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Six file for 2 school board seats

The field of candidates that voters will be able to choose from in the June 8 school election to fill two vacancies on the Lowell Area School Board was finalized as of April 6, the last day to file.

The two vacancies to be filled are for a one-year term and for a four-year term. The one-year term vacancy is to fill the term of former board member Thomas Heintzleman. Linda Beers was appointed for the past year to fill that seat.

Four school district residents have filed petitions to run for the one-year term. They are: Martin Fox, 12051 84th St., Alto; Douglas A. Heintzleman, 11024 Bennett, Lowell; Betty Lou Mitchell, 2479 Murray Lake, Lowell;

Susan M. Weigel, 1001 Fero Rd., Lowell.

Two school district residents have filed petitions to run for the four year term vacated by Lloyd Miller who will not seek re-election this year. Miller served one term on the Lowell School Board from 1977 to the present.

The two running for the four-year seat are: Linda J. Beers, 13895 36th St., Lowell; Ronald L. Zimmerman, 12414 Bailey Dr., Lowell.

The June 8 school election will fill the two vacancies on the board. No other items will be on the ballot. School district residents can register for the election until May 11, 1981 with their respective clerks (city or township).

Main St. on rebound?

Over the past few months it may have looked as though Lowell's central business district was going down for the count. Just this year the Ben Franklin Store, Luchessi's Ranch House and Jim's Discount Store locked their doors. With these closings added to the closed Lowell Bakery and the long-empty Christiansen Buildings (old Lippert Store) on the levee, the central business district looked to be doing anything but flourishing.

But with the coming of spring, things seem to be taking a turn for the better. The Lowell Bakery is scheduled to reopen on Monday, April 20th as a 24 hour coffee and donut shop with fresh made donuts the specialty. Owner Jim Brzenzinski of Grand Rapids is convinced that Lowell needs such an establishment and bases his opinion on successful operation with his brother of three similar businesses in Owosso and Chesaning. Much cleaning and painting has been done in preparation for the opening.

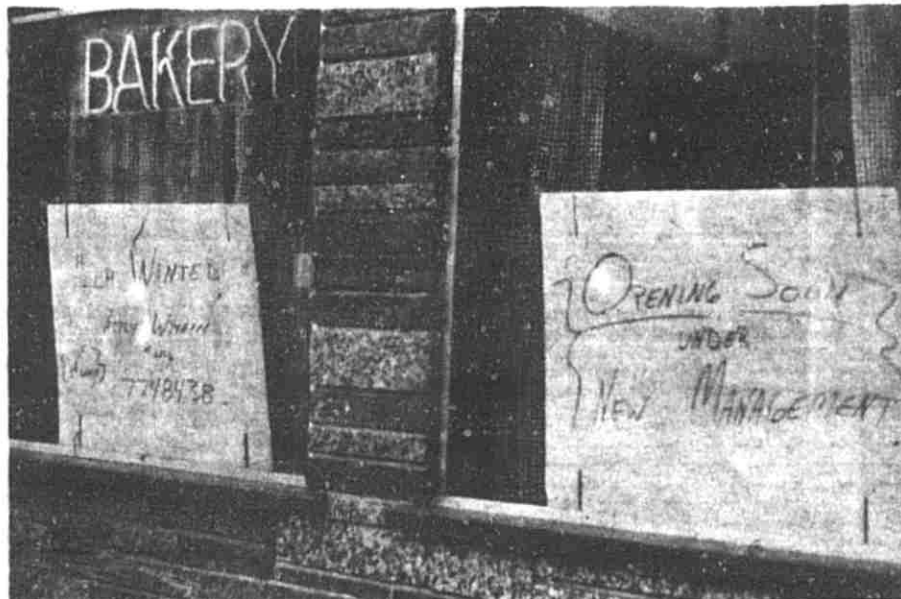
The closing of the Ben Franklin store in early January was a severe blow to the business district but word has it that the building has already been sold and is to be reopened as another dime store. Next door to the dime store, a long empty office is now occupied by attorney Mike Tummino. In the same block, the old Christiansen Buildings are under renovation with ultimate plans of a remodeled structure housing small offices and shops. Across the street, the old Debonaire building has been occupied by the Book About.

In the next block to the east, Pete's Bar has been purchased by Gary Locks, owner of Gary's Country Meats. The bar was closed by Locks while much remodeling took place and will reopen soon. The front and

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The reopening of the Lowell Bakery is just one of the indications that point to an upturn in the condition of Lowell's central business district. The bakery is scheduled to reopen Monday, April 20.

Lowell raises the flag for 150th



A colorful new Sesquicentennial flag was raised at Lowell City Hall for the first time on Tuesday, April 14, by Mayor Dean Dollins and Sesquicentennial chairman Dolores Dey. The flag was custom made by Michigan Flag Company and features the seal of the City with the dates 1931 and 1981 commemorating 150 years of Lowell's existence.

Lowell's Sesquicentennial Celebration of 150 years of existence is being planned for July 17 and 18. A huge new flag commemorating this auspicious occasion was raised for the first time at Lowell City Hall Tuesday morning.

The colorful flag has a huge emblem of the city in the center featuring a riverboat symbolizing Lowell as Showboat City. The flag also has the dates 1831 and 1981 on either side of the city seal in honor of the Sesquicentennial year.

Brothers of the Brush are grooming beards, mustaches, and sideburns for the judging scheduled for Saturday, July 18 at 10 a.m. on the Showboat stage.

Parade chairman, Dave Clark, reports the parade plans are taking shape. Queens from our neighboring cities have been chosen

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and have promised to participate. Miss Danish Festival and Miss Ionia Free Fair are looking forward to their visit.

The history is almost ready to go to press. However, chairman Betty Coons, reports they are still looking for clear black and white pic-

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DEADLINE DAY

For those of you who would rather not be reminded that today, Wednesday, April 15, is the last day to file Federal and state income tax forms, pretend we never mentioned it. Just think instead of April 15 as the day after the Columbia returned from space to a spectacular ground landing!

GOOD FRIDAY CLOSINGS

Most area business will be closed on Good Friday, April 17, from noon to 3 p.m. so that employees may attend community worship services. The Lowell Library will be closed all day on Good Friday. Closing noon to 3 p.m. will be the United Community Bank of Alto, Lowell City Hall and the Grand Valley Ledger. Merchants may pick up signs with "Closed Noon to 3 p.m., Good Friday" at the Ledger free of charge.

NOTICE TO LOWELL RESIDENTS

Residents of Lowell should take note that the water mains will be flushed throughout the city April 21 through 24. Those doing family laundry should note that the water supply could be cloudy when the mains in the neighborhood are flushed.

The City landfill on Ware Rd. will open for the season on Saturday, April 25. The landfill will be open Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1 to 4 p.m.; on Thursdays, 1 to 4 p.m.

THE 16TH, 16TH, 16TH

The Gremlin goofed in last week's Main St. and gave the wrong date for the first planning meeting for Lowell's Fourth of July Celebration. Event Chairman Norene Martin reminds committee chairmen and any interested citizens or community groups to attend the meeting at the VFW Hall on East Main Street, Thursday, April 16, at 8 p.m. The 16th, the 16th, the 16th...

PHOTOS NEEDED

Photographs depicting important events, local businesses, community leaders, church and school events are still needed for inclusion in the History of Lowell 1931-1981 to be published in June. Of particular interest would be photographs of the Lowell Board of Trade in the 1930's. Photos can be brought to the Ledger, the Lowell Savings and Loan (First Savings of Saginaw) or to Mrs. Betty Coons.

YOU'LL FLIP

The Lowell Area Fire Department members will fix your breakfast on Saturday, April 25 from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. (if you're a late riser) at their Annual Pancake Breakfast. The Breakfast will be served at the VFW Post #8303 at 307 E. Main St. Donation: Adults \$2.50, kids under 12 for \$1. All the trimmings and all you can eat.

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STRAND Theatre

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thru
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Obituaries...

BURNS — Ethel S. Burns, aged 74, of Lowell passed away Mon., April 13, 1981.

She is survived by her daughter Annie Felling of Lowell; sons Alvin Burns of Lamport, Calif., William Burns of Boone, Colo. and Otis Burns of Cape Charles, Virginia; a sister Mrs. Sarah White of New Hope, Ark.; 17 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Wed. at 2 p.m. at the funeral home with Rev. Darrell Wilson of First Baptist Church of Lowell officiating. Interment Oakwood Cemetery.

Mrs. Burns lies in state at Roth-Gerst Funeral Home, Lowell.

BYRNE — Edward C. Byrne, age 93 of Lowell passed away Mon., April 13, 1981.

He is survived by his daughter Mrs. Richard (Jacqueline) Laughlin of Lowell;

grandchildren Mrs. Joseph (Marie) Atchison, Robert (Marie) of Ada, Richard (Lynda) Laughlin of Grand Rapids and Miss Ann Laughlin, Edward and Joseph Laughlin at home; great-grandchildren Robert and Tracy.

Funeral Mass will be Thursday at 11 a.m. at St. Patrick's Church, Parnell with Rev. Ernest J. Bernott celebrant. Interment St. Patrick's Cemetery, Parnell.

MEEDS — Henry G. Meeds, aged 81 of Lowell, passed away Saturday, April 11, 1981.

Mr. Meeds was born in the Oklahoma Territory. He was a retired Freight Agent for the Grand Trunk Western in Lowell.

He is survived by his wife Viola; a brother, Leigh Meeds of Nilwood, IL; one niece, Peggy Lou McInnis; and one grandniece Leigh Ann McInnis of S.D.

Funeral services were Tuesday at the Roth-Gerst Funeral Home, Interment Rest Haven Memorial Gardens.

RISCHMAN — Mrs. Mildred D. Rischman, aged 85, of Grand Rapids, passed away Tuesday, April 7, 1981 in Lowell.

She is survived by one niece, Sheila Orman of Lapeer, MI and one nephew, Thomas Dunn of Los Angeles.

Cremation took place Wednesday.

SPRITE — Minnie Sprite, aged 95, passed away Wednesday, April 8, 1981.

She is survived by her children, Mrs. Katherine Anible of Grand Rapids, Mrs. Mar-

garet Hanshue of Wyoming, MI and Edward Sprite of Alto. Also five grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren.

The funeral service was held Saturday at the O'Brien-Gerst Funeral Home, Rev. Jack Richards of Ada Congregational Church officiating. Interment in Rosedale Park Cemetery.

STEDMAN — David N. Stedman, 84, of Grant Street, Ionia, died Saturday morning, April 11, at Ionia County Memorial Hospital.

He was born Sept. 1, 1896 in Yale, MI, the son of Lee and Mary Rose Stedman. The family moved to Ionia where he attended school. He served in the U.S. Army in France and Germany during World War I. After returning from the service, he married Helen TenEyck Nov. 15, 1930 in Angola, Ind. Mr. Stedman was a member of the Galilee Baptist Church in Saranac.

Surviving are his wife, Helen; six daughters, Mrs. Herman (Lucille) Brown of Houston, Tex., Mrs. Jack (Margaret) Weeks of Saranac, Mrs. Robert (Marge) Mason of Alma, Mrs. Jack (Jo) Wirtz of Ionia, Mrs. Phyllis Clifford of Belding and Mrs. Charles (Jean) Bennett of Ionia; 23 grandchildren and eight great-

grandchildren; two brothers, Dewey of Muskegon and Leon of Grand Rapids; and two sisters, Mrs. Edwin (Mary) Courser of Mount Rose and Mrs. William (Naromi) Baragrey of Woodard Lake.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday from the Galilee Baptist Church, with the Rev. James R. Frank officiating. Burial in Balcom Cemetery.

A memorial has been established for both the Ionia Chapter of the American Cancer Society and the Galilee Baptist Church.

Apply now for summer camp scholarships
ATTENTION all potential young artists: The Lowell Area Arts Council will give several \$100 scholarships to middle and high school students who plan to attend a summer workshop or camp that emphasizes any of the fine arts.

The deadline for applications is May 1, just two weeks away. Applications can be obtained from Mrs. Gillespie at the high school, Mrs. Garcia at the middle school and from Mr. VanAntwerp at Saranac High School.

Anyone interested in applying to Camp Sun Deer, contributing to its support, or volunteering during the camp week can call the American Lung Association of Michigan toll free at 1-800-292-5979.

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Theatre troupe at Lowell els
The Lowell Area Arts Council will be bringing the Arts Encounter Theatre group to each Lowell elementary school on Friday, April 24. The group will perform the play "Pickpocket." The performance is free to all children, underwritten by the LAAC.

The Arts Encounter group will also be conducting an afterschool theatre workshop for elementary aged children. It will be held in the Bushnell gym from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. the same day, April 24. The cost of attending the workshop is \$2 per child. Tickets are on sale at the YMCA office.

Hurry! The workshop is limited to 30 children.

A sparrow hawk hovering a hundred or more feet above the ground can spot a grasshopper and drop directly on it, keeping it in focus all the way down.

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Free camp for asthmatic kids

The American Lung Association of Michigan is accepting applications now through May 11th for its FREE summer camp for asthmatic children.

This year enrollment is limited to 65 children age nine to thirteen, and recruiting is being done throughout the state of Michigan.

The American Lung Association's Camp Sun Deer will hold its second annual session from June 28 through July 4 near Clear Lake in Dowling, MI which is 10 miles north of Battle Creek.

The purpose of the camp is to provide an active camping program for children with significant asthma who, because of their disease, might never get to enjoy a regular camping experience. Most camps do not have adequate medical personnel to handle the special complications of asthma.

Campers will be treated to the same experiences as children who attend "traditional" camps with the added support of trained medical professionals to help them adjust the activities of their home away from home. The camp staff will be made up of volunteer physicians, nurses, pharmacists, respiratory therapists, recreational therapists.

As a community service the American Lung Association will offer camperships free of charge to all those asthmatics attending camp.

Anyone interested in applying to Camp Sun Deer, contributing to its support, or volunteering during the camp week can call the American Lung Association of Michigan toll free at 1-800-292-5979.

SHOT HEARD 'ROUND THE WORLD
President Abraham Lincoln was assassinated April 14, 1865, as he sat watching a humorous play, "Our American Cousin," in Ford Theater, Washington, D.C. The red silk damask-covered rocker in which Lincoln was seated at the time is now among the collection items on exhibit in Henry Ford Museum, Dearborn, MI.

Two former 4-H members currently enrolled in veterinary medicine can each earn \$1,000 scholarships provided by Champion Valley Farms, Inc., Recipe Division.

All scholarships applicants must have completed at least one year of 4-H work. Winners will be selected by the Cooperative Extension Service and will be announced prior to the 60th National 4-H Congress, November 29-December 3 in Chicago.

For more information about the scholarships, contact Sara Paton at the Kent County Cooperative Extension Service office, or call 774-3265.

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Present and former Kent County 4-H members may be eligible for \$5,750 in college scholarship grants from private donors through the National 4-H Council and the Cooperative Extension Service.

A \$750 scholarship established in memory of Gertrude L. Warren, a pioneer 4-H leader, will be awarded to one former or present 4-H member attending an accredited college, university, or technical or trade school. The recipient may be pursuing any recognized field of study but must have been influenced by 4-H to pursue a career.

Allied Mills, Inc., will award two \$1,000 scholarships to present or former 4-H members enrolled as college juniors this fall who plan to major in animal science.

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Coming Events

WED., APR. 15: Springtime Review at the Lowell YMCA will feature **Mardelle Bates**, who will discuss two books by Ann Kiemel, an enthusiastic young Christian author. Coffee at 9:45 a.m. and the program at 10.

APR. 21, 22 & 23: Auditions for 3rd Annual Talent Show sponsored by Lowell Music Boosters, 7-8 p.m. in the Middle School vocal room. Show date Friday, May 15.

FRI., MAY 8: Bushnell Spring Carnival, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Games, Space Walk, Movies, Raffle, Country Store. Supper a la carte.
MAY 15, 16, 17: Women Alone Together trip to Caberfae, theatre weekend. Anyone in community interested in the trip call Barbara Brown, 897-9671 by Apr. 15.

WED., APR. 15: Garden Lore Club will meet at Mabel Scott's home at 1 p.m. for luncheon. Program: members will give highlights of their childhood. Marian DeVries co-hostess.

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FRIDAY, APR. 17: The Matrons of Cyclamen Chapter #94 O.E.S. will meet at the home of Alice Allchin at 7:30 p.m.

SAT., APR. 18: Cyclamen Chapter #94 O.E.S. invite their family and friends to join them in the fun of their open friendship night at 8 p.m. in the Lowell Masonic Temple.

SUN., APR. 19: Easter Sunrise Service at Lowell Wesleyan Church, 1069 Lincoln Lake Rd., Lowell at 6:30 a.m. Everybody welcome.

TUES., APR. 21: Children's Theatre, Bushnell Elementary, 7:30 p.m. Free admission. "Geppeto and Friends" by Reces Choir, and "The Circus" by Mr. Bedi's 2nd grade class.

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Church News

Area churches plan Easter Week services

Special services for Holy Week will be held in area churches culminating on Sunday, April 19, with Easter services.
The Community Good Friday Service in Lowell will be held at 1:30 p.m. April 17 at the First Congregational Church of Lowell, 414 N. Hudson St. Rev. Richard Greenwood is the Host Pastor. Speaker for the service will be Fr. Thomas Schiller.

pastor of St. Mary's Church of Lowell. Special music for the service will be performed by high school youths. A nursery will be provided.

First Congregational Church of Lowell on Hudson St., will commemorate Maundy Thursday, April 16, with the annual White Breakfast at 9:30 a.m. On Friday, April 17, the final Lenten Breakfast will be held at 7 a.m. in the church dining room. Community Good Friday services will be held at the Congregational Church at 1:30 a.m. and is open to people of all faiths.

The First United Methodist Church of Lowell on East Main St. will hold its White Breakfast on Thursday at 9:30 a.m. in the Education Building. Easter Sunday services will begin with a 7 a.m. Sunrise Service with a church breakfast following. Worship services are at 8:30, 9:45 and 11 a.m.

Lowell Wesleyan Church will hold a Sunrise Service at 6:30 a.m. on Easter Sunday, April 19.

Holy Week services at St. Mary's Church of Lowell, Amity Street, will begin on Wednesday evening, April 15 with Penance Service at 7:30 p.m. Mass on Holy Thursday will be at 6 p.m. during which the Installation of Ministers will take place. The service will be followed by a Parish Pot Luck Dinner in St. Mary's School All-Purpose Room. On Good Friday, the Liturgy of the Lord's Passion and Death will be celebrated. On Saturday, the

Stewards, we should strive to do our reasonable best at all times, for in the acceptance of the small duties, we may make place for a great blessing.

"The greatest things ever done on earth have been done by little and little—little agents, little persons, little things, by every one doing his own work, filling his own sphere, holding his own post and saying 'Lord what wilt thou have me do?' ...—Guthrie.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, help me to accept the small tasks that Thou givest me to do. May I always remember that my faithfulness to little things will not go unrewarded. In fact, it may lead to greater assignments. Amen. Not mighty deeds make up the sum

Of happiness below,
But little acts of kindness,
Which any child may show.
Author Unknown

Easter Vigil, the Rite of Reconciliation is from 10 to 11 a.m. There will be no 5:30 a.m. Mass this Saturday only. The Easter Vigil Mass will be celebrated at 7:30 p.m. with the reception and baptism of converts. Easter Sunday Masses are at 9 and 11 a.m.

Saranac Community Church, Bridge St., will hold a Maundy Thursday Communion Service at 7:30 p.m. featuring the "Covenant Players." The community Good Friday Service will be held at the church at 1:30 p.m., again featuring the Covenant Players, a group of Christian musicians and dramatists. Easter Sunrise Service will be held at 7 a.m. sponsored by the laity of the church. Breakfast will follow at 8 a.m. Reservations should be made by calling 642-6114. Regular Easter worship service will be at 10 a.m. Nursery provided.

Cascade Christian Church, Thornapple River Dr., has arranged for six worship services this Easter—four in the Cascade Christian Chapel and two large services in the sanctuary. The Chapel Sunrise Service led by the church youth will be at 6:15 a.m. with breakfast following in Centennial Hall. Chapel Worship service is slated for 8:15 a.m. and again at 9:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. Soloist Ron Stuit and Diane VanStrien, dance, will be featured in the 9:15 service. Wes and Judy Harpold, music, and Diane VanStrien, dance, will be featured in the final

chapel service. Sanctuary Worship services will be at 9:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. The Adult Choir, Interpretive Choirs & Jr./Sr. Bell Choirs will be featured at both services. There will be no evening youth groups or worship services on Easter Sunday.

HOMESPUN DEVOTIONS

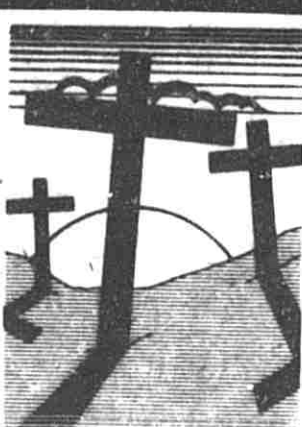
by Pauline E. Spray

... be not weary in well-doing (II Thessalonians 3:13).

We are told that a singing teakettle was the beginning of the steam engine; a shirt waving on a clothesline inspired the invention of the balloon; and a spider web strung across a garden path gave birth to the suspension bridge. These are little things, but they inspired great results. Many of our small tasks are vitally important, too.

Christians, we should not shrink our God-given responsibilities. Until we can accept a minute job and put our ardent effort into it, we are not ready for a bigger assignment.

Many people look upon trivial duties as insignificant and unimportant. If they aren't given the big jobs to do, they refuse to do anything at all, or they treat their simple tasks with indifference. But as Christian



Reflections From Outer Space

By Rev. Jerry Bates

I awakened Sunday morning to the soft, beautiful voice of the pastor, speaking directly from the Chapel of the Future, in Ultimate, Puerto Rico (now our 51st State). Entering the living room, my attention was drawn to the modulated voice emanating from the life-sized TV screen which dominated the north-east corner of the room. I settled with a short breath of comfort into my easy chair, just as the choir began to sing the opening hymn of the morning. How handsome the men and beautiful the women, gowned immaculately in their maroon gowns and golden stoles.

The opening song was particularly appropriate for today and my needs. The verse went something like this—

Jesus will bless you wherever you are,
Whether it is at home or in your car;

He'll keep you happy,
With no worry or care
You deserve His blessing,
As good as you are.

I just soaked up those calming, well sung words and let my mind wander to my own happiness. How happy I was. How contented I was. Money in the bank; an attractive wife; more food than I could possibly eat; the whole world envying me my bounty, and in fact, slaving for just a few pennies a day to provide food, coffee and ease for me. No question about it, I deserve every bit of it.

And the sermon only made me feel better. What a day this was turning out to be! I certainly will have to do 18 today. I don't remember just how his sermon went, but the idea I got out of it was that I had to do as believe in Him (God) and he would make me healthy, wealthy and wise. No harm could possibly come to me or my wife, if I only had faith. All I needed to do was reach out and touch the TV set and charm would flow into my life, so much so that I couldn't fail.

Only once was I disquieted by the speaker and that was when he suggested that in order to keep the program on the air, he would appreciate money and then, too, he was building a beautiful stained glass cathedral with white marble pillars and the cost had to be covered by gifts from the TV audience. Before he was done with that appeal we turned the set off. My wife went out to soak up some sun in our back yard and I called Joe about 18 holes of golf.

What a fantastic day this was turning out to be, and I didn't have to get dressed in my Sunday best, drive the car to church and listen to a volunteer choir and a mediocre pastor's sermon. Come to think about it, I could take my wife out for supper from the money I saved from our weekly commitment to the Church and then the tip could be in place of that special offering for starving people. I could just forget them.

As I was driving to the golf course, I got to thinking, why go to Church anyway? I really don't care for the preacher. The choir doesn't sing my kind of songs. And why worry about other people, what have the Africans ever done for me?

I'll go to Church on Easter and maybe Christmas Eve and not bother the rest of the year.
I hope you recognize the satire in the above article.
Love,
Jerry



cozy corner

2, Roger Brown

It's really no laughing matter, in fact it's a life or death matter for seven little puppies. But, since I'm so preoccupied with this problem, I can't seem to think of anything else to write about.

Sunday, when our little puppies were just a week old, we discovered that the mother had mastitis. The vet shot her full of penicillin and hopefully she's on the road to recovery. This of course means that she can't nurse her pups until the problem clears up. So, guess who is in charge of feeding the litter now? Well, it sure ain't the Easter Bunny!

Actually, the babysitter is pitching in and helping out during the day by performing the every-three-hours feedings and the kids are doing their part by rubbing the puppies little bellies to stimulate their digestive systems. But, when it comes to answering the alarm at midnight, three and six, guess who rolls out?

The vet equipped us with a syringe with a section of hose attached that can be run down their throats and then we simply pump them full of milk. It works great and is sure a lot quicker than trying to get them to take a bottle. I've got the entire operation down to about fifteen minutes, and have even mastered filling the syringe with one hand while grabbing another pup with my other hand.

The mother should be nursed back to health (no pun intended) by the end of the week. Hopefully, we will have kept the pups going with our artificial feedings, and the crisis will be over. Just in time for Terese to get home from basking in the tropical sun, totally oblivious of our problems.

Therein lies a problem. I don't want to be a martyr about this, but on the other hand, I figure I've got one coming. But what? I could take a little vacation of my own, but we're too busy at the shop and besides it doesn't thrill me. I thought about a little fishing trip or camping trip with a friend and decided against that. I even thought of getting a present for myself, but decided that I couldn't afford anything that I wanted and bagged that idea.

So, I guess I'm stuck, but I've still got a few days until she gets back and I may come up with a little reward idea for myself in the meantime. Any suggestions will be cheerfully welcomed.

Births

Dan and Kim (Lucchesi) Courser have a new son, Richard Daniel III, born March 31, 1981 weighing 8 lbs., 1 1/2 oz. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Sam Lucchesi of Ada, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Courser of Lowell.

James and Ruth Fedorowicz of Kalamazoo announce the birth of Daniel James on March 30, 1981, weighing in at 8 lb., 10 oz. Grandparents are Ida Dommen of Sursee, Switzerland and Chuck and Trudy Fedorowicz of Lowell.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Boyd of Lowell are the proud parents of a baby boy, Robert James, born March 30, 1981. He weighed 8 lbs., 4 oz. and joins a sister, Jennifer.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Gabriel of Grand Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Boyd of Lowell are the grandparents.

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Economic woes shouldn't hurt Easter travel

With motorists facing no gasoline shortages and airlines offering special discount fares, the annual Easter week migration to warm-weather destinations could be the heaviest since 1978 despite Michigan's economic problems, according to Automobile Club of Michigan.

"For the first Easter holiday in three years motorists will find gasoline available everywhere in the U.S.," said Auto Club's Touring Manager Joseph Ratke. "Requests from Auto Club members for travel routings to Florida, Texas, California, Nevada and Arizona are up 17 percent over the 1980 pre-Easter period," reports Ratke.

Florida continues to be the most popular destination for Auto Club members. Travel routings to the Sunshine State are up more than 3 percent. Texas, with its promise of jobs luring many Michiganians, is the second most requested destination

with inquiries up 117 percent over the same period in 1980. Motorists in Florida will find approximately 60 percent of service stations open daylight hours Easter Sunday (April 19). Gasoline prices are slightly lower than those in Michigan, ranging from a low of \$1.348 for full-serve regular to a high of \$1.523 for premium unleaded.

Lodging space is scarce in the traditional beach areas of southern Florida and near Disney World on central Florida. Auto Club urges travelers to confirm reservations before heading south.

Airlines report heavy bookings on peak travel days, especially April 16-18 for outgoing flights and April 20 and 24-26 for returning flights. Persons who don't insist on flying on those dates will have little difficulty finding space.

Most Easter weekend auto travel in Michigan is confined

The most awesome Michigan tornado was a 1953 storm that claimed 115 lives, caused thousands of injuries and destroyed hundreds of millions of dollars of property in Flint and surrounding areas. Last year, Kalamazoo was the victim on a mid-May afternoon when killer winds took five lives and caused \$50 million in losses.

Lunch Menu...

LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS WEEK OF APRIL 20, 1981

Mon., Apr. 20: Fruit Juice, Pizza with Meat and Cheese, Salad or Vegetable, Choice of Fresh or Canned Fruit, Milk.

Tues., April 21: Barbeque on a Bun, Tossed Salad, Whole Kernel Corn, Fruit Crisp, Milk.

Wed., April 22: Oven Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes or Rice and Gravy, Buttered Green Beans, Biscuits or Bread, Jello with Whip, Milk.

Thurs., April 23: Goulash or Hot Cheese Sandwiches, Garden Salad, French Bread with Peanut Butter, Chilled Fruit or Jello, Milk.

Fri., April 24: Fishwiches or Hamburgers, Potato Chips and Pickles, Vegetable or Salad, Cheese Squares, Assorted Fruits, Bars or Cookies, Milk.

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Search on for design

As part of the festivities celebrating the opening in September 1981 of the new Art Museum, the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel and the Gerald R. Ford Museum, the Grand Rapids Art Museum, with grants from Rogers Dept. Store and others, is sponsoring a banner design competition.

The winning design will be silkscreened on large banners which will line the pedestrian route linking the two museums and passing the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel.

First prize will carry a \$100 cash award. Second and third prizes will also be awarded.

Anyone in West Michigan is invited to submit a design proposal which must meet the following requirements:

Banners will be 3' x 9' and

hang vertically. Colors are red, white, blue. The red and blue will be screened on a white ground. No lettering, because screen design will show on reverse.

Design must be easily visible at a distance. Preference will be given to designs which symbolize the three-part nature of the event.

Entries should reach the Grand Rapids Art Museum, 230 E. Fulton, Grand Rapids, MI 49503 by June 1, 1981. Entries should be on 12" x 36" paper, in color, and should carry the designer's name, address, and phone number on the back. Entries limited to two per person.

Any questions should be addressed to Lee Hicks at the Grand Rapids Art Museum, 459-4676.

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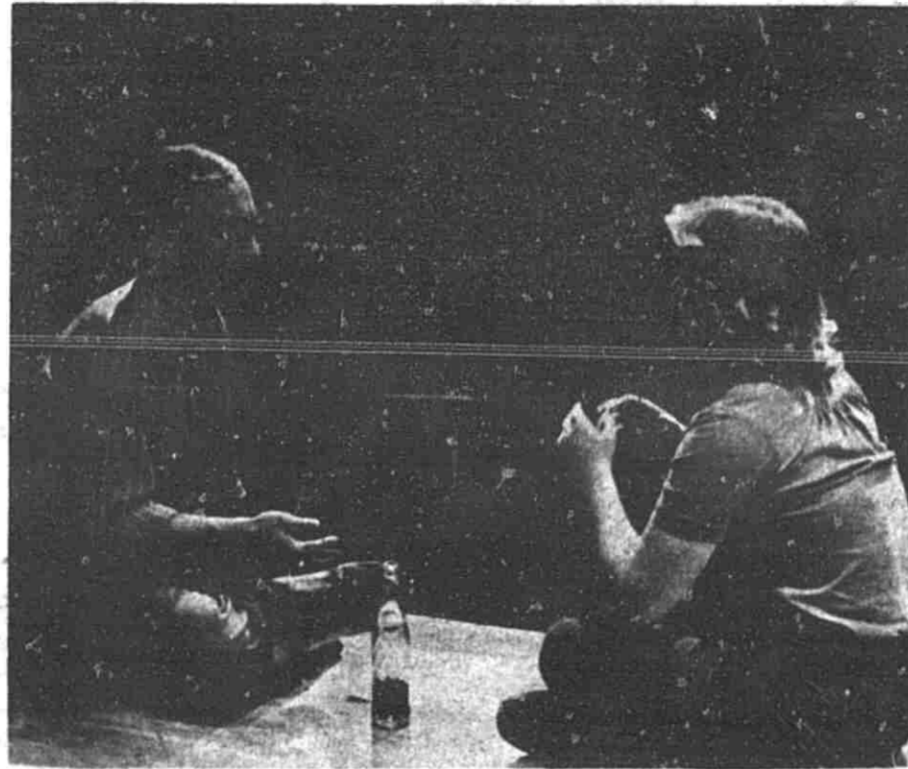
If you're looking for a way to cut your medical costs, the Federal Trade Commission suggests you ask your pharmacist about choices in filling prescriptions. These can often include generic drugs: low-cost, effective substitutes for brand-name prescription medicines.

Forty-eight states allow pharmacists to substitute low-cost generics on brand-name prescriptions, the FTC notes. Generics are usually sold under shortened chemical names by competing manufacturers.

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Musical who-dunit opens April 30



Paul Behan, director of the Lowell Senior High School spring musical "Something's Afoot", discusses lines and stage directions with Kim VanderMuelen, one of the characters in the musical spoof slated for April 30, May 1 and 2 performances.—Photo by S. DeNolf

For once, the butler didn't do it! That's the only clue available before the curtain goes up on the Lowell Senior

High School spring musical, "Something's Afoot".

Rehearsals are underway for the production scheduled for April 30, May 1 and 2 in the High School Auditorium. "Something's Afoot" is a musical spoof of the "who-dunit" genre. The setting and characters are British. A fabulous weekend is planned by seven guests at an old Lord's mansion, but, as the title implies, something's afoot as one by one the guests

are mysteriously murdered.

Actors in this year's production are: Julie Ramsdell, Craig Stinchcomb, Mark Hinds, Nancy Hansen, Ron Wood, Steve Dickerson, Beth Hendrick, Steve DeNolf, Kim VanderMuelen, and Brent Mitchell.

Why are these folks being killed and who's doing the killing? Well, "Something's Afoot" and the butler DID-N'T do it!

Doyle places in movie contest

Dee Doyle, 523 Lincoln Lake, was in good company with her 11 correct answers out of 16 categories in the Academy Award Contest in the Grand Rapids Press. The two winners of the contest matched 14 of the 16.

By placing in the contest, Mrs. Doyle was invited to attend all Academy Awards Sneak Preview party on Tuesday, April 14 at the 29th

St. Quad Theatre as a thank you from the contest sponsor.

According to Mrs. Doyle, she "only saw two of the movies but had read critics comments about the others."

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Society Notes

Golden anniversary for Bucks



Forrest and Geraldine Buck

Mrs. Beverly Holst and Terry Lee Buck, would like to invite the many friends of their parents Forrest and Geraldine Buck, to a recep-

tion in honor of their 50th Anniversary, to be held at the Lowell Masonic Temple on Sunday, April 26, 2 to 5 p.m. No gifts please.

Summer wedding planned



Debra Anderson and Edward Erway

Debra Anderson and Edward Erway have announced their engagement and are planning a June 20 wedding. Debbie is the daughter of George and Carole Anderson of Lowell. Her fiancé is the son of Edward and Thelma Erway of Middleville.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Lowell High School and is employed at Sentry Insurance. Ed is a graduate of Middleville High School and is employed at McDonnell Douglas in Grand Rapids.

Letters

To The Editor:

This past weekend the Lowell Knights of Columbus held their annual "Tootsie Roll Fund Drive for Retarded Children". For the Mon-signor Hugh Michael Beahan council of Lowell it was not only our first time involved in this very worthwhile cause, but also our first acuity since being founded in January of this year.

We wish to express to the people of Lowell a very big Thank You! from all of the members of the Knights of Columbus for the outstanding show of generosity they gave us. From Friday night to Sunday afternoon we were able to collect \$871 for these very special kids.

Out of the money we collected, 20 percent will go to the state fund, and 80 percent will come back to our council in Lowell to donate to an organization in our own area.

Again, we would like to say thanks. Also our thanks go to the merchants who allowed us to collect at their businesses: Eberhards, Johnsons, and Crystal Flash. Also our thanks to St. Mary's Church for allowing us to be there after services.

In closing, I would like to say "God Bless You All!"

Sincerely,
Richard J. Noskey,
G.K. and all members
of Council 7719
Lowell, MI

Club takes slide tour of Europe

A slide trip with Marj Harding through eight European countries was the highlight of the Lowell Women's Club meeting on Wednesday, April 8. Of special interest were the beautiful churches and the abundance of flowers in bloom in every available spot. In addition, there were spectacular views of the Alps, complete with avalanche barriers and plenty of snow even in the Middle of May.

Following the program, an arts and crafts exhibit was enjoyed by over fifty members and their guests. Arlene Claus, Marian Krebs, and Debbie VanDyke.

A mini-report on highway safety and social welfare was given by Dolores Laux and plans were presented for making a cooperative quilt to be sold in the fall.

Reservations for the annual spring luncheon, "Love's Old Sweet Song," on May 13 at the United Methodist Church were received. Additional reservations will be taken by Vice-President Evelyn Tichelaar until May 6th.

CRYPTOGRAPHY IS STILL USED BY THE U.S. ARMY TODAY. BUT IN MANY INSTANCES **COMPUTERS** AND SOPHISTICATED ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT TAKE THE PLACE OF MESSENGERS AND WRITTEN MESSAGES!

Engagement announced

Donald and Jacquelyn McGregor, 910 Boynton, Lowell, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Kimberly to Larry A. Fosburg. He is the son of Barbara and Donald Sterzick, 6100 Timpson, Alto, and Gary and Marilyn Fosburg of Wyoming, MI.

Both Kimberly and Larry are 1977 graduates of Lowell High School and both are employed by Amway Corp.

The couple will wed on September 19.



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Area Sports

Girls track loses close one

Lowell Senior High's Girls track team opened their season last week with a 54-69 loss to Caledonia.

The meet was very close from the start to finish.

Playing for Lowell were: Discus (1st) Kelly Dickerson 36'9"; Shot (1st) Dickerson 113'9"; High Jump (2nd) Diane Clark 4'10"; Long Jump (1st) Clark 15'7" and (3rd) Paula Doyle 13'7 1/2"; 100m Dash (1st) Stacy Lippert 13.98 and (2nd) Brenda Lehigh 13.99;

800m Relay (1st) Lowell 1:55.26—Lippert, Lehigh, Sue Schoenborn, Clark; 1600m Run (1st) Bonnie Peters 6:04.44 and (3rd) Kathy Dey 6:24.9; 400m Dash (1st) Schoenborn 1:05.27; 200m Hurdles (3rd) Kathy Sitzer 36.63;

800m Run (3rd) Schoenborn 2:48.58; 200m Dash (2nd) Lippert 29.24 and (3rd) Lehigh 29.65; 3200m Run (1st) Peters 13:40.

The girls' next meet is Thursday, April 16, at home. They will go against Greenville.

STEAK DINNER

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Netters down Caledonia in season opener

Lowell high school's tennis team took on the Caledonia netters and won 4 to 3 in the first match of the season.

Kevin Conrad took first place in singles action, 6-3, 6-2. Jon Bieri topped his opponent for 3rd place, 7-6, 6-2. In doubles matches, Lowell took both first and second places. Mark Smith and Paul Rittenger took 1st.

Happy Birthday..

April 18: Beth Ann Hoag, Angela Vezino.
April 19: Ron Essich, Carlen Anderson, Tammy Olson, Leo Dietz.
April 20: Bobbie White.
April 21: Elaine Laux, Jo Ella White, Mildred Tressler, Lillian Wright.
April 22: Craig Essich, Jackie Condon, Barb Curtis.

6-3, 6-3. Rick Serne and Jim VanHeulen placed 2nd, 6-1, 6-3.

Also playing for the Red Arrows were Paul Baerwalde, Steve Dickerson, Scott Lasby and Tom Meijers.

The tennis team will face Greenville on Thursday, April 16, at home.

Jim Hutson, Jennifer Siebers, Jennie Condon, Robert Ford.
April 23: Rita Laux, Russ Hernandez, Irma Pasanen, John Cook.
April 24: Gary Goff, Orion Thaler, Helen Kunkel.
Belated: Heather Vezino, April 17.

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When the wind was down, there was considerable success reported by trollers out in Lake Michigan and off the piers at Grand Haven and Muskegon. Pier fishermen have good luck with crawlers, spawn, and even smelt.

Stream fishing for trout is getting better every day. Plenty of silvery, spring-run steelhead and a few brown trout are being taken. Spawn has been the best bait.

Sucker fishing has been great. The sucker sparring season opened on April 1 for all non-trout streams. DNR offices can be contacted if you wish to verify where sparring is allowed.

No smelt runs reported yet.

March 31 was the last day for your old fishing license. New licenses are available at most of the usual sport shops and hardware store outlets.

Fires—the early spring has created unusually dry conditions in the woods this year. We have had several serious fires. PLEASE USE EXTREME CAUTION!

Near-record ski season for Mich.

The 1980-81 ski season was the second-best ever recorded in Michigan despite a depressed economy and an early spring thaw which closed lodges up to two weeks earlier than normal, according to an Automobile Club of Michigan survey.

"A significant increase in snowfall over last winter especially during the Christmas-New Year's holiday, and inflation helped lift revenues to nearly \$141 million, 23 percent higher than last season," stated Auto Club Touring Manager Joseph Ratke, "and only 2.5 percent below the record 1978-79 winter."

Total natural snowfalls recorded by the National Weather Service ranged 5 to 60 percent heavier than last winter across most of the state.

Only six ski areas—two in West Michigan and four in the Upper Peninsula—registered less snow than last winter. One resort in East Michigan and another in the U.P. reported snowfall about the same as a year ago.

The mid-to late-February thaw which closed 13 areas for from one day to two weeks and closed two lodges for the season, helped reduce profit margins, ski area operators said.

Michigan village officials met Monday night, April 13, to adopt the budget for the next fiscal year and conduct other village business. The good news for taxpayers is a roll back to 2 mills from last year's tax levy.

The general fund budget was approved at \$169,100 which covers the basic governmental functions. A \$56,844 contingency fund will be allocated later to take care of street projects. Scheduled for repair this year are Main St., Division St. and Vosper St.

The village tax rate was set at 14 mills plus the 1 mill voted for the village library for summer collection. Last year, 16 mills were levied to fund several major street projects. The two-mill roll back returns the village to its previous millage levy.

The Village Council also voted to waive collection of the fee normally charged the Saranac Housing Commission in lieu of taxes. The rate charged Saranac customers by B and B Refuse Service will be increased from \$16 per quarter to \$17 per quarter as of May 1.

The council also decided to give their approval in writing to the Department of Natural Resources concerning a proposed lake project on state lands in Boston Township. Members of the Saranac High School volleyball team were commended for taking top honors in state competition.

Ann L. Wieland of Grand Rapids was cited for violation of the basic speed law when her vehicle ran off I-96 about one mile east of Morrison Lake Rd., striking a reflector post and a tree. Wieland told Michigan State Police that she was tending to her dog which was in her vehicle. She sought her own treatment for minor injuries. State Police are investigating the theft of 18 six-foot fence posts taken in recent weeks from the property of Chad Lampkin of Potters Rd.

Ferne M. Greene, 320 Summit St., received minor injuries when she apparently blacked out and drove off the roadway striking an embankment last Friday. The accident occurred on M-21 near Whites Bridge Rd. She told Sheriff's deputies she does not remember the accident and may have blacked out.

Sheriff's deputies cited Timothy Krieger, 7129 Bliss Rd., for having no cycle endorsement. Thomas Ainsworth, 6691 Bluewater, was ticketed for speeding. Cliff Tavener, Box 1 Saranac, was cited for parking in a no parking zone by deputies. Phillip Bateman, 4800 Morrison Lake Rd., was cited for no cycle endorsement.

The American Red Cross will offer a Standard First Aid course at Saranac High School on the following dates: May 11-12, May 14-15, and May 18, 19, 21, 22. The course will last from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. each night.

The Red Cross will also offer a Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) course May 26, 28, 29. Register for either course by calling 897-9679.

There's a good spring tonic at the market now, another of the good things growing in Michigan; rhubarb, alias pie plant. In colonial America, it was also known as "spring fruit".

Michigan grows both field and hothouse rhubarb, and there's an interesting history associated with this crop. Hot-house rhubarb was brought to Michigan by Belgian immigrants who settled in the Macomb county area. A quarter-century ago, there were about 300 families specializing in this crop, but their numbers have dwindled to only a dozen now.

Because we also grow field rhubarb, mostly in southwestern Michigan, our state still ranks second in production. Only the state of Washington grows more. Total annual harvest of this specialty crop, according to the Michigan Department of Agriculture, is 5.5 million pounds, worth \$745,000.

Whatever you call it, rhubarb makes delicious pies and other desserts. If you're lucky, you may have a patch of pie plant growing in your garden. It doesn't require much care and yields generous dividends for little effort.



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Because we also grow field rhubarb, mostly in southwestern Michigan, our state still ranks second in production. Only the state of Washington grows more. Total annual harvest of this specialty crop, according to the Michigan Department of Agriculture, is 5.5 million pounds, worth \$745,000.

Whatever you call it, rhubarb makes delicious pies and other desserts. If you're lucky, you may have a patch of pie plant growing in your garden. It doesn't require much care and yields generous dividends for little effort.

Saranac Doin's...

Schools ask 1.5 mills increase

Saranac school district residents will be asked for an additional 1.5 mills in funding for the 1981-82 school year at the June 8 election.

The proposed millage increase is to be combined with expenditure cuts and a fund equity reduction to make up an estimated \$200,000 deficit. The increased millage, budget cuts and equity use

would continue the school district's program for another year exactly at last year's level.

The 17-mill renewal question will combine four previously approved levies.

According to Superintendent Al Butler, the renewal of 17 mills and an increase of 1.5 mills will be coupled with a reduction in next year's expenditures by \$50,000 and by using about \$70,000 from the district's fund equity.

District equity is the total net worth of cash and supplies held by the district at the end of the fiscal year June 30. Butler feels that the fund equity should be above the \$150,000 fund equity projected for this year which is a distinct boon to the district. Interest income and staff spending restraint are chiefly responsible for the healthy equity picture.

Using part of the fund equity would shrink the amount for the next year closer to the \$80,000 mark which had previously been established by the board as its goal.

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Council reduces tax levy by 2 mills

Saranac village officials met Monday night, April 13, to adopt the budget for the next fiscal year and conduct other village business. The good news for taxpayers is a roll back to 2 mills from last year's tax levy.

The general fund budget was approved at \$169,100 which covers the basic governmental functions. A \$56,844 contingency fund will be allocated later to take care of street projects. Scheduled for repair this year are Main St., Division St. and Vosper St.

The village tax rate was set at 14 mills plus the 1 mill voted for the village library for summer collection. Last year, 16 mills were levied to fund several major street projects. The two-mill roll back returns the village to its previous millage levy.

The Village Council also voted to waive collection of the fee normally charged the Saranac Housing Commission in lieu of taxes. The rate charged Saranac customers by B and B Refuse Service will be increased from \$16 per quarter to \$17 per quarter as of May 1.

The council also decided to give their approval in writing to the Department of Natural Resources concerning a proposed lake project on state lands in Boston Township. Members of the Saranac High School volleyball team were commended for taking top honors in state competition.

Off the Blotter

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In service...

Airman Gordon R. Priest, son of Melvin A. Priest of 3552 Westbrook Road, Ionia, and Alice F. Hill of 6236 E. Riverside Drive, Saranac, has graduated from the U.S. Air Force flight training equipment course at Chanute Air Force Base, Ill. Priest will now serve at Clark Air Force Base, Philippines.

Sgt. Chris R. Soules, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dean L. McLeod of 158 South St., Saranac has been awarded the Good Conduct Medal for exemplary conduct while in the active military service of the United States at Fort Riley, Kan.

Air Force Sgt. Aaron W. Walkington son of Darroll Walkington of 496 Main St., Saranac, has arrived for duty at Peace Air Force Base, N.H. Walkington, a telecommunications operations specialist, was previously assigned at RAF Fairford, England.

His mother, Barbara Walkington, resides at 222 Min St., Saranac.



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Tougher laws aimed at drinking drivers

Stiff drinks will mean stiffer penalties for drinking drivers when several new laws take effect April 1, according to Automobile Club of Michigan.

Other new motoring laws would give speeders more penalty points and reduce the required number of license plates on a vehicle from two to one.

The 1980 Michigan Legislature approved several bills designed to make drunk driving arrests easier and increase fines upon conviction.

Prior laws provided that "warrantless arrests" by police officers only could be made if accidents occurred on a public highway. As of April 1, officers can make such arrests involving accidents on any public road or parking lot if they believe a driver has been drinking.

The new laws expand the principle of "implied consent," meaning that upon receipt of a driver's license, a

motorist agrees to take a chemical test if suspected of drinking in "any area open to the general public." The alternative is loss of license.

Also new is a provision which prohibits a person from driving a snowmobile or off-the-road vehicle while under the influence of liquor or drugs.

In a move to save the Secretary of State's office \$7 million over the next three years, the Legislature eliminated the requirement that motor vehicles carry two license plates. Beginning March 31, passenger cars need only be equipped with one plate on the rear while truck-tractors must have one on the front.

For the first time in 63 years, lawmakers increased the penalty for drunk driving to a minimum \$100 and maximum \$500 fine, and/or a maximum jail term of 90 days for first offenders. The new fines will replace the current minimum-maximum range of \$50 to \$100.

In a move to conserve gasoline and tighten enforcement of the present 55 mile per hour speed limit, the Legislature approved a law that as of April 1 will assess one penalty point on a motorist's driver's license if convicted of driving between 60 and 69 m.p.h.

Penalty points rise to two for driving 70 to 79 m.p.h., three for 80 to 85 m.p.h., and four for over 85 m.p.h. The law also permits the Governor to adjust the points if he declares a state of emergency and sets a lower speed limit for the state.

Gasohol is taxed 6 cents per gallon to make it more competitive with unleaded gas which is taxed 11 cents. The rate will jump to 8 cents in 1983, 9 cents in 1984, and 11 cents in 1985.

Higher interest ceilings on car loans offered by financial institutions were approved but the law expires June 1 unless reinstated by the Legislature.

Road tests were eliminated for driver's license applicants who have passed a driver education course and examination within 12 months.

Vehicle owners have the option to register their vehicles for two years instead of one.

Motorists with six or more parking tickets must pay the fines or face loss of their driver's license or car registration. Local courts will submit records of unpaid

Weather Word

With Meteorologist KURT SCHMITZ



Several steps take place when severe weather is forecast. In brief, here's what we do to keep you informed.

The first information we receive each day is an outlook issued around 5:00 a.m. by the National Severe Storms Forecast Center (NSSFC) in Kansas City. Sometimes referred to as the SKYWARN outlook, it outlines areas where severe storms may occur that day, labeling "slight", "moderate" or "high" risk areas. If this designation comes close to Michigan, we include it on our early morning weather broadcasts.

NSSFC is one of this country's weather communications centers. Upper-air data from radiosondes, satellite pictures, radar reports and much more information is used by meteorologists there are 24 hours a day to predict severe weather. If they determine that the atmospheric conditions over a certain area could spawn tornadoes or severe thunderstorms, they will issue a watch, usually in the form of a rectangular box. If a watch includes our area, we broadcast it immediately.

When a watch is issued, WATCH! Go about your normal business but observe the sky for threatening weather. Things can develop rapidly in a watch area, and can sometimes be going full-tilt before a warning is issued. Next week, we'll discuss warnings in detail.

Hanging Baskets of Tomatoes can be pretty Productive

A patio garden, an apartment balcony or even a sunny window is just the place for a hanging basket—of tomatoes!

Start with one of the small-fruited, small-vined varieties of tomato, such as Small Fry and Patio F. (Sweet 100 and other indeterminate varieties will grow too large for a hanging basket.) You'll need only a couple of plants, so it's probably better to buy them than to grow your own plants from seed.

Almost any container can be used as long as it holds at least four quarts of soil and can have several holes punched in the bottom for drainage. If the plant will be grown indoors, you'll need a drip catcher. Use commercially prepared potting soil in hanging baskets.

Place the container on a sunny porch, balcony or patio or in a window where the plant will receive as much direct sunlight as possible (preferably at least six hours daily). Plenty of sunlight is necessary for good flower and fruit production.

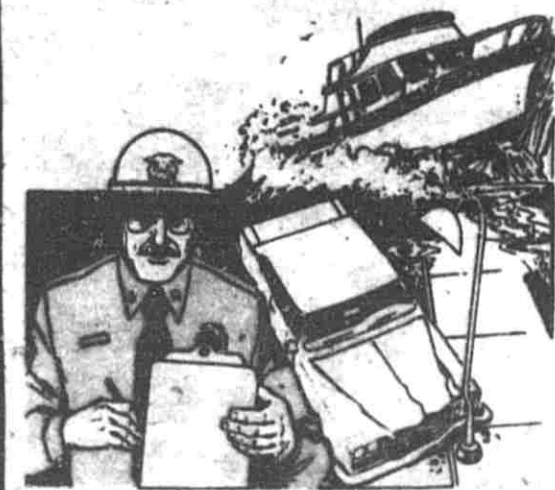
Depending on the variety you should be harvesting ripe tomatoes within seven to 10 weeks from transplanting.



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Summer fun for kids

Summer and children were made for each other. But even summer can get boring at times. That's why the Lowell YMCA Day Camp is such a great idea! At Y Camp the days will be filled with arts and crafts, games, nature study and outdoor education activities.

The day camp will have seven one-week sessions, with the first beginning the week of June 22nd. The day will begin at 9:30 a.m. and end at 2:30 p.m. The kids will bring a sack lunch and their drink will be provided.

The Y day camp will be directed by Jan Hansen. Jan is a second grade teacher at Alto Elementary School and a graduate of Western Michigan University.

The goals of the Y day camp are to give each child the opportunity to make new friends, learn new skills and studies, and to develop survival techniques in an outdoor setting.

The cost of the camp program will be \$25 for Y members and \$35 for non-members. For more information contact the YMCA at 897-8445.

Children's theatre at Bushnell

The children of Bushnell school will present two special programs on Tuesday, April 21: one a musical and the other a short play. The productions will be presented at 7:30 p.m. in the Bushnell Elementary gym.

Bushnell's Recess Choir, directed by Cynthia Gillette, will perform "Geppetto and Friends". This modern version of the story of Pinocchio includes a cast of four main characters: Tricia Wittenbach as Geppetto; Danny Byrne as Pinocchio; Katie Dreher as the Fairy "Mother"; Laura Wierck as Conscience. Other members

of the Recess Choir will portray customers, boys, dolls and soldiers. The Bushnell Recess Choir, together with the Alto Choir, will again perform at Grand Rapids' Festival '81 on Friday, June 5.

The second production, "The Circus", will be performed by Jim Bedi's second grade class, directed by Mr. Bedi.

Admission to the children's theatre productions is FREE and parents, friends and interested community members are encouraged to attend.

8 win Alto Library contest

The results of the Alto Branch Library—National Library Week—Bookmark Contest are in. Listed below are the winners of the contest, open to all youngsters.

The contest rules asked for the best slogan and design to

promote reading during National Library Week, April 5-11, 1981. The winning entries will be used as bookmarks during the summer at the Alto Branch Library. There were 75 entries and eight winners.

Pre-Primary—Leann Van Zyl, Lowell, Alto Elementary. "It's Fun to Read." 1st Grade—Melanie Joy Kaeb, Lowell, Alto Elementary. "I Like to Read About Spring." 2nd Grade—Vince Videa, Alto, Alto Elementary. "Books Are Great!" 3rd Grade—Una Venskus, Lowell, Alto Elementary. "Reading is Fun." 4th Grade—Kara Bowman, Lowell, Alto Elementary. "Read a Book Today." 4th Grade—Megan Kirby, Alto, Alto Elementary. "Hop to it... Hop to it and Read Today."

5th Grade—Lea Burger, Alto, Alto Elementary. "Reading is a Blast." 8th Grade—Karen Kowalczyk, Alto, Lowell Middle School. "I'm Racing for Reading."

Congratulations to all entrants and winners from the Kent County Library System. For more information on upcoming programs call the Alto Branch Library at 868-6038 or stop in at 6059 Linfield, Alto.

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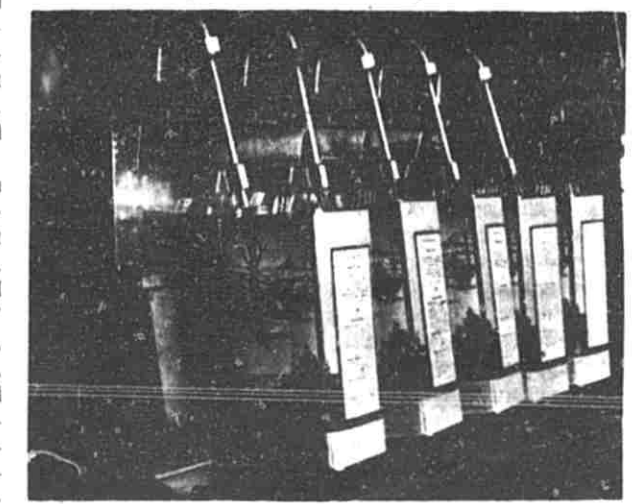
Lowell and Alto Camp Fire girls have invited their fathers to be their guests at the annual Dad Daughter Dinner to be held at the Runciman School on Thursday, April 23, at 6:15 p.m. The meal will be a planned potluck; coffee and milk will be furnished.

Each group of Blue Birds and Adventurers is creating table decorations on the

theme of "Give Service" and the 4th grade groups have made colorful program covers. The three 6th grade Adventure groups will present skits entitled "The Seven Dwarfs," "It's Contagious," and "A Camper's Letter."

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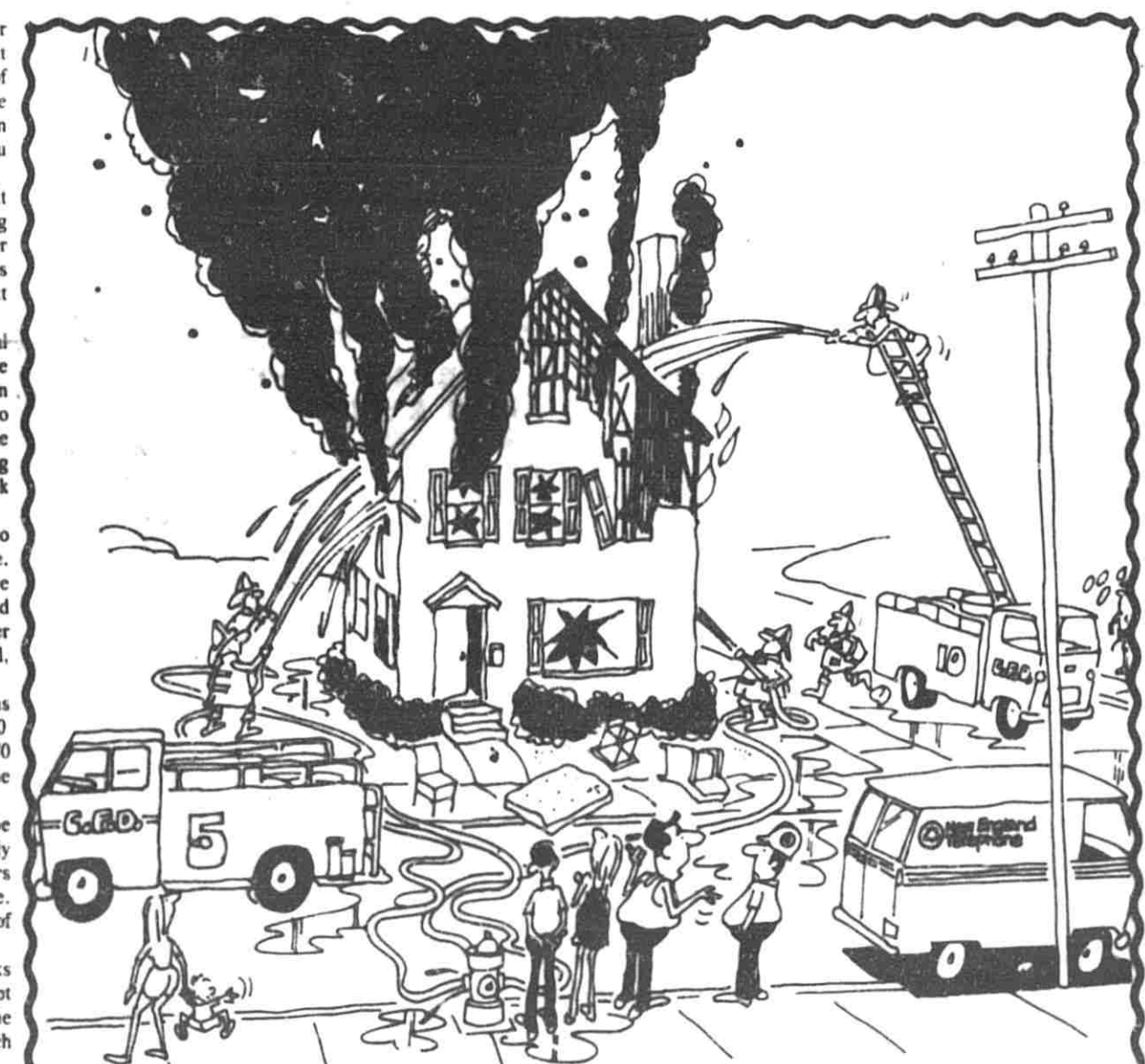
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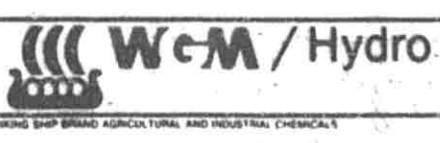
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Gardeners who wait for Memorial Day to start planting are needlessly cutting their growing season by about half.

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The crops that can be

planted early actually grow better in cool weather, he points out. If you've never had much luck growing salad greens or peas, it might be because you planted them too late.

Among the earliest crops you can plant are beets, endive, kohlrabi, leeks, lettuce, onions, peas, radishes and spinach from seed.

Three locals study canine care

Gail Ayers, Kathy Waalkes and Shelley Norden of Lowell, and Toni Zahm of Grand Rapids will be among the participants at the 4-H Dog Care and Training workshop, April 30-May 2. The workshop will be held at Kettunen Center, the state's leadership training facility at Tustin.

The workshop is designed for persons interested in the 4-H dog obedience and leader dog projects.

Workshop participants will have an opportunity to develop

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Registrations will be taken at City Hall, 301 E. Main Street during regular office hours, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. weekdays, and from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Monday, April 20, 1981.

Ray E. Quada,
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897-8457

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Registrations will be taken Tuesdays from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Vergennes Township Hall (corner Bailey & Parnell) or by appointment at the clerk's residence, Linda Biggs, 897-8820.

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BOWNE TOWNSHIP

Registrations will be taken Saturday, April 18, 9:00-12:00 at the Bowne Township Hall, 6059 Linfield SE, Alto, and from 12-5 at the clerk's residence and Monday, April 20, 8:00-8:00 at 8793 Alden Nash SE.

Sandra Kowalczyk,
Bowne Township Clerk

LOWELL TOWNSHIP

Registrations will be taken during regular office hours at the Lowell Township Hall and on Monday, April 20, the office will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Carol L. Wells,
Lowell Township Clerk
897-7600

THE STATE WIDE ELECTION WILL BE:

A proposal to amend Section 41 of Article 4, and Sections 3, 8, 30 and 31 of Article 9 of the State Constitution, to provide for deposit of net lottery school funds in the state school aid fund; for an exemption from collection of 50% of taxes levied on a homestead; to impose an additional 1.5% sales and use tax; and to provide for state reimbursement to local units for revenues lost by the amendment.

Legal Notices

ORDER FOR PUBLICATION AND TO APPEAR AND ANSWER STATE OF MICHIGAN CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF KENT ROSA MARIE VANDYKE, Plaintiff,

VS. LAVERN HENRY VANDYKE, Defendant.

File No. 881-43332-DM At a session of said Court held in the Hall of Justice, City of Grand Rapids, Michigan on this 4th day of March, 1981.

Present: The Honorable Robert A. Benson, Circuit Court Judge.

On this 24th day of February, 1981, an action for divorce was filed by the above-named Plaintiff against you the above-named Defendant, in the Circuit Court for the County of Kent.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that you, the Defendant, whose last known address was 52 Lexington, NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49504 shall answer or take such other action as may be permitted by law on or before the 4th day of June, 1981.

FAILURE to comply with this Order shall result in a judgment by default against you, the Defendant, for relief as set forth in the Complaint filed in this cause.

Robert A. Benson, Circuit Court Judge Examined, Countersigned and Entered: Eairy M. Lyons, Deputy Clerk.

ATTEST: A True Copy. Eairy M. Lyons, Deputy Clerk. c/25-4/15

ORDER FOR PUBLICATION AND TO APPEAR AND ANSWER STATE OF MICHIGAN CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF KENT KATHERINE LUCILLE DOUGLAS, Plaintiff,

VS. MICHAEL JAMES DOUGLAS, Defendant.

File No. 81-43387 DM At a session of said Court held in the Hall of Justice, City of Grand Rapids, Michigan on this 18th day of March, 1981.

Present: The Honorable Stuart Hoffius, Circuit Court Judge.

On the 3rd day of March, 1981, an action for divorce was filed by the above-named Plaintiff against you the above-named Defendant, in the Circuit Court for the County of Kent.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that you, the Defendant, whose last known address was 407 4th St. N.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49504 shall answer or take such other action as may be permitted by law on or before the 18th day of June, 1981.

FAILURE to comply with this Order shall result in a judgment by default against you, the Defendant, for relief as set forth in the Complaint filed in this cause.

Stuart Hoffius, Circuit Court Judge Examined, Countersigned and Entered: Marilyn Holloway, Deputy Clerk.

ATTEST: A True Copy. M. Holloway, Deputy Clerk. 4/15-5/6

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ORDER FOR PUBLICATION AND TO APPEAR AND ANSWER STATE OF MICHIGAN CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF KENT TERESA L. COOLEY, Plaintiff,

VS. ROBERT RAY COOLEY, Defendant.

File No. 81-42934 At a session of said Court held in the Hall of Justice, City of Grand Rapids, Michigan on this 11th day of March, 1981.

Present: The Honorable George V. Boucher, Circuit Court Judge.

On this 8th day of January, 1981, an action for divorce was filed by the above-named Plaintiff against you the above-named Defendant, in the Circuit Court for the County of Kent.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that you, the Defendant, whose last known address was 106th Avenue, Allegan, Michigan 49010 shall answer or take such other action as may be permitted by law on or before the 11th day of June, 1981.

FAILURE to comply with this Order shall result in a judgment by default against you, the Defendant, for relief as set forth in the Complaint filed in this cause.

George V. Boucher, Circuit Court Judge Examined, Countersigned and Entered: Dorothy DeWitt, Deputy Clerk.

ATTEST: A True Copy. Dorothy DeWitt, Deputy Clerk. 3/25-4/15

STATE OF MICHIGAN The Probate Court for the County of Kent JUVENILE DIVISION

Notice is hereby given that a hearing will be held in the Juvenile Court in the City of Grand Rapids, Michigan in the matter of, on the date and time and on petition by petitioner shown below alleging that "said children are neglected children within the provisions of the Juvenile Code. To preserve your parental rights under the law any parent or guardian shall contact the Juvenile Court Center, 1501 Cedar NE, Grand Rapids, Michigan or take such other action as may be permitted by law on or before the hearing date. Failure to comply with this order may result in said child (ren) being made temporary wards of the Court."

Child: Lisa Chew Hearing: April 28, 1981 at 9:00 a.m. Petitioner: Diane Baker

Child: Cindy Adams Hearing: April 28, 1981 at 2:00 p.m. Petitioner: Rene Kasprzak

Child: Scott, Theodore, Jennifer and Jamie Lynn Beardsley Hearing: April 30, 1981 at 11:00 a.m. Petitioner: John Scheid

Child: William, Lee and Shawndryka Moore Hearing: April 28, 1981 at 2:00 p.m. Petitioner: Thomas Brown

Child: Jason Pettikowart Hearing: April 23, 1981 at 4:00 p.m. Petitioner: Leonard Blauwkamp

Publication in the GRAND VALLEY LEDGER once at least one week prior to the hearing date is ordered. Dated: March 24, 1981

JOHN P. STEKETE JUDGE OF PROBATE

SOLICITATION FOR BIDS

The Kent County Purchasing Department is soliciting bids for the items listed below. Detailed specifications are available at the Purchasing Office Room 227, County Administration Building, 300 Monroe Avenue N.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503. The bids will be publicly opened in the Purchasing Office at the time designated below. The County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids as it deems to be in its best interests.

Bid for: Draperies for Probate Court Building. To be received by Monday, April 20, 1981 at 10:00 a.m.

Bid for: Draperies for Kent Community Hospital. To be received by Monday, April 20, 1981 at 10:00 a.m.

Jack Standley, CPPD, Director of Purchasing

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Child: Gina Lynne Mecum Hearing: April 28, 1981 at 4:00 P.M. Petitioner: John Apat, Kent County Juvenile Court

Child: Edward E. Mercer Hearing: May 5, 1981 at 10:30 A.M. Petitioner: Officer Deb Pegguskie

Child: Lucy Maria Carrion Hearing: May 7, 1981 at 3:30 P.M. Petitioner: Salvador Bruno, Motner

Child: Isabel Elizabeth Bruno Hearing: May 7, 1981 at 3:30 P.M. Petitioner: Salvador Bruno, Motner

Child: Danny Hopkins Hearing: July 3, 1981 at 12:30 A.M. Petitioner: Officer Ray Vissner

Publication in the GRAND VALLEY LEDGER once at least one week prior to the hearing date is ordered. Dated: April 9, 1981

JOHN P. STEKETE JUDGE OF PROBATE

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Child: Rhonda Rae Robinson aka Larson Hearing: April 27, 1981 at 11:00 a.m. Petitioner: Debbie Gaffney

Child: Karla Larine, Thearence Junior and Kurtis Charles Mansfield Hearing: May 5, 1981 at 2:00 p.m. Petitioner: Marlene Liu

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Bid for: Sewed cushion cloth fence for Kentwood landfill. Must be received by Wednesday, April 15, 1981 at 2:00 p.m.

Bid for: Draperies for Probate Court Building. To be received by Thursday, April 23, 1981 at 10:00 a.m.

Bid for: Carpeting at Kent Community Hospital. To be received by Monday, April 20, 1981 at 10:00 a.m.

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PUBLICATION OF CLAIMS NOTICE PROBATE COURT KENT COUNTY ESTATE OF WILLIAM HEIM, DECEASED

TAKE NOTICE: Creditors of William Heim, Deceased, of 12700 Heim St., Lowell, MI 49331 who died on March 27, 1981, Social Security Number 372-32-3026 are notified that all claims against the decedent's estate are barred against the estate.

The Personal Representative and the heirs and devisees of the decedent, unless the claims are presented either personally or by mail to the following Personal Representative on or before August 20, 1981: Mrs. Norma L. Noall, c/o Atty. Robert J. DeBoer, 1125 W. Main St., Lowell, MI 49331.

Dated: April 9, 1981. Frehofer, Oosterhouse, DeBoer & Barnhart, P.C. Attorneys for Estate By Robert J. DeBoer Bar No. P-12598 1125 W. Main St. Lowell, MI 49331 Ph: (616) 897-9218

STATE IS IN "MINT" CONDITION There's more to mint than jelly, although that's nice with lamb chops. One of the many good things growing in Michigan, mint flavors are chewing gum and our toothpaste, our candy canes at Christmas, and decorates our frosty summer drinks.

Mint is making a comeback in Michigan, once the nation's leading producer, and the country's largest mint oil processor is headquartered in Kalamazoo.

According to the Michigan Department of Agriculture, 3,800 acres of spearmint were grown here last year and fewer acres of peppermint. About 118,000 pounds of oil were produced from the mint leaves, with farmers receiving \$1,475,000 for the crop.

Jesse James, it is said, refused to rob a bank in McKinney, Texas, because his favorite chili parlor was located there.

I appreciate hearing your thoughts and opinions. If I can help you in any way please drop me a note by writing to Room 666, Gerald R. Ford Federal Bldg., Grand Rapids, MI 49503 or call my office at 451-8383.

OPEN LETTER

Dear friends,

If you have experienced the death of someone close to you, your presence at the visitation or funeral of a friend or relative is of special benefit to the bereaved family. The fact that you have come thru your ordeal and can now offer them support in their anguish helps very much to assuage their grief.

Respectfully,
David Curd

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"Letter From Washington"

by Congressman Hal Sawyer

Economic recovery is clearly the number one priority facing the 97th Congress and the new administration. President Reagan and his advisors have made a fast start by ordering a federal agency hiring freeze, curtailment of the use of consultants to the government, and a postponement of new equipment purchases. The mood in Congress is optimistic, but no one is underestimating the size of the problem that we face.

Spending Controls The federal government's fiscal year will soon be half over. (Oct. 1 - Sept. 30). Spending cuts between now and October 1 will be difficult. However, the administration has targeted areas that will save an estimated \$13 billion. Additional cuts will come through the adoption of proposals which guarantee help to only those who really need it, postponement of low priority public works projects, and adoption of "sunset

Tax Cuts The administration and Congress both appear dedicated to cutting the high tax rates which have sapped our economy. Proposals to cut individual tax rates, end the marriage penalty, index taxes to inflation, accelerate depreciation on capital equipment, exempt dividends and interest on investments, and reduce the capital gains tax are all waiting to be considered. A tax cut in itself is vital to restoring growth in the private sector of our economy where more purchasing power by individuals will lead to higher rates of production and the creation of more jobs.

Cooperation With Our New President The administration's program is dependent upon the close cooperation of the Congress and it appears that President Reagan will have that cooperation during the next few months. The President has appointed experienced people to work with the Congress, something President Carter did not have, and already the mood has changed. The Senate is expected to be the most helpful because it is controlled by the President's own party. The House, now in a ratio of 5 Democrats to 4 Republicans, still could be a stumbling block to the new administration because the Democrats control the powerful committee machinery. Quick action by the administration, during this early period of cooperation, is critical if we are to get a handle on federal spending and start the tax cut process.

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Thanks to you it works...

FOR ALL OF US



Guard against "Sleeping Sickness"

An outbreak of Eastern Equine Encephalomyelitis in the summer of 1980 in southwest Michigan means horse owners in the state should consider vaccinating against this deadly disease. Equine Encephalomyelitis is a viral disease which affects the horse's central nervous system. It is carried by some birds and transmitted by mosquitoes. It is not transmitted from one horse to another. Three common types of the virus currently are recognized—Eastern, Western and Venezuelan. Easter Equine Encephalomyelitis is 90 percent fatal in horses.

There were 90 suspected cases of the disease by mid-September, 1980; all in southwestern Michigan. This is the first major outbreak of the disease in Michigan since 1973. Equine Encephalomyelitis can affect humans as well as horses. There was at least one confirmed human case associated with the epidemic. This disease is very sporadic in nature and there might not be any cases in 1981, but we should be prepared for another outbreak. Because the disease is transmitted by mosquitoes, owners should try to reduce their horse's exposure to these insects. Realistically, vaccination is the best prevention. Fortunately, there are several effective vaccines available, but it takes from 10-14 days for the horse to establish immunity after being vaccinated, so the shots should be started prior to the insect season. Each commercial product has a different injection schedule; therefore, it is advisable to consult your local veterinarian for his/her recommendation.

First aid for burns

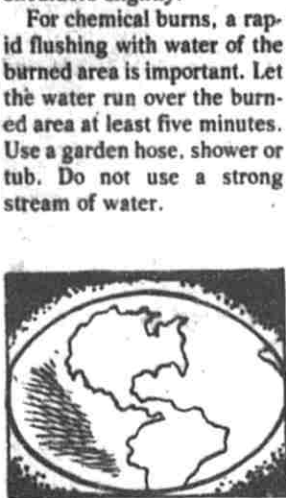
Doctors classify burns by degree. In first degree burns the outside layer of skin is affected. Most sunburn is first degree.

If layers of skin beneath the surface are involved, the burn is called second degree. If all layers of skin are destroyed, it means the burn is third degree.

Whatever the degree, the burn is one of the most painful injuries suffered in day to day activities around home or work place.

Treat first degree burns with cold water or cold compresses to ease the pain, and cover with a clean bandage. Do not apply butter or grease, and do not use other medications or home remedies without a doctor's recommendations.

Second degree burns also may be eased with cold water or cold compresses (not ice). Cover with dry sterile bandage or clean cloth. Elevate burned arms or legs. Do not attempt to break blisters. Do not apply ointments, sprays, antiseptics or home remedies. Seek medical attention promptly. In third degree burns the burned area appears white or charred. Do not remove clothes that are stuck to the



When people ache badly enough, many of them will try almost anything to ease the pain. Some are in such great need of a remedy that they are using an industrial solvent for the relief of arthritic pain. Far-fetched as it may sound, it's common enough to warn against using it as a medication as it is sold.

The solvent is dimethyl sulfoxide, or DMSO, a product of the wood pulp industry that is sold as an industrial degreaser and solvent. The industrial grade of DMSO is not pure enough and usually is too strong for human use. The impurities it contains can be carried with the DMSO into the tissues and enter the blood stream. What's more, DMSO can cause various forms of skin irritation and rashes.

DMSO is being studied to learn of its benefits and hazards but so far it has not been approved for human use by the Food and Drug Administration, except for the treatment of a form of urinary bladder infection. It has been reported that topical (on the skin use of DMSO in dogs on a regular basis has resulted in eye damage.

Researchers at John Hopkins Medical Institutions have found that DMSO af-

fects the immune system and warned that misuse of the product could harm the body's natural defenses. Some researchers have found that DMSO may be of benefit in laboratory animals suffering from a muscle disease called myasthenia gravis, which affects from 50,000 to 100,000 Americans, but there has not yet been adequate testing on humans.

Florida, Louisiana and Oregon have approved the use of DMSO for arthritic pain but Michigan and other states have not. FDA approval is needed before it can be sold for medicinal use.

It is not easy to bear arthritic pain while waiting for a new medical treatment, but things could be worse. If the side effects of DMSO are serious, they could add to your problems.

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FERTILIZER SALE — Lowell Athletic Boosters Club and high school students are taking orders for lawn fertilizer (14-7-7) and garden fertilizer (12-12-12). Cost is \$7.00 per 50 lb. bag. Delivery will be April 25, and May 2. Last date to order is April 20, payment on delivery. c23

JACKPOT BINGO — Every Tuesday night at Alto American Legion, Main St. in Alto. Time: Early Bird Bingo 6:30. Public welcome. c36ff

JACKPOT BINGO
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THANK YOU
CARD OF THANKS
The family of Harry Richmond gratefully acknowledge the many, many expressions of love and sympathy received during his illness and death. Your generosity and kindness will never be forgotten. p23

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to thank our relatives, friends and neighbors for the flowers, cards, food and sympathy shown us for the loss of our loved one. We especially wish to thank Mr. Gerst, Rev. Bates, Dr. McKay and Bert Steffens. The Family of Bill Heim

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Sesquicentennial, cont'd.

ures of the last 50 years to add to the book.

Don Green's Sports and Games committee is busy scheduling events for our big weekend.

Hospitality committee co-chairmen, Wendy DeNolf and Kathie Quada are busy getting their letters out to dignitaries and completing plans for the luncheon on

Saturday, July 18.

Lowell Lions Club is sponsoring the Royal Sesquicentennial Ball scheduled for Friday, July 17.

Anyone who would like to help on any of the activities please contact the Chamber of Commerce office 897-8545 or attend the next meeting Thursday, May 7 at City Hall.

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This week, April 20 to 27, has been declared Michigan Stamp Week by Gov. William G. Milliken. In honor of this week, pretend the U.S. Postal Service chose some other color for that 18c substitute stamp. (Purple, ough!)

OFF THE BLOTTER

Arthur Falstreux was involved in a property damage accident on Thursday afternoon when the car he was driving struck a parked vehicle on Main near Center St.

Steven Wyskochil and David Zoulek, both of Grand Rapids, were injured in a rollover accident on M-21 near Alden Nash on Sunday evening, April 5, when Wyskochil attempted to pass a vehicle on the right shoulder of the road and lost control of his car.

Sylvia Nelson struck a vehicle driven by Cathy Engle on Friday morning, April 10, on Washington St. near Main when she turned too wide at the corner and struck the Engle vehicle which was stopped for the stop sign.

Cited to appear at a later date in the 63rd District Court was Tilden Pinckney Jr. for destruction of property under \$100 stemming from the breakage of glass inside the Lowell Police Department offices on April 1.

Nola Sturgeon of Lowell was arrested by Lowell officers for driving while license suspended and on three warrants issued by three different District Courts in the metropolitan Grand Rapids area.

Joyce Osborne of Saranac pulled from a parking space on East Main St. near Lafayette St. on Saturday morning, April 11, and struck a vehicle driven by Dwight Francoeur of Lowell who was traveling east on M-21. There were no injuries.

Donna Ford and Rhonda Schuiteman collided on Foreman Rd. near the Middle School on Friday morning as Ford was attempting to pass the Schuiteman vehicle. Minor property damage resulted.

Because author Thomas Wolfe was almost seven feet tall, no ordinary desk suited his needs. As a result, he often wrote standing up, using the top of a refrigerator for his workbench.

Business District, continued

back of the adjacent Lowell Beer Store have been extensively remodeled and offers a pleasing change to the business district's appearance.

The building across from Johnson's Foods has recently been occupied by Blue Crocodile Ceramics filling a void left when Jim's Discount closed. Just down the street a small shop next to Nature's Emporium has been taken over by the From Me To You Gift Shop.

Other improvements up and down the Main Street include a new front on Ball Floral and Gift Shoppe, new awnings on Pfaller's Riverfront Clothing and Dave Clark Plumbing and Heating Co. There is also much talk by merchants of doing some "sprucing up" during this

sesquicentennial year.

Despite the hardships that seem to be plaguing small businesses everywhere, it would appear that Lowell's business community is on the road to recovery.

School agenda set

The regular meeting of the Lowell Board of Education will be held on Monday, April 20 at 7:30 p.m. at the Board offices in the west wing of the Middle School on Foreman Rd.

Four items are on the agenda. 1) Motion placing teachers on second year probation. 2) Appointment of auditor. 3) Candidates for the Board of Education vacancies. 4) Unemployment agreement.

Daniels' concert is April 25

The third and last concert in the Lowell Series offered by the Lowell Area Arts Council will feature jazz clarinetist Eddie Daniels this Saturday, April 25. The concert will be held in the Lowell Middle School at 8 p.m. and tickets will be available at the door. Tickets are \$5, with a \$3 rate for students. There are no reserved seats.

Daniels has been hailed as a pioneer of the music world for his work with jazz clarinet. His music is diverse running from the fast pace of jazz to the lyrical to tunes with a "Bluesy" feel.

Born in New York, Daniels is a graduate of New York's High School of Performing Arts, Brooklyn College and the prestigious Julliard School of Music.

Daniels will be backed on stage by the Bruce Early Trio. Early is familiar to local audiences for his work on the Lowell Showboat stage for several years as Showboat Orchestra director. Dr. Early is on the faculty of Aquinas College.

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