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Rock Concert Ends In Riot

Riot control procedures were used to quell disturbances created by a hundred or so persons at the close of last Saturday's Rock Concert at the Showboat Amphitheatre.

The rock fans, who had sat through an all-day drizzle, allegedly felt cheated; they hadn't heard what they had paid \$6 a ticket to hear.

Recordings were reportedly played during the first half of the concert, when the performers were reluctant to go on stage with electronic equipment during the rain.

A canvas canopy erected over the stage the previous night was blown down in Saturday's early morning storm.

Four groups had been scheduled to play at the concert, which drew well over the anticipated crowd and who began arriving before noon. An estimated 5,000 persons attended.

It was 6:30 p.m. before any live music was played. The refusal of the Blue Oyster Cult to take to the stage, following a shortened performance by the REO Speedwagon, further angered the already unhappy crowd of spectators.

It was at this point that rocks, bottles and chairs began to fly and it was reported the group threatened to burn the stage and the Showboat.

Threats of greater violence forced Lowell Police Chief, Barry Emmons, to request additional help from the Kent County Sheriff's Department and the Michigan State Police. Twelve State troopers responded from Rockford, Grand Haven and Lakeview and twelve more County deputies were sent to aid Lowell's fourteen police and reserve officers. Eight County units were already standing by in the area.

Police moved in amid the flying glass, bottles, rocks and chairs and were able to persuade about half to leave peacefully. The remaining 30 to 40, eventually

moved outside the amphitheatre, regrouped, and advanced toward the Lowell Police Department, demanding their money back and making various threats to those within ear-shot.

However, it was found that earlier reports of vandalism were found to have been somewhat exaggerated. A ride through the City about 12:30 a.m. found, on the surface at least, calm and quiet prevailing. Only the clink of glass being swept up by volunteer citizens broke the stillness of the night at the litter-strewn scene on the east bank of the "Flat."

Chief Emmons had received the cooperation of bar owners to close their establishments at 11 p.m.

About 12 arrests were made for disorderly conduct and one person was arrested for an attempted breaking and entering at Lippert's Pharmacy. The driver of a truck reportedly belonging to the REO Speed wagon group was arrested for leaving the scene of a personal injury accident.

Chuck Lippert, president of Showboat Corporation, and on the scene during the rock and bottle throwing period, reached for comment Monday, said he "was just glad it was over," and (speaking for the other members of the board of directors) said, "we don't plan to get involved, ever again, with a rock group." Lippert said they all felt very fortunate to have come out of it as well as they did.

Showboat Corporation was responsible for the renting of the Amphitheatre to Brass Ring Productions, promoters of the rock groups.

Reactions by the local citizenry to the reported rock-related incidents ranged from mild criticism to downright anger to one near-the-scene resident who didn't think the litter "was much worse than after a Showboat crowd, and added she didn't think it would have hurt a few more of the townspeople to have 'gotten out with a shovel and broom - after all, we are a community, aren't we?"

A Delightful And Safe Experience



"Out into the wild blue yonder" became a reality for nearly 40 Lowell children, thanks to the kindness of pilots Leonard and Orville Jackson of Lowell. On July 30, the Jacksons provided rides for YMCA's activity day. Taking off from the Lowell Airport, it was a delightful and safe experience for all. Pictured between flights are Orville Jackson, J. J. Wieranga, Matt Rose, Bobby Wilkerson, Mark Rose and Leonard Jackson.

Alto Woman Elected To State Legion Post

Mrs. Nancy Yeiter of 11313 Sixtieth Street, Alto, has been elected Historian of the Michigan Department of the American Legion.

She is a member of the Alto American Legion Post 528, where, for the past four years she has served the post as Adjutant.

In June of this year, her husband, Vernon, was elected commander of the American Legion's Fifth District, which includes 6,500 members in Kent and Ottawa Counties' 34 posts.

Mrs. Yeiter, an employee of the Amway Corporation of Ada, is looking forward to the tasks evolved around her new state office.

The Yeiter's daughter, Mrs. Debra Baer, is also engaged in Legion activities, and is a member of the Carl Johnson Post.

Cook Is Sworn In As Circuit Court Judge

Monday, August 4, at 9 a.m., George R. Cook was sworn in as Circuit Court Judge, the ceremony being held in Judge John T. Letts' courtroom, with Judge R. Stuart Hoffius presiding.

Cook, former partner in the law firm of Freihofer, Oosterhouse, Hecht & DeBoer, was appointed three weeks ago by Governor Milliken, replacing Judge John T. VanderWal who retired June 15.

Cook was introduced to the court by 5th District Congressman Richard F. VanderVeen and J. J. Root, Chairman of Kent County Board of Commissioners. The oath will be administered by County Clerk Jack Bronkema.



Nancy Yeiter

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TOWERING INFERNO—Starting Aug. 15 at the Strand Theatre, Lowell—4 days only. c18-19

Over 3,000 Exhibiting At 4-H Fair

It's 4-H Youth Fair time with six big days of activities, exhibits and fun for everyone—as the forty-first annual Kent County 4-H Youth Fair got underway in Lowell Monday. The fair will run through Saturday, August 9.

Over 3,000 Kent County 4-H members, youth between 9 and 19 are expected to exhibit the results of the year's club work. Activities got underway with the entry and judging of handicraft, conservation, horticulture and home economics projects Monday. Horse and Pony judging also got underway Monday beginning at 12:30. Additional horse contests and showmanship

contests will be held each day throughout the week.

Tuesday's schedule included demonstrations and public speaking with beef showmanship being judged in the evening. Wednesday's program will feature the judging of dairy type classes, rabbits, swine, poultry, beef steers and breeding animals, sheep, dogs, and dairy goats. Wednesday evening was the annual livestock auction of club members project animals.

Thursday evening the livestock parade of 4-H members and their project animals will be followed by a variety show in front of the grandstand with entertainment by Kent County Share-the-Fun acts. The 1975 4-H Youth Fair queen will be announced and crowned at this time.

A new feature of the fair—a showmanship sweepstakes is scheduled for Friday afternoon at 1:30. Top senior showmen of each of five types of animal (horse, dairy, beef, sheep and swine) will each show all five for a sweepstake trophy.

"Everyday is kids day"—with reduced rates on all rides until 5 p.m. but Saturday is special for the kids with two bicycles to be awarded.

All are cordially invited to come to the fair—visit the exhibits, enjoy the rides and carnival concessions, see the 4-H members in action, pet the animals and have a good time.

The Kent County 4-H Youth Fair is a free fair with no admission or parking charges.

Aspiring Artists Enter 'Bambi' Coloring Contest

The Enchanting "Follow-the-Dots" Bambi coloring contest, started in last week's Lowell Ledger, has gotten off to a colorful start with entries coming in daily from aspiring young area artists between the ages of six and 12.

The contest, under the co-sponsorship of the Strand Theatre and the Ledger, is open to all area youngsters. "Bambi" can be found this week on page 5.

Entry rules are simple—just follow-the-dots, and color "Bambi" in the shades of your choice and turn your entry into the Ledger office at 105 N. Broadway, Lowell, no later than August 15. Mail entries are also acceptable.

Top prizes in the contest, to be judged by local artists, will be free tickets to Walt Disney's "Bambi" to be shown August 22 through August 25 at the Strand, plus a limited number of "honorable mention" popcorn stand certificates of purchase.

All entries must be submitted on those printed in the Ledger, however, all six through 12-year-olds, can enter as many times as they like.



BURNS RECEIVED when an aerosol can exploded at their home hospitalized two persons last Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Allen Lasby and son, John detected a hissing noise in the vicinity of a cupboard. Upon opening the door, the can reportedly exploded and the resulting flames inflicted severe burns.

They were taken by ambulance to Butterworth Hospital. Mrs. Lasby was treated and released but was reported to have re-entered the hospital last Sunday. Both received severe burns to the lower extremities...

AILEN TENHOOR, an inspector at Attwood Corporation, won the hind quarter of beef given away Sunday at the annual Lowell Moose Lodge picnic at Fallsburg Park. Over 700 members & guests were served...

QUALIFYING for the WOTV Bowling Classic will begin at the Lowell American Legion Lanes Friday, August 8.

Couples interested in signing up should contact lane manager, Mrs. Helen Koewers, at 897-7566 or 642-3622.

During the month of August, the lanes will also offer a Bowl Three Games—Pay For Two—Special...

LOWELL RESIDENTS are reminded that Monday, August 11, is the last day to register with the City Clerk for the September election.

On the ballot will be three seats on the City Council...

SIDEWALK SALE prices will be good all this week, inside at Anderson Shoe Store at 209 East Main St. ...

DUE TO Road construction on Lincoln Lake Avenue, Kropf's Fruit Market will be selling their fresh fruits and vegetables at their Apple Storage Plant located on the corner of Four Mile and Alden Nash Roads...

LAST DATE for filing to run for City Council is Tuesday, August 12. Three seats are open. To date, one candidate, Dean Collins, has filed. Those who have taken out petitions but not returned are: Laura Rogers, Virginia Myers, Larry Keiser and Jim Hall.

Physicals For Lowell Athletes

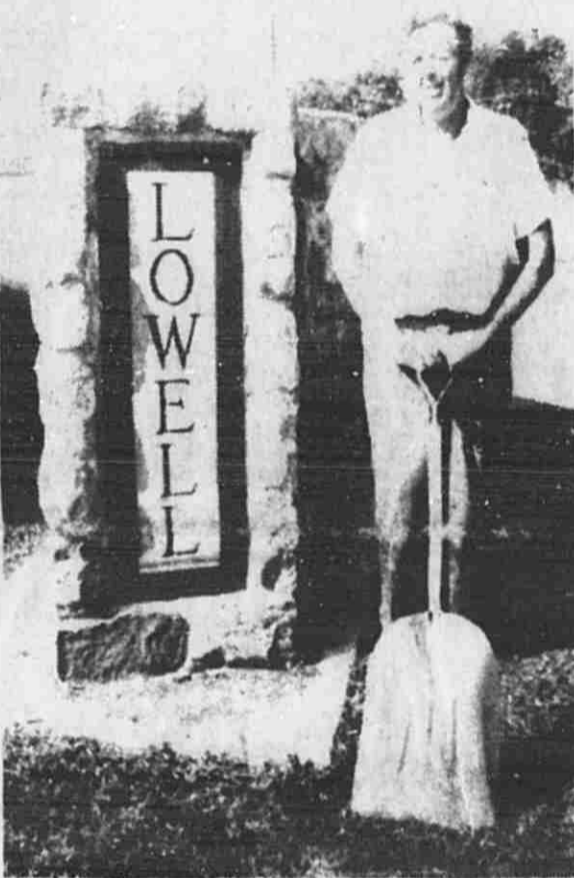
Lowell Senior High School Athletic Director Robert Perry has announced the physical examination dates for the 1975-76 school year for both boys and girls.

Those students entering the tenth, eleventh and twelfth grade, according to Perry "who plan on participating in athletics, should pick up a physical card at the high school office, any weekday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m."

Physical cards must be filled out completely, signed, and turned in on the examination day.

Tuesday, August 12, at 7 p.m. in the senior high school locker rooms (back entrance) physicals will be given to male athletes. Girls' physicals will be given on Tuesday, August 19, 7 p.m., in the same location.

"All prospective athletes entering the ninth grade," Perry explained, must have their physicals from their family doctor.



Things are buzzing at the 4-H Fair Grounds. Busy 4-H Fair Manager, Paul Detmers, is pictured beside the Foreman Building, where many 4-H projects are being exhibited this week, August 4-8. This year's 4-H Fair is one of the biggest ever, with over 500 horses, 140 head of beef, and 145 dairy cattle being shown.

Detmers said that he has had great cooperation and donations from the businessmen of Lowell. Detmers also said that Parks Manager, George Watson, did a great job preparing the grounds for the Fair.

Concerning the future of the 4-H Fair in Lowell, Detmers said: "I hope that the people of Lowell will urge their City Council to sit down and discuss; and hopefully, iron out the problems that would prevent the 4-H Fair from continuing at this fine Lowell location."

Summer Parks Program Is Going Strong

The Summer Parks Program, sponsored by the East Kent Community Center, is going strong. The turnout so far has been great. The first week we had an average of 100 children a day.

The Showboat Committee sponsored a poster contest and prizes were given. There were three winners and each received three five dollar tickets to the Showboat. The winners were Matt Baer Walde, Cindy Hooks and Don McDonald.

Many activities are still being planned for the following weeks of the program.

The program runs from 9 a.m.-12 p.m., Monday through Friday. It's held in the Bushnell School. New children are always welcome.

If you have any questions, please contact Karen Charon, Director, or Ellen Fessenden, Volunteer-Coordinator at the East Kent Community Center, 897-8485.

BAMBI—At the Strand Theatre, Lowell, Aug. 22-25. c18

PAPERBACKS GALORE! Swap or buy, read and swap again at Anderson's Paperback Exchange, 100 Main, Lowell. c18tf

DIAMOND PHONO NEEDLES - \$3.38. Williams Radio & TV, 126 N. Hudson, Lowell, Ph. TW 7-9340. c18tf

Local Briefs

Mrs. Mary Parker of Pinckney Road, Saranac, was happy to receive visits from several friends through the past week. Dropping in for a chat were Mrs. Roy Gage and daughter, Maudie Shores, Helen Sterick, Millie Snyder, Florence Benedict and Mrs. Ella Ward and children. Sunday brought former old-time neighbors, Lee Teff and his brother, Verle, from Belding.

Cindy Tichelaar, Kent McKay and Jeff Richardson will be attending the National Junior Achievement Conference at the University of Indiana next week.

Warren Reynolds, Sports Director of WOTV-TV-8, has been named chairman of the 1975 Breath of Life Campaign of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation for the Greater Grand Rapids Area, including Kent, Muskegon, and Ottawa counties.

As chairman, Mr. Reynolds will lead more than 5,500 volunteers in raising funds to support research, care and education programs benefiting children who suffer from lung-damaging diseases.

Western Michigan University academic scholarships have been offered to more than 400 high school seniors for enrollment in the coming fall semester. The stipends range from \$800 to \$2,800 over four years, depending on financial need and a student's academic grades, and are renewable each year if a student maintains adequate grades.

The academic scholarship program is administered by WMU's Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships which is under the direction of Dr. Edward W. Harkenrider. The program rewards academic excellence

and helps alleviate the financial needs of students and their families.

Miss Colleen D. Kelly of 13444 Crestwood Drive, Lowell, a graduate of Lowell Senior High School, has been offered a WMU academic scholarship.

The Dean's List for the recently concluded 7 1/2 week spring session at Western Michigan University lists more than 300 scholars. To be included a student must have been enrolled in seven or more hours of graded class work and compiled at least a 3.5 grade point average, with 4.0 being straight A.

On the dean's list for the spring session is Angela M. Parsons, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clark R. Parsons of 10370 Grand River Avenue, Lowell.

Mrs. Viola May Wierenga, 66, of Grand Rapids, passed away July 29. Among her survivors is a daughter, Mrs. Mike (Lorraine) Venema of Alto.

Irving L. Beckett, 42, of Belmont, brother of Raymond Beckett of Ada, passed away unexpectedly July 30.

Clarence Troyer of Lowell celebrated his birthday August 4.

Mr. and Mrs. Howell Minges of Ann Arbor, after a brief visit with Lowell friends and relatives, have departed on a trip to the Grand Ole Opry in Nashville, Tennessee.

Roger Benedict from Detroit spent Monday afternoon with his grandmother, Mrs. Mary Parker.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth (Ruth) Morgan have moved from East Main Street to 224 James Street, Lowell.

Community Center Offers

Tax Deferment Service

The Kent Community Action Program is offering a new service for residents of Kent County at its neighborhood centers. At each center a staff person has been trained to assist eligible persons in the preparation of their application for deferment of 1975 summer taxes.

Eligible Kent County residents are senior citizens, eligible servicemen, eligible veterans or eligible widows, blind persons, paraplegics, and quadriplegics whose 1974 household income did not exceed \$10,000.00.

Home owners must file the application for deferment of 1975 summer taxes by August 31, 1975. Interested persons can obtain information and assistance by calling 459-6100, or the East Kent Community Center on Grand River Drive, Lowell, 897-8485.



The phrase "fishermen's luck" brings a smile to most anglers' faces, as it did to six-year-old Paul Schumacher of 1053 Kirk, S.E., when he hooked this 2 1/2 pound, 13 inch perch recently on Rotigan Lake.

Having hopes someday of becoming an ardent fisherman, catching the big ones, Schumacher beamed with pride as he proudly displayed his catch to on-lookers at the Rotigan Lake Resort.

DAIRY DEMONSTRATION CONTEST

The Dairy Demonstration Contest will be held at MSU on August 18 as a part of 4-H youth Dairy Days. Contest will be held in the Spartan Stadium beginning promptly at 1:30 p.m.

Demonstrations may be either individual or team of two members. If you have interested members, contact the Kent 4-H Office for more information, 456-4475.

Letters to the Editor

To The Citizens of Lowell:

Last Saturday marked the first and last (as long as I am president of the Showboat) attempt to rent the new Amphitheatre for the purpose of a "Rock Concert." Thankfully there were no serious incidents or heavy property damages, but it came painfully close to real trouble. Left was a huge pile of trash and a frightful feeling of what might have been.

As president of the Showboat and spokesman for the board of directors, I feel that I owe the citizens of Lowell an explanation of why we chose to rent the Amphitheatre for this occasion. As you all know, last year we conducted an intense campaign to raise funds to build a much needed new stadium. Our campaign was successful as you, the people of Lowell, responded with donations of over \$40,000 to give us ample funds to go ahead with the actual building project. Unfortunately we were still some \$20,000 short of our original \$60,000 goal.

Faced with this urgency, when approached by Brass Ring Promotions of Plymouth, Michigan to rent our facility on a 10% of the house basis, it looked as if this was a viable means by which to generate nearly \$3,000. We checked on the reputation of Brass Ring and also the history of this type of concert. With all of this in-

formation, the risks seemed minimal. Add to that the outcries that "We must use the Amphitheatre," and "Let's have something for our youth too!" the board of directors, save one, voted to have the affair.

I can never truly convey the loneliness that leadership often brings. Threatening phone calls at home, bizarre stories which filter back that I, personally, stand to profit from this, direct blame for what might happen, etc. Then the aftermath, debris scattered about, a handful of faithful young showboat supporters working in a constant drizzle until after two in the morning. Once again as the morning came more loyal "showboaters" came out, tirelessly cleaning up the mess, leaving only a memory of what was. All of this for a town we believe in and a showboat we love. Thank you, my friends.

Now let's march on and look to the future. Those of you who can, heed the call for more financial help. Dig in and let's clear up our remaining debt... Support us in any way you can such as filling our stands on Sunday afternoon, September 7, for the "Circus Show." The acts we have hired are some of the best in the business. Bring your friends. You will be entertained, we promise.

Thanks for understanding,

Chuck Lippert

Hello Everybody!

I am writing from the beautiful mountains of Norway. I left Lowell on June 25th and I am spending 2 months here. I only have 3 weeks left! Time's really flying!

So far, my family and I have had a very busy summer. We spent the first week that I was here, just getting acquainted, and doing some sight-seeing. I never dreamed it would be this nice! My family is really great, and I have really learned a lot from them.

The second week I was here, I spent in Kristiansund, which is a 6 hour drive from our home. I was staying with my relatives. It was so nice, because I got to see another side of Norway, and also I got to see where my grandfather grew up and everything.

From Kristiansund, I went to my family's summer cottage which is on the Oslo fjord. We stayed there for two weeks. My family is very sporty, so I have been doing a lot of outside activities. (I have to work off all of the food I've been eating!) We went fishing a lot, and I got to go and see "Tonsberg by Night." That is the oldest town in Norway, and it's really interesting.

After leaving the "freezing" salt water of the fjord, we were home for one week. During this time we picked berries and picked berries and picked berries!! My mother made jam from all of them so she has been very busy.

Now we are leaving tomorrow and going to a world jamhome (Boy Scouts) that my brother is working, or shall I say helping with. We will stay just one day, and then we are heading up for my family's cottage in the mountains. I'm really excited about it! We will be there for a week, and that will about "round up" my stay here. I will have one more week left when I get back, and then I will have the chance to attend school with my brother for a day.

I just wanted to write and tell everybody "hi," and thanks for all your contributions to our money-making projects. I'd like to give a special thanks to everyone at Showboat Restaurant, King Doyle, and Bev Ander-

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(A) CATEGORIES	(B) CAPITAL	(C) OPERATING/MAINTENANCE	(D) TRUST FUND REPORT (refer to instruction D)
1. PUBLIC SAFETY	\$	\$ 6,000	1. Balance as of June 30, 1974 \$ 5,802.30
2. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	\$	\$	2. Revenue Sharing Funds Received from July 1, 1974 thru June 30, 1975 \$ 5,488
3. PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION	\$	\$3,845.00	3. Interest Received or Credited (July 1, 1974 thru June 30, 1975) \$ 42.75
4. HEALTH	\$	\$	4. Funds Released from Obligations \$
5. RECREATION	\$	\$	5. Sum of lines 1, 2, 3, 4 \$ 11,330.05
6. LIBRARIES	\$	\$2,437.35	6. Funds Returned to ORS \$
7. SOCIAL SERVICES FOR AGED OR POOR	\$	\$	7. Total Funds Available \$ 11,330.05
8. FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	\$	\$	8. Total Amount Expended (Sum of line 15, column B and column C) \$ 5,802.30
9. MULTIPURPOSE AND GENERAL GOVT	\$	\$	9. Balance as of June 30, 1975 \$ 5,727.75
10. EDUCATION	\$	\$	(F) THE NEWS MEDIA HAVE BEEN ADVISED THAT A COMPLETE COPY OF THIS REPORT HAS BEEN MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC. I HAVE A COPY OF THIS REPORT AND RECORDS DOCUMENTING THE CONTENTS. THEY ARE OPEN FOR PUBLIC SCRUTINY AT 209 E. Main Street, Lowell, Mich. 49331
11. SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT	\$	\$	
12. HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	\$	\$	
13. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	\$	\$	
14. OTHER (Specify)	\$	\$	
15. TOTALS	\$	\$5,802.35	

NONDISCRIMINATION REQUIREMENTS HAVE BEEN MET
(E) CERTIFICATION: I certify that I am the Chief Executive Officer and, with respect to the entitlement funds reported herein, I certify that these funds have not been used in violation of either the priority expenditures requirement (Section 103) or the matching funds provision (Section 704) of the Act.

Signature of Chief Executive Officer: *[Signature]* Date: 7-11-75
Name and Title: Supervisor

son, for all they have done for me. If I were to try and list everyone that deserves a "Thank you," I would take up the whole Ledger, so again I will just say, "Thank you for giving me the chance to have an experience that I will always remember and always have only pleasant memories of."

See ya soon,
Ha det!
Carol Alexander

P.S. We would like to add a P.S. to Carol's letter so that the Ledger people can read it.

We would like to add a few words to say how grateful we are to the people in Lowell who contribute to the work and the idea of the YFU.

We think it has been most interesting to get to know such a fine representative from Lowell. We love having Carol with us, and we only wish she could have stayed with us for a whole year. A whole year would also have given Carol the opportunity to take part not only in our summer vacation but also our daily life and she could have made more friends outside the family.

Annelis and Enk Hofgaard

ALTO SPORTSMEN PLAN SILVER DOLLAR SHOOT

A Silver Dollar Shoot, to be hosted by the Alto Sportsmen's Club is being planned for September 14. More pertinent details to be released at a future date. The next regular monthly meeting of the club, when plans will be formulated, will be held at the club's grounds at 9 p.m. on August 13.

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HOT NEW ITEM
Though many Americans are aware of the vital need for home fire protection, few have done anything about it. The figures are chilling. Last year alone, fire injured 300,000, killed 12,000 and caused \$2 billion worth of property damage...but only 8 per cent of U.S. homes have fire extinguishers.

Whenever there's a fire, people are concerned—yet many don't do anything about protecting themselves should a fire suddenly break out in "their" home. Every one always thinks "It can't happen to me."

Many fire extinguishers are bulky, unattractive and confusing to use—some reasons why people don't buy them. So Noweco decided to introduce a fire extinguisher that's not only easy to handle and operate, but one that also looks good in any room of the house.

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Pictured above are Lowell YMCA Gra-Y members Dan Phillips, Mike Brennan, and Scott Noffke. These three boys were picked by their teachers, their fellow club members, their club director (Al Eckman), and the results of a point system on which they have been working, as the top members of their club. These three will receive a trip to Kings Island and the Football Hall Of Fame in Ohio next week. Dan and Scott tied for the Outstanding Member Award—so both were presented with a trophy. Dan is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Don L. Phillips, 609 Lafayette Street, Lowell. Mike is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Brennan, 10888 Woodbush, Lowell. Scott is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Noffke, 13473 Vargonne, Lowell.

Club director, Al Eckman, stated: "It's been a pleasure working with all members of this past year's Jr. Hi-Y and Gra-Y Clubs. We have many outstanding individuals in this program. Scott and Dan have worked especially hard to win this trip and receive an award. Both have put in more than 125 hours of volunteer work for the Lowell YMCA during the past ten months. It's nice to find young gentlemen willing to put forth this type of effort to succeed. They will make good Citizens of Tomorrow."

Letters to the Editor

A Letter from the Lowell City Manager has prompted this letter:

Respect for human rights: I am not political, Democrat or Republican - I do believe in our system, and I show respect when and where it is due.

Mr. Ford, our president, recently stated, "We had better say what we mean and mean what we say, or we will have the anger of our citizens to answer. In attending this conference he stated, I am here because I believe and my countrymen believe in the independence of Europe and North America, indeed—in the independence of the entire family of man. That it is important that you recognize the deep devotion of the American people and their government to human rights and fundamental freedoms, and thus to the pledges that this conference has made regarding the freer movement of people, ideas, and information. History will judge this conference not by what we say today, but what we do tomorrow—not by the promises we make, but by the promises we keep.

A couple of years ago, I came here (the City Hall) in want of some information. The information I wanted were the assessed valuations, land values, land sizes, bldg. square footage and bldg. values, of property on Main Street in particular, but other property also.

Now this information is not in the large books our city assessor offers to show you if you come in and ask him for a particular parcel description. This information should be available free to any citizen as a taxpayer. He (your city manager) told me I would have to give the address of the parcels I wanted to know, and that he would then provide the desired information. I did this, but then he was reluctant to look up the requested information. However, I did receive the information I wanted, FREE.

Now, today I want this same information again. As you can imagine, valuations can change. The assessor may not want to change some of his valuations but he's bound to, if he's a good assessor. The city assessor has to relate today's market value; that's his job. Taxes are assessed on today's assessments, not yesterday's or tomorrow's.

I gathered this information he once informed me to do, and I came here (City Hall) with this information, and he was gone, so I left it with Nancy, his assistant, last week. Two days later, I received a letter from his office stating that "if you wish this information you will have to pay the regular hourly wage of \$7.94 plus 30% (\$2.38) for a total of \$10.32 per hour for the city assessor to do the work. Please submit a deposit of

\$50.00 to our office. Any amount over that figure will be billed to you." Signed Nancy Wood, Aug. 1, 1975.

What kind of a city manager do we have here? As citizens and taxpayers is this what we are to expect of City Hall today? It may be for you but it is not for me. If I can't get this information without paying one dime for it somebody outside of Lowell is going to hear from me, even if I have to go to Governor Milliken's office to get it.

This information I am seeking should be available to any taxpayer in the City of Lowell, and if he will not let the individual look it up he should provide this information without charge and it should be done with courtesy.

It wasn't too long ago your city assessor and I confronted one of the highest tax people in the state. Mr. Horace Hodge, chairman of the Michigan State Tax Tribunal. If Mr. Bacon wishes to have another go-around with me, this is just the way to get started.

Is this why we became a city? Is this the type of service we expect of our city manager? What I want to know from this Council, do you expect me to pay for this information I am after?

Gordon Hill



Climaxing their week at Mackinac Island for the Lowell Boy Scouts was a visit with Governor William Milliken. Complimenting the Lowell Scouts on the good job they did caring for the flag, and acting as guides at Fort Mackinac, Gov. Milliken (center in white sweater) said that he appreciated the scouts and their adult leaders and hoped they returned another year. William Nowak, Lowell Scoutmaster, is pictured on the right.

It's Superlative!

Diamonds are, chemically, pure carbon. But it was no carbon copy that actor Richard Burton bought in October, 1969, for Elizabeth Taylor, then his wife. It was a 69.42-carat, flawless diamond ring and he paid \$1,200,000 for it, making it the highest-priced diamond ever sold at auction.

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Lucky Seven

Earl Miller, left, congratulates Miles on his lucky hole-in-one shot at Deer Run Golf Club last Wednesday night.



One of the ultimate highlights of George Miles' amateur golfing career came about last Wednesday night at the Deer Run Golf Club when he scored a hole-in-one on the courses' seventh green.

Miles made his accurate shot while golfing in the Lowell Moose League. He used a seven iron on the 181-yard hole.

Witnessing Miles' shot were fellow golfers, Earl Miller, Oscar Peckham, Carl Jackson, Jack Romaine and Dave Riner.

Miles, who has been golfing for several years, has won many trophies in tournament and league competition, but this was his first recorded hole-in-one.

July 30 started out to be a day of sevens for Miles, as he pulled his seven iron out of his bag, "well, guys here goes... a hole-in-one." And much to his surprise, it was!

Feeling lucky throughout the day, Miles felt assured of a good game when he reached the course.

Joking around, when the group reached the seventh hole, Miles in his special way of putting things, said as he pulled his seven iron out of his bag, "well, guys here goes... a hole-in-one." And much to his surprise, it was!

Upon his arrival home, on Lowellville Avenue, Miles received more congratulations from his wife, Sharon, and seven children.

UNEARNED RUNS GIVE LOWELL 10-6 VICTORY

Lowell continued to ride the winning trail in the Tri-County Baseball League, July 27, as they scored a 10-6 victory over Sidney.

Putting the game away with four unearned runs in the fourth inning, Lowell coasted to an easy win, with Hawley on the mound.

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9:30 a.m. - Dairy Showmanship-Sections 8, 9 & 10
1:00 p.m. - Horse-English Horsemanship and Pony Horsemanship
1:30 p.m. - Livestock Judging Contest
2:30 p.m. - Pet Parade (tennis courts). Prizes awarded. A ny pet may be entered. No pre-entry is necessary. Youngsters showing pets should be 2 to 13 years of age.
4:00 p.m. - Pony Bare-back
7:30 pm. - 4-H Livestock Parade. Order of parade will be posted in the barns.
EVENING PROGRAM
8:00 p.m. - Variety Show in front of the grandstand. Crowning of 4-H Queen.
- SHARE-THE-FUN ACTS

Friday, August 8, DAYTIME ACTIVITIES
9:30 a.m. - Horses (Trial Class)
1:30 p.m. - Showmanship Sweepstakes
Senior Division Showmanship winner of horse, dairy, beef, sheep and swine will compete in showmanship sweepstakes-top two showmen.

Saturday, August 9
8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. - Last payment of premiums
12:15 p.m. - Two bicycles given away
2:00 p.m. - Release time for all exhibits
7:00 p.m. - All exhibits must be picked up by this time

EXHIBIT RELEASE TIME
Exhibits will be released at 2 p.m., Saturday. All exhibits must be picked up by Saturday, 7 p.m. No exhibits will be brought back to the 4-H office.

They will show all five types of livestock. Local judges will be used at no expense to Fair Board.
If event is successful, expansion and changes may be made next year to include Junior Division or other livestock.
The judging rules and regulations used by the Michigan State University Block and Bridle Club will be used in scoring and determining sweepstakes winner.
Appropriate trophy or award will be made to sweepstakes winner.
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7:00 p.m. - Horse parade and awards presentation.

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Compton Retires



Ernest Compton, right, on July 25, retired from Universal Division, Leigh Products, Inc. in Saranac after 11 years of service.

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In and Around SARANAC

The Ionia Free Fair opened August 1. Many are saying - Meet Me At The Fair! Mr. and Mrs. Jack Clark, of Covington, Georgia, arrived Saturday for a few day's visit with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dawson.

They had a honeymoon for 3 days at Cedar Point, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cahoon of Lowell were Wednesday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Cahoon. Mrs. Katherine Fesal spent from Sunday till Thursday with her daughter, Mrs. Marlene Hayden of Highland, Mich.

HELLO FRIENDS!
Whatever you may be hoping for with every passing day, Whatever it takes to make you glad along your future way; Whatever will lead to happiness in everything you do; Whatever you want - That's what my message is warmly wishing you.

Area Deaths . . . Japanese Visitor At The Fair

JUNE LUCILE (STERZICK) LAVENDER
June Lucile Lavender, 61, of Bellevue, suddenly passed away July 23rd, 1975. She leaves her husband, Glen; one daughter, Mrs. Floyd (Glenora) Bates of Bellevue; a son, Robert Lavender of Florence, Alabama; eleven grandchildren; her mother, Mrs. Helen A. Sterzick of Saranac; one brother, Jack Sterzick of Sheridan; three sisters, Mrs. Esther Ransom, Grand Rapids, Mrs. Raymond (Lorene) Geelhood, Mrs. Warren (Melba) Churchill, East Lansing; and several nieces and nephews.

Japanese Visitor At The Fair

Yoko Tanabe from Kanagawa-Ken, Japan, arrived in Lowell July 26, for a month-long visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Johnson and family of 11755-36th Street, S.E. Her visit has been made possible through the 4-H/Labo Exchange program, inaugurated in 1973, which binds together two families of different cultures.

Alaska Church To Hold Annual Picnic

The congregation of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints of the Alaska branch will be having a picnic Saturday, August 9, starting at 12 noon until 5 p.m. A potluck dinner will be eaten followed by games for everyone.



Shown above are YMCA Gra-Y members: Gary Brennan, Mike Brennan, Steve Doyle, and Scott Noffke as they put the finishing touches on the white background which, at a later date, will have the house number painted on it.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

THURSDAY, AUGUST 7
Vergennes Co-op Club will meet Thursday, August 7, at Edna Overway's Home for a 12:30 potluck dinner. Bring own service and dish to pass. Mrs. Suzanne Geha from WOTV will be the guest speaker.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13
Alto Garden Club will meet Wednesday, August 13, 10 a.m. at the Alto Methodist Church for their trip to Mildred Stalter's cottage at Middle Lake.

BIRTHS

A darling baby girl was born Wednesday, July 30, to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Francis (nee Jerry Potter) of Lowell. Making her arrival at Butterworth Hospital in Grand Rapids, at 7 a.m., she tipped the scales at seven pounds and 12 ounces.

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An act was passed by our State Legislature late in July which permits those who are qualified to defer payment of 1975 summer taxes until Feb. 15, 1976 without any interest penalty. Applications for Deferment are available at the City Hall.
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Yoko Tanabe, visiting Michigan on the 4-H/Labo Exchange program, brought this Japanese gown for her American 'sister', Jaclyn Johnson.

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Enrollment Of New High School Students

Any student who has moved into our school district and plans to attend grades 9 through 12 this 1975-76 school year, should enroll for classes as soon as possible. Please call the Guidance Office of the High School for an appointment.

The office is open 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays. The High School phone number is 897-9202.

National Encampment Of Young Marines Held Near Lowell

In Caravans from Texas and New York, from Illinois and Connecticut, Young Marines from across the nation gathered at Camp Robert L. Wagner near Lowell to participate in the first National Encampment of Young Marines.

Two hundred and fifty Young Marines and their ad-

visors convened at the 140 area campsite to engage in a four-day jamboree and pit their skills learned in the Young Marine program against those of other states.

Groups of three young men took off across the field to show their prowess in map reading, knowledge of a compass and running ability in traversing the Orienteering Course—the newest in Olympic sports.

Every morning found them running the obstacle course laid out among the trees—hurdling the hurdles, climbing the 30 foot rope, treading their way, hand over hand, down the horizontal ladder and then scaling the ten foot slanted wall.

Putting in at Belding, the boys paddled their way to the camp in large Marine assault rafts. Normally a four hour trip, it proved a new and novel experience for many from out-of-state where water sports are not readily available, and it lengthened into a five hour push. Little encouragement was needed to get them into their two man tents early that evening.

For many the sight of the covered bridge at Whites Bridge Road was a first and the swim after the hike to the bridge was a welcome respite.

Structured in essence like the Boy Scout program, the Young Marine program places a great deal more emphasis on physical fitness, personal appearance, and above all, on discipline. The encampment gave each boy the opportunity to evaluate his abilities by comparing his abilities with those from across the nation.

Highlight of the encampment was a ceremony held on Thursday, July 24, when the Young Marines marched and were reviewed by Marine Tony DeBiase, National Director of the Young Marines. Following the review the units gathered in the messhall to witness the burning of the mortgage on the camp property; the culmination of four years of fund raising.

The Young Marines of Grand Rapids meet during the school year at 1863 Monroe, N.W., Grand Rapids. Meetings are held on each Tuesday at 7 p.m. and the program is open to all young men from 8 to 18 years of age.

Information may be obtained by phoning 676-1788 or 363-3431.

Lowell Man On Yugoslavian Trip

Thirty-nine students are presently taking advantage of European travel and college study opportunities in the Grand Valley State Colleges American Summer School in Yugoslavia. The American Summer School is offered by the Grand Valley International Studies Institute, in cooperation with the University of Sarajevo, Yugoslavia.

Involved in Grand Valley's American Summer School in Yugoslavia is Eugene Kaye of Lowell.

Three district programs in the summer school provide the opportunity to study the language, art, drama, history and worker management system in the East European nation. The "general program", held in the cities of Mostar and Dubrovnik, offers study in history and fine arts, in addition to independent study opportunities. The program in workers management meets in Sarajevo and Debrovnik to study the role of the worker in the Yugoslav economic system. The program in Yugoslav drama includes history and performance workshops in two Yugoslav academies of drama, both in Dubrovnik.

All students participated in a brief orientation and cultural tour upon arrival in Eastern Europe in early July, and then spent an intensive two-week session concentrating on Serbo-Croatian language and contemporary Yugoslav civilization. The school then divided into the individual four-week programs of study. Following completion of the programs on August 19, students in drama will participate in a performance tour to several Yugoslavian cultural centers, while non-drama students will have 10 days of independent travel time.

Most teaching in the American Summer School is

by Grand Valley faculty, and except for language courses, is in English. Coordinator of the school is Dr. Michael Petrovich of the International Studies Institute. Other participating faculty are: Dr. Donald Kerr, College of Arts and Sciences art department, Dr. William Z. Iron, College of Arts and Sciences theatre department, and Kenneth Zapp, William James College.

Creative Drama Coming To Lowell

Children will have a chance to participate in the action when the creative drama program comes to the Lowell Library Monday, August 11, at 10:30 a.m.

Creative dramatics is one of three summer programs presented by the Kent County Library System at its member libraries with the theme "KC at the Bat—a good time with rhyme." The shows are for kindergartners through third graders.

Charles Roberson and Pat Feehan of the KCL staff will lead the program where children help act out the stories from books. The stories will be "The Gorilla Did It," by Barbara Shook Hazen, "How Far Will a Rubber Band Stretch," by Mike Thaler and "The Elephant's Child" by Rudyard Kipling.

The Lowell Library, a member of the Kent County Library System, is on Main St., telephone 897-9596.

Forest Hills Central Physicals August 11

Forest Hills Central High School has set Monday, August 11, as the date for boy's physical examinations for all Fall Varsity sports.

All boys interested in participating in the school's athletic programs should report to the school's gymnasium at 8 a.m. on August 11.

STATE 4-H SHOOTING TOURNAMENT

The State 4-H shooting sports tournament will be held on Tuesday, August 19, from 9 to 3 at the Ingham County Conservation League Club Grounds.

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