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TWO SERVICE PROJECTS...
 Lowell Camp Fire Girls (Blue Birds, Adventure and Discovery Clubs) will join together on Friday, May 12, for their annual "hike-a-thon" to raise funds for Council camperships to Camp Keewano near Hesperia.

As the girls walk the five mile route, beginning and ending at the Lowell Middle School, they will clean the roadsides of trash, thus carrying out two service projects in one hike.

This year, each girl taking part will be able to keep 20 cents of the dollar she collects in pledges toward her own camp fees. The hike will get started at 3:15 p.m....

AVENUE OF FLAGS...
 Each year during the traditional Memorial Day services at the Bowne Center Cemetery, the Alto American Legion Post has on display an Avenue of Flags, consisting of casket flags belonging to deceased veteran families in the area.

Again this year, the Post will feature this unique display and asks families with casket flags who wish to have them in this service to call either the Alto American Legion or Vernon Yeiter at 868-6425 after 5:30 p.m. The services this year will be on May 29 at 8 p.m.

LUMBER COMPANY ENTERED...
 Officers from the Lowell Police Department are investigating the breaking and entering of Erb Lumber Company on West Main Street Friday, May 5. They report the subjects apparently forced open a rear door.

It is unknown at this time, if anything except a small amount of change was taken....

WINS CERTIFICATE...
 Phyllis Arnett of 806 Jefferson Street, Lowell, was the winner of the \$25 gift certificate given away during the Third Anniversary Celebration at Anderson Shoe Store on East Main Street, last week.

Howard and Evelyn West, store owners, expressed their "Thanks" to all who took advantage of their Third Anniversary Sale, and stopped in to offer their congratulations....

CHILDS TO FIGHT...
 Steve Childs of Lowell, who was unable to continue competition in the 1978 Golden Gloves tournament due to a broken jaw, will be fighting this Saturday, May 13, in an amateur boxing presentation sponsored by the Marine Corps League at Union High School in Grand Rapids. Childs, runner-up in the 165-novice division in the Golden Gloves, saw the title go to Robert Lee who took the championship without a fight. They will meet one another this Saturday. The doors will open at 6:30 p.m.

Childs, who works at the Lowell Cut Rate Market on East Main Street, says tickets for Saturday bouts can be reserved by calling 363-1601....



"LADIES IN WHITE"...

"Ladies in White," a series of water color, oil and pastel paintings will be on display at Lowell City Hall, 301 East Main Street, Thursday, May 11, at 7:30 p.m. Sponsored by the Lowell Area Arts Council, the program will feature Margaret Bulgarella, artist and creator of the series.

Ms. Bulgarella is a Grand Rapids native and graduate of Grand Rapids Junior College. She has served area organizations as an illustrator and will use dry sketches to show the development of her work. The public is invited to view the series and the demonstrations.

A general meeting of the Arts Council will follow the program. Agenda items will include final plans for the parent-child excursion to Chicago; membership drive; King Memorial Pool graphic; and the Ford Museum presentation for the June meeting....

TWO CAUGHT FIGHTING...
 Arrested by Lowell Police officers Saturday evening, for being disorderly by fighting were Chris Johnston and David Burns. The two were picked up during their battle of the fists at the Main Street bridge....

A HEARTY TASK...
 A perfect day for a community service project was Saturday, May 6, as a crew of Lowell Rotary and Lions Club members took on the hearty task of repainting the Fieldhouse building at Recreation Park.

Further decorating plans for the building are being made by the Lowell Area Arts Council....

THURSDAY FIRES...
 Last Thursday, the Lowell Volunteer Fire Department was called out twice, once in the afternoon to a car fire at Riverview and once later in the evening to assist the Alto Fire unit in a barn fire at the Thompson farm on the corner of 84th and Morse Lake Avenue....

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Alto Youth Killed In Auto Mishap



Steven Dykhuis

Steven Dale Dykhuis, 16, of 10191-60th Street, Alto, was killed Sunday evening, May 7, when he lost control of his car and struck a tree along Cascade Road, between Quiggle and Cherry Lane Avenues.

Kent County Medical Examiner Dr. G. F. Barofsky pronounced him dead at the scene of massive chest injuries.

Kent County Sheriff's Deputies report that Dykhuis was westbound on Cascade road

about 7:10 p.m. when he attempted to pass another vehicle, apparently failing to see another on-coming car in the other lane. When he tried to swerve out of the way, he lost control of the car and rammed into a tree.

He was born October 4, 1961, the son of Kenneth and Gladys (Lachniet) Dykhuis. A tenth grade student at Lowell High School, he was a member of the First Baptist Church of Alto.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon, 2 p.m., at the First Baptist Church of Alto with the Rev. George Coon officiating. Burial will be made in Merriman Cemetery, Lowell Township. Arrangements by the Roth-Gerst Funeral Home of Lowell.

Besides his parents, Steven is survived by two brothers, Kenneth, jr., with the U.S. Navy, and Scott of Lowell; four sisters, Mrs. Alonzo (Sharon) Miller and Cynthia of Lowell, Elaine and Kimberly at home; his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Lachniet of Clarksville and Mr. and Mrs. John Dykhuis of Wyoming; and several aunts and uncles.

Showboat To Audition Talent

The annual auditions for the Lowell Showboat amateur talent contest will be staged June 5 and 6 at the Lowell High School starting at 7 p.m.

This year's regular talent night contest will be held July 15 at the Lowell Showboat Amphitheatre. Amateurs selected from the July 15 competition will perform on the Lowell Showboat program starting July 24-29.

Deadline for talent audition applications is May 27. All entries must register by sending

name and number of persons in group to Lowell Showboat, Box 56, Lowell, Michigan 49331.

Dr. Clark Vredenburg, is again director of the Amateur Talent Contest and is expecting the largest entry list in the long history of the Showboat.

"Our amateur talent last year was extremely well received by the large nightly crowd and was one of the main reasons for our huge success. We are looking forward to another outstanding crop of amateur talent," explains Vredenburg.

This year's Lowell Showboat featured attraction is the talented vocalist, TV and motion picture star Vic Damone, who is now making a tour of some of the leading supper clubs in the country.

Advanced tickets for the July 24-29 presentation are now being sold at the Lowell Showboat Ticket Office.

It's Spelled...

Back the attack! Never say MACK-IN-AWK. The word is always pronounced MACK-IN-AW, no matter how it is spelled. If you are writing the word, end it with a C if you're referring to the island, the Straits, or the Bridge. But if you're referring to Mackinaw City, end the word with a "W." Incidentally, both Mackinaw City and Mackinac Island are incorporated places. But officially Mackinaw City is a village and Mackinac Island is a city. Anyway, always pronounce it MACK-IN-AW.

Observatory To Open

The James C. Veen Observatory, a multi-faceted astronomical and educational center, built by the Grand Rapids Amateur Astronomical Association, opens to the public from 8:30 to 11 p.m. Saturday, May 13, and Friday, May 26.

The Observatory facilities contain two fully equipped telescopes, a lecture room for up to forty, a library, and a darkroom. The tour includes the audio-visual presentation of "A Night on Kissing Rock Hill."

The Observatory is located at 3308 Kissing Rock Avenue, S.E., in Lowell. Admission is free.

HOUSEHOLDS HERE INCLUDED IN CENSUS SURVEY

Local representatives of the Bureau of the Census will conduct a survey of employment in this area during the work-week of May 15-20.

The survey is conducted each month for the U.S. Department of Labor in a scientifically designed sample of approximately 70,000 households throughout the United States. Employment and unemployment statistics resulting from this survey are used to provide a continuing measure of the economic health of the Nation.

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Above The Board

Millage Defeated; Second Vote Set

Following a somewhat heated discussion at a special meeting last Thursday afternoon, members of the Lowell Board of Education voted to again place the recently defeated millage request on the June 12 ballot.

The tabulated results of last Tuesday's election showed Precinct I carrying the millage 861 to 855, while Precinct II defeated it 146 to 174. This amounted to what is considered a somewhat high vote of 2036-1007 "yes" and 1029 "no" for a narrow defeat by 22.

Explaining why the request would come back before the people so soon, Superintendent Donald E. Kelly stated that laws governing elections require that at least 30 days elapse between elections and with the school general election already set for June 12 and the state primary for August 8, the next open date would not be until late September. The national election in November would then prohibit another try at the polls until late December and, since all operating millage has now expired, the Lowell system could not operate.

In analyzing why the "no" vote prevailed last week, board members indicated they felt some voters objected strongly to having both the renewal of the expired millage and the increase tied together in one package.

"I can't believe that they would leave the school with no money at all to operate on," one member stated, "and the renewal would probably pass if we separated the two." He did, however, agree with the rest of the board that, if separated, the increase would most likely be defeated and the board continues to take a firm stand that the increase must pass in order to run the present program.

"What the voters don't seem to understand," Board President David Miller states, "is that we no longer have any fund equity left to draw upon and the money just isn't there. Last year even with the CECA paying for all our extra-curricular activities (such as the inter-scholastic sports program, drama, music, forensics, debate and the like), we still had to use up our remaining fund equity just to run our scaled-down academic curriculum."

The accumulation of a fund equity over the past seven years made it possible to operate during a full school year without borrowing money. In the past it had been necessary to borrow from local banks in order to meet the school payrolls in November and December, before the first tax monies were received in January. This meant paying interest on the loans thus increasing the overall expense of running the system.

With a fund equity, not only is it not necessary to borrow money every fall, the fund also earns interest for the budget when not in use during the spring and summer months. Having a fund equity gives any school a good financial basis and its accumulation is even more important with the recent change in state regulations limiting the borrowing power of a school district to a maximum of one state aid payment.

In reaffirming their decision to again go for the full amount on the June 12 ballot, board members stressed that with the depletion of the fund equity over the past two years, just renew-

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ing the current millage would bring about cuts so drastic in nature that it could mean either closing one building, thus eliminating its support staff and

cost of mechanical operation, or operating the school system on split sessions.

In listing these as alternatives, board members wanted to

make it clear that they were not threatening the voting members of the district but, as they put it, "merely stating cold, hard and disagreeable facts."

Jackson Sells Car Dealership



Leonard Jackson and Henry VanderVennen

On Monday, May 8, Jackson Motor Sales, at 930 W. Main St., Lowell, was sold to Henry VanderVennen of Grand Rapids.

VanderVennen, 47, comes to Lowell with 27 years of experience in auto sales; all with VanAndel and Flikkema Motor Sales in Grand Rapids.

VanderVennen resides in Grand Rapids with his wife, Lorna and the two youngest of their four daughters. VanderVennen and his family belong to the Southeast Protestant Reformed Church where he has served as a deacon and elder.

VanderVennen says that he wants to maintain the tradition

of integrity that the Jackson brothers have established at the dealership over the past 22 years. The name of the dealership has been changed and will now be known as Vennen Chrysler-Dodge, Inc.

Leonard Jackson and his brother, Orville, bought the dealership in September of 1956 and it was operated as a partnership until Orville's retirement in 1972.

Leonard who is 56, and resides at 605 Birchwood Ct., Lowell with his wife, Jean, says that he has known Mr. VanderVennen for many years, and is confident that he & the Jackson Motor Sales staff will continue

the same quality of service that has been strived for in the past.

Besides operating the business over the years, Leonard is a past Worshipful Master of the Lowell Masonic Lodge, past president of the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce and past manager of the Lowell City Airport.

Leonard will be spending some time at the dealership over the next few weeks, tying up some loose ends and helping VanderVennen get settled, but says he is looking forward to his retirement and wants to thank all those who made his years in business here happy and successful ones.

Area Fire Units In Kid's Safety Parade

Winding its way through the downtown area of Grand Rapids, starting at 9:30 a.m., this coming Saturday, May 13, will be a "Kid's Fire Safety Parade."

Under intense planning since December of 1977, the parade will feature Fire Departments and fourth, fifth and sixth graders from the Greater Grand Rapids Area.

According to David Paul Vago, Director of Educational and Safety Programs for the Grand Rapids Fire Department, the parade is being held in conjunction with International Fire Service Recognition Day.

Ada, Cascade, Grattan and Lowell Fire Departments will each have one piece of fire fighting equipment in the parade, manned by four uniformed firefighters.

Firefighter Wayne Brown of Cascade will also be in the parade with his friend "Elmer," so popular with many of the school children in the area.

Other highlights of Saturday's parade will include the appearance of Burger King's "Snuffy," Ralph Archbold of Dearborn (Ben Franklin), "Smoky the Bear," "Bozo the Clown," Heredegan Clown Company, "Ernie" the area's tiniest firefighter, and antique firefighting equipment.

Marching in the parade with their fourth, fifth and sixth grade students carrying "Fire Safety" banners, posters and signs will be seven elementary schools from the Cascade-Forest

Hills School System.

Also in downtown Grand Rapids on Saturday morning will be the Old Kent River Bank Run consisting of a 25 kilometer (15 mile) marathon run with special guest Bill Rogers, world famous distant runner leading the race, and a 3,000 meter Fitness Run.

The run along the banks of the Grand River will start at 10 a.m.

Be on hand this Saturday, for both of these exciting events.

The parade will form in the City parking lot at Ottawa and Michigan, and end up at the Calder Plaza, where all units and parade attractions will greet parade viewers.

Driver Injured As Auto Hits Train

Twenty-year-old Steven Lee Cook of 7128-48th Street, S.E., is in critical condition at Blodgett Medical Center, with head injuries, following a car-train accident Saturday afternoon.

Cook was southbound on Thornapple River Drive, near the I-96 expressway, when a 49-car freight train rammed his car and dragged it a half-mile down the tracks.

According to Casey DeHollander brakeman for the C&O Railroad, the lights and bells on the signals were working. "He didn't even see us coming, he never slowed down," DeHollander said.

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Six Persons On New Task Force

Over twenty community organizations were represented to discuss the possibility of forming a Lowell Area Community Service Council at the First United Methodist Church of Lowell last week.

Invited by Reverend Dean Bailey and David Carter, the representatives selected six persons to be an "Organizational Task Force to present a purpose and plan for such a council."

Carter heads up the Task Force with Karen Charon, Gary Vincent, David Miller, Robert

Garcia, and Margaret Dean as the members.

All community groups, churches, organizations, and agencies are invited to be represented at the next meeting on Thursday, June 29, 7:30 p.m. at the Education Building of the First United Methodist Church, 621 East Main Street.

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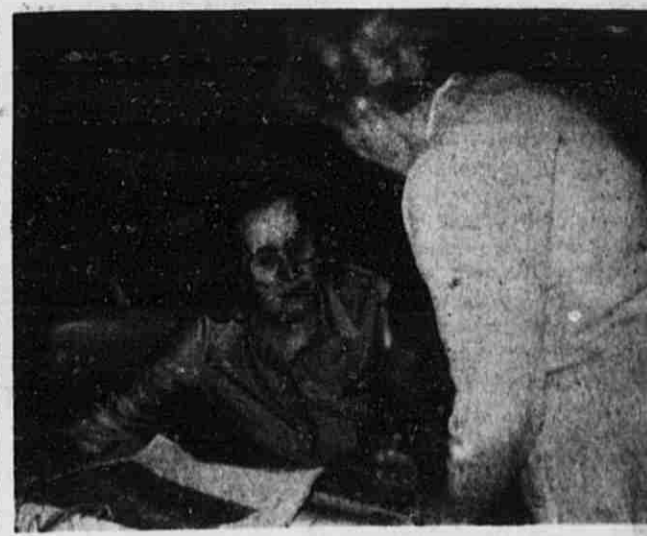
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Rose Roberts and Mabel Scott go over the variety of projects members of the YMCA Rug Hooking and Needlecraft Clubs are working on.

Ann Reidd will be meeting with a daytime group with emphasis on Rug Hooking.

Needlecraft Club meets every second and fourth Thursday evenings. Next meeting is May 11 at 7:30 p.m., Y office. Rug Hooking is now meeting every Wednesday morning at 9:30 a.m., at the Y office.

RECYCLING FAMILIES

Wilhelmina Wright

This second article in a nine part series on the Family Life Cycle discusses Expectant Parenthood. Parenthood is traditionally the time where two people become three. Everytime someone is added, you have to move over from your spot, so to speak. When this happens, negative emotions are often generated such as competition, jealousy and rivalry. The husband usually feels left out of this triangle situation. With three, there is always the odd man out. In addition, the woman doesn't feel like doing what she used to do. Her body's changed. She may be tired. Her husband may feel she's not as available emotionally as she used to be. The whole idea of becoming a parent instead of being someone's child is a big psychological adjustment. Sometimes you may not be sure you want to change.

and the wife. He may feel that now he has to work harder with his extra responsibility. The wife she becomes the odd man out. To live comfortably in a triangle, each individual has to feel good about himself and not be able to wait until his or her turn without feeling abused or rejected. It's important to be able to communicate your feelings at this time to get others to know what you feel and think so as not to brood and store up feelings.

Family Service Association, a United Way agency, serves people from all walks of life. If you have a question about the agency or family adjustments, call 774-0633. No one is refused help because of an inability to pay.

POTPOURRI

Sara R. Smith of 1876 Fallsburg Park Drive, Lowell, has been named to the Winter term Academic Honors List at Davenport College in Grand Rapids. To achieve this distinction, she earned a grade point average of 3.5 or higher.

The Stillwater Band from Lowell will be playing at the Mid-Villa Inn in Middleville Sunday, May 21, at a dance sponsored by the Commonwealthes for Charity Club. They will be playing from 7 p.m. until midnight.

Arie and Ruby Leeman of Lowell recently visited with Nevi and Ruth Grimwood in Phoenix, Arizona. The Grimwoods are in the warm climate and wanted to be remembered to their friends in Lowell when they were in the daily business.

Albert W. Sprague, Jr., 12051 84th Street, SE, Alto, has been selected for inclusion in the 1978 edition of "Outstanding Young Men of America." The criteria for selection includes a man's voluntary service to community, professional leadership, academic achievement, business advancement, cultural accomplishments and civic and political participation in Charity Clubs.

Cheri Fay McKeage, daughter of Harold A. McKeage, 10300 Sayles Road, Lowell, was awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree from Duke University's 126th graduation exercises in Durham, North Carolina, last Sunday.

The second year for the Kent Soil Conservation District's annual tree sale was a huge success reports Harold Thome, District Director. Over 50,000 trees were sold. Species sold were Red Pine, Austrian Pine, White Spruce, and Autumn Olive. The small profit from the tree sale will be used to help the District provide conservation practices.

Michael D. Kaska of 1520 Laurie Gail, Lowell, is among 27 leading district agency field representatives of the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co. attending an intermediate retirement plan workshop at John Hancock Institute, the education facility of the company's home office in Boston.

Kaska is a staff manager of the Grand Rapids district office located at 2675 44th St. in Wyoming. Representatives are selected to attend the six-day session on the basis of outstanding sales achievements. He is a graduate of Aquinas College.

Maher Abdel Noor, a YMCA representative from Cairo, Egypt, visiting in this country to learn more about the operation of America's YMCA facilities, was in Lowell last week. On Wednesday, he was a guest at the noon-lunch meeting of the Lowell Rotary Club.

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U.S. Chamber Elects Van Andel Vice-Chairman

Jay VanAndel, chairman of the board, Amway Corporation, Ada, has been elected Vice-Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States.

VanAndel assumed that position May 1, on the second day of the National Chamber's 66th Annual Meeting in Washington. He succeeds Shearon Harris, chairman of Carolina Power & Light Co., Raleigh, N.C., who moves up to a one-year term as Chamber board chairman.

VanAndel is chairman of Citizens' Choice, an organization formed by National Chamber leaders in 1976 to encourage and channel individual participation in the governmental process.

He was first elected a Chamber director in 1972 and re-elected in 1974 and 1976. He currently serves as vice-chairman of the Chamber's Northern Central Region, chairman of the federation's Membership Committee, and member of the Budget and Executive Committees.

Burn Center Is Approved

Blodgett Memorial Medical Center, Grand Rapids, received approval on March 6 from the State Health Director to develop an eight-bed burn unit.

The Burn Unit will be located on the fifth floor of the hospital's 1916 building, and will be isolated for infection control. The hospital's licensed beds will remain at 410, since the additional eight beds will be replaced by a reassignment of existing beds in the facility.

Estimated cost of the project is \$559,900, and completion is scheduled for December 1978.

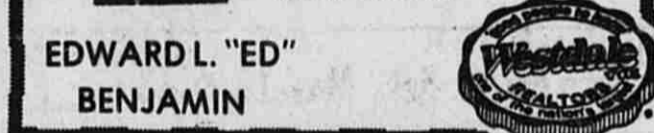
The State Health Director's decision was supported by the West Michigan Health Systems Agency and State administrators of the federal Hill-Burton Program.

tion: BIPAC (Business-Industry Political Action Committee); Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce; World Affairs Council; Citizens' Research Council of Michigan; American Federation of Labor; National Bank and National Chamber Foundation. He is a trustee of Hillsdale College.

He is a member of the president's council of the Digeet Selling Association, U.S.A.; the advisory council of the National 4-H Foundation, and the advisory council of Religious Heritages of America.

VanAndel serves on the boards of Ferguson Hospital; the Michigan Chamber of Commerce; Calvin College Foundation.

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Reid Davis Wulff, 21 Memorialized In Service

Reid Davis Wulff, a 21-year-old graduate of Norwalk High School who died in a canoeing accident April 27, was memorialized in services along the shores of Eld Inlet on Southern Puget Sound May 1.

The Evergreen State College sophomore disappeared in the early morning hours April 27, while trying to swim to shore after he and a friend capsized in his small canoe.

According to the friend, 21-year-old Carolyn Dorey, she and Wulff ventured into the waters to check on classmates who were returning home from a late night party in a small sailboat.

After finding their friends safe, Dorey and Wulff turned their canoe around, were struck broadside by a wave and capsized. They righted the canoe, but couldn't bail all the water out. It would support only Dorey, who

climbed in, while Wulff swam behind the craft trying to kick it toward shore. After several minutes without making any progress, the two students decided to swim.

Wulff equipped Dorey with both a paddle and a small life belt and followed her through the darkness in the chilly waters. Dorey came back to check on him four times. The third time, she realized he was very tired from all the kicking and left him with both the paddle and the life belt. The fourth time she swam to him, he had lost the belt and the paddle and become disoriented.

Dorey then attempted to pull Wulff to shore, realized that because of his much larger size, she, too, was in serious danger. Finally she headed for shore. Wulff has not been seen since, despite an extensive search of both the shoreline and the

Bus Tour To Chicago

A Bus Tour to Chicago, designed for parents and their children, is being coordinated by the Lowell Area Arts Council.

The trip on Wednesday, June 21, will be to the Museum of Science and Industry, where a tour will be made of the Coal Mine, Submarine exhibit and the Aquarium.

The bus will depart from Lowell at 6:30 a.m., arriving back sometime late in the evening. The cost will be \$15 per person, and children under 16 must have an adult sponsor.

A spokesman for the Arts Council said "This is an ideal opportunity for parents and their children to spend a day together."

Advanced reservations must be made by May 21. Additional tour information and sign-ups can be made by calling 897-8545 days or 897-5242 evenings.

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OBITUARIES

SMITH - Malcolm E. Smith, aged 38, of 3824 Thomapple River Dr., Cascade, passed away at Blodgett Memorial Medical Center Saturday, May 6.

He is survived by his parents, Rheta Smith of Cascade, Randall W. Smith of Bradenton, Fla., one niece, Ingrid A. Jensen and two nephews, Eric W. and Jeff Jensen.

Funeral services were held Tuesday p.m. at the O'Brien-Gerst Funeral Home in Cascade with the Rev. Raymond Gaylord of Cascade Christian Church officiating. Interment Cascade Cemetery.

FLOOSTER - Cornelius Flooster, 83, passed away at Crestview Nursing Center Sunday evening, May 7.

Surviving are his wife, Jessie; his children, Jacob of Lansing, Evelyn Hatfield of Mesa, Ariz., Harold of Grand Rapids, Mrs. Don (Betty) Evering of Ada, and Mrs. Herman (Dorothy) Huisman of Grand Rapids; two sisters, Jessie Ringling and Mrs. Minnie Sterk of Platte, S. Dakota; a sister-in-law, Hattie Flooster of Denver, Colorado; 10 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon, 2:00 p.m. at the Ad Christian Reformed Church, Rev. Wildred Fiet officiating. Interment Cascade Cemetery.

PENNINGA - Harry Penninga, aged 71, of 6949 Ada Dr. went to be with his Lord Sunday, May 7, 1978, at Kent Community Hospital.

Surviving are his wife, Marie; his children, Ted and Arlene System of Ada; two grandchildren, Amy and Jodi; two brothers, William of Ludington, Adian of Middleville; one sister, Mrs. Henrietta DeGeest of Grand Rapids; two sisters-in-law, Mrs. Gertrude Penninga, Mrs. Corneilia Penninga, both of Grand Rapids; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Ad Christian Reformed Church with his pastor the Rev. Angus M. MacLeod officiating.

Memorial contributions may be left at O'Brien-Gerst Funeral Home for the Ad Christian School.

CROSS - Double funeral services were held Tuesday, May 2, at the Leonard Osgood Funeral Home in Hastings for Charles A. Cross, 64, and his wife, Edith Geraldine Cross, 62, who were found dead in an upstairs bedroom of their bungalow home at 5211 Messer Road, Freeport early Sunday morning, April 30.

Cremation took place at Grand Cemetery in Grand Rapids. Elders Robert Johnson and Robert Loesch officiated.

Mr. Cross was born in Ottawa County, August 27, 1913. He married Edith Geraldine Price on November 24, 1934. He had been employed for 21 years at the E. W. Bliss Company in Hastings, retiring in 1971, and was a member of the Hastings Moose Lodge.

He is survived by four sons, Charles (Jack), Jerry and Mike, all of Hastings and Robert of St. Johns; a daughter, Mrs. Janet Ford of Grand Rapids; 15 grandchildren; a brother, John of Marne; and two sisters, Mrs. Mary Merrill and Mrs. Greta Wellington of Grand Rapids.

Born May 27, 1915, in Arcadia, Edith Geraldine Price moved to Grand Rapids as a child and then to the Alto area where she attended school. From 1964 until her death, she owned and operated the Cross Adult Foster Care Home.

She was a member of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Hastings.

In addition to her sons, daughter and grandchildren, she leaves a brother, Jack Price of Grand Rapids; and a sister, Mrs. Ray (Marion) Banham of Alto.

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School, and her fiancé are both attending Western Michigan University. Plans are being completed for a June 23 wedding.

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NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION

OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS COUNTIES OF KENT AND IONIA, MICHIGAN FOR THE ANNUAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 12, 1978

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Annual Election will be held in said school district on Monday, June 12, 1978.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following proposition will be voted upon by the registered school electors of this school district at the Annual School Election to be held Monday, June 12, 1978, which proposition was set forth in a resolution adopted by the Intermediate School Board of Kent Intermediate School District, Michigan, on March 10, 1978, to wit:

SPECIAL EDUCATION MILLAGE PROPOSITION

Shall the 1.25 mills [\$.25 on each \$1,000.00 of state equalized valuation] limitation on the annual property tax previously approved by the electors of Kent Intermediate School District, State of Michigan, for the education of handicapped persons, be increased by 1.25 mills [\$.25 on each \$1,000.00 of state equalized valuation]?

ALSO

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following proposition will be voted upon by the registered school electors of this school district at the Annual School Election to be held on Monday, June 12, 1978, which proposition was set forth in a resolution adopted by the Lowell Board of Education on May 4, 1978, to wit:

TAX RATE LIMITATION INCREASE PROPOSITION FOR OPERATING PURPOSES

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in Lowell Area Schools, Kent and Ionia Counties, Michigan, be increased by:

- 17.5 mills [\$.175 on each \$1,000.00 of state equalized valuation] for the year 1978, and by
17.7 mills [\$.177 on each \$1,000.00 of state equalized valuation] for the year 1979, and by
17.9 mills [\$.179 on each \$1,000.00 of state equalized valuation] for the year 1980,
to provide additional funds for operating purposes [15 mills of each of the above increases being a renewal of 15 mills which expired with the 1977 tax levy]?

The last day on which persons may register with the appropriate city or township clerks, in order to be eligible to vote at the annual election to be held June 12, 1978, is Monday,

MAY 15, 1978

Persons registering after 5:00 o'clock p.m., on Monday, May 15, 1978 are not eligible to vote at the annual election.

Persons planning to register with the respective city or township clerks must ascertain the days and hours on which the clerks' offices are open for registration.

This Notice is given by order of the Board of Education of the Lowell Area Schools, Kent and Ionia Counties, Michigan.

ORION THALER Secretary, Board of Education

Julie Price Becomes Mrs. Rick Osborne



Mr. & Mrs. Rick Osborne

On Saturday evening, April 29, in the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints in Alaska, Miss Julie Price and Rick Osborne were united in marriage. They exchanged their vows before Elder Dirk Venema at half after seven o'clock. Parents of the newweds are Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Price and Mr. and Mrs. Morris Osborne, all of Alto.

Museum Display Depicts Cascade Township History

One of the fastest growing townships in Western Michigan is Cascade located about 10 miles east of Grand Rapids. A comprehensive portrayal of its history will be exhibited in the Grand Rapids Public Museum beginning Sunday, May 14 and continuing through Sunday, August 27.

The exhibit entitled "History of Cascade Township" will trace the history of the area from its first settler in 1836 when it was a part of Ada Township to the time it became incorporated in 1848 as Cascade Township, and the progress and development that has taken place during the past 130 years.

As an adjunct of the Grand Rapids transportation system, pioneers found Cascade to be a desirable location on which to build their homes, barns and fences. The property in the area proved to be good farm land so most early settlers became farmers and tilled the land. With agriculture assuming importance in the community, it was necessary to have a Blacksmith Shop which will be pictured in the exhibit supplemented by a smithy's leather apron and tools.

With the further increase in population, it was deemed necessary to build a schoolhouse in 1848 followed by a church in 1849 and a post office and store in 1854. Educational facilities, churches, bridges, hotels and memorabilia will all be depicted in pictures, books, maps, legal documents, articles, and models to show the many changes that have taken place.

It is nearly as far from Copper Harbor in Michigan's Upper Peninsula to Detroit as it is from Detroit to New York City. Michigan has a larger variety of commercial tree species than any other state, and its forest product industries contribute about 1 1/2 billion dollars annually to the Michigan economy. Michigan was the first state to establish roadside picnic tables.

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An Anonymous Gift

The Alaska Branch of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints are having a Chicken Supper the 19th of May at 6:30. The price is \$3.75 for adults and \$2.50 for 10 and under.

Should Be Invited Back

Charlie Johnson, Garden Editor of "The Grand Rapids Press," presented a fascinating program on "Gardens in Europe," at the April meeting of the Lowell Showboat Garden Club.

COMING EVENTS

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Circle Of Excellence

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Three Receive Golden Rings

Women of the Moose Academy of Friendship chairman Margaret Green conducted an impressive ceremony Monday, May 1, in the Lowell Moose Lodge Rooms at 210 East Main Street.

Classic Car Show

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Attend Church SERVICES

Table listing church services for various denominations including ADA Christian Reformed Church, ADA Community Reformed Church, Bethany Bible Church, First Baptist Church of Lowell, First Baptist Church of Alto, First Baptist Church of Lowell, First United Methodist Church of Lowell, Church of the Nazarene of Lowell, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, and Lowell Assembly of God. Each entry includes the church name, address, and service times.

IN AND AROUND SARANAC

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Four Victories In A Week . . .

The Saranac High School girls' softball team posted four victories the week of April 24, which brings this season's record to seven victories. The Varsity team is the only undefeated team in the league. In their 17-7 win over Monta-

was 2 for 3 at the plate. Although the Redskin defense did have four errors, second baseman, DeAnn Eddy, gave a strong performance with 4 putouts and four assists. On Friday, the team had an important victory over Portland. Teri Frazer posted another win going all seven innings with 3 strike outs and four walks. Even though Saranac came on top with a 12-9 victory, the Redskins had one hit and capitalized on Portland's ten errors. The defense had six errors but held Portland when the pressure was on. Two defensive players of the game were recognized for their performances. First baseman, Deb Stuart, started the game with an error and then the freshmen settled down and had fourteen putouts. Third baseman, Renee Stanton showed her talent with four putouts, three assists and 1 error.

A Saturday doubleheader against Baptist High School gave Saranac 3-4-3 and 20-1 victories. In the opener, Saranac had 10 hits and no errors to Baptist's six hits and thirteen errors. Freshman, Deb Schneider, was named offensive player of the game with a perfect 2 performance. Pitcher, Teri Frazer, was defensive player of the game because of her six strike outs and her good fielding. The Saranac bats were booming in the second game as the team had five hits, five of them going for extra bases. It was impossible to single out one girl as offensive player of the game, as four returning letter winners hit the ball hard. Hollie Opydke was two for three with a double. DeAnn Eddy had four hits going two for four and two doubles. Both Kay Thompson and Tammy Hardy were two for three and each had a triple. The Saranac defense had 1 error the second game and was impressive allowing their opponents one hit. Renee Stanton

pitched two innings, faced six batters and had three strikeouts. Wendy Sheldon came in relief for two and two third's innings and had five strikeouts. Both pitchers only allowed one base on balls. Kay Thompson received a save as she finished the pitching in the fifth inning. The Saranac softball team has its next home game on Friday at 4:15. On Tuesday, Saranac will meet Vastaburg away for the first time this season. The team would like to thank Peg Hardy, Judy Eddy, Pat Reimer, Kara Coulson, Jennifer Patrick and Toni Haller for the pancake breakfast and Sonya Stuart for making us lunch on Saturday.

Best Laker View
Second place Laker View, fell to defeat as the Redskins scored 12 runs to their opponent's four. Pitcher, Teri Frazer, allowed four hits, five walks and struck out three. Saranac had ten hits and was led by sophomore Hollie Opydke who collected four of them at five times at bat. Hollie had a double in the plate and received double honors as offensive and defensive player of the game. She made two critical running catches in left field. A 1977 graduate of Saranac High School, Pvt. Pitsch went on active duty in January of this year and, after completing basic training at Ft. McClellan, Alabama, was trained as a food service specialist at Ft. Jackson, South Carolina. For further information contact Pvt. Pitsch by calling 527-4130 (collect) or by stopping by the Army recruiting office at 403 W. Washington St. in Ionia.



Band Boosters Plan
MAIL SHOPPING TRIP
The Saranac Band Boosters are planning a shopping trip to the Fairlane Mall in Lansing on Saturday, May 13. This trip is open to everyone and the cost is \$12.00. Departure will be from the parking lot at Saranac High School at 8 a.m., returning at approximately 7:30 p.m. Anyone interested in going may call any of the following numbers: 897-8708, 527-4999, 642-9109 or 642-9106, evenings.

Awards Night
Saranac High School and Baptist High School will hold their annual Awards Night Thursday, May 11, in the Saranac High School Cafeteria. Awards will be presented by a potluck banquet beginning at 6 p.m. Families attending are to bring a main dish and a salad or dessert. A fly up ceremony will be held and presentation of all badges, patches and pins earned thru the year is scheduled.

Other News
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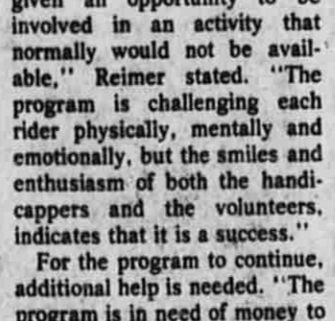
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After having had the Dodge dealership in Lowell for nearly 22 years, 16 years with my brother Orville, we have sold the dealership to Henry VanderVennen, who has been in the automobile business for 27 years with VanAndel and Flikkema in Grand Rapids. He will continue to maintain the high standards of service that we have tried to uphold. We hope you will call on him and our same staff for all your automotive needs. He will operate as Vennen Chrysler Dodge, Inc. I have enjoyed serving you these past years and sincerely appreciate your past patronage. I want to thank each and every one of you who have made my business career in Lowell a really great one.

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New Location: K of C Hall, 5830 Clyde Park, S. W., Grand Rapids

Sponsored By The Grand Rapids H. C. C. A.

Summer Wedding Being Planned

Announcement has been made of the engagement and forthcoming marriage of Miss Sheila Palinks and Norton S. Johnson, III.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Mrs. Ed Beebe of Lowell and the late Joseph Palinks. Mr. and Mrs. Norton S. Johnson II, of Saranac are the parents of the future bridegroom.

A summer wedding is being planned.

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By Roger Brown

Noon Completes Advanced Training

Pvt. Randall L. Noon, son of Mrs. M. C. Noon, 2375 S. Marble Road, Lowell, recently completed seven weeks of advanced individual training at Fort Benning, Georgia.

Noon's training included weapons qualifications, squad tactics, patrolling, landmine warfare, field communications and combat operations. This qualified him as a light weapons infantryman and as an indirect fire crewman.

He was taught to perform any of the duties in a rifle or mortar squad.

Noon entered the Army last January.

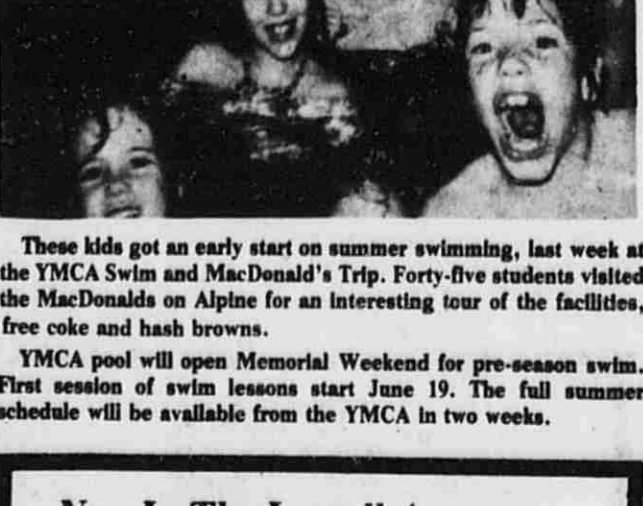
Foster Homes Are Needed

The Kent County Juvenile Court is currently recruiting foster parents for children in need of temporary care. Foster kids are boys and girls ranging in age from 11 to 16 years of age, who come from many different cultural, ethnic, racial, religious and economic backgrounds.

The Court provides a weekly payment of \$49.14 for each foster child and provides for clothing, medical and dental needs of the child. Each child has a Juvenile Court caseworker who will be working with the family and the child and is available for special problems.

If you would like to know more about fostering, please call Kent County Juvenile Court, Tom Sibley, Foster Home Co-ordinator at 774-3752 or attend an informational meeting at the Juvenile Court meeting at 1501 Cedar Street, N.E. on Monday, May 22 at 8 p.m.

An Early Swim . . .



New In The Lowell Area . . .

The Posy Cart

Featuring Home Plant Parties

You receive a planter for having the party, plus a percentage of the sales as credit towards the plants of your choice.

For Either Day Or Evening Parties Call
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Wednesday, May 24 5-7 p. m.

Lowell High School Varsity Clubs' Annual Charcoal Chicken Barbecue

Prices: Adults, \$2.75; Children, reduced portions, 12 under, \$1.75, pre-school \$1.00

Lowell Senior High Cafetorium

After being in business here at the Ledger for the past two and one half years, my wife and I have become very aware of the problems involved with extending credit. I must admit that we have been quite fortunate in that the number of bad accounts that we've had are minimal compared to those experienced by others we know in the publishing and commercial printing business. But, a bad account is a bad account, and nothing hurts me more than having to eat a sizeable dollar amount of printing or advertising.

With all of this in mind, I have really come to appreciate these humorous little signs that I've seen posted near the cash registers in retail stores around the area. I saw one the other day that went something like this, "Notice to our credit customers . . . We would like to request that we be the pallbearers at your funeral. We have carried you so long now, that it seems only fitting that we carry you to your final resting place."

Another one that has always tickled my funny-bone goes like this, "Our bookkeeper is Helen Waite. If you won't credit in this store, you'll have to go to Helen Waite."

Or how about this one? "We extend credit only to those over eighty-years-old, and then only if you are accompanied by your mother."

Another one simply says, "Don't even THINK about asking for credit in this store."

Usually, signs like these are either hand written and well worn or barely legible Xerox copies that do little for the general appearance of the store in which they are posted. So being a printer and a businessman, I had the idea of taking the above signs and perhaps doing some research to other clever signs along the same vein and print them. I was thinking in terms of using a really nice paper, some clever pictures to go along with them and using two or three colors of ink. A nice sign like this, when properly framed should easily sell for five or six bucks.

My idea then, was to always carry a selection of them in the trunk of my car and whenever I went somewhere on the weekend or during vacation, I could stop by stores along the way and make some extra spending money.

It all sounds good but I gave it up, figuring that most of my potential customers would probably want to buy the darned things on credit and I'd end up carrying a bunch of "no credit" signs on credit.

Gets Albion's Tennis Award

Kathie Weathers, an Ada senior on Albion College's 1978 women's tennis team, was awarded the Sue Little Sportsmanship Award at the Women's Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association tennis meet April 28-29 at Kalamazoo.

The award is given annually by the players in the WMIAA tournament for the player exemplifying the best sportsmanship on and off the courts.

Playing in the No. 3 singles, Weathers lost in the opening round to the eventual champion, Debbie Broene of Calvin, 6-4, 6-7, 6-7.

Coch Char Duff was pleased with Kathie's performance this season, even though she missed some action this year due to illness.

"The award just exemplifies her actions through her four years at Albion," Duff said. "She's been a very steady player, and I never have to worry about her play in a match because if there's anything that has to be done, she'll do it."

A 1974 graduate of Forest Hills Central High, Kathie is a member of Mortar Board honorary. She will graduate with a degree in English from Albion on May 6.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N.A. Weather, Jr., 506 Dogwood, N.E., in Ada.

Bluegrass Concert

On May 27 at Riverside Park in Grand Rapids, eight popular bluegrass groups are getting together from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. to express their support for recycling by offering a bluegrass concert.

The concert is part of Recycle Unlimited's effort to inform the public of their opportunity to prolong our limited resources by recycling. The cost is one clean recyclable item per person. Recyclables accepted are: cans, glass containers, plastic milk jugs, and newspaper.

Three of the eight groups playing will be the Williams Family, Sweet Corn, and the Weidman Family.

Sponsoring the concert along with Recycle Unlimited are: WCJZ radio, Kent County U.A.W. CAP Council, and the Kent County Sheriff's Mounted Division.

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Farm Program Enrollment Gets 20% Response

About 20 percent of Michigan's 80,000 wheat and feed grain farmers have signed up so far to participate in the 1978 Set-Aside Program.

As of April 26, a total of 16,448 farmers have been signed up for the voluntary program under which wheat farmers have been asked to leave unplanted acreage equal to 20 percent of the acreage actually planted, and farmers who grow feed grains—corn, barley, and grain sorghum—have been asked to "set aside" a minimum of 10 percent of their acres. For an additional 10 percent set-aside, feed grain producers will qualify for a voluntary diversion payment in addition to the benefits guaranteed for minimum set-aside. These include eligibility for price support loans, deficiency payments and disaster payments.

Farmers have until May 15, 1978, to sign up in the program, which is aimed at boosting farm prices by reducing the size of this year's crop. Applications are being accepted at County ASCS offices.

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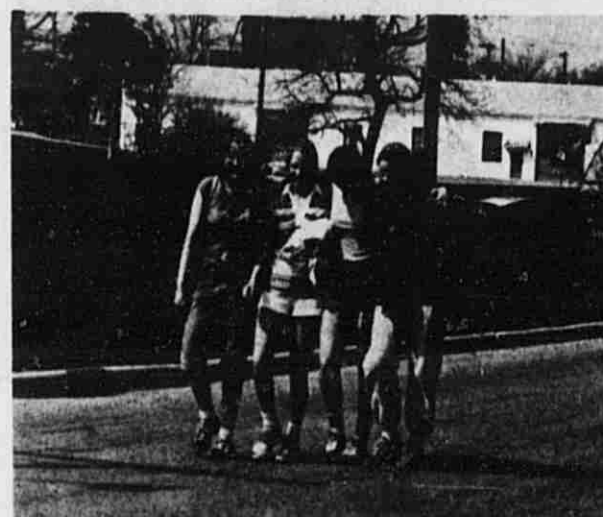
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Walk Raises \$3,300



The four unidentified young ladies were among the 174 who participated in the Lowell Area Jaycee's fourth annual walk-a-thon, "Community Footstep," Saturday, April 29. The 20-mile jaunt through the rural area north of Lowell raised \$3,300 which will be used to support community projects such as spouse abuse, child abuse, parent-child communications, etc. in making the announcement of the walk's results the Jaycees also issued a note of thanks to the community for their support in making this year's Footstep successful.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:
I am writing this letter to you to thank all the people who worked on the Bushnell Elementary

Teacher Carnival. The Parent-Teacher Organization worked very hard this year to make this the biggest and the best carnival.

IN MEMORIAM
In loving memory of my father and grandfather, Robert Hodge who passed away May 9, 1973. Life goes on and years go by, But precious memories never die.

IN MEMORIAM
In memory of Daniel Tiron who passed away 5 years ago today, May 19th.

CARD OF THANKS
I wish to thank all my relatives and friends for the many acts of kindness shown me during my stay at the hospital and since I am home. May God Bless you all.

CARD OF THANKS
I want to thank all my relatives, friends and neighbors for the cards, calls and gifts to me while in the hospital and since returning home.

WANTED - Full or part time bar tender. Alto American Legion, 868-6480 after 12 noon. c25-26

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SUMMER IS HERE!
Kids 14-21 years old apply for a summer job and see if you qualify. Apply in person P.E.P., American Legion, 805 E. Main, Lowell, MI, between 3-6, May 11-13, 1978. c26

Along Main Street, Continued...

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SENIOR CITIZEN FAIR...
The Grand Rapids Jaycees with assistance from the Coalition on Aging are sponsoring the annual "Senior Citizen Fair" at the Eastbrook Mall in Grand Rapids on May 11, 12, and 13. The purpose of the fair is to provide older adults with exciting events, interesting exhibits, and information about services and facilities. Friday's events will get started with a Senior Citizen craft show and sale at 10 a.m. One of the interesting exhibits will be provided by the Lowell Senior Neighbor Center...

MISSED BEING RECOGNIZED...
For her academic achievement of earning a "B" or better average for the past marking period at Lowell Senior High School, sophomore Tammy Robinson failed to receive due recognition when her name was inadvertently omitted from the honor listing, published last week.

We're sorry about that Tammy, and offer our congratulations to you on your efforts of achievement...

CYCLIST IS HURT...
James Savage was injured in a motorcycle-car accident April 28 at the intersection of West Main and Center Street.

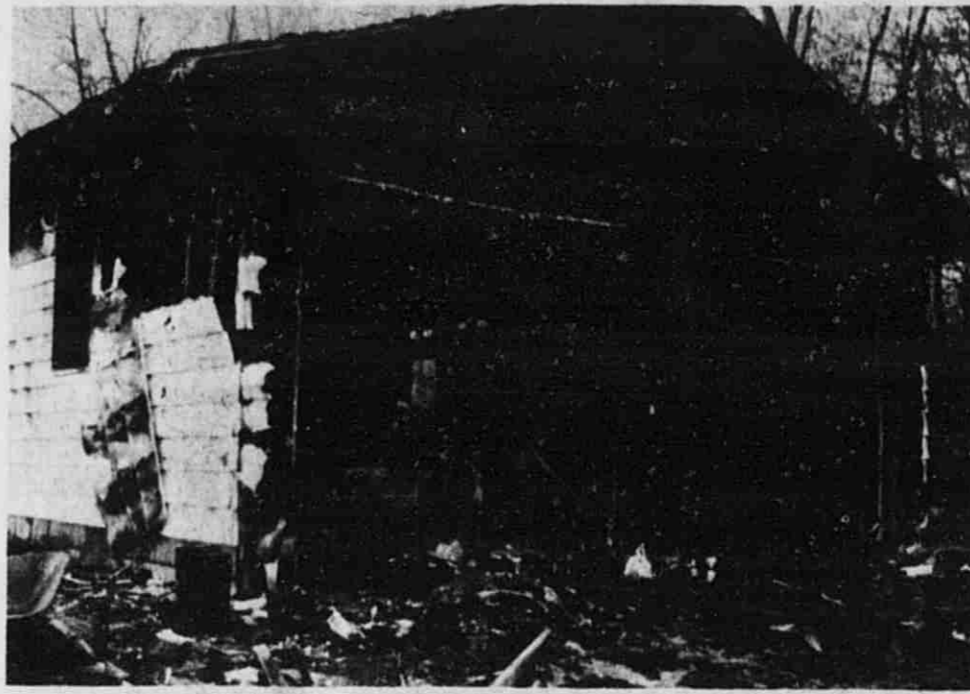
According to the Lowell Police Report, Savage failed to heed the stop sign and struck a car driven by Patrick Norder...

STILL SOME LEFT...
The Lowell Showboat ticket committee reports there are still some good \$6.50, \$5.00 and \$4.00 seats left for Saturday night's performance of the Lowell Showboat starring Vic Damone.

Sold out early were the choice, center stage seats. The committee advises that those planning to attend this year, should get their orders in early...

LOWELL THIRD HIGHEST...
The West Michigan Environmental Action Council and Robert Garcia, advisor of the Lowell High School Ecology Club this week thanked the 56 students and their parents and members of the Ecology Club for making Can-A-Thon III a huge success. There were 11 collection sites in the Kent County area, and Lowell had the third highest total with 53,500 cans and bottles turned in.

Fire Damages House And Garage



The residence of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Cummings, 10580-36th Street, Lowell, was heavily damaged by a fire which broke out in the garage area around 3 p.m. on Sunday, May 7. Cummings told Lowell fire officials he was brazing a muffler on his car, when fumes from the gas tank ignited. His attempt to put the fire out failed, and he barely got another vehicle parked in the garage out before the gas tank exploded. Damages to the two-stall garage and house have been estimated at \$20,000.

Annual Council Fire Thursday, May 16

Lowell Camp Fire Girls will hold their annual Council Fire at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, May 16, in the Runciman School. Families and friends are invited to be present as the members receive awards for the accomplishments of the year.

Following the lighting of symbols of Work, Health, and Love, Blue Birds will be presented with their membership pins. Some will also receive Starbird and Solo Flight patches, representative of community service and, in some cases, special projects involving photography, plant studies, and decorative crafts.

Some have also made a special study of Michigan birds and created houses for bluebirds.

Third grade Blue Birds will then "Fly Up" into the Adventure program, as they join the inner circle and receive their red scarves bearing the Camp Fire symbol of crossed logs and flame.

Adventure girls will receive patches indicating their level in the Camp Fire program—Trail Seeker, Wood Gatherer, or Fire Maker, and some will be awarded three or five year membership tokens. Recognition will be given to the Discovery Club members who have completed the requirements for Torch

Bearer awards.

Hike-A-Thon
At 3 p.m. on Friday, May 12, Lowell Camp Fire Girls will set out on their annual Hike-A-Thon to raise funds for Council camperships to Camp Keewano, the resident camp near Hesperia.

This year each girl taking part will be able to keep 20¢ of each dollar she collects in pledges, toward her own camp fees.

As the girls walk the 5-mile route, beginning and ending at the Middle School, they will clean the roadsides of trash, thus carrying out two service projects in one hike.

MOREL SEASON IS LATE, SAYS MSU PROF

This year's crop of morels will be late because of cooler than normal spring weather, said Dr. Everett Beneke, mycologist at Michigan State University. "Last year," Beneke said, "morels began emerging in central Michigan by the middle of April, but this year's crop will not appear until early May. "Morels will begin appearing in more northerly parts of the state by the middle or end of May," he added. The critical factors governing the quantity, quality and arrival time of the annual morel crop are temperature and rainfall, Beneke said.

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