator contracts. Ayes: 7, Nays: 0. Motion Carried. 10. Motion by Kropf, seconded by Mullen, to resume

the regular session. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion Carried. 11. Motion by Thaler, seconded by Mullen, to authorize the business manager to purchase the property at 307 Avery Street.

Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Siegle, Miller, Metternick, Kropf, Mullen, Thaler, Roberts.

Ayes: None, Motion Carried. 12. Motion by Kropf, seconded by Mullen, to ad- 12

journ at 10 p.m. YY. Ayes: 7. Nays: O. Motion Carried. Respectfully submitted. - Harold Metternick, Secretary

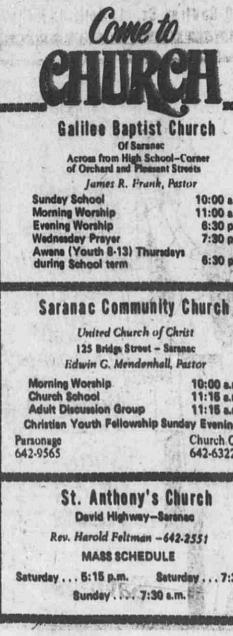
WOMEN OF THE MOOSE MEET Women of the Moose members were well represent ed at their regular meeting Monday evening with social services chairman, Elva Topp, and her committee in charge. Ritual practice followed the regular meeting. Refreshments were served and the door prize went to Liz Hawk. Plans for the December 16th meeting will be reveal-

d in next week's Ledger.

HOME BAKERS AID MILLERS The upswing in home baking is providing flour

millers a hefty boost in business. A return to the kitchen," says F. Forrigan, president of the Minneapolis-based Peavey Company, is largely responsible for a 9 percent increase in family our consumption in the past year. The diversified grain merchandising company does

not foresee "a mad dash" into home bread baking as grain prices rise. But it is hopeful that the 70-year downrend in per-capita flour consumption will be reversed.



Same Sommer Sommer Sommer of of paramount importance. Both brown paper bags **Showboat Restaurant** and transparent plastic bags are efficient for use in flouring small pieces of meat and cut-up poul **700 EAST MAIN STREET-LOWELL**



versity's Department of Music will present a concert December 8, at 3 p.m. in Miller Auditorium. The Symphonic Band is conducted by Carl Bjerregaard, and will feature Don Baker as percussion soloist. The concert by the Symphonic Band is open to the public free of charge.

A WMU student from this area who will be performing in this concert is: June Bird, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Bird, 830 N. Monroe, Lowell.



Marine Lance Corporal Patrick M. Dunning, whose wife, Delores, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Verlin of 5335 Grand River Drive, reported for duty with the 2d Marine Division at the Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.

Keith J. Middaugh, son of Mr. and Mrs. Junior Mid-daugh of 1800 W. Main Street, Lowell, has enlisted at the Navy Recruiting Station in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He is undergoing basic military training at the Recruit Training Center in Great Lakes, Illinois.

Lucinda Jane Blough, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ivan K. Blough of 623 North Jefferson Street, Lowell, has been chosen as one of Western Michigan University's representatives to receive the honor of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges for 1974-1975."

To be one of Western's 48 representatives to receive this national recognition, Miss Blough was judged on her scholarship, involvement, honors, and recommendations while at Western.

An Awards Banquet will be given to honor these students January 23, at 6:30 p.m. in the West Ballroom of the Student Center.

Amway Corporation has announced the promotion of three men to the level of Director, William A. Hemmer, of Belding, previously International Administrative Assistant to the Policy Committee, is now Director of International Operations. Noel A. Black, 7100 Ada Drive, Ada, formerly the Manager of Government and Public Affairs, is now Director of Public Affairs. Roger Krause, of Grand Rapids, who has been International Sales Coordinator, is the new Director of Sales. ...

Thanksgiving guests of Mrs. Elizabeth Phelps at the Schneider Manor Recreation Center were her families; including guests from Mt. Pleasant, Vestaburg, Alma, Grand Rapids and East Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bieri of Lowell will observe their 21st wedding anniversary on Wednesday, Decem-

Frank Everett, 56, of Reno, Nevada, a former resident of South Boston, passed away unexpectedly November 24. His survivors include two sons, Pastor Joe Everett of Southfield, Michigan, and Pastor Steve Everett of Fenton, Michigan, and three grandchildren. Services were held for Mr. Everett on November 27 with interment in Reno, Nevada.

The Lowell Senior Center is sponsoring a 10-day

trip to Hawaii, leaving Lowell January 23. You do not need to be a senior citizen to go on this trip. For further information write or call Lowell Senior Center, 214 E. Main Street, Loweil, Mi. 49331. Ph. 897-5250.

Several residents in the Ada area were awakened by an explosion about 6 a.m. Thanksgiving Day when a transformer in a Consumers Power sub-station on Rix Street overheated and blew up, causing no interruption in service to customers



FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6

The Youth For Understanding exchange students will sponsor a chili supper on Friday, December 6, at the High School Cafeteria. Serving will be 5 to 7:30 p.m. Admission is \$1 at the door. Everyone is invited.

Cub Scout Pack No. 3102 of Lowell will hold a homemade baked goods sale Friday evening, December 6, at Eberhard's Store on West Main, Lowell, from 5 p.m. until 9 p.m.

Sunday, December 8, at 1:30, the American Legion and Auxiliary members and their families will have their annual Christmas party in the dining room. Bring your own table service and dish to pass. Ham, coffee and milk will be furnished.

meeting and Christmas potluck supper Thursday, December 12, at 6:30 p.m. Meat will be furnished. Bring a dish to pass and own table service, also a one dollar exchange gift. This is inspection meeting; all chairmen

South Boston Extension group meeting and Christ-mas Party, 1:30 p.m., Thursday, December 12, at the home of June and Carol Fahmi.

No other

Linda Odell Becomes Mrs. Jonathan Damon



St. James Lutheran Church of Grand Rapids was the setting for the wedding of Miss Linda Carrie Odell to Jonathan Shove Damon on Saturday, November 23. The couple spoke their yows of Holy Matrimony at half after four o'clock in the afternoon before Pastor Robert Miller.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Adelbert Odell of Lowell and Mr. and Mrs. Harry F. Damon,

jr., of East Grand Rapids. The bride wore an Ivory knit gown enhanced with a short cape and full-gathered hood.

The matron of honor, the bride's sister, Mrs. Judith Ann Durkee was attired in an emerald green crepe gown, trimmed with aqua. Kimberly Henderson, niece of the bride, in a blue knit gown trimmed in emerald

green, was the flower girl. The groom's father, Harry F. Damon, jr., served as best man. Seating the guests were Bruce Odell and

Peter Damon. Presiding as master and mistress of ceremonies at an evening reception at the Deer Run Golf Club, Low-

ell, were the bride's aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Otzman of Birmingham. The bride is a teacher in the Lowell Area School

system, and the groom is an attorney for the Court Of Following a wedding trip to the Island of St. Lucia, the Damons will reside in Grand Rapids.

Woman's Club Holds Christmas Program

The Lowell Woman's Club will meet in the lounge of the First Congregational Church of Lowell on Wed-

nesday, December 11, at 1 p.m. Program chairman is Mrs. V. L. Watts of Alto, who will introduce as the featured speaker, the Rev. John Eversole of the Alto United Methodist Church. The musical arts program will include three students from Lowell High School, who will present several vocal se-

lections. We, the people of Lowell, feel very fortunate to have so many talented students who are so willing to share their abilities with us, under the tutelage of dedi-

cated and competent teachers. In addition we will have an ingathering of materials to make gift decorations for the residents of the Cherry

Creek Nursing Home. The meeting will be concluded with a social time and teas will be served by a committee of Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Bieri, Mrs. DeVries, Mrs. Kelly, Mrs. Vander-

Weele and Mrs. Chaterdon. **To Wrap Packages For**

Santa Claus Girls

Members of the Lowell Woman's Club are asked to meet at the Atlantic Mills, Turner Avenue and W. River Road in Grand Rapids to wrap packages for the Santa Claus Girls Saturday, December 7, from 10 a.m. until approximately 4 p.m. or until 375 packages are

offered to drive, so the larger the number of workers the Coffee and cups will be furnished. Bring a sack lunch;

wear comfortable shoes and warm clothing. Take the

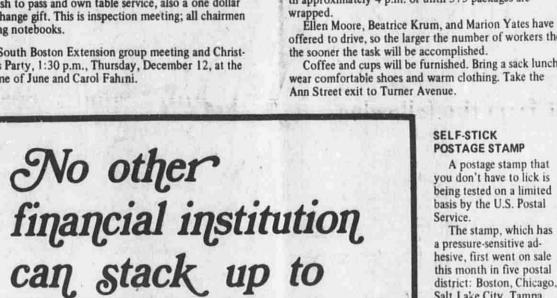
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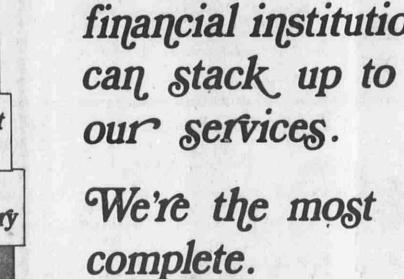
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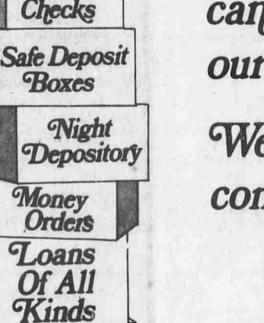
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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12 The Lowell VFW Auxiliary will hold their regular

Lowell Ledger-Suburban Life, December 5, 1974 Alaska Church **Coming Events**

Thursday morning, December 5, 11 a.m. there will be bowling for the women at the Midvilla. If you plan to go, contact Delores Ellis. If you want to ride together, meet at the church so we can leave at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, December 8, at 2 p.m. the Senior Citizens of

the district will have a potluck dinner at Northview Branch. You don't have to be a senior citizen to attend. Everyone who feels comfortable in the group is welcome. There will be a worship service following the dinner and Dr. Herb Smith will be the speaker. Sunday, December 8, Elder Robert Johnson will

be speaking at the 11 a.m. morning worship held at the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, with the theme "The Word Has Become Flesh." "The Reorganization" is the theme being used by Priest Greg Clark at the 7 p.m. evening service.

Wednesday, December 11, 6 p.m. the Zioneers will be giving a Christmas Program for the people at Cherry Creek Nursing Home.

Wednesday, December 11, 7:30 pm. midweek fellow-ship service with Elder S. M. Newman giving thoughts for consideration with the theme "Word Has Become

Saturday night, December 14, there will be a Dis-trict Christmas Service at Greenville Branch at 7:30 p.m.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED TO HOLD DECEMBER FORUM

The December FORUM of Church Women United of the Grand Rapids Area will be held Friday, Decem-ber 6, at First Park Congregational Church, 10 East Park Place, Grand Rapids. Coffee at 9:15 a.m. Nursery Sister Lois from Aquinas College will narrate and show her stides on "Christmas Through the Ages."

OPEN LETTER from DAVID GERST Dear Friends, There are a number of ways in which people will share the bereaved family's loss and express their love, respect, and grief. Some will come to both the visitation and the funeral service. Others will be at just one. Most who are at the funeral service will want to lend support to the family at the committal at graveside. Respectfully. ROTH-GERST FUNERAL HOME LOWELL MICHIGAN

Child Ventriloquist Special Feature At Nazarene Church



Ten-year-old Jill Ide and her talking dummy will be the special feature for Sunday School at 10:00 a.m., December 8, at the Lowell Church of the Nazarene. Jill and her younger sister, Sheri, will also sing during the worship service at 11 a.m. Jill and Sheri are the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. George Ide of Grand Rapids and members of the First

Church of the Nazarene. Nazarenes will also enjoy the ministry of Rev.

Charles Millhuff, who is a rare combination of up-to-date, relevant, sawdust-trail evangelism. His life has been filled with a great variety of evangelistic efforts: past narrator for the worldwide voice of the Church of Nazarene, "Showers of Blessing," writer, song composer, recording artist, as well as city-wide crusade, camp meeting and revival preacher. Chuck is an or-dained elder in the Church of the Nazarene. He was trained at Olivet Nazarene College and Nazarene Theo ogical Seminary.

Born and raised among the teeming millions of Chi-cago, he is able to identify with the people. He now lives in the Kansas City area with his wife, Jeanne, and two children. His constant searching for a better way of evangelizing and new places of evange-listic endeavor has led him to Africa, Europe, the South Pacific, the Caribbean, South America, and the Middle East.

Old-time religion with class-this is Chuck Millhuff. He lives to share Christ with enthusiasm, joy, and con-

Singer Dean Spencer will be present most services to add a dimension of beautiful music. These evangelistic services will begin Wednesday evening, December 11 at 7 p.m. and continue through Sunday evening, December 15, including Sunday

morning at 11 a.m. Saturday evening will be especially for teens and the service will be particularly interesting to them. Fol-lowing the service there will be refreshments and fellow

ship for the teens. The pastor, W. E. Holcomb, and congregation ex-tend a warm invitation to everyone to share in these

services.

Cascade Youth Collect \$2,073

The Cascade Christian Church Youth Council reports a total UNICEF giving this year of \$2,073. The otal giving in Kent County this year will come close to fifteen thousand dollars, indicating that the kids were really "on the ball" in their annual collection for UN-

Shopping Cart Ride Pays Off Obligation

Meeting at noon on the eve of Thanksgiving, the Lowell Rotary Club had an enjoyable time of food, Lowell Rotary Club had an enjoyable time of food, fellowship, and reflecting on the spirit of Thanksgiving. A number of guests were on hand to enjoy the Ro-tary fellowship. Guests included Dr. Bob Kyser's staff, Ruth Staal, Belva Smith, and Chris McNess. Orion Tha-ler, Dave Potter, Dave Hunting, John Damstra, Rev. Phillip Carpenter, Craig Anderson and Tom Andrews ware also must were also guests.

were also guests. Charlie Doyle enjoyed a ride to Rotary in a John-son's Supermarket shopping cart. Providing the power for this four-wheeled, rick-shaw type ride was Rommie Moore. Moore was paying off an obligation since Mr. Doyle secured more sponsors in the "YMCA Footsteps for Youth" Walk-A-Thon than did his fellow Rotarian. Doyle reported that he, along with Mr. and Mrs. Dean Collins, were among the first 10 to complete the five-mile hike on November 23 for the YMCA.

Dennis McMahon reported that Lowell went over their United Fund Goai by 32%. The Reverend Dean Bailey introduced the speak-er, The Reverend Dr. Robert Smith, Grand Rapids District Superintendent of the United Methodist

Dr. Smith based his message on a letter he had pre-viously sent to members of the Rotary Club in which he asked: "If you had one wish this Thanksgiving, what would you wish for?" World peace, food for the hungry, better health, more love in our homes, and forgiveness for our former President were among the answers given to Dr. Smith's inquiry. Concluding his message, Dr. Smith said that he was thankful for life, health, his wife and son, friends, our country-all blessings from God.

YFU Chile Supper

On Friday, December 6, the Youth For Understand-ing exchange students will sponsor a chile supper to be held in the Lowell High School Cafeteria, beginning at 5 p.m. and ending at 7:30 p.m. Admission price is \$1. Tickets will be sold at the door. Everyone is wel-

come. Come to the chile supper and stay for the basket-ball game and support your Red Arrow team. Christmas

Workshop

Hundreds of people of all ages are expected again this year at Cascade Christian Church's annual Christmas Workshop Saturday, December ' from 10:30-4.

Not to be confused with the old-time church bazaars, the Workshop offers an opportunity for creativity on the Christ-mas motif. All booths are strictly non-profit,

with prices as low as pos-Twelve booths will be n operation, with the Doerr Guild operating the International Gift

hop and the Denison Guild taking over in the kitchen, with food and beverages for the persons needing physical refresh-





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Sanctuary Choir To Sing

Handel's Oratorio 'Messiah'

Christmas and Advent portions of "Messiah," the or-atorio by George F. Handel, will be presented by the Sanctuary Choir of Trinity Lutheran Church, under the direction of H. Brad Heyl, Jr., organist and choirmaster, on Sunday, December 8, 8 p.m., in the sanctuary, 2700 E. Fulton St. The public is welcome. No admission charge. An offering will be received.

WHEN AWAY FROM HOME ...

BUSINESS DIRECTORY

If you leave your home for the holidays, remember to ask a friend or neighbor to empty your mailbox dai ly and to hold the mail until your return. An overstuffed box is an open invitation for thieves and vandals. Also your post office has a form which you can fill out requesting your mail to be held, for any period up to 30 days. If you ask for your mail to be held, be sure to specify when you want your mailman to resume home delivery. While at the post office buy enough stamps to prevent running out far away from any post office. Stamps are more expensive when purchased from commercial vending machines.

Sport Shorts

Four Lowell High School Red Arrow football play ers have been named to the Tri-River honor squad for the 1974 season.

They are, senior tackle Gordie Klahn and senior backs, Bruce Billock, John Piper and Karl Higgins. Of the 23 all-conference spots available, six went to the league champions, Lakewood; five to Cedar Springs; four to Lowell; three to Coopersville, two each to Belding and Greenville, and one to Sparta.

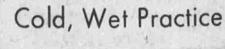
Coach Gerald Meredith's basketball squad from Lowell High School opened their season last Tuesday night by defeating their non-league opponents, Delton, 60-48. Harden who hit the boards for 14 points apiece. Also hitting double figures were Scott Phillips, 11, and Tom Kempker, 10. Lowell's scoring was led by Gil Fonger and Willie

The O-K White Conference all-star football team for 1974, includes five players from the Forest Hills School Districts. On the squad from Forest Hills Central are: Tony Grochowalski, Tom Zuiderveen, Bill Dangl, and Shawn

Representing Forest Hills Northern is Jack Lane.

This Friday night, Lowell's basketball team will be at home, playing host to Coopersville.

On Monday, December 10, Gary River's wrestlers will lay out the home mats for a match against Kenowa Hills Thursday, December 12, the matmen will travel to Belding to meet their Tri-River league foes.





cold and wet practice last week at the Lowell Middle School. Jim White, a teacher at the Middle School, taught the basic skills of soccer to the 26 boys and girls who attended. Dribbling, passing, shooting, and positioning were some of the areas covered. If there is enough interest next year it may be possible to form a soccer league here in Lowell.

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DECORATIONS AND GIFTS



Thomas J. Stuart, a student at Lowell Senior High School has been named a semi-finalist in the competition for about 3.400 Merit Scholarships to be awarded in 1975. The Merit semi-finalists were the highest scorers in the 1973 Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test udents in about 17,000 schools nationwide. Lowell's semi-finalist is the son of Mr. and Mrs. **Donald Stuart of Lowell.** STORE NUTS

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CAREFULLY If you've completed your Christmas baking and you have some extra nuts left over, be sure to

store them properly, says Marilyn Mook, Michigan State University Extension food specialist. Place the nuts in a plastic bag and store in the refrigerator, or if you won't be using them for

a long time, put them in your freezer. Remember, unshelled nuts may also be wrapped in a plastic bag and stored in the refrigerator

HOMEMADE

or freezer.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Looking for Christ-mas gift ideas? Homemade products make lover ly gifts, says Marilyn Mook, Michigan State University Extension specialist. Homemade jelly, jam, bread, coffee cakes, cookies and even your homemade pickles are welcome presents.

Christmas candy is loved by all; but with the high cost of sugar, you may want to save this gift for an extra special

"You can decrease he amount of sugar in baked products, but don't amper with the amount called for in your candy recipe," warns Miss Mook. "The whole batch could

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SAVE MONEY ON HOLIDAY BAKING Even with the high cost of sugar, you can afford to do your Christmas baking. "You can cut down the amount of sugar used in most cookie recipies," says Marilyn Mook, Michigan

State University Extension food specialist. "Your cookies may not brown as much, but they'll still taste



Polished Shoes For Christmas

It was sixteen years ago this Christmas that the Post-High Church school class and youth group of the Cascade Christian Church became Santa Claus to two financially impoverished families. Of course, churches have been doing this sort of thing for decades, even centuries. But something happened that particular Chirstmas Eve that rallied the total congregation, sis-ter churches, and community into a far-reaching bene-volence program, known locally as Operation Santa

At the conclusion of the Chirstmas Eve worship service, a half dozen college-age youth left the church with boxes of gifts that they had been collecting. At the first home, they found the father unemployed, the mother ill, and eight boys and one girl with no Christmas at all save their "polished shoes." Inviting class members into that humble home, the head of the household said this to his teen-age visitors, "At least I thought I could polish the children's shoes to attend mass Christmas morning." In turn, he placed the nine pairs of shoes under an undecorated pine tree in the corner of the room. He cried as the young people left, leaving behind all sorts of toys, games, food, and a beautiful talking doll for his little daughter.

The other family served that same Christmas night did not respond in any way until seven years later. And then, this equally beautiful story was related! A stump had to be removed from the church property to make way for an expansion project. A workman was engaged to do the job, but he refused any remuneration, The minister queried, "How come?" This was his reply: "Reverend, seven years ago, I was unemployed and could provide nothing for my family for Christmas. Late Christmas Eve some young people from your church left several boxes of Christmas 'goodies' at my doorstep and left quickly. But I found out who they were and vowed to repay them one day. You couldn't under any circumstances pay me for removing this stump. It is my real joy to pay back a favor of seven years' standing."

These two stories, related in an anonymous manner triggered a church and community into a program that has grown so that over fifty families and two hundred children benefited from Operation Santa Claus in 1973 Gifts of clothing, toys, dolls, candy and food totaled over \$3,500 in cash value alone. Episcopal, Lutheran, Chirstian Reformed, Catholic, and Disciple ladies have wrapped over one thousand individual gift packages, Of this amount, the local junior high school students contributed \$610.48. So many times we have thought of the biblical admonition which calls for "casting one's bread upon the water."

The post-high church school class and the church

Mrs. Holly Brandsma, Youth Director, stands

n front of an 'Operation Santa Claus' bulletin board with one of fifty Christmes boxes shared last year. Over a fifteen year period, 585 families and 2,473 children have enjoyed a personal-ized Christmas through 'Operation Santa Claus.' found joy and a sense of worth in assisting families with financial problems at Christmas. Operation Santa Claus virtually "snowballed." Social workers, public health nurses, school principals, and pastors submit names each year for consideration as recipients. The coordination of the program is done at Cascade Christian Church. A corps of volunteers do the work, with more and more adults assisting the post-high youth. For the first few years, all children received similar items of clothing, such as jackets, sweaters, pants, or similar toys, games and dolls. Then, the idea of a "personalized Christmas" was suggested. A pre-Christmas visit is made to each family, with ages of children and exact sizes sought. Upon receipt of these lists from the

callers, the shoppers and wrapper go to work. All shopping and wrapping is done with the use of code numbers to protect the personal identity of all families, which is known only to a committee of three. In a few instances, gift certificates or checks are given to families that might be embarrassed with the offering of a Christmas basket or box. Once, a man's back property taxes were paid in full, and a doctor bill was paid for another, but all was done'secretly. Rentals have been paid and drug bills met. The list of

such kindnesses is long. In totaling actual records over a fifteen-year period, it was found that \$24,468 in cash have been received, and this sum does not include denations of merchandise estimated conservatively at an additional fifteen thousand. For two years, Wolverine Shoe Company of Rockford, has outfitted each child and parent with new shoes. An eight-six-year-old grandmother (now almost sightless) has knitted over four hundred pairs of mittens. An orchardist leaves boxes of apples for every family each year. Local merchants have donated countless items and have given shopping discounts as well. School children have donated vast quantities of canned goods in preference to gift exchanges.

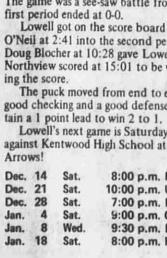
To be quite honest, there are persons who question such a program as Operation Santa Claus. Mismanagement, drinking fathers, hard-core "moochers" have left many persons skeptical, but none of these and other criticisms can be leveled at innocent children. It is surprising how many families, once receiving Christmas assistance, have "bowed out" of the program as they have become financially capable of meeting essential needs. Two years ago, for example, one man thanked the caller for coming, claiming that he didn't need assistance. To prove his point he pulled out his checkbook and wrote a check for twenty-five dollars. Then he asked that someone help his neighbor in the usual anonymous fashion. It was done as he re-

Nine pairs of "polished shoes for Christmas mass" and the removal of a tree stump gratis. To some, it wouldn't sound like much, but those two incidents paved the way for a "personalized Christmas" to 585 families and 2,473 children over a fifteen-year period. Post-high members at Cascade Christian believe in Santa Claus. The reasons are obvious.

CAR PAYMENTS MAKE SMALLER

HOLE IN BUDGET The purchase of a new car in the United States now requires 27 percent less of a family's income than it did 20 years ago, according to the Motor Vehicle Manufacturers ssociation. In 1973, 30 percent of households owned two r more cars, about 60 ercent more than a decade ago. Households with no cars dropped from 24.3 percent to a level of 20.5 percent. SLOW BURN

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Most Needed Gift

Each day's news adds another harsh stroke to the dark portrait of tragic world conditions. Reports of abject poverty and famine afflicting hundreds of millions overseas overwhelm us in their enormity. As the holidays approach-traditionally when we specially help the needy-many people are asking: what can one person do in the face of such massive suffering? What can one person do to help? The fact is, you can do a lot more than you may re

Through CARE, a life-saving link is provided be-tween Americans who want to help and those who need it most in 36 countries of Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East. CARE provides food and medical aid, plus self-help-development programs to assist struggling families to grow more food. The holiday season CARE Food Crusade asks us to help feed 22 million people, mostly children, in preschool and nutrition centers and schools, many of which CARE helped build. To provide the daily feedings throughout the coming year, CARE requires \$7,-300,000 in individual donations. The rest of the costs are covered by host government contributions and U.S. government supplies of farm foods, so the aid-value of your dollars are multiplied. For example: \$5 gives 270 children full, nutritious lunches . . . \$10 gives 3,600 children cups of protein-enriched beverage . . .
\$25 delivers 500 pounds of food. Yes, you can do a lot more than you think-by giv-

ng the world's most needed gift, bringing life and hope to the poorest of the poor. You can mail your holiday contribution check to: CARE Food Crusade, 660 First Ave., New York, N.Y. 10016.



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Arrow Hockey Team

Defeats Northview

Lowell High School's Red Arrow Hockey team defeated Northview High School 2 to 1 Saturday night. The game was a see-saw battle from the start and the

Lowell got on the score board by a goal from Troy O'Neil at 2:41 into the second period and a goal by Doug Blocher at 10:28 gave Lowell a 2 point lead. Northview scored at 15:01 to be within a point of ty

The puck moved from end to end, but Lowell, with good checking and a good defense, was able to main-

Lowell's next game is Saturday night, December 7 against Kentwood High School at 8 p.m. Good Luck

> 8:00 p.m. F. H. vs. Lowell 10:00 p.m. Union vs. Lowell 7:00 p.m. Lowell vs. Ottawa 9:00 p.m. Catholic Cen. vs. Lowell 9:30 p.m. Lowell vs. Grandville 8:00 p.m. Kenowe Hills vs. Lowel





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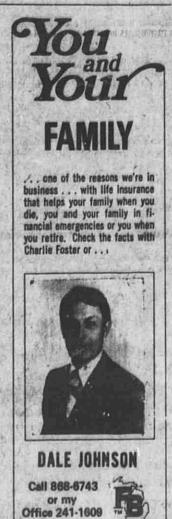
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CITY OF LOWELL COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Official Proceedings of the City Council of the City of Lowell, Michigan. Regular Meeting of Monday, November 18, 1974.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given and an Invocation was given by the Mayor. Mayor Anderson called the meeting to order at 8 p.m.

and the Roll was called. Present: Councilmembers Hall, Jefferies, Mueller, Rogers and Anderson.

Absent: None IT WAS MOVED by Councilman Mueller that the minutes of the November 4 meeting be approved and the reading waived, supported by Councilman Hall.

Carried IT WAS MOVED by Councilman Hall that the Bills and Accounts Payable be allowed and warrants issued,

supported by Councilwoman Rogers. Yes: Councilmembers Hall, Jefferies, Mueller, Rogers and Anderson. No: None.

Absent: None.

BILLS & ACCOUNTS PAYAB	LE TOTALS
General Fund	\$56,809.51
Major Street Fund	2,065.53
Local Street Fund	2,321.00
Improvement Fund	320.40
Equipment Fund	16,801.90
Water Fund	17,303.49
Sewer Fund	2.455.74
1965 Debt Retirement-Water	460.64
1965 Debt Retirement-Sewer	3,098.28
Storm Sewer Fund	93,415.43
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Manager Bacon then introduced Sgts. Joseph Bouchard and Miller Richter of the Michigan State Police who presented a study of traffic accidents in the City of Lowell.

Sgt. Bouchard presented a comparison of facts from 1971 through 1974, stating that the large volume of traffic on Main Street accounts for the high accident rate. He also stated other factors contributing to accidents throughout the City, and made recommendations for changes to alleviate the problems.

A question and discussion period followed the comprehensvie presentation. Council then discussed the proposed contract for

Gas Service with Consumers Power Company. The following resolution was offered by Councilman Jefferies, who moved its adoption, supported by Councilman Hall.

RESOLVED. That it is hereby deemed advisable to enter into a contract with the Consumers Power Company, of Jackson, Michigan, for furnishing gas service to the City of Lowell for a period of one year and thereafter from month to month, in accordance with the terms of the contract heretofore'submitted to and considered by this Council; and

RESOLVED, Further, That the Mayor and City Clerk be and are authorized and directed to execute such contract on behalf of the City: upon final approval by Lowell Board of Light and Power. Yes: Councilmembers Hall, Jefferies, Mueller, Rogers and Anderson.

No: None, Absent: None.

Council discussed the transfer of Federal Revenue Sharing monies, which had originally been earmarked for land acquisition from the first entitlement period, to the General Fund, for refuse collection and disposal. The following resolution was offered by Councilman hall, who moved its adoption, supported by Councilman Jefferies

WHEREAS, it is a requirement that Federal Revene Sharing Monies for Entitlement Period No. 1 and No. 2 plus accumulated interest, thereon be used, obligated, or appropriated within 24 months of the date of the check, and

WHEREAS, the City previously applied for and received a one year extension on monies for Entitlement Period No. 1 which were due to expire December 10, 1974, and these funds now expire December 10, 1975,

WHEREAS, funds for Entitlement Period No. 2 which were received January 8, 1973, and expire January 8, 1975, have not been used, obligated, appropriated, or extended.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Lowell obligate a total of \$19,275.00 (\$17,117.00 principal plus \$2,158.00 of accumulated interest) labled as Entitlement Period No. 2 monies, for the sole purpose itlement Period No. 2 monies, for the sole purpose of refuse collection and disposal, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that these monies

be transferred from the Federal Revenue Sharing Fund to the General Fund and be labled as a "Transfer to the General Fund" under the approved category of "Public lealth

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the General Fund then assume full responsibility to see that this amount be spent solely for refuse collection and disposl expenses

Yes: Councilmembers Hall, Jefferies, Mueller, Rog ers and Anderson. No: None.

Absent: None

A discussion followed on accepting a loan offer by the Michigan Department of Aeronautics for land acuisition for the expansion of the Lowell Airport. The following resolution was offered by Council-

LEGAL NOTICES

STATE OF MICHIGAN THE CIRCUIT COURT

FOR THE COUNTY OF KENT LINDA KAY WATKINS. No. 74-24901-DM Plaintiff. Judge Roman J. Snow (P-20747) WILLIAM J. WATKINS III, ORDER FOR Defendant. APPEARANCE

At a session of said Court, held in the Hall of Justice at the City of Grand Rapids, County of Kent, State of Michigan, this 22nd day of November, 1974. Present: Honorable Roman J. Snow, Circuit Judge.

In this case an action was filed on the 22nd day of November, 1974 by the Plaintiff Linda Kay Watkins for an absolute divorce from the bonds of matrimony. IT IS ORDERED that the Defendant, William J. Watkins III, shall appear and take such action as may be permitted by law on or before the 25th day of January, 1975. Fallure to comply with this Order shall result in a default judgment against the Defendant for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed in this

Roman J. Snow, Circuit Judge Examined, countersigned, and entered by me. M.A. Diedrich

Deputy Clerk M. A. Diedrich Deputy Clerk

Court.

man Mueller, who moved its adoption, supported by Councilwoman Rogers. WHEREAS, the City of Lowell is desirous of con-

structing improvements to the Lowell Municipal Airport, and WHEREAS, the Michigan Aeronautics Commission is able to loan \$25,000.00 for airport improvements,

including land acquisition BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Lowell hereby

requests a loan of \$25,000.00 to be secured by a 41% first mortgate on certain real property owned by the City of Lowell in Section 35 T7N, R9W, Vergennes Township, Kent County, Michigan. Yes: Councilmembers Hall, Mueller, Rogers and An-

No: Councilman Jefferies.

Absent: None

IT WAS THEN MOVED by Councilman Mueller that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the mortgage agreement for \$25,000.00, supported by Councilman Hall

Yes: Councilmembers Hall, Mueller, Rogers and Anderson. No: Councilman Jefferies.

Absent: None

Manager Bacon then reported on viewing the "primitives " bequeathed to the City by the late Dr. Ruth Herrick, stating that there were many articles valuable to the heritage of the City, and that many of them should be accepted and displayed. He suggested setting a time for the Councilmembers to see the articles. No action was taken on the matter.

Then followed a discussion on compliance with the National Flood Insurance Program. The following resolution was offered by Council-

man Jefferies, who moved its adoption, supported by Councilwoman Rogers. WHEREAS, certain areas of the City of Lowell are subject to periodic flooding from Rivers, causing ser-

ious damages to properties within these areas: and WHEREAS, relief is available in the form of Federaly subsidized flood insurance as authorized by the Na-

tional Flood Insurance Act of 1968; and WHEREAS, it is the intent of this Council to require the recognition and evaluation of flood hazards in all official actions relating to land use in the flood plain

areas having special flood hazards; and WHEREAS, this body has the legal authority to adopt land use and control measures to reduce future flood losses pursuant to Section 5.2082(3) Michigan Compiled Laws, and Section 7.10 Lowell City Charter, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Council hereby:

1. Assures the Federal Insurance Administration that it will enact as necessary, and maintain in force for those areas having flood or mudslide hazards, adequate land use and control measures with effective enforcement provisions consistent with the Criteria set forth in Section 1910 of the National Flood Insurance Program Regulations; and

2. Vests the Building Official with the responsibility, authority, and means to: (a) Delineate or assist the Administrator, at his request, in delineating the limits of the areas having special flood hazards on available local maps of suf-

ficient scale to identify the location of building, (b) Provide such information as the Administrator

may request concerning present uses and occupancy of the flood plain.

Cooperate with Federal, State, and local agen cies and private firms which undertake to study, survey, map, and identify flood plain or mudslide areas, and cooperate with neighboring communities with respect to management of adjoining flood plain areas in order to prevent aggravation of existing haz-

(d) Submit on the anniversary date of the community's initial eligibility an annual report to the Administrator on the progress made during the past year within the community in the development and mplementation of flood plain management measures.

3. Appoints the Building Official to maintain for public inspection and to furnish upon request a record of elevations (in relation to mean sea level) of the lowest floor (including basement) of all new or substantially improved structures located in the special flood hazard areas. If the lowest floor is below grade on one or

more sides, the elevation of the floor immediately above must also be recorded. 4. Agrees to take such other official action as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the objectives of

the program Yes: Councilmembers Hall, Jefferies, Mueiler, Rogers and Anderson. No: None.

Absent: None. The following resolution was also offered by Councilman Jefferies, who moved its adoption, supported

by Councilwoman Rogers. WHEREAS, the City of Lowell has adopted and is enforcing the BOCA Basic Building Code, 1970, Ac-cumulated Supplement, 1973, Ordinance No. 73 (Zoning Ordinance No. 2), and

WHEREAS, Section 113.0 of the aforesaid BOCA Code prohibits any person, firm, or corporation from erecting, constructing, enlarging, altering, repairing, improving, moving or demolishing any building or structure without first obtaining a separate building permit for each building or structure from the Building Official,

WHEREAS, the Building Official must examine all

LOWELL TOWNSHIP TAX NOTICE Taxes are due and payable between Decem-

ber and February 14. I will be at the new Lowell Township Hall, 2910 Alden Nash Road on Friday and Sat-

urdays, beginning December 6 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Dog licenses are due December 1st, and cur-

rent certification of vaccination is required. Assistance will be provided Senior Citizens and Veterans for the Michigan CR 1040 Homestead Credit Tax forms.

> **Doris Boyd, Treasurer** Lowell Township

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plans and specifications for the proposed construction when application is made to him for a building permit. NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lowell City Council as follows:

1. That the Building Official shall review all building permit applications for new construction or substantial improvements to determine whether proposed building sites will be reasonably safe from flooding. If a proposed building site is in a location that has a flood hazard, any proposed new construction or substantial improvement (including prefabricated and mobile homes) must (i) be designed (or modified) and anchored to prevent floatation collapse, or lateral movement of the structure, (ii) use construction materials and utility equipment that are resistant to flood damage, and (iii) use construction methods and practices

that will minimize flood damage; and 2. That the Building Official shall review subdivision proposals and other proposed new developments to assure that (i) all such proposals are consistant with the need to minimize flood damage, (ii) all public utilities and facilities, such as sewer, gas, electrical, and water systems are located, elevated, and constructed to minimize or eliminate flood damage, and (iii) adequate drainage is provided so as to reduce exposure to flood hazards; and

3. That the Building Official shall require new or replacement water supply systems and/or sewage systems to be designed to minimize or eliminate infiltration of flood waters into the systems and discharges from the systems into flood waters, and require on-site waste disposal systems to be located so as to avoid impairment of them or contamination from them during flooding.

Yes: Councilmembers Hall, Jefferies, Mueller, Rogers and Anderson. No: None.

Absent: None.

Mayor

There were no communications. The Manager's Report was read, including a report on the finalization of the Storm Sewer Project being near.

Under Remarks from the Audience, Mr. Royce Story was present, stating that he had spent several weeks trying to schedule a hearing before the City Zoping Board of Appeals, and asked that a date be set. Manager Bacon explained that members of the Board schedules

conflicted with setting a date, but that one would be worked out and he would be notified. IT WAS THEN MOVED to adjourn by Councilwoman Rogers, at 9:52 p.m. Approved: December 2, 1974.

CARLEN E. ANDERSON,



LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS Week of December 9, 1974

MONDAY: Beef Stew **Cottage Cheese Biscuits or Rolls**

Jello with Fruit TUESDAY: Barbeques Tossed Salad Mixed Vegetables Applesauce & Cookies 21 Rapidos, 456

THURSDAY:

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WEDNESDAY: **Oven Fried Chicken** Whipped Potatoes w/Gravy

Peas & Carrots **Rolls & Biscuits Chilled** Peaches

Choice of Fruits or Pudding

Italian Noodles Whole Kernel corn

Plain or Garlic Bread Assorted Whipped Desserts **Grilled Cheese Sandwiches** Potato Chips & Pickles

Green Beans

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Letters to the Editor

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Concerning last week's issue of the Lowell Ledger

in the "Around The Area" column, where it was an-

nounced that the Olin Miller Jr. would be celebrating

addition. The statement is in fact true, however, six

months ago we legally parted and the final divorce de-

the readers might have and to prevent rumors from

from, but I hope this will settle the statement in ques-

starting. I have no idea where the information came

Editor's Note-Mr. Miller . . . Our apologies, we

stand corrected, and sincerely hope the person

Ada Township

NOTICE

Ada Township Zoning Board of Appeals,

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1974

AT 4:30 P.M.

at the Ada Township Offices, 555 Ada Dr.

The purpose of the Hearing will be to lis-

ten to all interested parties on the request

of the Amway Corporation for a Variance

to continue the use of the (old) Ada School

on Ada Drive as offices-recreational facili-

Kenneth Anderson,

Ada Township Clerk

ties, work shops and storage.

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A Public Hearing will be held before the

who made the report is also.

The reason for this letter is to clear up any questions

Olin Miller, Jr.

cree will be effective December 12, 1974 A.D.

their 7th wedding anniversary, I would like to make an

Lowell Ledger-Suburban Life, December 5, 1974

Middle School **Band Concert**

The Middle School Bands, under the direction of Patricia Covey, will present their annual Christmas Concert Thursday evening, December 12, at 7:30 p.m. The Concert will be held in the Middle School Cafetorium. The 6th Grade Band portion of the program will feature selected solos as well as full Band numbers, such as "Joy To The World." and "Christmas Chimes." The Concert Band will perform a variety of music ranging from 'Li'l Gabriel March" to "Yuletide Sketches." Also featured will be 8th Grade Cornetists, Lori Meredith, Chip Johnson and Bryin Nelson, performing a cornet trio with band accompaniment.

Christmas Meeting To Be Something Special

When the Alto Garden Club meets on Thursday, December 12, something extra special will be provided in the way of a Christmas meeting. The club members, their husbands and friends, have

been invited to the home of Mrs. Viola Cunningham, Cunningham Acres, near Lake Odessa, for their holiday

A potluck dinner, with coffee and rolls furnished. will be served at 7 p.m. Each member is to bring their

A program themed on Christmas is being planned, and all members are urged to come and have a good

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own table service.

Assistance, again this year, will be provided for those people needing help in completing their Michigan State Property tax credit forms. The service is designed for persons 65 years or over, disabled veterans or for those persons otherwise disabled and who qualify for credit on their State property tax. In this area, asssitance will be given at the following

East Kent Community Center, 10763 Grand River Drive. Ph. 897-5111. Ask for Pat Bohnstingel regarding

Lowell Township Hall, 2910 Alden Nash-Decem-ber 6-7-13-14-20-21-27-28 and January 3-4-10-11 be-

Bowne Township, 6017 Linfield, Alto-December

Cascade Township, 2800 Orange Avenue-December 3-4-9-10-11-16-17-18-23-30 and January 6-7-8 between

Lowell City Hall-Call 897-8457 for times. Persons who filed last year will receive their property tax credit form in the mail. Forms will be available at the above places for those filing for the first time. Persons should bring their 1974 property tax receipts or notices, and should know their total 1974 income when seeking assistance.

BIRTHS

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Baldimar Sal-divar (nee Shiela Kelly) on Saturday, November 30. The new arrival, Lynda Ferne, weighed seven pounds,

Her proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kelly and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Saldivar, all of Lowell.

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Bowne Township

AX NOTICE

Taxes are due and payable between December 4 and February 14.

I will be at the Bowne Township Hall, 1057 Linfield Avenue, Alto, on Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, beginning December 4 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Dog licenses are due December 1st, and current certification of vaccination is required. Dave Hoffman, Treasurer Bowne Township

Lowell Township **ZONING NOTICE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the vacant lot at the corner of Grand River Drive at Oberley which was the subject of the public hearing held on September 24, 1974 at the Lowell Township Hall has been rezoned from agricultural to commercial as requested. The legal description is as follows:

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 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 said 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

Lowell Ledger-Subarban Life, December 5, 1974

Area Deaths

A former Lowell area man, Charles C. Floyd, aged 66, of Route 3, Big Rapids, passed away Saturday morning, November 30.

He is survived by his wife, Lora; four children, Mrs. George (Eva) Goethals of St. Clair, Mich., Byron of Ann Arbor, Kim of Meguon, Wisc., and Cy of Lowell: one brother, Clay of Elmore City, Oklahoma; three sisters, Mrs. Floyd Gardener and Mrs. John Merideth of Dallas, Texas and Mrs. Perry Palmer of Oakmulge, Oklahoma; and five grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to UNICEF. Funeral Memorial services were held Sunday at the Roth-Gerst Funeral Home in Lowell.

FRANCES HYDE

Mrs. Frances Ann Hyde, aged 63, of 804 E. Main Street, Lowell, passed away Thanksgiving morning, November 28.

Mrs. Hyde is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Donald Sheffer of Lowell; one brother, Anthony Wentzel of California; one sister, Mrs. Mary Monica Teachout of San Diego, California, and two granddaughters, Laura and Teresa.

Funeral Mass was said Saturday morning at 1,1 o'clock at St. Mary's Church with Father Thomas Niedzwiecki Celebrant. Interment St. Mary's Cemetery.



Vote Is 6 to 1 To Move House

Following Lowell Area School's Board President Richard Siegle's line of thought that "Financially things are getting rough and will get rougher and we cannot afford to make too many moves until we know just how disturbing the State's economic picture will be," board members spent a great deal of time going over what is the best thing to do with the Koewers' house.

Unfortunately. the house is not large enough to contain administrative offices and it does have to be moved to provide the state-required playground area for Runciman students. With the changing economic picture, the board was somewhat hesitant to give the goahead to move the house and then attempt to sell or rent it since any move would involve an additional expenditure of money before any money could be realized from it.

A vote was finally taken and the moving was approved 6 to 1.

Golden Age Passes, which in the past have been issued to Lowell senior citizens so that they could attend Lowell school athletic events free of charge, were broadened by the school board at its last meeting to include school activities other than sports.

At the suggestion of Asst. School Supt. Don Kelly and School-Community Director Rod Smith, board members voted to include adult education classes as well as all school activities with the exception of theatrical plays. Since royalties have to be paid to New York firms by the drama department for any Broadway production staged at the school, and the auditorium does not hold large numbers of people, the plays cannot be included on the passes. However, passes will be honored for any unsold seats at curtain time.

Another added advantage this year is that these passes will now be honored by other schools at away games and school sponsored events as well as adult education classes in other districts. Lowell will also honor the passes of Senior Citizens from other areas.

In additional action designed to make school facilities more readily available to the community, the board okayed a request by Community Director Smith to open the High School library during evenings when adult education classes are in session.

Any resident of the school district, including present high school students, may use the library at this time although books can be checked out and taken from the building only by those altending regular or adult education classes. Others may spend the evening reading in the library if they wish.

A request from the Western Michigan Snowmobile Council to use a portion of the school's Outdoor Education property on 28th Street for snowmobile trails during the winter months brought mixed reaction from members of the board. Although, as a whole, members appeared to be more in disfavor than in favor of the request, the first motion to deny it received no support and the next motion to grant it was approved five to two

Not wanting to destroy the very thing that the school is setting out to preserve in the outdoor area, the board still felt that snowmobiles had to have some area to travel and that with permission given and care taken, less damage would be done.

Another portion of the long meeting was devoted to a discussion of new quarters for the school's top administrative offices. With the completion of Bushnell Elementary's new addition next Fall, the superintendent and his staff will be out of offices since the space will be turned into classroom area.

The school's business manager, Jerry Wabeke, gave a comprehensive report estimating the cost of aligning with the City of Lowell in a joint venture for construction of a City-School Administration Building.

Although there is much to be said for the proposal in that a single meeting room, common lobby, rest rooms and heating plant would cut down costs for both groups, the over-all savings would not be outstanding since the school would require the most space and thus pay the most cost. Board members seemed to feel that any savings would be out-weighed by two important items; one, the City would not be ready to engage in any construction for at least two years thus forcing the school to rent expensive space until that time, and two, the question of legal ownership and liability for the joint building could pose serious problems in the future.

No decision was made.

Several community members were named by the board to serve on a committee to study the present curriculum from kindergarten through twelfth grade.

The group, meeting with staff appointed teachers for the next few months, will be expected to make its recommendations early in the Spring.

Mothers To Be Guests At Holiday Tea

Lowell Blue Birds and Camp Fire Girls have invited their mothers to be their guests at their annual Christmas Tea, to be held at the Runciman School at 7 p.m., Thursday, December 5.

A brief playlet, "What Do You Hang on Your Christmas Tree?" will be presented. The groups have shared in the making of invitations and the preparation of cookies for the refreshment table.

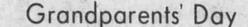
Twelve groups have been active this fall in the Camp Fire program, with members from the second through the 11th grades. Leaders of Blue Birds, in grades two and three, are Jeanne Schneider, Carol Collins, Esther DeVries, Charlene Schutt, Laura Wolcott, Evelyn Miner, Sandra VanderWarf, Sharon Johnson, Phyllis Beachler, and Judy Ellison.

Thelma Rittenger, Margaret Burton, Ruth Wood, Patty Elzinga, and Mary Ellen Rivers are working with fourth and fifth graders, who are in the Adventure groups. Discovery Club (Junior High) leaders are Marilyn Keim and Pat Sturgis. Mrs. Keim also acts as adviser to two high school Horizon Clubs.

Delores Dey is again serving as Special Funds Chairman, in charge of the annual Keewano Council candy sale, which is now in progress; the profits from this sale go to the support of the Council and also for group activities. Betty Coons is filling her 31st year as chairman of the local program on all levels.

The Keewano Council of Camp Fire Girls is a United Community Services Agency, and the groups here in Lowell receive much-appreciated financial support from the Lowell Community Fund,

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Mr. and Mrs. Fred Merritt of Muskegon attend school with their grandchildren, Michael and Sheila Merritt.

Smiling grandparents filled the halls and classrooms of Bushnell Elementary last week when that building instituted its first annual Grandparents' Day.

Acting on the assumption that most grandparents are left out of a school's academic program, Principal Dave Burdette set up the day not only to please both the grandparents and the grandchildren, but also to illustrate the current educational program.

The visitors observed actual classroom activities, took part in and approved highly of the school hot lunch program, and had a group Coffee with the principal during which time he answered their questions and compared today's elementary schools with those that they attended.

More than 100 grandparents spent at least part of the day in school, a few stayed for the entire day and approximately 50 went through the lunch line with the students.

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adequate in runway length and surface, radio and instrument guidance systems to enable it to serve the sophisticated small aircraft used by business and industry today. Presently, it is adequate only for the smallest and simplest light planes used by area pilots mostly for recreation. The proposed airport development is designed to correct those deficiencies. There is, however, no intention of competing with Kent County Airport for the "jumbo-jets" or any scheduled airline traffic.

Lowell's economic growth has been stifled; or at least misdirected, by gradual loss of its past transportation lifelines: water, rail and major highway routes. Transportation experts know that air transportation is the important transportation mode of the future, that the airport terminal is fast replacing the railroad depot of the past. In fact, some experts say any community's economic future will be only as good as its air transportation facilities.

Federal and state aviation authorities recognize this, they have recognized Lowell as a logi-

