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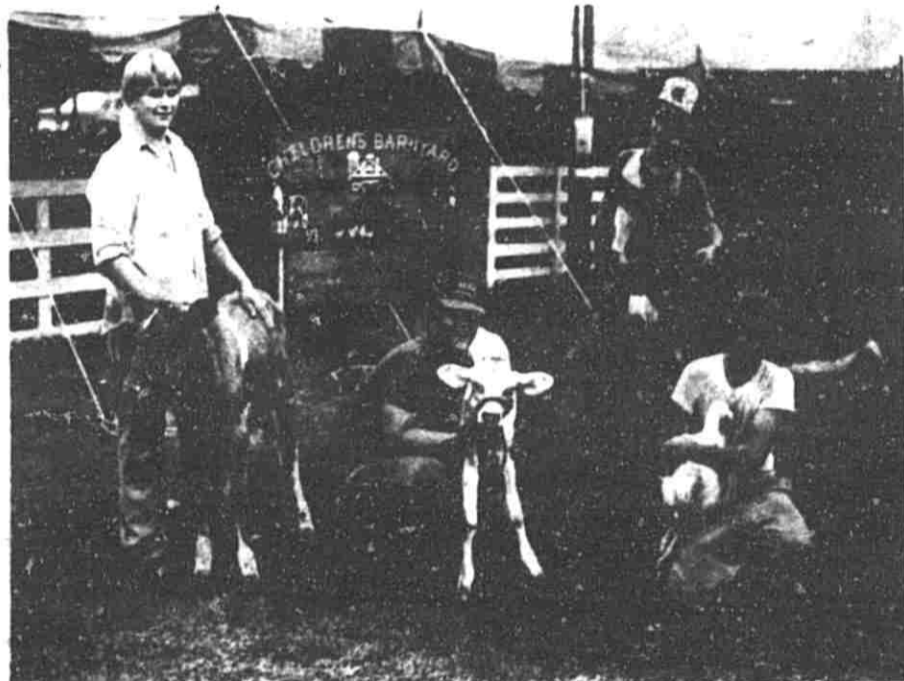
## 1980 4-H fair off 'n running

The Kent County 4-H Fair is in full swing at the Lowell Fairgrounds on South Hudson St. until Saturday.

Two days of judging began the week. Results of those competitions were unavailable at press time but a list of winners and outstanding exhibits will be in next week's issue.

Leisure Time Activities of Ionia has the midway this year. The 4-Hers are sponsoring Midway Madness, a special reduced ticket for the midway rides on Friday afternoon from noon to 5 p.m. For \$3 the coupon admits one to any rides during that time. The coupon must be presented at the ticket office in return for a wristband. Local businesses selling the coupons are: The Grand Valley Ledger, Lowell YMCA, Lippert's Pharmacy, Johnson's Food Center, Anderson's Shoes and the Buyer's Guide.

Fair schedules for the rest of the week's events are available at local merchants or at the fairgrounds.



The Children's Barnyard at the Kent County 4-H Fair holds a variety of farm animals and affords an opportunity for children to pet the animals. Future Farmers of America clubs from Lowell, Caledonia and Cedar Springs are sponsoring the Children's Barnyard under the direction of Pete Siler, Lowell FFA adult leader. Pictured with a sample of the animals are (L-R): John Tsemeyer of Caledonia, Dave Foss and Carl Foss, both of Lowell, and (back) Kirk Sterzick of Lowell.

### EARLY DEADLINE

Because of the approaching Labor Day holiday, one of our production days will be lost. We ask that all display advertising be turned in by Thursday, August 28 by 5 p.m. and all classified advertising (want ads) be at the Ledger by Friday, August 29 at 5 p.m. News items should be at the Ledger office by 5 p.m. Friday, Aug. 29. Your next issue will arrive on its regular day.

### HONORING EVELYN

An Open House will be held for retiring Lowell Librarian Evelyn Briggs on Tuesday, Sept. 2 from 7-9 p.m. at the Library. A special invitation is extended to former Board members, city and township officials, and Evelyn's library friends.

### BALLOTS AVAILABLE

Absentee Voter Ballots for the Lowell School Millage Renewal Election are now available at the Board of Education offices, 12685 Foreman, in the west wing of the Middle School. The School election is scheduled for September 15.

### DON'T BE LATE

The day after Labor Day, Sept. 2, Lowell schools will open their doors. So that you won't be late, here are the school hours for the five schools: Alto 8:35 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.; Bushnell 8:25 to 2:45; Runciman/Riverside 8:25 a.m. to 2:50 p.m.; Middle School 8:35 to 3:05; Senior High 8:30 to 3:00.

Another reminder: Please, motorists, drive with extra care and caution when school begins.

### CLOSED FOR THE HOLIDAY

Just about everything closes down for the Labor Day holiday on Monday, Sept. 1 in Lowell so remember to stock up early.

The Lowell Post Office will operate on a holiday schedule during the Labor Day observance. There will be no regular residential or business mail deliveries; and usual post office lobby services will not be available. Normal mail service resumes Sept. 2.

### OFF THE BLOTTER

Involved in a property damage accident on Tuesday, Aug. 19, was Steven Mikulski of Grand Rapids when the vehicle he was driving hit a speed sign on South Hudson near Bowes Rd. during last week's heavy rain storm.

Cited to appear in 63rd District Court at a later date on charges of trespassing were Michael Saboo and Michael Kissinger, both of Alto. Both were apprehended in the Lowell Fairgrounds early Monday morning after they had been told to leave earlier by the Kent County Sheriff's Posse.

Involved in a property damage accident on Sunday morning on Bowes Rd. at Hudson St. was David Dixon of Saranac. Dixon fell asleep at the wheel and struck a stop sign at the intersection.

Douglas Powers was issued an appearance violation to appear at a later date in 63rd District Court for littering. Powers was observed throwing an empty pop bottle into a yard on Sunday, August 24 by a Lowell officer.

Michael S. Phillips was uninjured in a roll-over accident on M-21 near Cumberland Dr. on Sunday, Aug. 24 about 3:45 a.m. He told Kent County Sheriff's deputies that he fell asleep at the wheel and awoke to find his vehicle left of the centerline. As he tried to correct, he lost control and the vehicle rolled over.

Lowell officers assisted the Sheriff's Department in the chase and apprehension of Thomas Tichelaar of Ada early Friday morning, Aug. 22. The three mile chase ended in an accident at Vergennes and Alden Nash when Tichelaar failed to negotiate the T-intersection and hit a guard rail. He was charged and arrested at the scene by Deputies for fleeing and eluding police officers.

Two men were slightly injured in an accident which occurred on M-21 near Settlewood on Wednesday, Aug. 20. Spottie Andrews of Lowell told Deputies he thought the vehicle ahead of him was moving and realized too late that it wasn't. Driver of the vehicle which was rear-ended was Byrne McMahon of Grand Rapids. He sought his own treatment and Andrews was transported to a Grand Rapids hospital by Bud's Ambulance.

## New manufacturing manager at Root-Lowell

At the annual Awards Picnic held August 22 at Fallasburg Park, Root-Lowell President Richard Houghton announced the appointment of Arnith Stahl as the new Manufacturing Manager. Arnie has been with R-L for twelve years as the Plant Superintendent.

The crowd of about 300 employees and their families gave a standing ovation to eight employees who have a combined total of 264 years service: Floyd Boyce (37.1), Mel Hartley (36.9), Vera Sherman (34.11), Chancey Boyce (34.9), Lillie Postle (34.7), Willis Shores (29.9), L. Fay Sherman (29.6), and Florence Cislis (27.6).

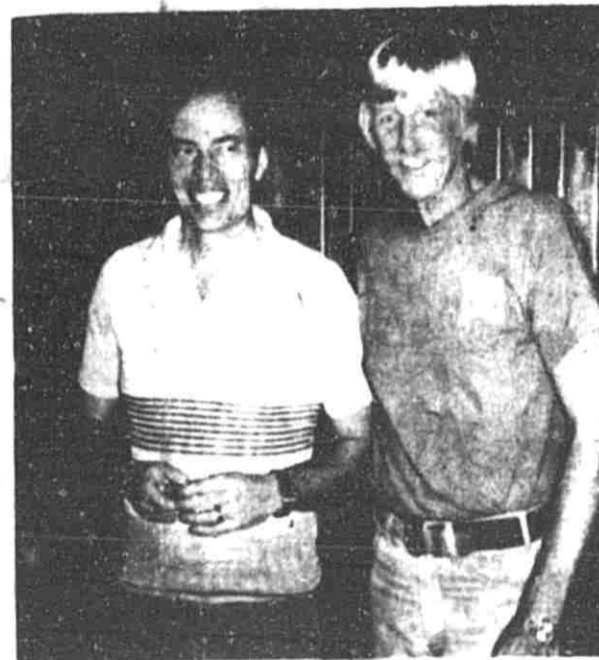
Service Awards were presented for: 20 years to Philip L. Ayers; 15 years to Cora Heiman and Rosalie Lewis; 5 years to Donald Brockway, Crystal Wright, Darrell Bishop, Beverly Curtis, Robert Houtman, Delores Hoaglen, Martha Scharaswak, Allen Shattuck, Betty Rogers, Lin-

da Wood, Goldie Brand and Karon Ford;

3 years to Diane Hoskins, Clyde Brand, Robert Haines, James Graves, John Curtis, Bill McDonnell, Sue Korte and Mary Hamp.

Root-Lowell Manufacturing Co. has been producing quality sprayers and dusters in Lowell for over 75 years. R-L has been able to grow and prosper, and overcome many negative factors in the economy—notably unemployment—because of the loyalty of the work force and their combined help in producing quality products at competitive prices.

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Root-Lowell presented service awards at their annual awards picnic on August 22. Philip L. Ayers (L) received his award for 20 years as a Root-Lowell employee from Richard Houghton, president of the company (R).

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# Obituaries

**BRUINSMA** — James S. Bruinsma, aged 38, of 4759 Bonneville Dr. NE, passed away Saturday night, August 23, 1980 at Blodgett Memorial Medical Center.

He is survived by his wife, Marcia A. Bruinsma; his children, Linda L., Sue A., and James E. Bruinsma all at home; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin (Lee) Bruinsma Sr.; his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Michael (Barbar.) Rooze all of Grand Rapids; three brothers, Benjamin Bruinsma Jr.

and wife, Pat of CT, William Bruinsma and wife, Rose of Alto and Thomas Bruinsma of Ada; his grandmother, Mrs. Rose Bruinsma; his wife's mother, Mrs. Harry (Adriana) Cook of Grand Rapids.

Mr. Bruinsma was an employee of Ore-Ida Foods of Greenville.

Services will be held at 1:00 Wednesday afternoon at the funeral chapel, with his Pastor, Rev. Richard Bates of Third Reformed Church officiating. Interment in Fair-

plains Cemetery.

For those who wish, memorials may be made to the Michigan Cancer Research Foundation, (envelopes available at the chapel). Mr. Bruinsma reposes at the Reyers North Valley Funeral Chapel, 2815 Fuller NE at 3 Mile Road.

**DYKSTRA** — William Dykstra, aged 68, of 12192 Mac Dr., Belding, passed away Sunday, August 24, 1980.

He is survived by his wife, Janet Marsman Dykstra; his children, Duane of Stanton, Robert of Lowell, David at home, Mrs. Gerada Floyd of Chicago and Mrs. James (Marlene) Sheldon of Grand Rapids; his sisters, Mrs. Elsie Heyn of Ionia and Mrs. Connie VanHusen of Grand Rapids and 15 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Thursday at 1 p.m. at the funeral home, Rev. Kenneth Downing of Belding Congregational Church offi-

ciating. Interment Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens.

The family will meet friends Wednesday 2 to 4 and 7 to 9. Mr. Dykstra lies in state at the Roth-Gerst Funeral Home, Lowell.

**ERB** — Roy Erb, aged 75, of Lake Odessa, passed away Thursday, August 21, 1980 at Blodgett Medical Center.

Surviving is his wife, Dorothy; one son, Arnold of Lake Odessa; two brothers, Ira of Saranac, Jay of Freeport; one sister, Mrs. Iva Birman of Lake Odessa and four grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Rev. Bill Stevens officiating. Interment Lakeside Cemetery.

**FOX** — Ida Mae Fox, aged 93, of Alto, died Wednesday evening, August 20 at Provincial House in Hastings.

Survived by three daughters, Mrs. Gilbert (Esther) Endsley of Lansing, Mrs. Galen (Benice) Overholt of F. Richie, FL, Mrs. Mabel Miller of Clarksville; three sons, Ralph of Freeport, Carl of Alto, Keith of Lake Odessa; 16 grandchildren; 39 great-grandchildren; 25 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Saturday from the Funeral Home.

**KILMER** — Mr. Simon T. (Sam) Kilmer, aged 70, of Rt. 1, Alto, passed away Thursday evening, August 21, 1980 at Butterworth Hospital.

Mr. Kilmer was for 23 years a model maker for American Seating retiring 7 years ago.

He is survived by his wife, Eunice E. Kilmer; their children, James E. and Esther Kilmer Sr. of Jenison, Steven

R. and Joan Kilmer of Sacramento, CA; five grandchildren, James E. Jr., Cindy, Daniel, Douglas and Debra Kilmer; a sister, Evelyn Swider of Wyoming; a brother, George R. Kilmer of Jenison. A sister, Mrs. Mary Carlson preceded him in death and the brother-in-law, Otto Carlson survives also.

Funeral services including the Committal Services were Monday morning in the Alaska Baptist Church, with Pastor Herbert VanderLugt officiating. Interment in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens. Memorial contributions to the Alaska Baptist Church will be appreciated.

**WHITE** — Mrs. Helen Jane White, aged 82, passed away Thursday, August 21, 1980 at the Cherry Creek Care Center in Lowell.

She is survived by a close friend, Mrs. Viola McLeod of Chicago and a host of other friends.

Cremation has taken place.

**WILCZEWSKI** — Joseph Wilczewski, aged 63, of Lowell passed away suddenly Tuesday, Aug. 19, 1980.

He is survived by his wife, Alice; his children, Sally Clipperton of Des Moines, IA, Joyce Palmerton of Haslett, MI and Robert Wilczewski of Lowell; three sisters, Mrs. Bernice Bibbler of Lowell, Mrs. Florence Woodcock of Eagle, Mrs. Cecilia Lovless of Ypsilanti and a brother, Henry of CA and six grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements by Roth-Gerst Funeral Home, Lowell.

**WILKOWSKI** — Harry Wilkowski, aged 78, passed away Friday morning, Aug. 22, 1980 at Kent Community Hospital.

He is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Harry and Louise Wilkowski, Jr. of Grand Haven; 2 granddaughters, Sheryl Behrens of Kalamazoo and Katherine G. Christ of Alto and their great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral Mass was in the Basilica of St. Adalbert Interment in Holy Cross Cemetery.

## Emeritus Center for golden agers

Aquinas College's Emeritus Center will hold an open house on Thursday, Sept. 4 from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m., to acquaint the public with its services and programs for older Americans.

Sister Mary Aquinas Weiler, director of the Center, said the open house will provide the public with an opportunity to see the Center's facilities and to learn about the Emeritus College fall seminars. Information will also be available on the College's new program called Tuesday Dialogs, an afternoon of conversation on topics of particular interest. Emeritus students including those who are "buffs" of subjects such as the Civil War, genealogy, etc. For programs begin September 9.

The Emeritus Center located at 1901 Robinson Road, two blocks east of the Aquinas campus, on the former Willowbrook estate.

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### Add new service

First United Methodist Church will add another Sunday morning service when the fall and winter schedule begins on Sept. 14. The new service will be at 9:45 a.m. and will be a contemporary service which will use some of the new experiences of Worship that are possible today.

Regular services at 8:30 and 11 a.m. will continue. According to Rev. Jerry Bates, "It is our hope that the new service will encourage every member to share in our services each week and that the addition of the new service will meet needs that some of our members have."

### St. Pat's opens doors in 75th

Tuesday, Sept. 2, will mark the 75th year that St. Patrick's School, 4333 Parnell Ave., Ada, has offered Catholic education to Parnell area children.

The 75th Anniversary of St. Patrick's School will be celebrated during Catholic School Week, February 1-8, 1981.

All children registered for Grades 1 through 8 will report on Tuesday, and Kindergarten will report on Wednesday.

The faculty for 1980-81 is: Principal and Kindergarten, Sister Evangeline, R.S.M.; Grade 1, Miss Ann Lennon; Grade 2, Mrs. Suzanne Krueger; Grades 3-4, Mrs. Helene Waters; Grades 5-6, Mrs. Cynthia Covell; Grades 7-8, Sister Mary Aquin, R.S.M.; and Sister Mary Kathleen, R.S.M. the Secretary, will also teach Science and Religion in Grades 7 and 8.

In grades 3 through 8, departmental teaching in English, Social Science and Math is offered. Physical Education is available in Grades 1-8, and special sports program: touch-football, basketball and softball are offered to Grades 5 through 8.

### Happy Birthday

September 7: Russ Rozman, Ardis Linton, Fred Ryder, Wealtha VerMurlen, James Allen.

September 8: Amy Steward, Krystin Hall, Kerry Kysler, Clinton Bush.

September 9: Sue Janeschek, Marie Heller.

September 11: David McWhinney, Barbara Dozema, Edson O'Harrow, Chris Powell, John Ganzewald.

September 12: Ray Guild, Norton Johnson, Helen Goff, John Linton, Ruby Fox.

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John and Peg Gerhart, formerly of Lowell and presently of Parnell, will celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary on Sept. 7.

Mrs. Carol E. Meyers, Caledonia, has been named to a 3-year term on the Farmers Home Administration County Committee. It has been announced today by Mr. Phillip Roberts, Michigan State Director. She succeeds Mrs. Marsha Wilcox of Lowell whose term expired June 30.

### Reflections From Outer Space

By Rev. Jerry Bates

Everyone has heard a story about someone who has been healed in a miraculous fashion. I just heard one the other day, and I have no reason to doubt that it was true. A young woman told me that she had been scheduled for surgery around the first of August and several different persons asked if they could pray for her. Of course, she said "Yes" and the prayer was offered. About 2 weeks before the time for the surgery, she went to the doctor and the growth was almost gone and surgery was postponed. Presently there is no growth.

Now there are persons who would say that she must have had a lot of faith. She doesn't happen to say that. As far as I can find out, when God heals, He alone chooses to heal and it is difficult for us to find out why He heals one person and not another.

I have heard of fine Christian people who have had serious illness and it ended, in death, and another person who was a—well, few people would have said that they were a Christian—have been healed. And then someone else says, "They had the faith."

I do not know why it is that one person is healed and another person dies from the same disease. I do not know why the Christian dies, and the other person does not. Only God knows that it is not a matter of faith. How can a person, who has no relationship to God, have faith?

Faith comes through relationship. It is developed through a relationship, don't-care if that relationship is marriage, friendship, or God. It takes working at.

For us to have faith in God and in His action, we need relationship. It starts when we decide that we want to be a child of God. Although God has provided the way we can become His child. We have to decide if we want to be in relationship to Him. The beginning of Faith is our belief that Christ died on the Cross for our sin and that our sin can be forgiven, in fact needs to be forgiven by God.

This makes us a child of God and faith starts to become a part of our life. For our faith to grow, we associate ourselves with the Church and Christian people and thus work at our relationship with God. It's not always easy to read the Bible. It's not always convenient to attend church. Sometime we would rather not pray. But if we are to have relationship with God, we need to do just those things. And it is out of this kind of relationship that faith grows and God is a part of our lives. Keep the love flowin'...

Prayer: Heavenly Father, Thou hast not promised that I would be exempted from temptation and trial, but Thou hast promised to help me in my hour of need. When I reach the limit of my endurance, Thou wilt step in and rescue me from "the heat of trial." Amen.

When thro' fiery trials thy pathway shall lie, My grace, all-sufficient, shall be thy supply. The flames shall not hurt thee; I only design Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

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### Seniors to elect new Advisory Council

Election of a new Advisory Council for the Lowell Senior Neighbors Center will take place next week, Sept. 3 through Sept. 9. Members are encouraged to stop at the Center, 214 E. Main, Lowell to mark a ballot. Special events are planned for the month of September.

beginning on Sept. 6 with a trip to the Detroit Tiger baseball game. On Tuesday, Sept. 9, there will be a bus trip to Meijers Thrifty Acres at 8:30 a.m. In the afternoon on Sept. 9 from 1-1:30 blood pressures will be taken and from 1:30-4 p.m. there will

be health screenings (by appointment). On Thursday, Sept. 18, legal assistance will be available at 10 a.m., by appointment. On Tuesday, Sept. 23, there will be a film on nutrition shown at the Center. That same afternoon,

blood pressures will be taken between 1-2 p.m. There will be a singalong at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 26. Regular events at the Center include: Mon.—Pedro, Cribbage and Hobby Club at 1 p.m.; Tues.—movie at 1 p.m. (except Sept. 9 and 23); Wed.—grocery shopping at 1 p.m.; Thursday—Euchre at 1 p.m.; Fri.—Bingo at 1 p.m. Call the Center for more information on any of these programs.

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### cozy corner

By Roger Brown

About a week ago, I was informed that the family dryer was on the fritz. I asked for a description of what had happened when it bit the dust and immediately determined that the drive belt had broken. Knowing that if I didn't get the darned thing fixed, I'd be wearing damp under shorts and permanent press shirts that look like they'd been slept in, I got out my tools and dove into the project.

I have put new drive belts on dryers before, and frankly, I've always thought it was a pretty easy task and expected my dryer to be the same. Not a chance. I won't mention any brand names, but the company's initials are G.E. and when they designed this dryer, I think that the engineers were instructed to come up with an appliance that would create some extra work for G.E. servicemen. So, the engineers took the most common breakdown problem on a dryer, the drive belt, and made it virtually impossible for the handyman to fix.

Getting the broken belt off was no problem, finding a replacement was. Instead of a normal v-belt, available at the local hardware, they used a skinny flat belt that goes all the way around the dryer's drum and down to the motor pulley. I tried the hardware, with no luck and had pretty much resigned myself to a trip to Grand Rapids when I found a belt at the local propane dealer.

Now came the task of getting the new one on. First I took off the back panels and tried to slip it on from the rear. No dice, there were too many things in the way. Next I tried the frontal approach. I took out about fifteen screws and the front panel still wouldn't budge, so I put 'em back in and went after the top panel. Hereafter I had ignored the warning on the back panel, "unplug this unit before servicing" and when I reached in to lift the top panel off, "ZAP". I unplugged it and tried again.

With the top panel removed I could see how the belt might possibly be slipped down and around the front of the drum. I went for it. After much grunting, groaning and cursing of parked knuckles, I had that son-of-a-gun in place. This would have been a good time to crack a beer and celebrate my victory over the G.E. engineers, but I still had one obstacle to overcome.

Our washer and dryer sit in a little closet designed to hold just a washer and dryer, so there is no room on either side to get at the exhaust vent on the dryer to hook it up to the pipe to the outside. The only way to get at it is from the top and there's only enough pipe to allow a hook-up when the dryer is no further than a foot away from the wall. Short of having a rained money, I couldn't figure out how the thing had been installed in the first place.

Having no trained monkey, I proceeded headfirst down behind the dryer. The hook-up went smoothly enough. It was getting out that had me worried. My first couple of attempts left me right back where I started; standing on my head. This was when Terese happened along, and from my inverted position I had to explain what I was doing. I told her to stand by to call the fire dept. if I didn't make it out on my next try. I didn't make it, but I had her hold the call until I had rested for one last go at wiggling out of there. Feeling a little panicky, and not at all sure that I was going to get out, I mustered everything that I had and after much kicking, squirming, pushing and shoving, I was free.

Now after all of this, you'd think that a guy's wife would say something like, "Gee, I'm glad you made it out alive", or at least, "Hey, thanks for fixing my dryer". But not my wife. You wanna know what she said to me? She said, "I wish you'd change your clothes before you get into projects like this". Rodney, I don't get no respect either.

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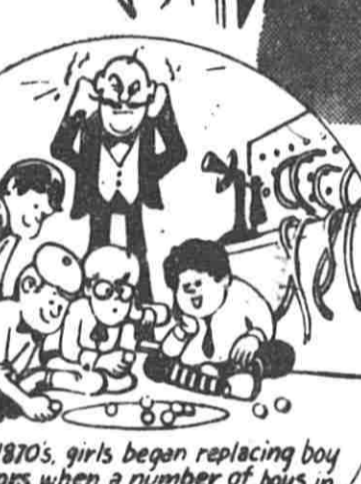


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*David Gerst*

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## Labor Day caps good Mich. tourist season

The 78-hour Labor Day holiday weekend will cap what could be Michigan's second best summer tourism season ever despite economic hard times and fuel prices 30 percent above a year ago, according to Automobile Club of Michigan.

"While some businesses catering to tourists are reporting downturns, overall tourism in Michigan is running about 6 percent above last summer and is not far behind the 1978 record," stated Auto Club Touring Manager Joseph Ratke. "A good Labor Day weekend could close that gap even farther."

The Michigan Department of Transportation predicts that with good weather, motorists will drive 660 million miles over the holiday period, 1 percent fewer miles than over the 1979 weekend and only 5 percent below the record 695 million miles driven in 1978.

Requests by Auto Club members for routings to Michigan destinations for the first seven months this year are more than 12 percent ahead of 1979 and only 3.5 percent below the 1978 record.

Good Memorial Day and Fourth of July holidays plus a better than expected August helped West Michigan regis-



Head Coach Monte Clark called time out during a recent Detroit Lions practice to help 10-year-old Brian Duke kick off Automobile Club of Michigan's "School's Open—Drive Carefully" campaign in 4,200 Michigan schools. Clark, who is an honorary safety patroler, urges motorists to be extra alert for youngsters when most Michigan schools reopen Sept. 2.

ter a slight tourism increase over last year. The resort communities of Saugatuck, Ludington, Traverse City and Charlevoix are enjoying one of their busiest summers ever. Gasoline supplies will be adequate to meet all driving needs throughout the holiday period with average prices nearly one-third higher than

## College students told how to keep mail coming

If you are going away to school or college this fall, you usually is distributed from a central mailroom. If you move during the school year, notify your mailroom, your post office at home, and in the college community. And, again, your correspondents via the change-of-address kit.

Where college housing doesn't have a central mailroom, letter carriers deliver directly to individual boxes in the building lobby. Make sure your box is identified with your name.

If you live off campus in an apartment, fraternity, sorority, or rooming house, make sure there is a clear understanding of where your mail is to be delivered and distributed.

The Michigan State Police's Operation CARE (Combined Accident Reduction Effort) will be operating over the holiday, which begins at 6 p.m. Friday (Aug. 29) and ends at midnight Monday (Sept. 1).

Some 200 additional troopers will be on the state's highways each day to strictly enforce the 55 miles-per-hour speed limit and drinking & driving laws especially on two-lane roads, and to promote safety belt use.

Auto Club's "Bring 'Em Back Alive! Holiday News Service" will report on traffic, tourism and gasoline availability via 160 Michigan radio stations from 3 to 11 p.m. Aug. 29 and from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. Aug. 30-Sept. 1.

## Assessor's class at MCC

Basic Property Assessment will be offered as a non-credit class at Montcalm Community College beginning Sept. 9. The Tuesday evening class will meet from 6-10 p.m. for 15 sessions.

This course takes a workshop approach in teaching assessors the appraisal process and the principles of real estate valuation, as well as roll preparation and required assessment reports. Upon

successful completion of Basic Property Assessment, students will be qualified to take the State of Michigan Level 1 Assessors examination.

Cost to students is \$75 plus \$28 for the text Assessor's Training Manual, available in the college bookstore the first night of class.

For further information or to pre-enroll call Montcalm Community College at 517-328-2111, extension 250 or 236.



Anyone can develop a knack with a snack. Even a full-fledged amateur can make wholesome snacks that change the meaning of the term "fast food". Our nutritionists at the State Health Department gave us some good ideas, which I'll pass on to you.

They tell me that if you alternate frankfurters and cheese chunks on pretzel sticks you have pretzel shish kebab. And if you spread a lettuce leaf with peanut butter, place a carrot or celery stick in the middle, and wrap it 'taco-style, you have a walking salad. As long as the peanut butter is out, they suggest spooning it on apple slices, or stuffing some dates with it and soft cheese.

If you should crave a sweet, they mentioned a good one called ice cream cone cakes. You whip up a cupcake batter and pour about a quarter-cup of it into flatbottomed waffle ice cream cones, and bake them at 400 degrees for 15 to 18 minutes. This sounds like a hot item, so let them cool and stand back for the grand rush to the cone cakes.

None of these snacks can compete with cream puffs for adding weight, which means they help us to stay within calorie limits that we need each day. They're inexpensive, since they're made with many foods that are common stock in most kitchens, and they're nutritious, which get our vote.

The nutritionists also mentioned beverages to go with the snacks. Some of the fruit juices combined make a good drink. Start with orange juice and add either grapefruit or pineapple juice, or pear nectar. If your base is grapefruit juice, they suggest orange or pineapple juice or apricot nectar.

We seem to be a society of snackers. A few hours at the beach or pool, watching television, driving in the car, or gathering with our friends seem to require sustenance. If you select snack foods with the same consideration given to your meals, they will do more good than harm. If you disapprove of snacks between meals, but your family insists, don't blame the snackers; blame the snacks.

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## School board adopts budget

With four different state budget proposals being considered by Michigan legislators, the school board considered the budget for the 1980-81 school year at a special budget hearing Monday night.

In introducing the budget, Capt. Don Kelly commented that the board was looking at the biggest potential deficit in many years, but that he felt the budget as presented was based on the best information available with refinements to be made after the bill is passed by the Michigan legislature.

George Jacob, assistant superintendent, then took the board through the various categories, indicating the biggest increases were in the areas of salaries where there is little latitude, and, secondly, supplies which he felt was "putting money where the children are."

While the budget reflected a \$448,837 deficit, Kelly concluded that the schools would make it through the coming year, but that there were tight times ahead.

President Roger Kropf commented that district residents were apparently well

satisfied with school operations since only one citizen attended the hearing. He added that he felt the board had lived up to promises to keep a tight reign on the schools' financial programs.

Voting to establish a second self-contained classroom at the middle school for emotionally impaired students, (the district receives 1 1/2 full-time equivalency reimbursements for court placed students), the board then adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

## GR Astronomy Day gets award

The Grand Rapids Amateur Astronomical Association is the winner of the First Annual Norman W. Edmund Astronomy Award presented by the Edmund Scientific Company of Barrington, New Jersey. The local group won the award for creating the most outstanding quality of and number of successful activities in support of National Astronomy Day, 1980.

The award includes a plaque and a cash prize of \$500.

Local Astronomy Day chairman, Chaffee Planetarium curator Gary Tomlinson, as credited the success of the event to "a cooperative effort between all local astronomy groups. Without everyone's willingness to participate, the success would not have been as complete. Another aspect of our success" adds Tomlinson "was Governor Milliken's and Mayor Drasin's proclamations declaring April 26 as Michigan and Grand Rapids Astronomy Day respectively."



The plaque awarded the Grand Rapids Amateur Astronomical Association for its National Astronomy Day activities on April 26, 1980 is admired by Jack McCarthy (left) Astronomical Association president and Gary Tomlinson (right) chairman of the Grand Rapids Astronomy Day activities and a Chaffee Planetarium curator.

The Grand Rapids Amateur Astronomical Association was in competition with 33 entrants for the Edmund Award throughout the United States and Canada. Participating in the local event was Aquinas College, Calvin

College, Godwin Heights Public Schools (Reiser Planetarium); Grand Rapids Amateur Astronomical Association, Grand Rapids Junior College, Grand Rapids Public Museum (Chaffee Planetarium), Grand Rapids Public Schools (Educational Park and Lighthouse), Grand Valley State Colleges and the Great Lakes Planetarium Association (Michigan Section). All these groups had displays at both Eastbrook and Woodland Malls, as well as tours and observations where appropriate.

According to Mr. Jack McCarthy, President of the Grand Rapids Amateur Astronomical Association, the \$500 award money has been put in a special savings account for the Veen Observatory to be used at a later date for some appropriate new piece of equipment. The James C. Veen observatory is run and operated by members of the Astronomical Association.

It is located on Kissing Rock Road, Lowell.

Dairy barn

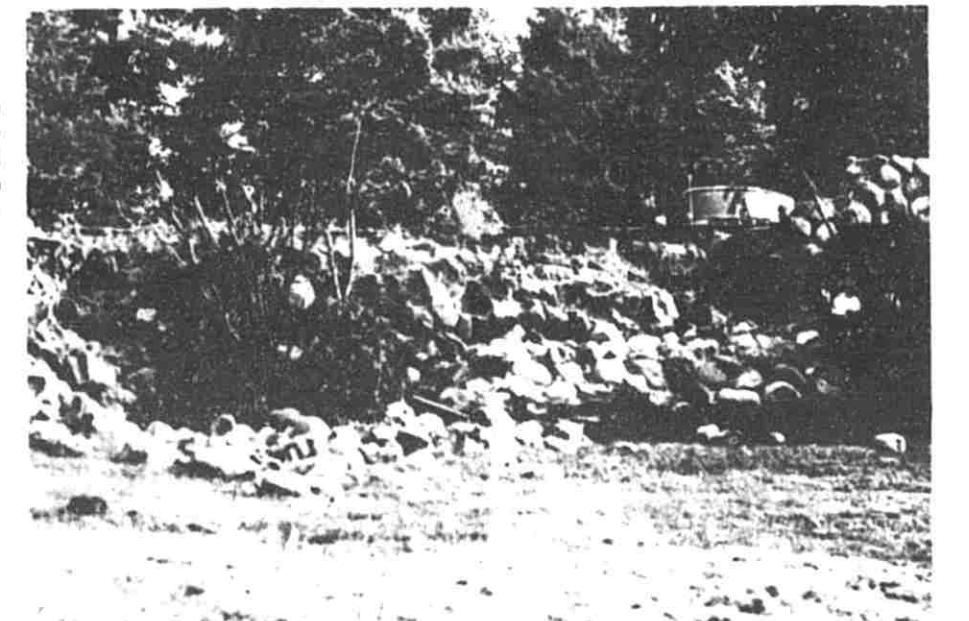
aerosols recalled

Nine brands of fly repellent used to control flies in dairy barns are being recalled because a number of aerosol containers have exploded.

The two most likely to be in Michigan, are Pyreneone Dairy Aerosol and Aid Dairy Aerosol, according to George Atkeson, Ionia County Extension Agent.

If you have either of these, isolate the cans and call 901-767-0056. Arrangements will be made for someone to pick up the potentially hazardous containers.

## Real gulley-washer hits area



Heavy rains turned the usual trickle run off into a torrent during a violent storm last Tuesday evening and Wednesday morning, Aug. 19-20. Limbs came down and the power went out briefly in a section of Lowell but the city escaped heavy damage. This stone retaining wall at the old Foreman Estate on Gee Drive came tumbling down. The property is now owned by Paul Newcombe.

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# —Coming Events—

**THURS., AUG. 28:** United Methodist Women will hold a Salad-Dessert Luncheon at 12:30 at the home of Evelyn Wittenbach, 718 Riverside. Bring table service and salad or dessert to pass. Babysitting will be provided.

**SUN., AUG. 31:** Stauffer Reunion at Fallasburg Park at 2 p.m.

**SUN., SEPT. 7:** The Alone-Together Group will begin the Fall season with a picnic luncheon. The group will meet at the First Congregational Church in Lowell at 1 p.m. For details call Shirley Smith at 897-8545.

**MON., SEPT. 8:** The Golden Swingers will meet for potluck supper at the home economics room of the High School on Foreman Rd. Bring own service and dish to pass. Coffee furnished. Supper promptly at 6. There will be a good program for the evening. All senior citizens welcome.

**SUN., SEPT. 7:** Rev. Walter Ratcliffe, former pastor of Vergennes United Methodist Church will be speaking at the 10 a.m. service. On Sept. 14, Rev. Phillip Glotfelty, also a former pastor of the Vergennes U.M. Church, will be the speaker.

**SEPT. 12-13:** Bonsai Society of Grand Valley will be at Eastbrook Mall with display, sale and demonstrations.

**SAT., SEPT. 13:** Hog Roast and Second Best Sale at the Vergennes United Methodist Church. Sale is from 3 to 5 p.m. Hog Roast begins at 5 p.m.

## Hosley to study in Germany

John Hosley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Hosley of 607 N. Washington, is one of 216 students participating in Kalamazoo College's extensive Foreign Study Program. These students, most of them in their junior year, will leave soon for six to nine months of study at one of 20 different locations around the globe. Hosley will be studying in Hannover, Germany.

Foreign study is a standard curricular feature of the 4-year Kalamazoo Plan, and approximately 80% of the College's students study abroad before graduation.

The difference between program charges to students and the actual costs is provided by the S.R. Light Trust Fund which forms a solid financial base for the program. Thus, Kalamazoo

## Sinke graduates with honors

Suzanne Sinke graduated from the University of Northern Colorado on Saturday, August 16 from the Honors Program. She graduated Summa Cum Laude in history and geography. Her honors thesis was "Overcreek, Michigan, an American Immigrant Community in the late 19th Century."

Suzanne will be attending Kent State University in Ohio where she has a graduate assistantship.

Suzanne is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Sinke of Lowell.

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## Autumn wedding planned



Debra Ward

Mr. and Mrs. Duane Ward of Saranac announce the engagement of their daughter Debra to John Kingsley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Judson Kingsley also of Saranac. Both are graduates of Saranac High School. Debra is employed at Jimmy's Grill and John is self-employed in the Auto Repair business. A September 26 wedding is planned.

## new arrivals

Terry and Nancy (Roudabush) Raymor announce the birth of their son Timothy Scott on August 24. He weighed 8 lbs., 1 oz. and was 20 1/2 in. long. Proud grandparents are Hoot and Evelyn Roudabush, Roger and Norma Raymor, all of Lowell. Great-grandparents are L.D. and Elva Raymor, also of Lowell.

Larry and Mary Roth of Lowell announce the birth of their firstborn Christopher Larry on August 7. He weighed 7 lb., 15 oz. His grandparents are Donald and Anita Huizenga of Cascade, and Allen and Doris Roth of Lowell.

George and Laura Bakken of Terre Haute, Indiana, became parents of a baby girl on Monday, August 18. Anne Marie weighed 7 lb., 7 oz. at birth. Her grandparents are Stewart and Marion Bakken of Fargo, North Dakota, and

Dave and Betty Coons of Lowell.

Mr. and Mrs. David Thaler, 885 Alden Nash, announce the birth of their son Joseph Daniel on August 19. He weighed 9 lb., 11 oz. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Balcom of Conkrite and Mr. and Mrs. Orion Thaler of Lowell.

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## Weather Word

With Meteorologist KURT SCHMITZ



With the advent of August, the hurricane season is with us again. From now through October, newspaper headlines will assault us with terms like tropical depression, central pressure and maximum sustained winds.

We'll read about boarded up windows in Florida, massive evacuations along the central Gulf coast and abandoned oil rigs off Texas. Most scientists agree that a major destructive hurricane will strike the United States coast, maybe not this year, but sometime in the not-too-distant future.

Since they do originate in the tropical oceans, hurricanes strike the southern coastal areas of the United States most frequently. But, history is dotted with exceptional hurricanes that ravaged normally safe areas, storms that often wind up being very destructive because they arrive unexpectedly.

1954 was a year in which the exception became the rule. Hurricanes Carol and Edna both veered north, raced up the Atlantic coast and slammed into New England with great force. A short while later, one of America's most notorious hurricanes roared through New York City and inland. Her name was Hazel.

What made 1954 so different? A large upper-air high pressure system, characterized by sinking air and clockwise flow, had developed over Newfoundland. This high had been steering some of the hurricanes right into the coast. In a normal season, a high lies over the Azores Islands and helps the storms veer back into the ocean where they can die peacefully. Upper air patterns this year have been running close to normal in the tropics, so maybe the East Coast will be spared.

## In The Service

Airman William P. Starkweather, son of Thomas A. Smith Sr., of 43 Rose St., Grand Rapids, and Amy J. Starkweather of 216 Elizabeth Dean, Lowell, has graduated from the avionics sensor systems specialist course at Lowry Air Force Base, Colo.

Airman Starkweather will now serve at Hahn Air Base, West Germany.

Marine Lance Cpl. Donald L. Kilts Jr., son of Norman and Donald L. Kilts Sr.

of 4984 Abrahams Drive, Lowell, has been promoted to his present rank while serving with 1st Force Service Support Group, Camp Pendleton, Calif. A 1977 graduate of Lowell High School, he joined the Marine Corps in May of 1979.

Pvt. Daniel M. Valentine, son of James G. Valentine, 1800 W. Main, Lowell, recently was assigned as a gunner and loader with the 68th Armor in Mannheim, Germany.

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## Letters

Dear Editor,

I really enjoyed your Cozy Corner article concerning the amount of trash, garbage, litter, etc., that seems to collect between your Ledger office and Larkins.

I don't want to get into a contest with you or anyone else, but for every bag you clean up, it seems that our corner at 207 W. Main unfortunately produces two or three.

A few years ago, I placed a bench adjacent to the steps going down to the Rummage Bin and instead of providing a resting place, it seems to have provided a dumping spot. The women of the Congregational Church who operate the Rummage Bin have plenty of cleaning of trash to do every Sat. morning before they can even go down the steps to open for business.

Your solution of having a trash can sounds good, except people who litter don't know how to use one!

Sincerely,  
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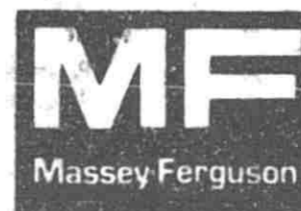
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## More surgery on Saranac budget

As further surgery was performed on the 1980-81 budget last Thursday night, the Saranac School Board winced but made the incision anyway, slicing out two varsity sports.

Girls golf and boys ninth grade basketball were cut from the Saranac athletic program. Wrestling, tennis and junior varsity cheerleading had previously been dropped in an effort to bring the district's budget under control.

Other cuts made Thursday were in school supplies and the decision not to hire a new physical education teacher, but to absorb it through expanded duties of several administrators.

The district will still be operating in the red but the deficit will be made up from the district's equity funds, according to Supt. Albert Butler.

The board action on the sports cuts was passed despite pleas from the girls' golf team coach Otto Laabs. The board must now allow girls to participate on the boys golf team in order to comply with Title IX regulations. That didn't satisfy Laabs, however, as he pointed out that only one or two of his team members could be competitive with boys in the school league. There were 10 girls on the team last year.

According to SHS Principal Nelson TerBurgh, the girls golf team was chosen as one of several possible cuts

because only six Class D schools in the state currently offer girls' golf. Board member Bernard Adgate responded that he sympathized, several other sports had had to be cut and that while he knew the Board was making an unpopular decision, cuts had to be made somewhere.

The decision not to hire a replacement in physical education for Kip Cady who resigned came after the administrative staff expressed their willingness to take on added responsibilities in the face of extensive cuts in all other areas of the school budget.

TerBurgh explained that Butler and several other staff members would be taking on luncheon supervisory work to enable other staff members to teach classes. TerBurgh will be teaching a math class as will Gloria Hubbard, Saranac athletic director. Bruce Chadwick, middle school principal, will be teaching a social studies class as a result of the decision.

## Attend leadership conference

Miss Chris Powell of Lowell attended the 1980 Young Women's Leadership Conference conducted by The American Youth Foundation. The conference was held at the Minwanica Camp-Conference Center Shelby, Michigan, July 28-Aug. 9, 1980.

Ms. Powell received the "I Dare You" Award through

## Cars collide

No one was injured when two cars collided on Hawley Highway near Centerline Road early Friday, Aug. 22.

Sheriff's deputies report Michael Fisk, 30, of Comstock Park, and Ronald Weeks, 44, 2450 Hawley, Saraac, were both northbound on Hawley Highway about 9:45 a.m. when Fisk began passing Weeks.

Weeks allegedly turned left in front of Fisk and the two collided.

Weeks told deputies he did not see Fisk prior to the collision and had not signaled for his turn.

## Saranac man promoted

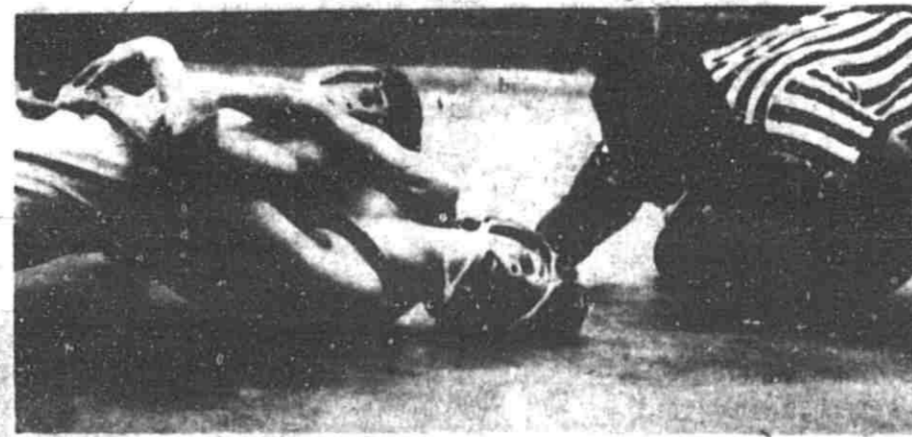
Michael E. Richardson of Saranac has been appointed superintendent of material handling and shipping at General Motors' Fisher Body metal fabrication plant.

A native of Detroit, Richardson began his employment at the Grand Rapids plant Oct. 1, 1972.

In 1977, he was appointed general supervisor in the material handling and shipping department.

Saranac High School in recognition of her leadership involvement. Chris was then selected as one of two "I Dare You" Award winners from the state of Michigan to receive a scholarship to the Leadership Conference which she attended for the first time.

## Saranac student's photo exhibited



This photo represents DeAnn Eddy, Saranac, in the premiere presentation of winning photography in the 1980 Scholastic/Kodak Photo Awards at the American Standard Inc. Exhibition Center, Sept. 4-30.

The prize-winning photography of 18-year-old DeAnn Eddy, Saranac, is being featured in a display at the 1980 Scholastic/Kodak Photo Awards at the American Standard Inc. Exhibition Center, 40 West 40th Street, New York City, Sept. 4-30.

She earned a place in this annual presentation by winning in the nationwide junior and senior high school photo competition sponsored by

## New approach to an old problem

A representative from an educator training center will be in Saranac Sept. 8 to discuss school discipline.

Saranac Supt. Albert Butler said James Daly, a former assistant school superintendent will be in Saranac to discuss a "realistic" approach to student discipline. Daly now works for William Glasser's Educator Training Center in Los Angeles, Calif.

Daly will conduct a workshop with Saranac teachers during the day Sept. 8 and will meet with all interested area parents at 7:30 p.m.

Butler said Daly will be explaining various means of disciplining students in a constructive manner as developed by Glasser.

Glasser has outlined a 10-step method approach to school discipline using such concepts as: speaking to students on a personal basis, making students exactly aware of what they are doing wrong and asking students to evaluate their own behavior.

Butler said he saw Daly's presentation while working in Howell, prior to coming to Saranac in July.

"It was very enlightening," he said.

The 7:30 p.m. presentation

Eastman Kodak Company and conducted by Scholastic Magazines, Inc.

Eddy is represented in this year's exhibit by a black-and-white entry entitled "A Painful Pin," which was taken during a wrestling match. She will also receive a Kodak Centennial Medallion for excellence in amateur photography as a part of the company's 100th birthday celebration.

She was a senior at Saranac High School when she entered the contest and her teacher was Barb Thorp. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Eddy, 3576 Pinkney Road.

Rules folders for the 1981 Scholastic/Kodak Photo Awards, open to both junior and senior high school students, are available from Scholastic Photography Awards, 50 West 44th Street, New York, N.Y., 10036. Four scholarships for senior portfolios, 20 \$100 Awards of Excellence, 30 \$50 Special Merit Awards and 200 \$20 Honor Awards will be presented to winning students in 1981.

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By Jim Fitzgerald

Every earnest golfer knows matches are won on the first tee, before the first ball is hit. That's when the handicaps are discussed, the alibis are pleaded, and the bets are made. The winner is the player who does the best job convincing his opponents he is deathly ill and therefore, if they have any compassion at all, they will spot him at least one stroke a hole.

The other afternoon, as we stood on the first tee and called each other liars, I told my opponents that the night before, at a party, I had consumed something that disagreed with me. I became so sick I had to be driven home by my wife, who was also disagreeable. In the morning I felt so awful that, on the way to the golf course, I stopped at a law office and made out my last will and testament.

This was the God's truth and I could prove it by supplying an affidavit from my lawyer. It makes me feel like a real big shot to say "my lawyer." For the first 52 years of my life, I could never find a lawyer who wanted to be mine. I've always known a lot of lawyers, but they had bigger fish than me to milk. Most people think bigger fish are supposed to be fried, but most people don't have law degrees.

I finally got a lawyer because a longtime co-worker on a newspaper decided to go to night school and learn how to milk fish. Now that he's a lawyer, he is obligated by friendship to be mine. This friendship received its most severe test when I slumped into my lawyer's office wearing golf spikes and pallor. He took one look at me and immediately knew I wanted to make out my will.

"We'd better hurry," he said. "That'll be \$60." It took just that long for my lawyer to discover that if I died on the golf course that day, as expected, my heirs wouldn't inherit enough money to pay my green fees. But that's OK. I didn't make out my will to prevent my widow and children from squabbling over ownership of my most valuable possessions, such as my monogrammed underwear. The main reason I wanted a will was so the other members of my foursome would know what to do with my body.

No, I'm not going to tell you that old hit-the-ball-and-drag-Jim joke. But I can top it with a true story that indicates hunters may be goofier than golfers. Not long ago, at my favorite hunting preserve, a member of a large party of shooters died in the field, of a heart attack. His remains were put in the back of a pickup truck while his companions finished hunting. They then returned to the preserve lodge for lunch while their deceased buddy was parked out in front. The surviving hunters were happy that their fun hadn't been spoiled by rain.

My will stipulates that the nearest medical school gets first dibs on my remains, and whatever is left will be cremated "in the cheapest cardboard container available." No visitation in a slumber parlor, no funeral, and no grave. Last dibs go to the nearest ashtray.

There is nothing personal in my contention that traditional burial rites are barbaric and silly. I'm sure there are plenty of morticians who don't milk fish, and do provide counseling that is much needed and appreciated by bereaved families. But my immediate survivors say they have no objection to my disposal plans just as long as I'm not cremated in my monogrammed underwear.

Anyway, back on the first tee, my opponents—a car dealer and a realtor who used the same heartbeat—listened attentively when I told them I was so near death I'd made out my will just moments earlier. They then demonstrated their deep compassion by calling me vile names and refusing to spot me one lousy stroke. They also wanted to be paid after every hole so, if I did die, they wouldn't have to sue my estate.

They knew they would win, and they did. My partner, Howie Bon Viant, and I lost \$10. The victors showed us no sympathy, not even when Bon Viant was stung on the face by a bee. His eye swelled shut quicker than the bee could enroll in the nearest institute for alcoholic rehabilitation. As expected, I died.

The moral is you don't have to be a lawyer to milk a bigger fish.

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One of the biggest problems affecting the two-paycheck family is the increased tax bite, says The Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants. The second paycheck is piled on top of the existing one, then taxed at the higher rate on the combined income.

According to CPAs, it is seldom economical for married people to file separate returns except when there have been unusually large expenses such as medical bills. In that case, the partner with the lower income might take fuller advantage of the three percent exclusion on medical deductions.

Besides the higher tax bill, two-income families often increase spending for child care, commuting, clothing and food. With two incomes, there is twice the need for sound financial planning, CPAs say.

Two-paycheck families also need to adjust their retirement planning. Perhaps one will delay retirement to allow the other to continue working. Both spouses need to consider their social security benefits which are likely to be based on each one's lifetime earnings. They may consider reducing life insurance coverage if the surviving spouse could manage on one salary.

Before you decide to become a two-paycheck family, CPAs advise drawing up a financial plan to be certain you come out ahead. If the spouse returning to work can command only a modest income at the start, there may be need for economies in the family budget while the second wage earner is building a career. To help take full advantage of the two incomes, try listing the additional income and figuring out the tax implications. Try it first as a joint return and then file separately, if one spouse can claim an extraordinary number of deductions.

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Looking back . . .

# Lowell as described in 1885

**Ed. Note:** While engaged in a research project which involved checking the microfilm of the Detroit newspapers, James S. Bradshaw, professor of Journalism at Central Michigan University, came across an article on Lowell in the Detroit Free Press of June 17, 1885. The following is a verbatim reprint of the article, a view of Lowell nearly one-hundred years ago.

**LOWELL**  
Fine Opening for  
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Situated 140 miles west of Detroit, eighteen miles east of Grand Rapids, on the Detroit, Grand Haven & Milwaukee Railroad, and at the junction of the Grand and Flat Rivers, is the Village of Lowell, Kent Co., famous for its extensive commercial trade, excellent water power and rare opportunities for almost any branch of manufacture, especially in that kind in which hard or soft woods may be used, and which grow in abundance near by and may be had at comparatively low rates. It is a pretty, wide-awake town of 2,000 people, lying on both banks of the Flat

River and in the midst of the richest portion of the picturesque Grand River Valley. The village was first platted in 1847 and called Dansville. Between this time and 1854 extensive additions were made and the name changed to Lowell in view of manufacturing facilities which the district offers. Even as late as 1870 the Village of Lowell might have been called a town of wooden walls, from the fact that but very few brick buildings were then in existence, and even the frame structures were as unpretentious as they were scattered.

But the scene has been changed, and where but a few years ago stood small wooden business houses may now be seen two and three story blocks modern in design and substantial in construction.

The village maintains one national bank, two newspapers, four dry goods stores, six groceries, two hardware stores, three drug stores, four boot and shoe stores, five clothing stores, one variety store, four millinery stores, three meat markets, two harness shops, three implement dealers, three carriage repositories, three good hotels, one bakery, two

merchant tailors, two liveries, two wagon shops, two grain elevators, two photographers, four barber shops, the requisite number of lawyers and doctors, two public halls, a new and handsome postoffice, three churches—Baptist, Methodist, Episcopal and Catholic. The schools are graded and in a highly prosperous condition under the wise and liberal teachers and officers. Conveniently situated is a fine driving park with a half-mile track, comfortable grand stand and growing shade trees. The merchants of the village carry heavy stocks, buy everything produced in the county and being satisfied with small margins enjoy a large trade from the rich section for many miles about. As an illustration of what is being done in Lowell in the grocery and produce trade, it may be mentioned that one single dealer, Charles McCarty, does an annual business of \$150,000. He bought and shipped 7,000 barrels of apples last fall, 200,000 pounds of fresh pork last winter, forty car loads of potatoes this spring, 16,000 pounds of wool and 4,000 hides and pelts last season, 4,500 bushels of beans last spring and

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## Trees are prominent in state's history

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- Burr Oaks, Ann and Division streets, Ann Arbor.
- Green Sky Hill Mission Trees, old U.S. 31, four miles north of Charlevoix.
- Estivant Pines, Manganese Road, Copper Harbor.
- French Pear Trees, Waterworks Park, Jefferson and McClellan avenues, Detroit.
- Michigan's tallest tree, tulip tree in Russ Forest, on Decatur Road south of Marcellus Road, Dowagiac.
- Crooked Tree, two miles north on M-119, Good Hart.
- Hartwick Pines State Park, M-93, Grayling.
- Treaty Tree, East River Road near Grays Drive, Grosse Ile.
- Republican Oaks, northwest corner of Franklin and Second streets, and Michigan's largest tree (circumference), white willow, Blackman Road north of Michigan Avenue, Jackson.
- Dorach Ginkgo, 18 E. First St., Algonac.
- Free Education Tree, 310 N. Kalamazoo, Marshall.
- Moon Tree, Farmwood, Inc., nature center, 1720 Range Line Rd., Niles.
- James Oliver Curwood Tree, Harmon-Partridge Park, and Millwheel Tree, South Washington Street at Universal Drive, Owosso.
- The Royal Oak, Rochester-Crooks-Main Street intersection, Royal Oak.
- Witness Tree, Sturgeon Valley Road, 13.5 miles east of Vanderbilt.

With more varieties of trees in Michigan than in any other state and all of Europe, it's no wonder many of the state's forest giants have earned places in history, according to Automobile Club of Michigan.

Michigan's historic trees range from towering oaks ringing Indian tribal council sites to those that witnessed formation of the Republican Party.

Still others have sheltered famous writers, loaned their names to major cities and stand as testaments to the state's lumbering history.

All the trees listed by Auto Club can be viewed up close and many are identified by markers telling of their historical significance. One such tree is in Emmet County.

The Crooked Tree, two miles north of Good Hart along M-119, is reputed to be the white pine where Menominee, Chippewa and Ottawa Chiefs held council after the Fort Michilimackinac massacre in 1763.

Four miles north of Charlevoix off old U.S. 31 are the Green Sky Hill Mission Trees. The original trees have disappeared but new ones have been planted over the years to take their place.

Grosse Ile's basswood Treaty Tree marks the spot where Indians ceded the island to settlers two days after the Declaration of Independence was signed. The original tree was topped by a storm in 1901, but one that

grew from its roots still stands, on East River road near Grays Drive.

Michigan trees also have figured in the nation's politics. On July 6, 1854, a Jackson oak grove was the site of an anti-slavery rally which gave birth to the Republican Party. What is left of that grove stands at Franklin and Second Streets.

In 1834, Michigan's public school system was planned under the boughs of an oak tree. That white oak Free Education Tree is at 310 N. Kalamazoo in Marshall.

Several communities owe their names to surrounding forests. Ann Arbor is named after the wives of its first two settlers and the area's arbors of huge burr oaks. Some of those original oaks may be seen at the corner of Ann and Division streets.

While Royal Oak's namesake is gone, a new one grows at the intersection of Rochester and Crooks roads and Main Street, the spot where territorial Gov. Lewis Cass declared in 1819 that the original was "indeed a royal oak."

One of the many writers inspired by the state's forests was conservationist James Oliver Curwood. He wrote many short stories under the oak now bearing his name in Owosso's Harmon-Partridge Park. Owosso also has the Millwheel Tree. More than 100 years ago, a millwheel rim was leaned against its trunk and in time was engulfed by

the tree. Both still stand along Universal Drive off South Washington Street.

Among trees named after prominent Michiganders is Monroe's Dorach Ginkgo at the Dorach Memorial Public Library, 18 E. First St. It was planted in the 1860s by Dr. Edward Dorach, physician, scientist and famous German-American poet, who received it from the Chinese Ambassador to the United States.

Trees also serve as reminders of the state's pioneer past. Behind the fence at Detroit's Waterworks Park, about a dozen pear trees grow from cuttings of trees planted by French farmers more than 200 years ago.

The Estivant Pines on Manganese Road near Copper Harbor in the Upper Peninsula and Hartwick Pines State Park on M-93 north of Grayling in Lower Michigan tell of the lumbering era when white pine was king. Both groves of virgin timber are crossed by miles of hiking trails and Hartwick Pines also contains a replica of a 19th century lumber camp.

Witness trees were used as survey markers in early Michigan and one of the most famous is the red pine in the Pigeon River State Forest, 13 1/2 miles east of Vanderbilt. It was marked in 1850 during the original state survey by pioneer William Burt.

Probably the youngest tree in Michigan's historic collection is the "Moon Tree" on the grounds of Fernwood nature center near Niles. The five-foot-tall sycamore in the center's nursery was grown from a seed taken to the moon aboard Apollo 14.

Michigan's tallest and no doubt one of its oldest trees is the 193-foot tulip tree in Russ Forest preserve on Decatur Road, south of Marcellus Road, east of Dowagiac. The state's largest in girth is a white willow 28 1/2 feet in circumference on Blackman Road north of Michigan Avenue in Jackson. Both are the largest of their species in the nation.

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Hon. Roman J. Snow  
(P-20-747)  
PATRICIA A. GARCIA  
SS# 368-34-6819 Plaintiff.

-v-  
FERNANDO A. GARCIA  
SS# UNKNOWN Defendant.

At a session of said Court in the Hall of Justice, in the City of Grand Rapids, in said County, State of Michigan on the 8th day of August, 1980.

Present: Hon. Roman J. Snow, Circuit Court Judge.

On the 8th day of August, 1980, an action was filed by Patricia A. Garcia, Plaintiff, against Fernando A. Garcia, Defendant, in this Court to grant Plaintiff an Absolute Divorce.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Defendant, Fernando A. Garcia, shall answer or take such other action as may be permitted by law on or before the 18th day of November, 1980. Failure to comply with this Order will result in a Judgment by Default against said Defendant for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed in this Court.

George R. Cook,  
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What is it?

"It is heart attack. The fact that it kills so many each year is a real tragedy, since

many of those deaths are preventable," said Dr. George Ritter, president of the Michigan Heart Association.

Dr. Ritter, who is a cardiologist in Southfield, went on, "Many of these deaths simply need not happen. If everyone knew the symptoms of heart attack—and heeded them, they could reach help in time, and perhaps live for

many more years.

So what does a heart attack feel like?

An uncomfortable pressure, fullness, squeezing or pain in the center of the chest lasting 2 minutes or more. Pain may spread to shoulders, neck or arms.

Severe pain, dizziness, fainting, sweating, nausea or shortness of breath may also occur.

"For heaven's sake, if you feel something like this happening to you," Dr. Ritter said, "or if it happens to someone you're with, act immediately. Expect denial, but don't let that stop you from getting help. Call EMS, or get to a hospital emergency room the quickest way

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Given good weather, motorists in Michigan will log 66 million miles over the four-day Labor Day weekend, according to the Michigan Department of Transportation. Only emergency work will be permitted on state highways over the weekend which is lovely news for detour-haters.

For stay-at-homes, the annual Jerry Lewis Telethon will make its plea for help to fight Muscular Dystrophy on Channel 13 WZZM. MDA's income is derived almost entirely from public support. The Muscular Dystrophy Association neither seeks nor receives government grants or fees for services to patients, their families or the community at large. Think about it.



### "Letter From Washington"

by Congressman Hal Sawyer

My fight to stop prisoners from receiving veterans' education benefits where they pay no tuition and fees has paid off. I was able to attach an amendment to a veterans' legislation bill that will stop this "double dipping" and save taxpayers \$10 million annually.

The bill has passed the House and is now before a House-Senate Conference Committee. The Congress has a duty to safeguard the integrity of the VA benefit system. I will continue to fight to see that these abuses are ended.

The House has passed and sent to the Senate a 13 percent cost-of-living increase for benefits paid to disabled veterans and families of veterans killed in the service. The bill, H.R. 7511, was originated by my Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Currently 2.3 million service-connected disabled veterans and over 300,000 widows and children of those who died or service-connected causes receive disability or indemnity payments. The increase is necessary and justified in light of current inflation projections. If approved by the President the increase would go into effect October 1, 1980.

The Congress is discovering, and rightly so, that the unfinished business having to do with equity and reasonable opportunity for the veterans of the Vietnam era cannot be wished away.

As a member of the House Subcommittee on Veterans' Education and Training, I have pressed for a sorely needed employment program for Vietnam veterans. A proposal for a "voucher" employment program which would let a veteran use the last year of his GI bill education benefits to reimburse an employer for wages and training was defeated by only two votes in my subcommittee.

I will continue to speak out in behalf of Vietnam veterans and push for legislative approaches to serve our veterans. The danger to this country which has been well-served by the Vietnam vet is not the small cost of veterans programs, but the possibility of losing the patriotic dedication and respect of those who in the future may be asked to risk their lives in the armed forces of the U.S.

I am pleased the full House of Representatives has approved a bill which I co-sponsored to permit veterans who made VA guaranteed housing loans at high interest rates to refinance their loans at the present lower rates.

The bill was initiated by my Veterans' Affairs Committee after it was learned that present law prevents a veteran from refinancing a loan at lower rates. Without the new law many veterans who received loans when the VA's maximum interest rates rose to 14 percent in April 1980 would be penalized through the term of their loans. The rate has now declined to 11.5 percent.

Early action on the bill by the Senate is expected. Passage of the bill could significantly reduce a veteran's monthly loan payments. If this affects you, call my district office for further details.

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Diabetics and their families can learn how to deal with diabetes in classes held at Saint Mary's Hospital. Nearly 12,000 known diabetics reside in Kent County, and health officials estimate another 9,000 cases go undetected.

Diabetes is a disease of adjustment. Following its diagnosis, patients must learn to deal with new hygiene routines, meal planning, weight control, eating and sleeping habits, medications, and sometimes insulin injections. These changes are not always easy for the diabetic; often they are difficult for the diabetic's family as well.

Consisting of one-week series, the classes give dia-

betics and their families a basic understanding of the disease. A nurse and a dietitian share information with class members about circulation, hygiene, diet, and other topics related to diabetes.

Saint Mary's is the only area hospital to offer both daytime and evening classes in diabetic education. The daytime classes run four days, and the evening classes three days.

The fee for the class is ten dollars. Anyone interested in the program should call Saint Mary's Hospital, 774-6433. Children under 16 years of age should be accompanied by an adult.

# "This Week In Outdoor Michigan"

Changing weather and east winds over the weekend resulted in cooler waters being pushed in shore. Charter operators report fishing in waters 60 to 80' deep at 40 to 60'.

Lake Michigan is producing excellent fishing for kings and fair fishing for lake trout, steelhead, browns, and cohos. Better baits include chargers, j-plugs, lo-

cos, and for cohos better colors are red, pink and orange.

Perch fishing remains good. Fish are fewer in numbers but larger in size with 8" and 10" fish not unusual. Try wigglers, minnows, and #2 gold meppa spinners.

Walleyes: Lake Macataw good; fish are found in deeper water but crawlers are still a good bait.

Muskegon Lake is good for bluegills and Spring Lake is good for crappie.

## Combat child pedestrian accidents

An average of five school-aged children were killed or injured daily in pedestrian, traffic accidents last year in Michigan and most of those mishaps could have been avoided if motorists and pupils followed proper safety measures, reports Automobile Club of Michigan.

Auto Club is conducting its annual "School's Open-Drive Carefully" campaign to help combat child pedestrian accidents.

Traffic accidents are the major cause of death for children aged one to 14. Last year, nearly two-thirds of the 1,879 Michigan pedestrian deaths and injuries to school-aged children occurred to youngsters aged five through nine.

Beginning Sept. 2 the opening date for most Michigan schools, there will be 125,000 kindergarteners going to school for the first time. There also will be almost one million elementary school pupils crossing streets, roads, and highways.

Nearly nine of every 10 pedestrian accidents involving children occur during daylight, dusk or dawn—the hours when many are going to or from school.

Auto Club suggests these guidelines for parents:

Walk your kindergartener to and from school the first few days until the child is familiar with the route.

Make sure children understand proper pedestrian safety habits such as looking in all directions before walking across an intersection, keeping from between parked cars and obeying safety patrol or crossing guards.

Choose the safest route for your child even though may be a little longer. Consideration should be given to streets with low traffic volume and controlled intersections (traffic light, safety patrol, adult crossing guard or police officer).

Dress children in light-colored clothing for maximum visibility.

Instruct children always use the sidewalk or to face traffic when there isn't one and to watch for turning cars even when the traffic sign turns green.

If your child rides a bus walk with him to the bus stop and tell him to cooperate with the driver.

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