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Bridge opening slated for Aug.

Construction of the \$949,000, 360-foot-long, two-lane bridge over the Grand River on the east side of Lowell will resume as soon as the weather permits, states Thomas Byle, bridge engineer for the Kent County Road Commission.

The old iron bridge, originally built in 1881 and added to in 1885, was razed last July. The new span was slated to be completed by July 15, but heavy rains and flooding last October delayed construction so the completion date has been put back to Aug. 15, says Byle.

Construction was halted in the last week of December due to winter weather.

Ninety per cent of the north approach of Division Ave. to the bridge is finished and the south approach is almost completed.

Eighty per cent of the cost is being borne by the federal government, 10 per cent by Michigan, and 5 per cent each by the City of Lowell and the KCRC.

Brown Bros. of Lansing is the general contractor and the blacktopping is being done by Saranac Asphalt Paving Co. of Saranac.

by Dave Barnes

Daley gift is much more than previous reports

In all articles regarding the Helen Look Daley bequest to the City of Lowell and the Lowell Congregational Church the amount stated has always been "at least" \$300,000 each. The term "at least" appears to be an understatement as the City has recently received about \$460,500 in stocks and bonds from the Daley estate (per their value as of December 31, 1981). Reverend Richard Greenwood of the Congregational Church was not available for comment, but it is assumed that the church has received a like amount in that the will specifies a 50/50 split between the city and church.

The trust left to the city and church is comprised entirely of stocks and bonds and was valued at \$1,177,571.42 on December 31, 1981. With the city and church each receiving \$460,500 there is a balance still in the estate of \$256,571.42 which is being withheld to satisfy Internal Revenue re-

quirements, attorney fees, and other costs in settling the estate. When the estate is finally settled it is likely that some of this reserve will also come into the city and church funds.

The following is a list of shares received by the city to date, the church's list should be the same with the exception that when the estate held an odd number of shares of any stock or bond, the church was assigned the extra share.

25,000 Federal Farm Credit Banks Consolidated Systemwide Bonds 9.65 percent 09/01/82.

25,000 Federal Home Loan Bank Bonds 11.60 percent, 05/25/83

15,000 Federal National Mortgage Association De-

bentures 7.50 percent 10/13/87.

50,000 Federal National Mortgage Association Debentures 9.50 percent 03/10/83.

50,000 United States Treasury Notes 7.25 percent 02/15/84.

100,000 United States Treasury Notes 8.25 percent 05/15/88.

9,220 American Financial Ohio 9.50 percent '89 MHRG

50,000 Pima County Arizona Industrial Development Authority Tucson Electric Power 9.125 percent 04/01/84.

1,120 shares of State Savings Bank, Lowell, Michigan.

50 shares of American Telephone and Telegraph Company.

720 shares of Bristol

Myers Company.

119 shares of Chase Manhattan Corporation.

115 shares of Dow Chemical Company.

200 shares of Exxon Corporation.

100 shares of F M C Corporation.

60 shares of General Motors Corporation.

131 shares of General Telephone and Electronics Corporation.

100 shares of International Business Machines Corporation.

100 shares of Kimberly Clark Corporation.

242 shares of Morgan J.P. and Co.

208 shares of Nabisco Brands.

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MAIN STREET FALSE ALARM

The Lowell Fire Department responded to a false alarm at about 8:00 p.m. last Friday at Riverside Fireplace Shoppe, at 223 W. Main. It seems a passerby noticed smoke billowing from the roof of the two story structure and turned in the call. The smoke turned out to be just chimney smoke, of course the establishment heats with wood (is there any other fuel?) and apparently some folks aren't used to all that wood smoke.



A LION OR A LAMB?



The old adage that says, "if March comes in like a lion it'll go out like a lamb" is a bit hard to define this year. The day was mostly sunny but windy and the temperature was cool, but at least it was above freezing. We're not quite sure whether to categorize that as a lion or a lamb, but for the sake of hoping for balmy weather at the end of the month, let's call it a lion. Spring can't be far behind as the Ledger got its first request from a subscriber to change their address back to Michigan from their winter residence in Florida. We also have reports that maple sap is running.

THAT'S A LOT OF WHEATIES!

The Lowell City Council granted a side lot variance to the King Milling Co. for the purpose of erecting a new wheat storage bin. The bin is to be located at the southwest corner of Broadway and Ottawa Streets, will be 60 feet high at the base, 80 feet at the peak and will hold 500,000 bushels of wheat. Just to put that figure into perspective, King Doyle of the King Milling Co. pointed out that the entire wheat production for Kent County is about 250,000 bushels annually. And if you think that's sump'in, the company has proposed the construction of another just like it in the future. Construction of the new bin will begin this week and its completion will bring the company's storage capacity to a staggering 2,250,000 bushels.

ROSIES — Eggs, corned beef hash, coffee \$1.85; chili dog basket \$1.45.

Appointments not always needed at Vanity Hair Fashions, open five days Lowell, 897-7506.

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Funds now raised for spring sports

THERE WILL BE SPRING ACTIVITIES IN THE LOWELL SCHOOL SYSTEM. L.A.S.A. has announced that the goal set by the school board of \$10,000 cash collected by March 1 has been achieved and spring sports will be conducted. A balance of \$12,000 must be collected by June 15th to reach the original goal of \$57,000 set by L.A.S.A.

L.A.S.A. is now an all volunteer organization and is operating virtually without expenses. Those contributing can be assured that 100 percent of their donation is going directly to fund activities for the kids.

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Oh, what a disheartening week for the Red Arrow cagers. Tuesday night saw them drop a 47-45 squeaker to Belding and then Friday brought a home court double overtime loss to Greenville 53-54. The loss to Greenville was especially discouraging in that Lowell was nipped by them in their first meeting following a controversial call at the buzzer. The above photo is from Friday's game with Greenville. More information and photos inside. Photo by Jeremy Barber.

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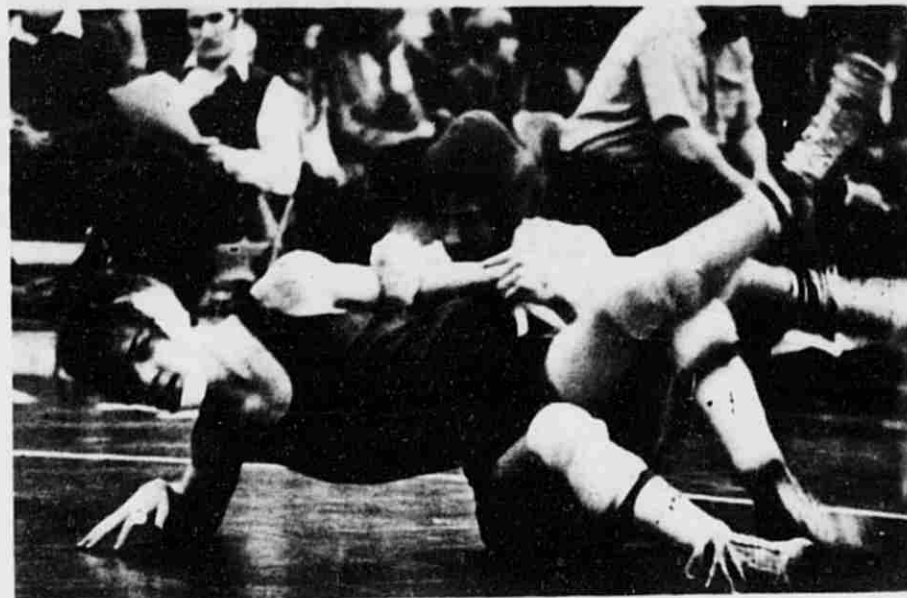
Monday Is
Bargain Night

Roth regional champ at 119

Randy Roth, a senior at Lowell High School, qualified for State Wrestling after achieving 1st place at Regionals Saturday. Roth also placed 1st at Districts the Saturday before. Troy Hall at 105 placed 2nd at Districts. At Regionals he lost to Mike Wilson from Battle Creek Lakeview and Tracy Sheldon from Portland.

Randy first wrestled Steve DeVore from Harper Creek and won by the splendid score of 19-3. Then he competed against Steve McKay from Dowagiac and won 4-0. Roth went on into the finals and wrestled Jeff Pape from Battle Creek Lakeview.

Pape was the 119 runner-up at State last year, and his



record was 37 wins and 0 lost going in to the finals. Although Pape had beaten Randy last year at Mt. Pleasant, Roth won in the finals by the fantastic score of 13-6. Randy Roth's record is now 40 wins and 2 lost.

Randy will compete at State this Friday and Saturday. State will be held at Ferris State. The matches will start at 7:00 p.m. Friday evening and 11:00 a.m. Saturday morning. The consolation finals will be at 5:00 p.m., followed by the State finals at 7:00 p.m.

"This Week In Outdoor Michigan"

The warming trend of the last week or so and two mild week-ends in a row have sparked renewed interest in ice fishing. Safe ice conditions remain virtually unaffected by the thaw.

After mid-February, ice fishing of all kinds begins to improve and predictably gets better and better until it comes to a halt with deteriorating ice. From now on until ice out, bluegills and crappies are often found well off the bottom and may be just a few feet under the ice even in deep water.

Remember: the season is closed on walleye, northern pike, and muskellunge from February 28 through May 14. Muskegon Lake is now reportedly producing some nice sized lake perch along with fair numbers of walleyes. Lake Macatawa at Holland, another lake with an abundance of walleye is also yielding some walleyes. Apparently, some have solved the riddle of how to catch this fish in wintertime from that lake.

Panfishing reports of improved success on many of our area lakes are coming in. Almost any small lake in the area is a likely bet. Luck, skill, and determination are not so important now as during the cold in January.

The break in the weather that arrived last week-end offers a welcome relief to state wildlife. The previous six weeks have been the severest on record in recent years. This has created concern among wildlife biologists that a persistence of the weather through February and March could result in heavy winter starvation to deer in parts of the northern lower peninsula and the Lake Superior shoreline areas.

Survival of wild turkeys, particularly flocks on state forest lands, is also of concern due to a poor acorn crop and deep snows. Weather conditions the next six weeks is critical. Biologists are cautiously optimistic due to the mild fall and early winter which brought the state's wildlife into the winter in good condition.

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GOODYEAR

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Junior Varsity split last week

The junior varsity basketball team split two games last week, winning Tuesday's game against Belding 62-43, and losing to Greenville by a score of 56-41.

In the Belding game Pat Brown led the Red Arrows in scoring with 20 points, followed by Tim Gochenour with 10. Jim Hostler and Dave Kryger also chipped in

with 8 and 9 points.

In the Greenville game Dave Kryger scored 12 points to lead the Lowell cause.

This Friday Lowell will face Belding in the last game of the season. Game time is 6:15.

Grand Ole Opry stars touring here

The Stars of the Grand Ole Opry Show are touring once again and giving country-western fans a chance to see many of their favorite artists together in one big night of entertainment.

In recent years, The Grand Ole Opry has played to packed houses in cities throughout Michigan such as Lansing, Saginaw, Muskegon, Port Huron and Traverse City. Now the Grand Ole Opry is bringing its big 3 1/2 hour show to the Cascade

Sports Arena, 2845 Thornhill, Grand Rapids, on Friday, April 2, 1982.

This year's show stars Ray Price, a multiple Grammy Award and Country Music Association winner and an eight-time Billboard Magazine Country Singer of the Year with gold records for hits like "Crazy Arms", "For The Good Times", "Heartaches By The Number", and "Please Release Me".

Also on this year's bill is "The Southern Gentleman", Sonny James, who has had over 30 Number One hits including the multi-million seller, "Young Love".

In addition, the show will feature two-time CMA "Instrumentalist of the Year", Charlie McCoy; Jan Howard, a member of the CMA's Duo of the Year in the early 1960's with Bill Anderson and a part of the Johnny Cash Show for many years; Singer-songwriter Justin Tubb, whose father, Ernest Tubb, is also a popular Grand Ole Opry star; and an

up-and-coming new female artist, Theresa Lee.

Tickets for The Stars of the Grand Ole Opry are only \$8 and \$10 reserved, and are available at the arena box

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Greenville takes Lowell in overtime

The Red Arrow's basketball team came out on the short end of another close game last Friday, losing to the Greenville Yellow Jackets 53-54 in double overtime. The Arrows have made close games their trademark this year with 5 games going into overtime thus far in the season. Lowell's Phil Beachler led all scorers with 21

points and 8 rebounds. Tom Caldwell and Duke Burdette also contributed to a strong rebounding game for the Arrows by pulling down 8 and 6 respectively.

The Red Arrows dominated all crucial aspects of the game, outrebounding, and outscoring the Jackets from the floor. However, it was free throws, a normally

strong point for the Arrows, that made the difference in the contest. While Greenville sank 21 out of 30 attempts from the line, Lowell was only able to convert 6 of their 17 attempts into points. This proved to be the Arrow's stumbling block in the crucial game.

The Red Arrows will face Belding home this Friday for their last regular season game.

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Duke Burdette goes up for two in last Friday Nights game against Greenville.

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Lawn and Garden guide for March

Winter weather often lingers into March, but the coming of the windy month means spring can't be far off. Michigan State University Extension specialists suggest the following lawn and garden tasks are timely now:

Keep feeding the birds. Naturally occurring food supplies are largely depleted by now, and birds that have come to depend on your feeder may starve if you suddenly stop feeding them. Rake the lawn to remove leaves, trash, twigs and other debris.

Roll your lawn only if it's severely frost heaved. For best results, roll after free water has drained from the turf and before it has dried out.

If you had crabgrass problems last year, late March or early April is the time to prevent a recurrence. Apply a pre-emergence herbicide labeled for crabgrass control before forsythia finish flowering.

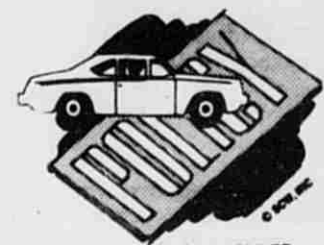
Seed bare spots in the lawn with a grass seed mixture that will blend in with the lawn. Check your lawn mower and other powered lawn and garden equipment and get repairs and routine maintenance out of the way early.

Indoors, plant seeds of cool weather crops - cauliflower, broccoli, Brussels sprouts and cabbage.

Repair snow or ice damage to landscape plants. Start removing the mulch from strawberry plants. If a hard freeze threatens, replace it.

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Hall wins first place

Kenneth F. Hall Sr., 47, of 11450 Grand River Dr., Lowell, project engineer for the Kent County Road Commission the last 10 years, has won first place for project engineer for a 1981 bituminous urban project.

He will receive a plaque March 18 at the annual state paving conference in Kellogg Center, Michigan State University, East Lansing.

The contest was sponsored by the Michigan Asphalt Paving Association and the Michigan Department of Transportation. Hall was project engineer for the \$600,000 rebuilding and improving of Leonard St. from Monroe Ave. to Plainfield Ave. NE, Grand Rapids.

Under plans approved several years ago, the road commission has taken over certain city streets and this Leonard St. section, rebuilt by Michigan Colprovia Co. of Grand Rapids, is one of them.

The firm and Hall submitted the Leonard St. project in the statewide contest. Michigan Colprovia also will get a plaque. This firm received a similar award last year for an East Grand Rapids project.

Hall will have been with the road commission 29 years come June, starting as a member of KCRC survey crews. Ten years ago he was named to his present position.



Kenneth F. Hall Sr. at his drafting desk.

As a project engineer, he designs primary county roads in the cold weather season at headquarters of the road commission. In the warm weather season, he is out "in the field," supervising the jobs under contract by road building companies and sees that the designs are followed explicitly.

Hall generally covers primary county road building and improvements in the east half of the county while Clifford Rogers, assistant KCRC director of engineering, covers the west half of the county.

Hall has supervised such fairly recent major projects

as on Alden Nash Ave., Lincoln Lake Ave., Grand River Dr., and the relocation of the south end of Parnell Ave., all near Lowell, and Ostema Blvd. at the Kent County International Airport. The relocated section of Parnell Ave. was named Settlewood Drive.

by Dave Barnes

Marks' Law: A fool and your money are soon partners.

Law of Office Murphology: Important letters which contain no errors will develop errors in the mail.

Close-up visits Lansing



The 1982 State Close-Up program found 29 Lowell High School students joining over 900 others from the Kent County area for an in depth examination of state government in Lansing. Front Row left to right: Shela Carey, Dana Bock, Denise Anderson, Tammi Faulkner, Kim Lang; 2nd row: Adela Esparza, Shannon Mouton, Mark Kettner, Liz Alkema. Back row: Nicole Curtis, Janet Merriman, Tracy Nead, COLE BURDETT, Tammi Kalkman, Fran Saboo, Nancy Metternick, KERRY COSGROVE, Heidi Blattner, Sheila Nugent, Corrie Wood, Lori Greenwald, LORRAYNE ALTHAUS, Terry Evans, Jon Silvis, John Kwant, Kevin Baker, Amy Seese, Shawn Lowry and Chris Wingeier.

Daley gift, continued

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The five-member committee to administrate the city's portion of the estate has not yet been established other than Dr. Orval McKay who has notified Lowell City Manager Ray Quada that he will accept his appointment as spelled out in the will. Other members of the committee are to be two persons appointed by the city council, one appointed by the Lowell Congregational Church, and a nurse or other professional person appointed by the

above three members of the committee. The organization of a specific committee to administrate the church's

portion of the estate was not spelled out in the will so it is currently being handled by the church board of trustees.

New Mich. Lottery game

The Michigan Lottery is offering a first-run Double Feature for \$1, which started Tuesday, February 16, 1982, with the premier of "Double Feature."

In addition to its motion picture theme the new \$1 instant lottery game has a doubling feature that can make two prize symbols in a prize worth twice as much. Each ticket has a total of six playing spots concealed under the words "Double Feature."

If, after removing the protective coating, three (3) prize amounts match, the

player wins that prize. For example, if the prize amount of \$5,000 appears in three separate spots on the playing surface of the ticket, the player wins \$5,000. If two \$5,000 prize amounts printed in two (2) separate spots match, and a Star is printed in a third spot, the player wins double that prize or \$10,000.

"Double Feature" has approximately 25.8 million tickets and over \$10.3 million in cash prizes. The overall odds of purchasing a winning ticket are approximately one in four (1:3.6).

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Dear friends,
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