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Council grants tax abatements to King & Metric

The Lowell City Council breezed through a sixteen item agenda in less than an hour Monday night. The agenda which had more than seventy pages of supplemental information affixed to it posed little problem for the

councilmembers as they granted two P.A. 198 tax abatements cleared up an easement problem with King Milling Co. and took quick action on a host of other items.

Both the King Milling Co. and

Metric Manufacturing had Public Act 198 tax abatement requests before the council in public hearings Monday night. The Milling Company made their re-

quest for a new 500,000 bushel grain storage bin, grain dryer and support equipment. Metric requested the 50% property tax relief for its new casting operation which is a million dollar plus project involving equipment and a 30' high 80' x 100' building.

Brian Doyle speaking on behalf of the King Milling Co. said that the company had added about 10 new employees since their last P.A. 198 grant in 1975. Two major projects completed since that time had not been asked for tax relief because of a council that was not in favor of the grants. Doyle said that the new storage bin and equipment would provide about four more summer jobs and substantial tax base for the city.

Ron Wells speaking for the Metric Manufacturing Co. said that the new casting plant will cast valve guides for diesel engines that the firm currently buys for machining. Wells said that Metric will be able to cast the four million guides that they machine each year for less money than they are paying now, and at the same time ensure a stable source for the castings. The facility is capable of producing about five times their present need, so the company will now be able to take on much more business, thus providing possi-

bly 30 more jobs. When Metric applied for its first P.A. 198 abatement they employed seventeen people, they now have 29 and the new plant will immediately add 8 to 16 more when it goes into operation.

Speaking for the Lowell Chamber of Commerce, Bob Pfaller, addressed the Council during these public hearings to voice the Chamber's 100% support of the tax abatements. Pfaller, who owns Pfaller's Riverfront Clothing, said that the reorganized Chamber is eager to promote business and industry in the community, and the granting of 198 relief shows that the city government feels the same way.

Following the public hearings the council unanimously granted both requests for the full twelve years allowed by the act. These abatements are for 50% of the property tax that will be added by these projects. Lost revenues to the school system are re-imbursed by the state.

The issue of an easement for King Milling's proposed new storage bin at the corner of Ottawa and Hudson Streets was finally cleared up after being a subject of considerable discussion during the past two council meetings. When King's first storage bin was built at the corner of Broadway and Ottawa

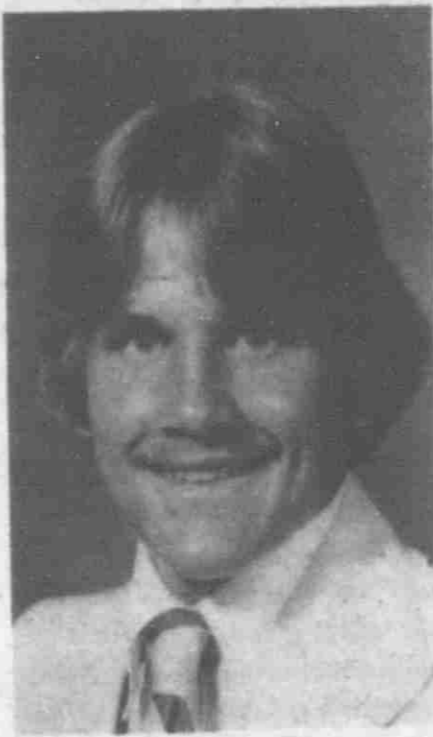
Street, the company's engineers erred by not allowing enough room for the big grain trucks to make a swing onto the unloading facility. A 20' easement along city property to the rear of the Department of Public Works Garage was needed.

City Manager, Ray Quada and King Milling officials finally agreed on a figure of \$3,500 for the easement which should cover any additional costs the city might incur if adding to the D.P.W. garage. The council unanimously approved the bargain.

King Milling Co. was also before the council with a request for zoning variances required before they can construct their new 500,000 bushel storage bin. The matter was reviewed by the city planner, Dennis Larkin of WBDC Architects, Planners and Engineers. Larkin recommended approval of the zoning variances primarily because of the precedents that have already been established in the area with King's other silos and storage bins. The 105' height of the new bin is already surpassed by the 125' tower adjacent to it, and the side and front yard distances are about the same as other King structures and the old Sortex

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Crash claims Lowell man



Craig S. Eley

A Lowell man was killed in a one car accident at about 1:30 A.M. Saturday, August 18. Craig S. Eley, 21, was pronounced dead at the scene as the result of massive head injuries he sustained when thrown from the vehicle. Eley was the driver, and was apparently thrown through an open window as the 1978 station wagon rolled after failing to negotiate the curve on Thornapple River Dr. near Buttrick in Ada.

Eley and a passenger were returning from an evening in Grand Rapids when the accident occurred. The passenger, Gary Ellison, 21, also of Lowell suffered only minor injuries.

Eley was a 1981 graduate of Lowell High School and was a student at Utah State University in Cedar City, Utah. He was home with his family during the summer. Eley's obituary appears in this issue.

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YMCA ANNUAL AUCTION

The Annual Lowell YMCA Auction will be held Saturday, September 15, at 2:00 P.M. at the residence of Jim Corcoran - 925 Flat River Dr. - Lowell, MI Tom Nagy will be the Auctioneer. Clean, usable items may be donated by calling the YMCA, 897-8445 for pick-up service - or dropped off anytime at Corcoran's barn. NO CLOTHES PLEASE!

VOLLEYBALL ENTHUSIAST

Laurie Kuna, Lowell High School's Volleyball Coach was an enthusiastic spectator at the Olympic volleyball finals in Los Angeles recently. Kuna's old chum from Detroit Laurie Flachmeier was one of the silver medalist volleyball players, Kuna waved a banner that read "Laurie Flachmeier, with love from Lowell, Michigan" during the finals at the Long Beach Arena. The U.S. team lost to the China squad to win the second place silver medal. This Olympiad marked the first time a U.S. team had been a factor in women's volleyball.

ATHLETIC BOOSTERS TO MEET

The Lowell Area Schools Athletic Boosters Club will meet Monday, August 27 at 7:30 P.M. The meeting will be held in the K-Quad of the High School (enter through the southwest doors). Parents of Middle School and High School students and ANYONE interested in school athletics are invited to please attend. The Booster Club asks that you "get behind our athletes!"

CORRECTION

Last week's Ledger ran an article about Louis Pocs suffering a heart attack at the wheel and striking a home owned by Joe Speerstra at 826 Lincoln Lake. We have since learned that Pocs' vehicle actually struck the Jeannie Schneider residence next door at 800 Lincoln Lake.

NOTICE DATE CHANGE

The Lowell Area Jaycees Muscular Dystrophy Bike-a-thon has been changed to Saturday September 8, 1984. for more information on how you can participate contact Don Anderson 897-6539. A new 10 speed bike will be given away to the one with the most pledges.

OFF THE BLOTTER

Apprehended for shoplifting by store employees at Lippert Pharmacy Thursday afternoon, August 16, was 12 year old Juvenile Female, from Lowell.

Involved in a property damage accident Friday, August 17 on Main Street at the intersection of Washington was Esther DeRushia, 69, of Lowell. DeRushia made a left turn in front of an oncoming vehicle driven by Beverly Holst, 51, also of Lowell.

Involved in a property damage accident at Main and Hudson Street Thursday evening, August 16 was Bill Nurenborg, 19, of Portland. Nurenborg disregarded the red flasher and struck a car, driven by Sandra Tichelaar, 23, of Lowell.

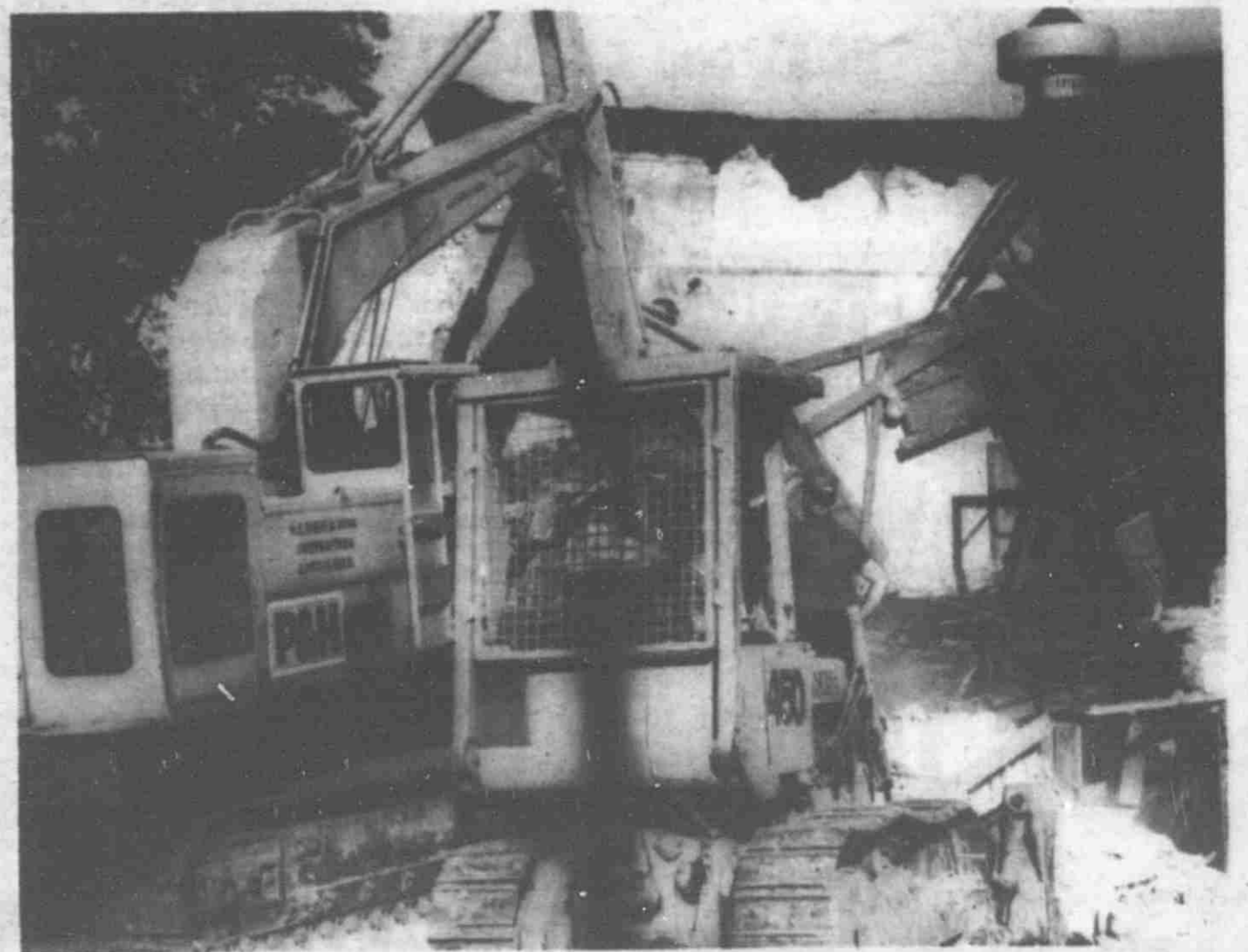
Involved in a property damage accident at Main and Broadway Street Thursday evening, August 9 were Kevin Smith, 31, and Connie Taylor, 37, both of Lowell.

Arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol early Sunday morning, August 19 was Robert Hardy, 27, of Saranac. Hardy will appear in 63rd District Court. Hardy posted a \$100 bond later Sunday morning and was released.

Lowell officers apprehended four run-away Juveniles from a State Institution early Sunday, August 19, all were transferred back to the Ionia County Home by Ionia County Sheriff's Deputies.

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Old warehouse razed



This week's spectator attraction for Lowell's "Sidewalk Superintendents" has been the demolition of the Curtis building at the corner of Broadway and Main Streets. O.E. Bieri and Sons Construction began razing the brick structure Monday morning. By quitting time Tuesday all the walls were down, and all that remained was to haul away some of the debris, fill the hole and grade the lot. The Curtis' have no immediate plans for the site, though we do understand that it is for sale. The building was home to Root-Lowell Corporation until 1968 when they moved into their new plant on Foreman Road. The Curtis' who own several laundries have used the building as a warehouse since then.

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Area students attend Blue Lake Fine Arts camp

Attending Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp during its fourth summer session August 7-19 were two students from the Lowell Area. Those students include Brian C. Carless, Photography major, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Carless - Lowell, MI and Leo Garofalo, band major, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Garofalo - Lowell, MI. Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp is located 15 miles north of Muskegon in the Manistee National Forest and is one of the largest summer schools of the arts in the United States.

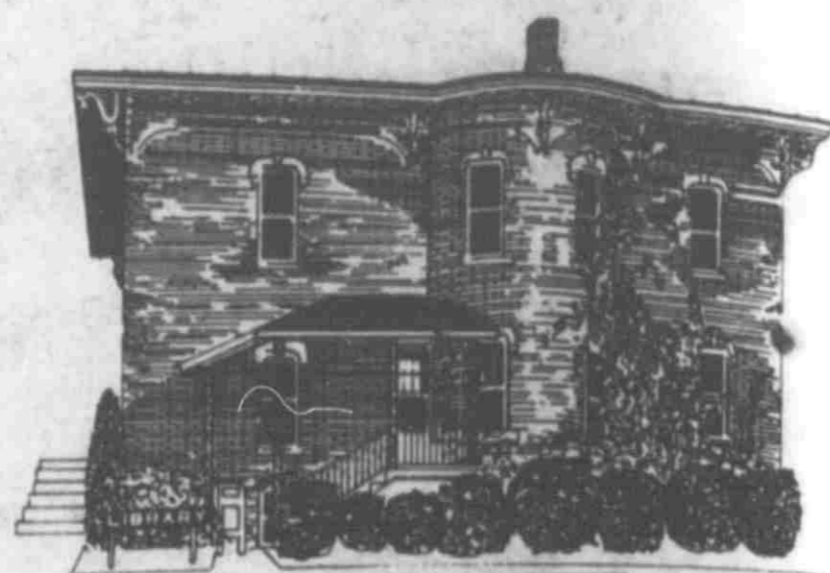
This summer, the camp's 19th season. Blue Lake will host 4,100 elementary through high school students. Last year during the summer season students from 29 states and 16 countries attended Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp. Featured during the fourth season are the Otsu Children's Choir of Japan; Annie Jodry, Parisian violinist; the Kaiserslautern German Band; Birgitta Choir of Sweden; Indianapolis Ballet Theatre and the International Youth Symphony Orchestra. All performances are free of charge.

Honey Creek announces "Country Fair" Sept. 15th

It's "Country Fair" time at Honey Creek Christian Homes of Lowell. This 7th annual "Country Fair" will be held on the grounds of Honey Creek located at 11652 Grand River Avenue (Cascade Road) near Lowell from 11:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. A variety of food, crafts, and activities will be provided for all ages and family members. A public auction will be held from 1:30 to 4:30 P.M. Musical programs scheduled throughout the day will feature the Agape Players from Lake Wales, FL and the Staffmen Quartet of Holland. Campus and cottage tours will be provided. Admission is free. All proceeds from the fair will be used for campus and program needs at Honey Creek.

Honey Creek Christian Homes is a non-profit organization offering residential treatment for boys at the Lowell campus as well as foster home and group home care in the greater West Michigan area. A full list of professional services is offered, including family counseling, and foster care licensure. Presently over 85 children and their families are being served through Honey Creek's program.

Great fun is in store for your entire family Saturday, September 15 at Honey Creek! For further information, call Sharon Kyser, Ruth Lee, or Bill Green at 897-8475.



Cathy Clair, Lowell Branch Library 897-9596
LOOKING FOR MR. GOODBOOK

Summer is always a good time to focus on getting in shape, as well as putting winter resolutions and goals into practice. Some new health and beauty books with a positive and unique approach are: **COLOR ME BEAUTIFUL** by Carole Jackson, a professional color consultant, offers the advice that no matter what kind of clothes you like to wear, right colors can make the difference between looking drab and looking radiant. Using this premise, Jackson presents guidelines for choosing the thirty most flattering shades for each individual color type. In addition, she gives advice on learning to perfect your make-up color, using color to solve specific figure problems, determining the fabrics that are best for you, and saving money by designing a color-coordinated wardrobe for all occasions.

ABOUT FACE by Jeffrey Bruce and Sherry Suib Cohen is a make-up book that presents an unusual approach to skin care and the use of color. The authors take on some tired cosmetic myths and replace them with "a perfectly simple, virtually foolproof approach to loveliness". About Face is written with humor, insight, and common sense. By using famous make-up artists' secrets, the authors show how every woman can give herself a professional, sexy, and classical look in a minimum amount of time.

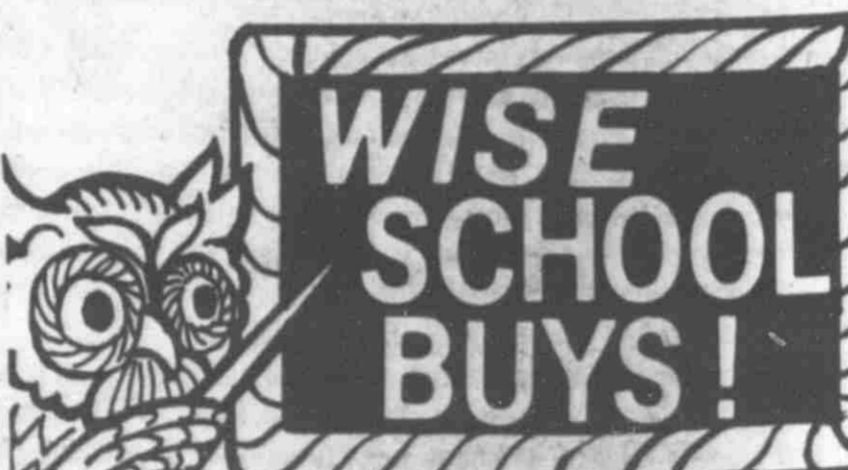
SPORTSBEAUTY by Kathryn Lance, is the new book by the author of **RUNNING FOR HEALTH AND BEAUTY**, and provides practical, useful advice for women athletes. The author focuses on beauty problems which are of special concern to athletes such as the effects of sun and chlorine on eyes, skin, and hair. She realizes that while exercise keeps us fit and healthy - looking, many of the accompaniments of exercise - from weather conditions to excessive sweating - cause side effects that in no way enhance our attractiveness and may in some cases even cause premature aging. Information such as skin and hair care, nutrition and diet planning, as well as the selection of proper clothing is included.

LOOKING GOOD IS THE BEST REVENGE by Linda Stasi is a funny, compassionate, and practical beauty book with a twist, although the standard topics such as diet, exercise, and beauty tips are covered, the focus is geared toward emotional recovery. Stasi offers advice on putting the pieces of a woman's life back together again and facing the future as a stronger and healthier person. She believes that the best revenge is to "make your bad experience into a successful beauty challenge".

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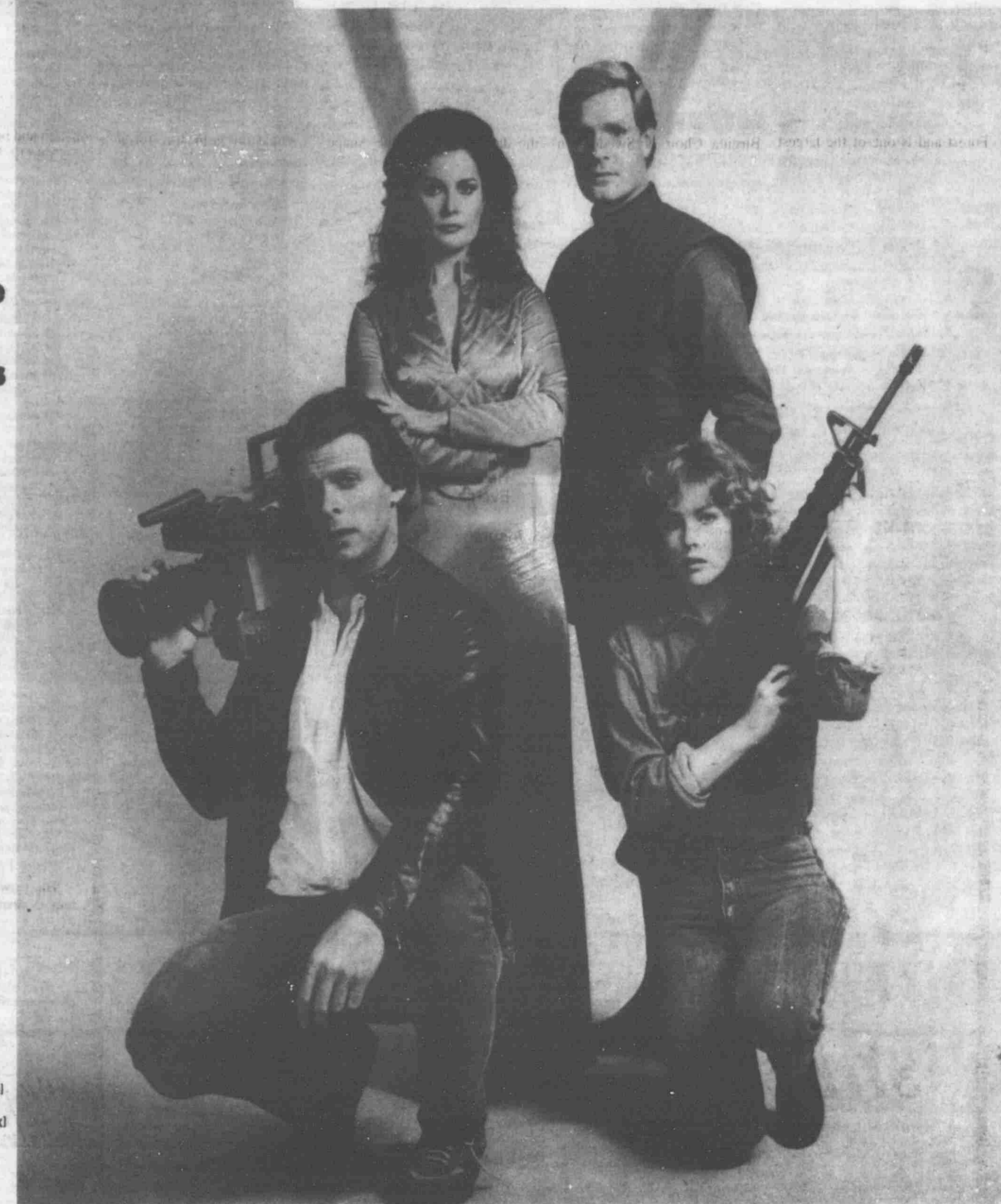
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USA	USA Network	
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WGN	Chicago, IL	
ESPN	Sports Network	
CNN	Cable News Ntwrk	
NICK/ARTS	Nickelodeon	

A TV cameraman (Marc Singer, lower left) and a student (Faye Grant, lower right) are among the leaders of a movement resisting subjugation by a force of humanlike aliens (Jane Badler and Frank Ashmore), in "V," airing Sunday, Aug. 26 and Monday, Aug. 27 on NBC. (Rebroadcast)

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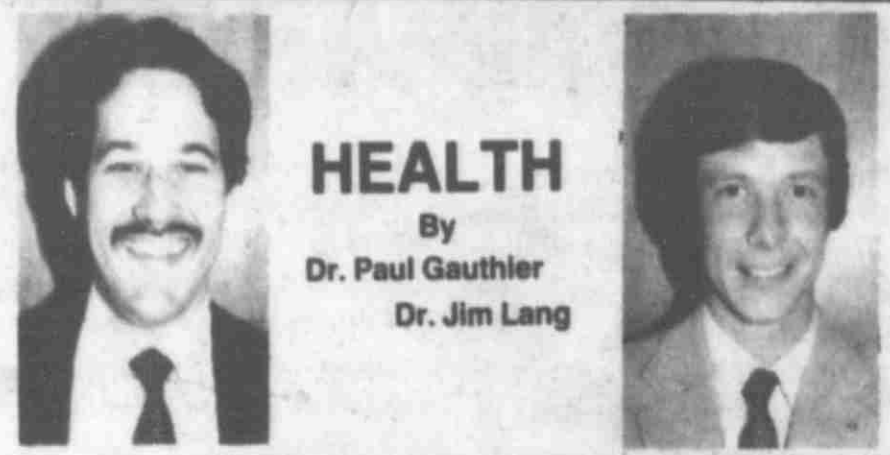
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HEALTH

By Dr. Paul Gauthier and Dr. Jim Lang

HYPERTENSION PART I

Today we begin part one of our discussion of hypertension, or high blood pressure, as it is commonly called.

Blood pressure is measured by a device called a sphygmomanometer. A cuff is placed around the arm and inflated to a pressure high enough to stop blood flow.

Blood pressure is the force exerted against the walls of the arteries. It is absolutely essential to have some blood pressure, as the pressure is needed to get blood to our organs.

When is somebody considered to be hypertensive? Generally a blood pressure greater than 160/90 in most adults is considered high.

In over 90% of the cases, we do not know of a specific cause for elevated blood pressure. For some reason the small muscular arteries seem to contract more vigorously, leading to a build up of pressure.

In less than 10% of the cases a cause may be found. In fewer than 1% the adrenal gland will secrete a substance (adrenalin) into the blood stream which elevates the blood pressure and can cause other symptoms.

Heredity may play a role in hypertension, as studies have shown that children with hypertensive parents have a greater chance of developing high blood pressure later on.

Current recommendations are: for persons without regular contact with the medical care system, blood pressures should be checked at least every two years.

According to a United Nations study, Europe's stained glass treasures are among the latest victims of acid rain, report National Wildlife magazine.

Although bats are often seen as omens of evil in the United States, in China bats are considered bearers of good luck, happiness and long life, says International Wildlife magazine.

The average red-blooded American male has from 4.6 to 6.2 million red blood cells per cubic centimeter. The average woman has 4.2 to 5.4

Bus Routes Continued

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KENT COUNTY BUDGET HEARING

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Please take notice that the Finance Committee and the Personnel, Safety and Social Services Committee of the Board of Commissioners for Kent County will hold a Public Hearing on the proposed revenue sharing budget as part of the Public Hearing on the proposed budget of Kent County on September 5, 1984 at 9:00 a.m.

COUNTY OF KENT, MICHIGAN BUDGET SUMMARY BY MAJOR FUNCTION

Table with 6 columns: FUND NUMBER, GROSS REQUIREMENTS, REVENUE SHARING, GENERAL OPERATING, CASH AND/OR REVENUES, NET REQUIREMENTS. Includes sections for Legislative, Judicial, Staff Agencies, Public Safety, Public Welfare, Health, and Library.

Signed MAURICE J. DeJONGE Clerk of Kent County Board of Commissioners

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Klein professional rodeo held in Sparta

This year's Klein Professional Rodeo to be held over the Labor Day weekend (Sept. 1-2-3) is going to be spiced with more than 200 cowboys, cowgirls, live musical entertainment, an evening outdoor concert and arena dance and a big colorful opening parade.

As for the past 39 years, the site for the big holiday weekend Western spectacle is the Rodeo Grounds, located at M-37 and 13-Mile Road, near Sparta. The daily seven event program starts at 2 P.M.

AAA workshops promote pedestrian and bike safety

To reduce Michigan pedestrian and bicycle fatalities -- a major cause of death among school-aged youngsters -- the Automobile Club of Michigan is holding a series of statewide workshops as part of its "School's Open -- Drive Carefully" campaign.

Parents also can help ensure their children's safety by teaching them the proper procedures for crossing streets. "Special attention should be given to the 142,733 students statewide who will be attending elementary school for the first time," Cullen said.

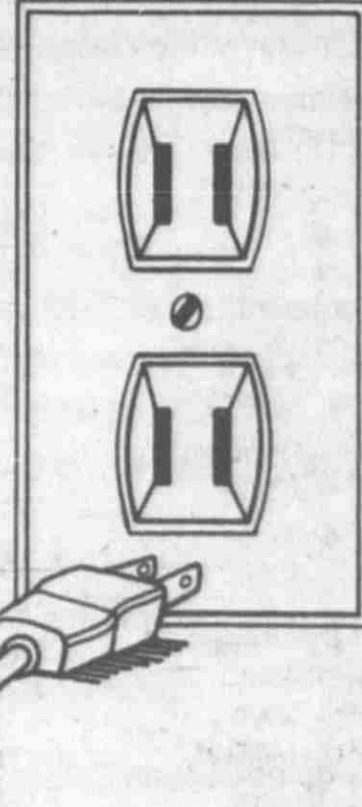


Catcher Lance Parrish, a big hit in Detroit's Tiger Stadium, asks motorists to remember the "School's Open -- Drive Carefully" safety advice of the Automobile Club of Michigan.

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- Safety rules which parents should review with school-aged children include: -- Cross only at intersections. -- Look in all directions before crossing streets and watch for cars turning on green lights or making legal turns on red lights.

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Tax abatements, continued . . .

building across the street. Quada said that Larkin recommended some plantings near the storage bin, not in an attempt to screen the mammoth structure, but to "spruce up the area". In his report Larkin also noted problems of truck traffic in the area during wheat harvest and the lack of off-street parking for King employees. Brian Doyle said that the company has taken several steps over the years to streamline truck unloading, and will continue to keep the traffic problem as minimal as possible. He said that

even though there is a much greater volume now than in years past, there is no longer a problem of trucks backed up on Main Street. King Doyle addressed the off-street parking question, and said that he had frankly never given it much thought, as both he and his brother Mike walk to work each day. King said that they had attempted to purchase some property in the area for parking, and that they currently have a parcel that could be developed into off-street parking. He promised to look into the

matter.

The council went on to unanimously approve the variance requests.

The council also voted to have several city streets primed and seal coated. The streets that will be resurfaced are N. Division from Avery to Grindle, Grindle from James to the City Limits and Church from Main to Sibley. Quada said that he may schedule in some other short sections of streets while the paving company is in the city. Any additional paving will also require

council approval.

Quada presented the council with a proposed new condemnation ordinance for their review. The new ordinance will come before the council in a public hearing at a future date. The council's action in the recent condemnation of the Curtis building at the corner of Main and Broadway and the Blackhawk property at the corner of Main and Horatio Streets prompted the revision of the ordinance.

New absence policy at High School

The Lowell Board of Education has approved a new high school attendance policy to go into effect for the 1984-85 school year. The new policy will limit the number of days absent in a class before loss of credit will occur.

According to James De Weerd, Assistant Principal, students that exceed 14 absences per semester in a class will be notified of their loss of credit in

that class. DeWeerd stated that the policy will affect only about 5% of the student body. Students that have extenuating circumstances such as extended illness and under Dr.'s care or hospitalization have the right to appeal for an extension of absences.

Dr. Fritz Esch, Lowell Superintendent, stated, "Research shows that regular attendance is important to academic success. There is no substitute for classroom time."

Parents will be notified when their child reaches their 6th and 10th absence. "We hope this referral policy will improve the communication lines between the school and the home", DeWeerd said. "We feel attendance is extremely important and want to do all we can to insure a more positive attendance record."

The high school will be using a new computerized attendance system this fall which will help to keep better records of each student.

Also beginning this fall, parents of high school students are asked to call in all student absences.

Parents are to call the attendance office (897-9202) between 7:30 A.M. and 4:30 P.M. the day a student is absent or, the day following the absence. An absence will be considered unexcused if the attendance office does not receive a call from the parent before 4:30 P.M. of the day following the absence. Only a parent or legal guardian can validate the reason for a student's absence.

Since parental contact is viewed as a very important part in helping students develop good attendance habits, all communications must be made by phone. Written excuses will not be acceptable.

All unexcused absences will be viewed as potential unexcused/unexplained absences subject to detention or suspension.

Another policy change is that students will not be allowed to bring any pop cans or bottles into school according to Richard Korb, Principal. "In order to help with health and sanitation problems, we are eliminating the entrance of pop bottles. Students often store bottles in their locker and draw ants or cause broken glass in the hallway. Another problem of pop cans and bottles is the difficulty of controlling illegal substances in the building."


At one time or another, beavers have probably changed almost every watershed on North America, reports National Wildlife magazine. For example, a 1960 excavation down to bedrock revealed the area now called Boston Common was created by busy beavers.

Barnacle shells adhere to virtually any surface not poisonous or mucus-covered. They even stick to Teflon, says National Wildlife magazine. About the only deterrent ships can use to keep barnacles off their hulls is highly toxic copper or tin-based paints. Even with this protection, most salt-water vessels must be hauled and scraped every year or two.

Scientists at the University of California believe the sun may have a companion star that passes so close to the Earth every 28 million years that it could destroy all life on this planet, reports International Wildlife magazine. Don't worry. The death star isn't due until 15 million A.D.


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