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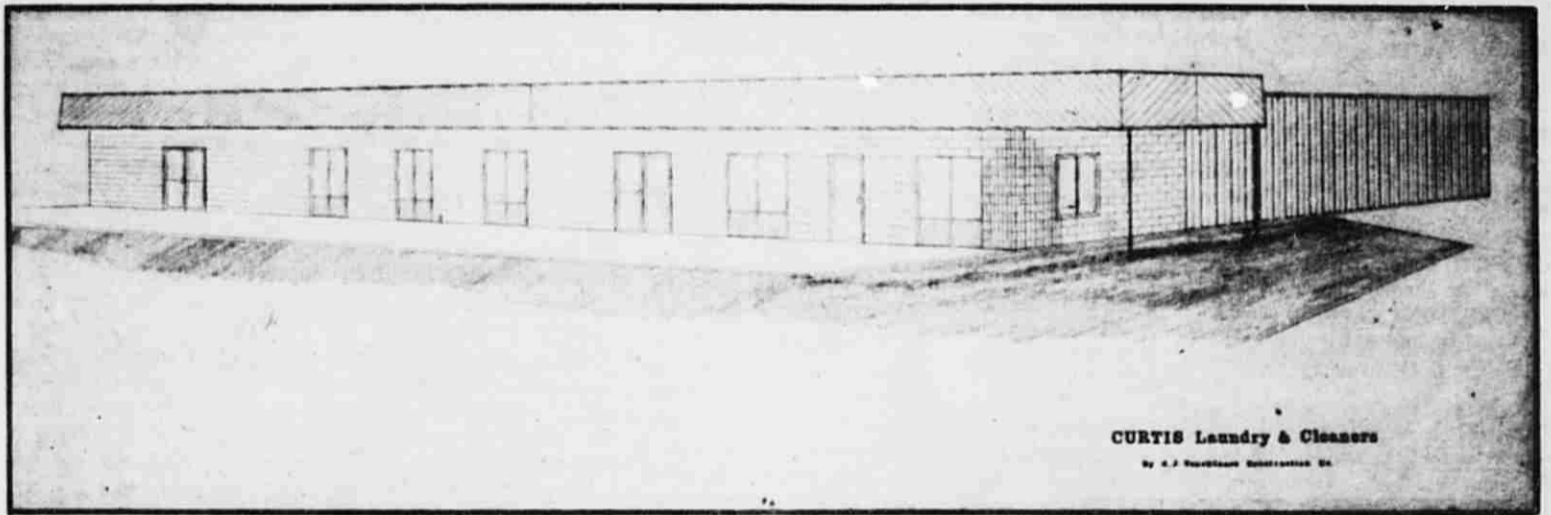


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November 25, 1981

New Laundry & Cleaners building is underway

What new building in town will house a dry-cleaners, coin-op laundry, video game room and a light manufacturing facility? Why, the new Curtis building being erected by Curtis and Smith Developers, of course. The 8,800 square foot structure will house The Curtis Wash-King which is a coin-operated laundry complete with a video game room, Curtis Cleaners which is a full service laundry and dry cleaning operation, and a warehouse and light manufacturing facility for the Curtis Equipment Co., man-



CURTIS Laundry & Cleaners
By A. J. Houtman, Springport, MI

An artist's conception of the new Curtis Building.



GREMLIN IS HOSPITALIZED

The Ledger's "Type Gremlin", Kathie Quada is away from her typewriter suffering from a back ailment. As of this writing she is in Grand Rapids' St. Mary's Hospital, room 616. We're sure that her many friends will want to pay her a visit or mail a card. In the meantime, bear with us here at the Ledger as we take to the task of writing this thing without our star reporter.

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

Most Lowell businesses will be closed Thanksgiving Day. Open limited hours are Lippert Pharmacy 9-1, and Johnson's Food Basket 10-2. Eberhard's is closed all day. Though we didn't take time to check with each one, we suspect that most party and convenience stores will be open. We here at the Ledger are taking an extra day off and closing Friday too. That really gives us something to be thankful for. The Lowell YMCA and Lowell Library will also be closed Thursday through Sunday.

"VIDEO WIZARD" OPENS

A new video game room has opened in Lowell. It's called Video Wizard and is located at 220 West Main St. in the front part of Gray's Custom Upholstery. The game room boasts five video games and is proving to be a big hit with local youths who often stand in line to play the games. Owner Lloyd Gray says that he was approached several times to sell his building to people wanting to start a video game room. Gray decided that if so many people thought it was such a good idea, he ought to try it himself.

JUST A REMINDER

Since we only have a couple of issues left before the December 5th Christmas Parade, we want to remind all area businesses, churches, organizations, etc. to try to enter a float. For further information call the gals at That Special Place, 897-8545.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING STARTS OFFICIALLY

The Friday after Thanksgiving is the busiest retail day of the year, and if you've ever been on 28th Street that day, you can verify that. Though Lowell merchants hope to be busy, they can guarantee you that shopping here won't be nearly as hectic as it is in the big malls. We think you'll find the stores in Lowell well stocked for the Christmas season and ready to provide personal service that is hard to find in bigger stores. New in Lowell this year are all the shops in the Rivertown Mall and Lambert's Variety, so why not save that gas money and "Shop Lowell First".

ufacturers of the "Heat King" energy saving system. All this is of course being constructed on Curtis property at 1400 W. Main St. behind the Curtis' other business, the Lowell Wash-All, a coin-operated car wash.

Current plans call for the Wash-King to move in sometime in January with Curtis Dry Cleaners to begin operations in March.

Many problems at the business' current location prompted the decision to move into a new building, but the most important was the need to save energy. The cleaning business uses a lot of energy and an old building and equipment just aren't efficient. The new building will be fully insulated and will have very little glass to help keep heating and cooling costs down. New dryers will be installed in the laundry that are rated to use a third less power, many more water and electric efficient washers are to be installed along with energy saving boilers and heaters. Even a solar energy system is planned. In all, \$250,000 will be spent on the new building and equipment that will hopefully pay off in saved energy costs.

ROSIE DRIVE INN — 800 W. Main, Lowell, Sizzler Special 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. only: First one \$3.50, second one \$1.00. 2 eggs, toast and coffee \$1.00. Hot dogs with mustard, ketchup, pickles and onions 45c.

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Local man is Marine Association officer

Don Rocheleau, President of Attwood Corporation, Lowell, MI, has been elected Treasurer of the 900-member National Marine Manufacturers Association (NMMA) during its annual National



Don Rocheleau

Conference held in Boca Raton, FL. Long active in boating industry affairs, Rocheleau served as President of NMMA's predecessor organization, the Boating Industry Associations, and currently is a

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board member of the National Association of Marine Products & Services, one of three sub-associations which comprise the NMMA.

Rocheleau becomes a chief spokesman and organizer for the American recreational boating industry, an industry whose sales amounted to \$7.3 billion in 1980.

Rocheleau, 48, is a resident of Lowell, MI where he lives with his wife Jean and three sons. He has been president of Attwood Corporation for ten years. Rocheleau attended Wayne State University of Detroit and Michigan State University where he majored in food distribution management.

CITY OF LOWELL

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DECLARATION

In Observance of
November 23-29, 1981

as

FAMILY TIME WEEK IN LOWELL

Our nation's freedom was born in the families that formed our thirteen colonies. During Family Time Week we pay tribute to the vital role the American family has played and continues to play in the preservation of our free society.

The family is the birthplace of order, justice and faith, and is essential to the healthy growth and development of children into responsible adults and good citizens.

Armed and buttressed by the knowledge that he or she is an individual backed by an affectionate family, the child becomes an adult who willingly accepts community responsibilities and serves as a leader in the affairs of the nation.

Family Time Week is a positive response to those who have stated that the family is no longer of any value, that it is an outdated institution.

Therefore, I Dean E. Collins, Mayor of the City of Lowell, do hereby declare November 23-29, 1981 as Family Time Week in Lowell, and urge all citizens to be mindful of the fact that the stability of a community, state or a country depends in great measure upon the influence of strong, cohesive families.

Dean E. Collins, Mayor, City of Lowell

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Obituaries

JEBB — Mr. Howard C. Jebb, aged 46, of 106 Gold Ave. NW, passed away Saturday evening at Kent Community Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy; three brothers, Lester Jebb, Charles Briggs and Richard Briggs all of Grand Rapids; three sisters, Patricia Daggett of Grand Rapids, Norma Jean Raymor of Lowell and Carol Briggs of Grand Rapids and many nieces and nephews. Funeral services for Mr. Jebb were held Wednesday at the Remembrance Reformed Church, 1915 Maplerow NW with Rev. Stuart Blauw officiating. Interment in Blythefield Memory Gardens. Mr. Jebb reposes at the Creston Chapel where relatives and friends may meet the family. Memorial contributions may be made to The American Cancer Society (envelopes available at the chapel).

Florida, Mrs. Mary Louise Lamoreaux of Chicago, Mrs. James (Helen) Bergman of Grand Rapids; 16 grandchildren, 26 gr. grandchildren; a brother, James McCabe of Ada. Funeral Mass was offered Wednesday morning 10:00 in St. Dominic Church, Interment St. Patrick's Cemetery, Parnell. Mrs. Roest reposed at the Alt Mortuary.

PREMO of Grand Rapids; seven grandchildren, seven great grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Rose Koch of Grand Rapids. Funeral Services will be held Wednesday 3 p.m. in the funeral home chapel, Rev. Daniel Aerts of St. Thomas the Apostle Church officiating. Interment Resurrection Cemetery.

WILLIAMS — Arthur N. Williams, aged 76, of 1635 River Oaks Dr., SE, Cascade Township, passed away Saturday morning in Butterworth Hospital. Surviving are his wife, Constance; 2 daughters, Mrs. John D. (Gwen) Hibbard of Grand Rapids, Mrs. James (Gale) Young of Atherton, CA; 2 stepdaughters, Susan Kersting of Lowell, Mrs. David (Sara) Buttrick of Ada; 7 grandchildren, Jeffrey, Scott, Sarah and Christopher Hibbard, Keith, Kimberly and Lynne Young; 2 brothers, Everett O. of Bellingham, WA and Thomas Wayne Williams of MN. Contributions to the Fountain Street Church Memorial Trust Fund are requested. Services were held Tuesday in Fountain Street Church. Dr. Duncan Littlefair officiating. Interment Cascade Cemetery.

ROSOCHACKI — Mr. Alloysius Charles, aged 68, of Lowell, formerly of Grand Rapids, a Veteran of WWII, passed away last Sunday morning at Kent Community Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Teresa; his sons, Daniel of Mt. Pleasant, S.C., John of Los Angeles, CA, Jamie of Wyoming, MI; his sister, Mrs. Kay Cummings of Grand Rapids; three grandchildren; several nieces and nephews. Memorial Services were held Thursday at St. Mary's Church of Lowell, with Rev. Thomas Schiller officiating.

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Certificates awarded for snowmobile safety course

Fourteen snowmobilers received their snowmobile safety certificates at the Lowell Middle School on November 19, 1981 after completing the Michigan Snowmobile Safety Training Program sponsored by the Flat River Snowmobile Club and coordinated by instructors Brad-

ley Potter and Ed Marshall under the direction of the Kent County Sheriff Department. The graduates earned their certificates by passing a final examination covering the three classroom sessions. Special programs were presented by Ed Marshall on

snowmobile maintenance. Sgt. Jim Montgomery of the Kent County Sheriff Department on law enforcement, Officer Al Eckman, Lowell Police Department on first aid, and Virginia Souser and Debbie Schreck on clothing.



Despite Thanksgiving nostalgia for "over the river and through the woods to Grandmother's house we go," most people would admit that today's frozen turkey fits our schedules better than the butcher-fresh turkey of earlier times. The fresh bird had to be prepared almost immediately to avoid spoilage. The frozen turkey can be purchased early and prepared at our convenience.

Every year about 12,000 icebergs break off the Greenland ice cap and drift into the North Atlantic. Those that enter the shipping lanes must be towed away by vessels of the international ice patrol.

Of course, the first word of advice for preparing a frozen turkey is to read the directions attached to the wrapper. Most directions include the proper procedure for preparation. Keep the frozen turkey in its original wrapper even when thawing it. Allow two days for thawing birds weighing 18 pounds or less, and three days for those that are heavier. The bird is to be thawed partially in the refrigerator, and then placed under cold, not warm, running water to complete the thawing.

Another note of caution refers to preparation. When you serve the cooked turkey, do not use the cutting board and knife used for the raw bird. Wash all utensils and the cutting board with hot soapy water after you prepare the raw turkey. This rule applies to all poultry.

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Coming Events...

Accident injures three

The Lowell Branch Library will be closed November 26, 27, 28 and 29 for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

ist, Seven Ponds Nature Center.

quality craft exhibitors. Antique booth and lunch available. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

and 1-5 Sun. Admission is \$1 adults, 50c children & senior citizens.

Three Lowell residents were treated for injuries at Grand Rapids Osteopathic Hospital early Sunday as a result of an accident on McPherson Rd. one-half mile east of Fallsburg Park. The accident occurred at 4:50 a.m. when the driver of the vehicle, Terry Abel of 616 Elizabeth St., Lowell reportedly fell asleep and struck a row of pine trees. Passengers in the vehicle were Doreen Delinsky and Brenda Keech, both of 199 Pleasant St., Lowell.

Responding were Kent Co. Sheriff's units and Bud's Ambulance. Abel was cited for careless driving.

FRI., NOV. 27: "ARTS FOR CHRISTMAS SALE" at the Rivertown Mall 10:00 a.m. — 5:00 p.m. plus Fashion Show and Brown Bag Lunch 11:00 through 1:00. You bring lunch and we'll provide free coffee and a fashion show.

TUES., DEC. 1: Christmas Craft class in Quilting 7 to 10 p.m. or Sat., Dec. 5 from 1 to 3 p.m. at YMCA office. Instructor Patty Elzinga. Fee: \$3 members, \$5 non-members.

SAT., DEC. 12: Christmas Is For Kids, sponsored by the Lowell Area Jaycees from 1 to 4 p.m. at the High School Auditorium. Movies, games etc. for children while parents shop Lowell.

Lowell WMU student goes to D.C.

"Washington as a National Center for the Arts;" and attend seminar sessions given by persons such as members of Congress, by House and Senate Committee staff members and State Department officers, among other activities.

SAT., NOV. 28: LHS Class of 1976 Reunion, dinner-dance, 7:30 p.m. at Shady Acres. Reservations to Brian Doyle, 897-9264 by Nov. 23.

THURS., DEC. 3: "Home for the Holidays", benefit opening for the Toys for Tots program. Holiday fashions and furnishings by Rogers and Gormans. Admission is one unwrapped new toy to benefit the Toys for Tots program of the United States Marine Corps Reserve. From 7-9 p.m. at Gorman's (formerly Breton Pines), 2320 28th St. SE, Grand Rapids. Reservations, 243-5466.

MON., DEC. 14: The Golden Swingers will have their Christmas party at Schnieder Manor at noon. Potluck dinner at 12:00. Bring your own service and a dish to pass. Turkey and coffee will be furnished. A Christmas program will be presented. Instead of a gift exchange we voted to each give \$2.00 to charity. All welcome.

Eighteen Western Michigan University students will spend the winter, 1982, semester (Jan. 3 to mid-April) in Washington, D.C. as full-time WMU students during a program on all aspects of Washington political and cultural life; it is sponsored by the WMU Honors College.

To qualify for the program in Washington students must have grade averages of 3.0 or better on a 4.0 scale; an interest in the arts, business, politics, or government; and a background of involvement in activities that showed an interest in one or more of those areas.

MON., NOV. 30: The Nov. meeting of the Grand Rapids Audubon Club, will be held at the Grand Rapids Public Museum East Building. Early Birds at 7:30. Meeting and Program at 8:00 p.m. "Michigan Prairies — Past — Present and Future" presented by Dan Farmer, natural-

SAT., DEC. 5: Craft Bazaar St. Charles Church, Greenville. Two floors of

SEPT. 13 - NOV. 29: Grand Rapids Public Museum exhibit "Folk Art in Grand Rapids", the work of local artists. Hours are 10-5 Mon. - Fri.

Among the students is Jilisa Grooters, a sophomore majoring in theatre. Jilisa is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B.L. Grooters of 3530 Snow Drive, Lowell.

The students and faculty members will reside in a centrally-located Washington hotel; take courses on topics such as "The Public Policy Making Process" and

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Off the blotter

Janet Wright collided with Leslie Seaton of Greenville Monday afternoon Nov. 16th. Wright attempted to make a right turn off Main St. onto Center and struck Seaton's vehicle which was passing in the right lane. There were no injuries.

Douglas Powers was cited to appear in 63rd District Court at a later date on a charge of larceny under \$100 in connection with an alleged theft of a case of empty beer bottles from a delivery truck on E. Main St. Monday, Nov. 16th.

Reported to Lowell officers Thursday was the breaking and entering of the Lowell Tire Co. on West Main St. Reportedly nothing was taken from the business.

Andrew Dummerly of Inkster, Mich. struck a car driven by Lawrence Pelon Jr. of Lowell Friday evening. The accident occurred at Main and Monroe when Dummerly failed to yield the right of way at the intersection while entering Main St. from Monroe.

Prune now for holiday decoration

Evergreen branches for holiday decorations are as close as your overgrown shrubbery. Except for pines, most evergreens can be pruned now, says Harold Davidson, Extension horticulturist at Michigan State University. With careful, proper pruning, you can enhance the natural beauty of your shrubs and gather raw materials for door swags, wreaths and other decorations.

Other reasons for pruning are to control the height and spread of plants, to promote density, to remove multiple leaders and to eliminate any deformities. These aims can be served by pruning now. Use sharp, clean pruning tools, Davidson advises, and make all cuts flush with the main stem or branch. In the spring, new growth will quickly conceal the pruning scars.

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Annual christmas sky-show coming

The Chaffee Planetarium's annual Christmas sky show "Star of Wonder" returns to the domed theater December 3, 1981. The popular program, which tells the story of that first Christmas star through the combined use of dramatic readings, music and special effects, will continue through January 3, 1982. Showtimes are 1:30 p.m. Thursday, 8 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday and 2:30 and 3:45 p.m. Sundays. Daytime admission is \$1 per person (plus Museum admission); evening admission is \$2 for adults and \$1.50 for children (6-15) and senior citizens.

This inspirational panorama of light and sound transports visitors back 2,000 years where the same skies and celestial happenings that greeted the Magi are recreated on the sky theater's domed ceiling.

During the school Christmas recess, there will be special daytime shows -- December 21, 22, 23, 28, 29 & 30. At 11 a.m. the Planetarium will feature "The Christmas Star," a sky show designed especially for children ages 3 through 10 that briefly describes the Christmas star and includes a sing-a-long and a flying Santa. Beginning at 1 p.m. and repeated again at 2:30 and 3:45 p.m. the regular holiday program "Star of Wonder" will be shown.

Special showings of "Star of Wonder" can be arranged for groups of 35 or more by calling 456-3985 between the hours of 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Arts for christmas sale

On Friday, Nov. 27, the Rivertown Mall in Lowell will be a showcase for the Arts for Christmas Sale. The sale is being held by local artists who would like to share their talents with you.

There will be many unique items to select from for gift giving at prices that are just right for Christmas. Items like hand woven baskets, porcelain pottery, stained glass, glass and mirror etchings and even reverse glass painting. Maybe the work of a fiber artist or metal sculptures will catch your eye. Remember to look for the artists' names, it may be a

Cubscouts hold Father-son Bake-off

Ten year old Peter Kemp and his father, Gary, captured top honors in last week's Father-Son Cub Scout "Bake-Off" held during the group's monthly pack meeting.

Rules specified that no mother could help, no "mixes" could be used, and each individual kitchen had to be cleaned up afterwards.

The judge for the event came from the pastry kitchen of the new Grand Plaza Hotel in Grand Rapids. Wearing the official chef's cap and Plaza uniform, Daniel Courser, lead baker at the Plaza, cut, sliced and examined textures for 45 minutes before determining the following winners: David Knola and Eric Kelly tied for first place for the Webelos Den; Billy McQueen, first place Den One; Mark Powell, first place, Den Two; Dan Stockreef, first in Den Three, and Steve Simkins, first, Den Four.



Peter Kemp receives his award from contest judge Dan Courser as Master of Ceremonies. Mark Powell looks on.

HOMESPUN DEVOTIONS

by Pauline E. Spray



Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord thy God which he hath given thee (Deuteronomy 16:17).

When told his grammar was poor, Dwight L. Moody is reported to have said, "Yes, I know it. But I'm making the best of what I have. Are you?"

Too often we hear people say, "If I can't do a perfect job, I won't do anything." The devoted Christian strives to be a good steward of his abilities and opportunities. He cannot be content to do

nothing simply because his performances may fail to measure up to another's.

To be happy, a person must develop the talents with which he has been endowed. But, he, too, must learn to put up with his own limitations. It is dangerous to set up goals impossible of attainment and then go into melancholy when they aren't reached.

Only God is absolute perfection. Christians, we must remember we are "but men." We shall not be held responsible for our inabilities and limitations. It is only required that we "make the best of what we have."

Prayer: O Lord, Thou knowest I yearn to do great things for Thee. But Thou also knowest my weaknesses and limitations. What I have I give to Thee. Help me to make the best out of what I have been given. Amen.

Can we find a friend so faithful Who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness; Take it to the Lord in pray'r. JOSEPH SCRIVEN

ATTEND SERVICES

<p>MISSIONARY CHURCH Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. (Meeting in the Lowell High School Choir room) 750 Foreman Road Evening Service 7:00 p.m. Prayer and Bible Study Wed. 7:00 p.m. (Meeting in the Pastor's Home, 10268 Foreman Road) Pastor Glenn H. Marks - 897-9110</p>	<p>WHITNEYVILLE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST UNDENOMINATIONAL 4935 Whitneyville Rd. Ada 49301 Sunday Morn. Worship Service 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Evening Prayer Service 7:30 p.m. Challenger's Youth Group, Wed. 7:30 p.m. PASTOR JAMES GROENDYK</p>	<p>ADA COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH 7227 Thornapple River Dr. - 676-1032 Pastor Jerry L. Johnson Morning Worship 10:00 A.M. Sunday School 11:20 A.M. Evening Worship 6:00 P.M. WE INVITE YOU TO MAKE THIS COMMUNITY CHURCH YOUR CHURCH HOME. WELCOME TO ALL</p>	<p>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ALTO Corner of 60th Street & Bancroft Avenue Sunday School 10:00 A.M. Morning Worship 11:00 A.M. Jr. Sr. High Young People 6:30 P.M. Evening Worship 7:00 P.M. Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 P.M. REV. GEORGE L. COON Telephone 868-6403 or 868-6912</p>	<p>GALLIE BAPTIST CHURCH OF SARANAC Corner of Orchard & Pleasant Sunday School 10:00 A.M. Morning Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening Worship 7:00 P.M. Young Peoples Afterglow 8:30 P.M. Wed. Family Night 6:30-8:30 P.M. REV. JAMES FRANK 642-9174 - 642-9274 (Nursery & Children's Churches)</p>
<p>ADA CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH 7152 Bradford St. S.E. - 676-1698 REV. ANGUS M. MACLEOD Morning Worship 9:30 A.M. Sunday School 11:00 A.M. Evening Worship 6:00 P.M.</p>	<p>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF LOWELL 2275 West Main Street Sunday School 9:45 A.M. Morning Worship 11:00 A.M. Jr. High Youth Group 5:30 P.M. Evening Service 7:00 P.M. Sr. High Youth Group 8:15 P.M. Wednesday Family Hour 7:30 P.M. DR. DARRELL WILSON - 897-5300</p>	<p>CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE OF LOWELL 201 North Washington Street REV. WILLIAM F. HURT Church School 10:00 A.M. Morning Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening Service 6:00 P.M. Wednesday Mid-Week Service Jr. Teens, Adults 7:00 P.M. Nursery - Come & Worship With Us</p>	<p>REORGANIZED CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS 8146 - 68th St. S.E. Alto, MI HIGH PRIEST DIRK VENEMA 868-6292 Church School 9:45 A.M. Worship Service 11:00 A.M. Midweek Prayer Service 7:30 P.M. Evening Worship Service 7:00 P.M.</p>	<p>VERGENNES UNITED METHODIST Corner Parnell & Bailey drive Worship Service 10:00 A.M. Coffee Hour 11:00 A.M. Church School 11:15 A.M. DR. STANLEY H. FORKNER Ph 531-7942 'Little White Church On The Corner'</p>
<p>BETHANY BIBLE CHURCH 3900 East Fulton REV. RAYMOND E. BEFUS Morning Worship 9:50 A.M. (Broadcast 10 A.M. WMAZ 1470) Sunday School 11:15 A.M. Evening Service 6:00 P.M. Wednesday Service 7:30 P.M.</p>	<p>FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF LOWELL (Member United Church of Christ) North Hudson at Spring St., Lowell 897-9309 DR. RICHARD GREENWOOD Morning Worship 10:00 A.M. Church School 10:00 A.M. (Cribbery & Nursery Provided)</p>	<p>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF LOWELL 621 E. Main St. 897-5936 Morning Worship 8:30 A.M. 9:45 A.M. 11 A.M. Church School 9:45 A.M. GERALD R. BATES, MINISTER Beulah Poe, Assoc. Minister Nursery 9:30 A.M. 9:45 A.M. 11 A.M.</p>	<p>GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH 2287 Seguin, S.E. Lowell, Michigan Sunday School 9:30 A.M. Morning Worship 11:00 A.M. MARK BUCKERT, PASTOR Ron Maykyten, Elder 897-9551</p>	<p>TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH (LCA) Rev. Dr. James G. Cobb, Pastor Ronald McCatum, Seminary Intern 2700 E. Fulton Worship Service 8:30 & 10:45 A.M. Sunday Church School 9:30 A.M. Nursery Provided - Barner Free</p>
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Roger Brown

I'm writing this prior to attempting to somehow get a giant coffee table book onto the copyboard of the Ledger's repro. camera in order to copy the above photo. With an optimistic outlook, here goes my column for another week. The photo is from a new publication printed by National Geographic called "Images of the World". It's a 400 page book full of some of the best photos I've ever seen, but when I turned to pages 328 and 329 I recognized myself immediately. That frog is the reptile version of Roger Brown.

It's easy to imagine myself as the frog when getting pulled over for speeding. "Good evening officer Crocodile. Yes, I know it says Roger Brown on my license, but my friends call me Kermit." If he lets me off with a warning, that's the equivalent of the frog letting go and swimming away. If he writes the ticket, that's the equivalent of what looks to be pretty inevitable.

How about an I.R.S. audit? "Good morning Mr. Brown, my name is Chuck Crocodile, I'm with the I.R.S. and I'm here to audit your books." At that point my reptilian ancestry would take over and I'd reply with something like "Ribbit-ribbit, ribbit-debit, ribbit-credit, ribbit-ribbit". In this case a refund would be swimming away and a penalty would mean snacktime for the crocodile.

Sneaking into the house in the wee hours after a night out with the boys conjures up the image of the frog and crocodile too. I hop up to the door and slowly turn the knob with my flipper. If Terese (the crocodile) has been sound asleep since 9:00 p.m. and doesn't wake up, that's really swimming away. But, if she's watching Tom Snyder and starts in about not being able to sleep because she was worried about me, and one of the kids is sick, and she's got a tough day at work coming up, etc., etc., etc., then being a snack for a crocodile would be a welcome alternative.

A trip to the dentist can bring out the frog in me too. The check-up is over, the X-rays have been taken and I'm waiting in the chair for Dr. Crocodile to come back with the results. If he says something like "your teeth are fine, keep up the brushing and flossing", that's swimming away. But, if the report is something like, "your teeth are fine, but your gums have got to go", it's lunchtime for the crocodile again.

I'm going to call it the Frog/Crocodile Syndrome, maybe even write a book about it. Instead of "I'm Okay, You're Okay", I'll call it, "I'm a Frog, You're a Crocodile". If it sells well I'll buy a nice mossy log in a quiet and crocodile free swamp somewhere and retire.

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Coast Guard Fireman Apprentice Kirt A. Whyte, son of Nelson E. and Florence F. Whyte of 9710 84th St. SE, Alto, has completed recruit training at the Coast Guard Training Center, Alameda, Calif. A 1981 graduate of Caledonia High School, Caledonia, he joined the Coast Guard in July, 1981.

Maintenance Technician School. During the 8-week course at the Naval Training Center, Philadelphia, students received instruction on the basics of welding, pipefitting and metalsmithing. They studied the procedures used to fabricate, install and repair all types of shipboard structures, plumbing and piping systems.

Navy Hull Maintenance Technician Fireman Recruit Brian S. Lilly, son of Stephen and Karen Graber of 1790 Woodrun Court, Lowell, was graduated from Basic Hull

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Births

Mr. and Mrs. Don Green of Lowell announce the birth of their daughter, Robin Jo, on November 22, 1981. She was born at Butterworth Hospital at 1:31 p.m. and weighed 7 lbs., 10 oz. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Green and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Conner; all of Lowell.

Robert and Mary Rottier of Lowell are proud to announce the birth of their new son Daniel Robert, born Nov. 9, 1981. He weighed 7 lbs. 7 1/2 oz. and was 21 inches long. Happy to welcome home their new brother are David, Michael, and Steven Rottier. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Smith of Lowell and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rottier of Alto.

Local News

Robert Jackson, 59, former Lowell resident, has passed away in Santa Monica, Calif. He is the son of Mrs. Bertha Bibbler of Riverside Drive. His wife, the former Merry Swan of Lowell and daughter Lola also survive him. Burial was in Santa Monica November 20.

Dear Editor,
After seeing the pictures of successful hunters participating in your Buck contest we feel it our obligation to voice our opinion regarding the winning rule, "Being first".

As hunters, we think winning requirements such as weight or rack symmetry would promote more responsible hunting instead of encouraging law violations to win.

Because law officials cannot patrol all hunting lands we hope that next year the rules will be changed to protect the lawful.

Landowners on Montcalm Avenue

To The Editor:
In the next few days in the Michigan State Senate I will offer an amendment to HB 4250 that will provide the last chance for homeowners to obtain property tax relief this year.

My amendment gives a tax credit on all homesteads for the amount 1981 taxes increased over 1980 taxes. It will, in effect, freeze your 1981 homestead taxes at their 1980 level exclusive of additional millage and new construction. You will still be eligible for your regular homestead property tax credit.

This is not the best method of property tax relief, nor is it

enough. Property taxes are already too high and are going to increase dramatically because of inflation and a new law called "equalization by class." The increase alone in residential and agricultural property assessments this year exceeds \$6.8 billion. In some parts of the state, taxes will double and even triple this year.

If you want to offset your homestead property tax increase this year, it is essential that you contact your state senator. My amendment was rejected in the Finance Committee along strict party lines and has no chance of success on the floor unless you make your wishes known. Republicans stand ready to support my amendment but Democrats control both houses of the legislature. With your help, we can

swing the necessary Democrat votes needed to obtain long overdue property tax relief.

The Governor and the legislature promised the people \$250 million tax relief with Proposal A—almost exactly the relief my amendment offers. By cutting back on welfare benefits to single, healthy, childless individuals and establishing proper priorities, the state can more than make up the cost of my proposal.

Some of us have fought for years to give property tax relief. Some of us are still fighting. Regrettably, it is not going to happen this year unless a lot of people tell Lansing they have had enough.

Sincerely,
Jack Welborn
STATE SENATOR

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8th Grade
All A's
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TURKEY TIPS

MDA Food Inspection officials warn you shouldn't stuff your turkey until you are ready to cook it, because of the danger of food poisoning. Also, all leftovers should be refrigerated immediately.

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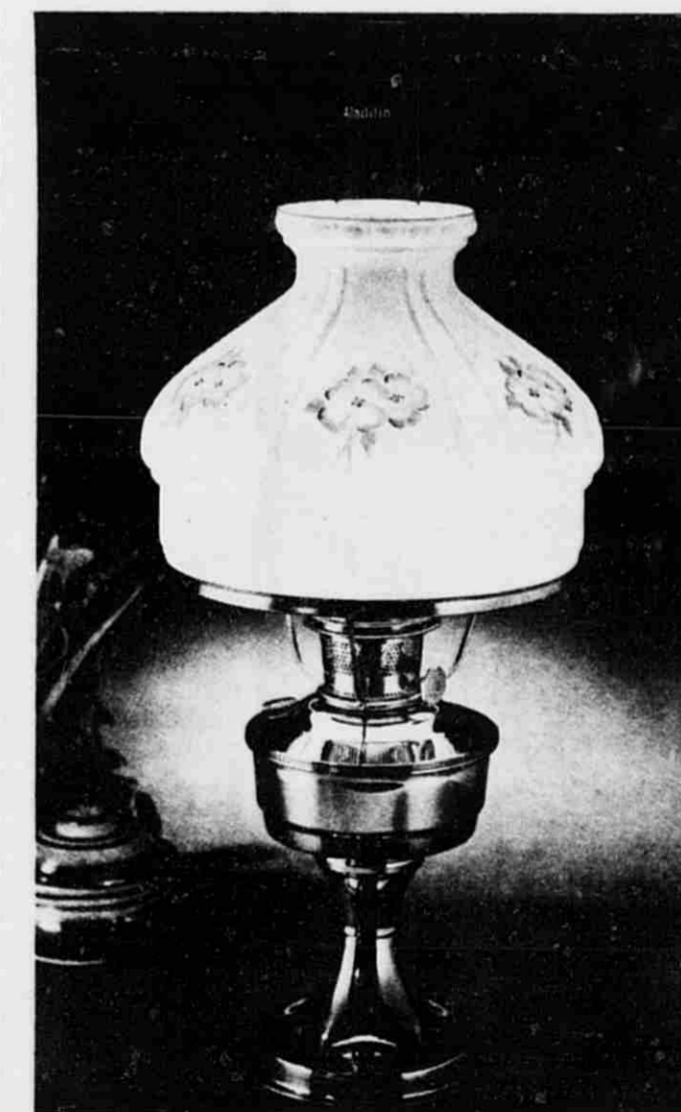


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Teen bags trophy buck

Since he just turned sixteen last Friday, David Lehigh of 1668 Stonewood Dr., Lowell (Eastgate) will have a lot of years to brag about his trophy buck taken last Saturday.



The buck field dressed at 163 and one-quarter pounds and carried a ten-point rack measuring 25 and one-half inches across. The deer is currently in first place in a buck contest sponsored by Trapp's Sporting Goods of Ada, is possibly as high as first place in a buck contest at Big L Lumber Co. in Sheridan and is entered in the Department of Natural Resources' Buck Contest.

David shot the deer with a 12 gauge shotgun with a 4 7/8" barrel and loaded with 3 1/2" magnum buckshot shells. The deer was taken at about 5:30 p.m. Saturday on Qua-Ke-Zik Sportsman Club's property. David was hunting with his father, Don Lehigh who is the club's treasurer and a past president.

David is batting .1000 as this is his second deer in as many years. Last year's deer was a button buck, not quite the trophy that this year's deer is. The head has been taken to a taxidermist for mounting.

CAR CARE TIPS

Elbow grease won't erase the blotches bird droppings cause on car paint. The phosphates in bird droppings produce phosphoric acid so potent it has actually been known to eat through brick buildings.

Allowed to remain on the surface of a car long enough, bird droppings will eat through paint and metal as well.

No matter what kind of paint protection is on a car, the first sign of a bird dropping calls for cleaning with mild soap, water and a touch of vinegar.

Another tip: If a car is parked in an area where birds congregate — a marina or waterfront, for example — keep the car in the shade. Direct sunlight will bake the droppings into the surface quickly.

Use up holiday leftovers

The second best thing about Thanksgiving dinner is the leftovers. What to do with them? Here are a few suggestions to start you thinking — you will add lots more.

Make extra dressing and refrigerate up to three or four days. Top with slices or chunks of leftover turkey, then leftover gravy or broth, and bake for a delicious supper casserole.

Dice leftover turkey for salad, and add any or all of the following, in whatever proportions you find most appealing: minced onion, diced Michigan apples, sliced Michigan celery, chopped green pepper. Add a little curry or ginger to your mayonnaise, and a little whipped Michigan cream. Serve with soup and rolls for a complete meal.

Combine diced turkey with cooked thin spaghetti, grated cheese, sliced fresh mushrooms and canned cream of chicken soup, for Turkey Tetrazzini. Heat in an oven casserole until bubbly, sprinkle with slivered almonds for

crunch, and enjoy. A tossed salad is good with this.

Never throw away the turkey carcass. Simmer it with lots of water, an onion or two, the top of some celery stalks, and a few carrots. After long simmering, strain and you have a rich flavorful broth for turkey-noodle soup with vegetables. The broth can be frozen for later use, too.

Combine leftover squash and mashed potatoes, fold in beaten eggs and melted butter (more good Michigan products), pile high in a greased shallow dish and bake until golden. Call it whatever you wish — it's a crowd pleaser.

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Lowell girls basketball team defeated

A strong and aggressive man to man defense of the Greenville Yellow Jackets was too much for the Lowell girls' basketball team as they were defeated in district

basketball action 43-61. Greenville plays Belding Tuesday to determine the district champion.

Lowell shot 34 percent from the floor to Greenville's 27 percent, but managed only 45 shots to the Yellow Jacket's 76. Three of Lowell's players were in double figures with Beth Beachum having 13, Lynn Dowling 12

and Tami Kalkman 10. Kerry Cosgrove had 6 and Phyllis Beachler 2. Cosgrove grabbed 11 rebounds and Dowling had 10.

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Food prices
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U.S. retail food prices will rise 5 to 9 percent in 1982, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, with marketing costs-not farm prices-providing the impetus.

The latest estimate, issued at the 58th Annual Agricultural Outlook Conference, is lower than the previous prediction that prices would rise 7 to 10 percent.

Increases in food processing and marketing costs are expected to be tempered by slowing inflation and high unemployment, coupled with less rapid inflation in energy prices. Deputy Assistant Secretary Dawson Ahalt cautioned that accurate predictions are difficult to make due to the many uncertainties. A year ago, food prices were predicted to rise 10-15 percent in 1981, but they are now expected to increase 8.4 percent. Last year's increase in food prices was 8.6 percent.

Construction at John Ball Zoo is on schedule

Construction of four of eight projects in Phase I, expanding and improving exhibits in John Ball Park Zoo, is on schedule.

So says Charles J. Wilkenhauser, the new zoo director, who adds that the total cost of the eight jobs is \$2,085,000 and besides the four on-going projects, one has been completed and three more are slated to be finished in the spring of 1983.

The costs are funded by donations only, the director points out. Plans for Phase II of the revamping of the zoo have yet to be studied and decided upon.

The four on-going projects, which will be completed either this year or in the spring of next year, are for the puma; prairie dog - coyote - eagle, the monkey's winter quarters, and the North American otters. Three other exhibits, the South American panorama, jaguar and herpetarium are slated to be completed in the spring of 1983 if there are no delays, says Wilkenhauser.

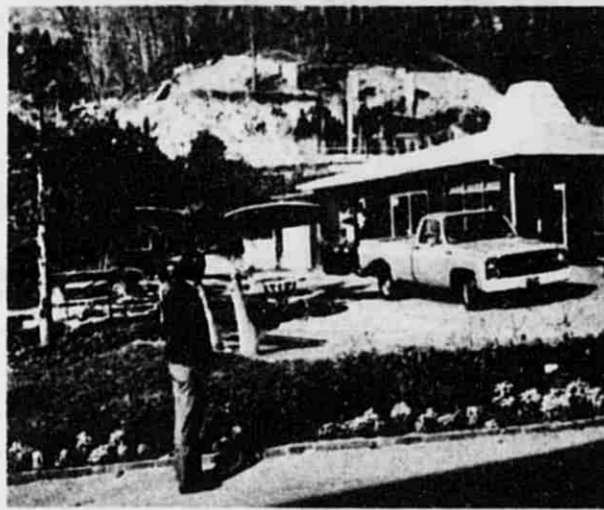
The one expanded and improved display, which was finished in time for this year's warm weather season, is the Children's Barnyard Classroom.

Areas for each exhibit are being expanded and improved. Where water is needed; fountains and moats will be built. Artificial rockwork will add realism to parts of the exhibits.

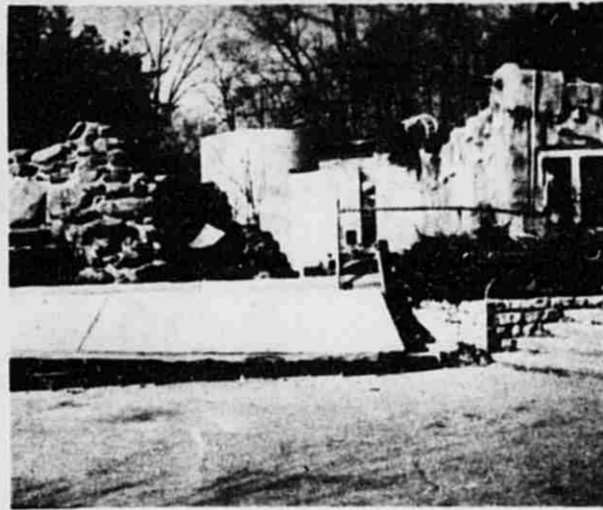
A major improvement for the monkeys will be the new winter quarters that will connect to the island by a causeway. These quarters also will have more space for the monkeys than now and will provide better viewing of the monkeys by visitors.

A moat will separate the prairie dogs from the coyotes. Waterfalls and ponded water will be in the puma exhibit. The existing rodent pool will be improved and have simulated rockwork to allow otters to climb and dive. Also, the filter system will prevent ice formation so the otters can be seen in the winter.

Seven of the improved exhibits will be between two concession stands. Ground-breaking took place during the summer. L.V. Eberhard, who donated money for the



Work has started on the new puma exhibit. The circular concrete posts, far background, will support the heavy weight of simulated rockwork.



Monkey Island, left, is being connected to the new, larger winter quarters for the monkeys, center background.

Children's Barnyard Classroom and other exhibits, is chairman of the Phase I committee.

The City of Grand Rapids is improving the water and

sewer systems in the zoo and park grounds at a cost to it of about \$300,000.

Dave Barnes

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Drive at a safe speed. The optimum range is slow enough so the vehicle will not spin, skid or lose control, yet fast enough to get through the snow.

Avoid sudden starts, stops or turns. If traction is poor, accelerate carefully so the wheels don't spin. When stopping, don't brake hard. The best technique is to pump the brakes so the wheels keep rolling, which helps maintain steering control.

Anticipate. If there is an ice patch ahead, slow down before reaching it, not on it. It takes a vehicle twice as long to stop on melting ice or snow than it does on a hard, frozen surface.

Holiday traffic could be heavy

Safe driving by motorists on Michigan highways over Thanksgiving weekend can continue this state's year-long decline in traffic deaths.

"So far this year, traffic deaths are approximately 13 percent below the 1980 toll," said Robert Cullen, Auto Club's Safety and Traffic Engineering manager. "On Nov. 8, there were 1,310 traffic deaths as compared with 1,508 for the same period of 1980."

Cullen cautioned that last Thanksgiving weekend marked the first time since 1977 that traffic fatalities increased on that holiday.

Michigan's Thanksgiving weekend death toll declined from 32 in 1977 to 28 in 1978 and 27 in 1979 before rising to 32 last year. More than half of the fatal accidents occurred in darkness and about 80 percent were on two-lane roads and within 25 miles of the drivers' home.

Thanksgiving weekend driving traditionally is only about half that of a summer holiday weekend, and this year's travel is expected to equal the 1980 holiday--about 350 million miles traveled from 6 p.m. Wednesday (Nov. 25) to midnight Sunday (Nov. 29).

Heaviest concentrations of traffic should be in the Detroit area on Thanksgiving Day (Nov. 26). The annual Thanksgiving Day parade in downtown Detroit is expected to attract more than 500,000 persons.



The Junior Girl Scout and Brownie Troops of Lowell held their investiture and rededication ceremony Thursday, November 12 at the Middle School Cafeteria. Present were Brownie Troop 145 from Runciman and Alto, Co-leaders Kris Cowles and Jackie Rinks. Brownie Troop 411 from Bushnell, Co-leaders Jane Smith and Marilyn McClure. Brownie Troop 490 from Alto, Co-leaders Darlene Carpenter and Julie Smith. And Junior Girl Scout Troop 490, from Runciman, Leader is Ruth Ann Scott.

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LASA drive nears \$21,000

The Lowell Area Schools Association is nearing the \$21,000 mark in its quest to raise \$57,000 for operation of the student enrichment program. The funds raised to date reflect the generosity of the many individuals and businesses that have already contributed to the fund drive.

Individuals not yet contacted and wishing to make a contribution are invited to do so by sending their donation to: LASA, 12685 Foreman Rd., Lowell, Michigan. All donations are tax deductible.

LASA meetings are held the third Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Board of Education office. All community members are invited to attend and share their ideas and provide input. Business items discussed at the last meeting included: bulk mailing permit application, Michigan direct tax credit, LASA by-laws, committee reports, funds raised to date, up-

coming projects, and formation of an alumni association. A request for a campaign expense report was made and presented at a subsequent meeting. Copies of the report are available through the Superintendent's office or from any LASA member.

Be watching this space in the coming weeks for updates on campaign progress. A special thanks to the following contributors. Individuals:

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Benefits aid Lowell Showboat

A special pancake breakfast to benefit Lowell Showboat was held last month by Lowell Rotary Club in conjunction with Harold Zeigler Ford Inc. and netted \$444. Rotary Club made a special presentation of a check for that amount to Showboat officers last week.

The community has rallied to raise needed funds for the Showboat after a rough year financially in 1981. The late September benefit concert for Showboat which started Boxcar Willie was underwritten by numerous service clubs, businesses and professionals.

A complete list of those groups and individuals includes: SERVICE CLUBS—American Legion, Chamber of Commerce, Lions Club, Rotary Club, V.F.W. Auxiliary, V.F.W. Club, Women of the Moose and the Lowell Fire Department; BUSI-



The Lowell Moose Lodge raised \$394.75 at a benefit dance for the Lowell Showboat last Saturday evening. The money was raised by admissions and the Lodge donating all proceeds from the drinks purchased after 9:30. About seventy people attended and heard music by Country Thunder, Hickory and the Full Tilt Country Band, all of whom donated their services to the cause. In the above photo are (back row) Carl Franks, Past Governor and Bob Smit, Junior Governor (front row) Ray Quada, Showboat President and John Minges, Governor.

SIONALS—Robert J. DeBoer, Atty., Richard Heath, Atty., Stephen Idema, Atty., Robert C. Kyser D.D.S., James A. Main D.V.M., Robert E. Reagan, D.D.S., R.L. Siegle D.V.M., Michael J. Tummino Atty., Clark D. Vredenburg D.D.S., John B. Wellman B.C., Linda L. Williams, D.C.

Concessions contributions were received from the Booster's Club, Natures Pantry, First Security Bank, and the YMCA Leaders Club.

In addition to this local support, a contribution to the Lowell Showboat Corporation has been received from the Amway Corporation of Ada.



Lowell Rotary President Richard Greenwood (left) presented a check last week to Lowell Showboat President Ray Quada. The check represents the proceeds from a special pancake breakfast held last month to benefit the Lowell Showboat.

Libraries closed for holiday

All branches of the Kent County Library System including Lowell and Alto will be closed for Thanksgiving on Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, November 26, 27, 28 and 29th.

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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 Delinquent 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 at 1501 Cedar N.E., 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 children being made a temporary ward of the court.

Child: Willie Frank Bowie, Jr.
Petitioner: Officer John Nibbelink
Hearing: December 1, 1981 at 9:00 a.m.

Child: Andrew Hitz
Petitioner: Officer Kay Vissar
Hearing: Dec. 2, 1981 at 9:00 a.m.

Child: Mark Gross
Petitioner: Officer Brower
Hearing: Dec. 4, 1981 at 11:00 a.m.

Child: Christine Anna Murphy
Petitioner: Officer Gaylord Schuur
Hearing: Dec. 7, 1981 at 2:30 p.m.

Child: Christopher Radle
Petitioner: Officer Vernon Snyder
Hearing: Dec. 7, 1981 at 3:00 p.m.

Child: Michael Bolton
Petitioner: Officer D. Pogowski
Hearing: Dec. 9, 1981 at 2:00 p.m.

Child: Darryl Abwood
Petitioner: Trooper Knottnerus
Hearing: Dec. 9, 1981 at 10:00 a.m.

Child: Rodney De Rose
Petitioner: Officer Wm. Brzozowski
Hearing: Dec. 9, 1981 at 9:00 a.m.

Child: Tina Marie Sysma
Petitioner: Officer Jack Barager
Hearing: Dec. 14, 1981 at 3:00 p.m.

Child: Edward Dean Rodriguez
Petitioner: Officer John Nibbelink
Hearing: Dec. 14, 1981 at 2:00 p.m.

Child: Tina Goree
Petitioner: Officer Bylstra
Hearing: Dec. 15, 1981 at 10:30 a.m.

Dated: November 18, 1981
Publication in the Grand Valley Ledger once at least one week prior to the hearing date is ordered.

JOHN P. STEKETE
JUDGE OF PROBATE

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Bid For: Thermostatic Control Valves. Must be received by Thursday, December 4, 1981 at 10:00 a.m.

Bid For: Specifications for Railroad Work. Must be received by Thursday, December 17, 1981 at 10:00 a.m.

Bid For: High Pressure Sodium Light Fixtures. Must be received by Thursday, December 3, 1981 at 10:00 a.m.

Bid For: Commercial Truck Chassis. Must be received by Wed., Dec. 9, 1981 at 2:00 p.m.

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The City's overnight truck parking policy for personal trash removal will be discontinued as of Friday, November 27, 1981, for the Winter. The service will be allowed up to that date, weather permitting.

The City Landfill will remain open on Thursday afternoons, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Saturdays, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon, and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. through Saturday, November 28, 1981, which will be the last day. Landfill service will then be discontinued for the Winter. The Landfill is open to City residents only. Residency must be verified.

Ray E. Quada,
City Clerk
c1 & 2

LOWELL TOWNSHIP NOTICE

Synopsis of minutes from Regular Meeting — 16 November, 1981.

Call to order at 8 p.m. Present: 5 Board members; 2 others. Minutes of 19 October, 1981 approved as read.

OLD BUSINESS: Discussed Wastewater Treatment Plant project and figures received at the November 5th meeting in the City of Lowell.

NEW BUSINESS: Copies of a news sheet to be included with this year's tax bills passed out to Board members; voted to contribute \$5,000.00 to the City of Lowell to help them meet their share of the Division Street Bridge project; approved Terry Smith's P.A. 116 Farmland Agreement application.

Adjournment at 8:50 p.m.
Carol L. Wells
Lowell Township Clerk
897-7600

LOWELL TOWNSHIP TAX NOTICE

Taxes are due and payable in the Township of Lowell between December 1, 1981, and February 16, 1982 (closed February 15th).

I will be at the Lowell Township Hall, 2910 Alden Nash Avenue, S.E., on Thursdays and Fridays between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. and on Saturdays between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. beginning December 1. Closed December 25 & 26, 1981; January 1 & 2, 1982.

Dog licenses are due and payable January 1, 1982, current certification of vaccination is required.

Assistance will be provided Senior Citizens and Veterans for the Michigan CR1040 Homestead Tax Forms. Phone 897-7600.

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c3-4

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The Lowell Moose Lodge

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IN MEMORIAM
In memory of our loving husband, father and grandfather, Arthur W. Gross who passed away so suddenly 1 year ago, Nov. 26, 1980.

We miss you and love you, dad
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children and grandchildren c3

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE VERGENNES TWP. ZONING ORDINANCE

Notice is hereby given that the Vergennes Township Board will conduct a public hearing on

December 14, 1981

at 7:30 P.M. in the Vergennes Township Hall located at the corner of Vergennes and Bailey N.E. The subject of public hearing will be the consideration of the following amendment of the Vergennes Township Zoning Ordinance.

AN ORDINANCE pursuant to the Township Rural Zoning Act being Act 184 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1943, as amended, to amend and supplement to the Vergennes Township Zoning Ordinance.

The Township Board of Vergennes Township, Kent County, Michigan hereby ordains that the Vergennes Township Zoning Ordinance is amended as follows:

- Section 3.08, B, "Permitted Uses" is hereby repealed;
- Section 4.15, Mobile Homes is amended to read: "Mobile homes shall not be used for dwelling purposes within the Township unless located within a mobile home park as hereinafter provided, or unless used in accordance with the following:

A. Permanent Residences. A mobile home may be eligible for use as a single family dwelling within the R-A, R-1 and R-2 districts; provided, however, that it meets the height, lot area, set back and side line spacing, and floor area requirements specified for a permanent single family residential use in the district in which the mobile home is to be located. In addition, the mobile home shall comply with the following standards in order to assure that it will compare favorably with other single family housing permitted in the district:

- The mobile home shall meet standards for mobile home construction as contained in the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Regulations and titled Mobile Home Construction and safety Standards effective June 15, 1976, as amended.
- There shall be a minimum interior floor to ceiling height of 7.5 feet.
- There shall be a minimum width throughout the entire length of the mobile home of 22 feet measured between the exterior part of the walls having the greatest length.
- There shall be a foundation around the entire exterior perimeter of the mobile home of concrete or block of a minimum depth of 42 inches below grade with a maximum height of 16 inches exposed of foundation above grade of the same design as required by the Construction Code as adopted by the Township for single family residences.

5. There shall be a crawl space below the entire bottom of the mobile home of 3 feet with a vapor barrier consisting of a minimum of 2 inches of concrete on the floor of the crawl space provided with adequate drains to drain any accumulation of water in the crawl space.

6. The mobile home shall be firmly attached to the foundation so as to be watertight in such a way as water will not enter.

7. All wheels, towing mechanisms and tongues shall be removed and none of the undercarriage shall be visible from outside the mobile home.

8. There shall be connected to the mobile home a well and septic system approved by the county health department and/or public water and sewer if available.

9. Steps and/or porch areas shall be permanently attached to the foundation where an elevation differential exists between any door and surrounding grade.

10. There shall be a minimum of a double pitched roof of not less than 3-1/2 feet of rise for each 12 feet of run; and the roof covering shall meet the requirements of the construction code as adopted by the Township.

11. The exterior siding shall meet the requirements of the construction code as adopted by the Township.

12. There shall be no additions to the living space of the mobile home unless it meets all the requirements hereof and is built according to the same standard as the mobile home.

13. There shall be a minimum of 2 doors to provide means of ingress and egress from the mobile home.

14. Submission of an application for building permit showing compliance herewith and with Section 6.02.

3. Existing Sections 4.15 A and B are hereby renumbered 4.15 B and C, respectively.

The foregoing amendment to the Vergennes Township Zoning Ordinance shall take immediate effect.

The foregoing amendment to the Vergennes Township Zoning Ordinance was adopted at a meeting of the Vergennes Township Board held on _____, 1981.

The amendment and the Vergennes Township Zoning Ordinance and Zoning map are available for public inspection in the Office of the Township Clerk, corner of Bailey and Vergennes NE during the hours of 9 A.M. and 3 P.M. on Tuesdays.

Linda Biggs, Clerk
Vergennes Township
C2 & 4

Lowell's onetime hermit; "Flat River Jim"

Why not cut out these pictures and the following story of "Flat River Jim" and clip them to page two of your copy of Lowell: 50 Years of History, 1931-1981?

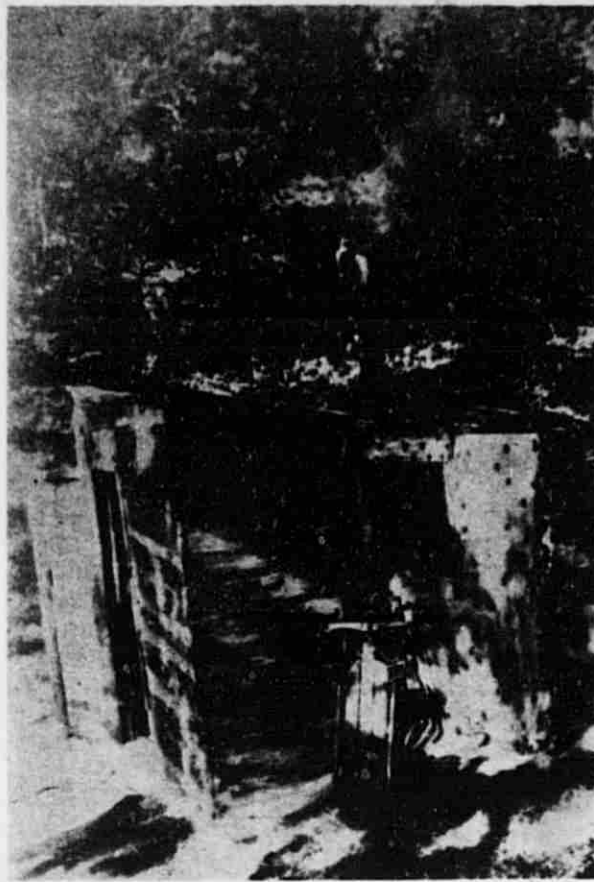
Betty Coons

Reminiscences about Jim Burnett, Lowell's authentic hermit of the 1930's and 40's, have been flowing since the Sesquicentennial book came out this summer. Long tucked-away pictures have surfaced, of Jim and the shanty where he lived in the hills along the Flat River not far south of the M-91 dam, and several persons who knew him have offered their recollections.

The son of a family which lived on Grindle Drive near the present city limits, Jim was reputed to have moved to the solitude of the woods after an unhappy love affair. Some of the town's young people helped to weather-proof his shanty, and they often would hike out to the hills carrying offerings of home-canned food to help

Jim over the winter months. By no means the stereotyped misanthrope one expects a hermit to be, he was always ready to share his wide knowledge of the Bible and the world of nature. Youngsters found him fascinating, and they learned first-hand from him about birds, animals, fish, snakes, and turtles. These resources were of real importance to Jim, for he lived mostly off the land. To supplement this food supply, he would bring his government pension check to town and load up his knapsack or sled. Also, he earned a bit from time to time by working on a neighboring farm or selling a few fish. Jim's fame as an outdoorsman grew when his yearly predictions for Showboat weather proved right -- and favorable.

In the mid-40's Burnett, now in his 70's, was found dead in his shack. His grave in the southeast corner of the Oakwood Cemetery, on the family lot, is marked by a



concrete block inscribed by a friend, the words now barely legible. His death brought a horde of diggers to his clearing in the woods, for the rumor flourished that he had buried money there. Those who knew him best, however, claim that whatever small amount of cash was left was buried with him as he had kept it, -- in a Bull Durham tobacco bag pinned inside his clothing.

If you have not yet purchased your copy of the Sesquicentennial book, treat yourself to it now. Also, remember that this makes a unique Christmas gift for friends and relatives who are

interested in Lowell's story. The volume sells for \$6.00, as does the reprint of its predecessor, Lowell: 100 Years of History; 1831-1931, but the two together may be had for the great price of \$10.00. The books are available at The Grand Valley Ledger, That Special Place, The Buyer's Guide, Lowell Savings and Loan, City Hall,

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All parents signed up for the child watch and open door programs are urged to come to the training session required to become a volunteer. The session lasts one hour and consists of slides, a lecture on hazards in the area and a question and answer period.

Please show your care by coming to the program. If you are not yet signed up please fill out the Application below and return to your school.

Community Child Watch Program

Name _____
 Name of Spouse _____
 Address _____
 Phone _____
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