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FORTY-SECOND YEAR

LOWELL, MICHIGAN, THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 1935

NO. 42

VOTE NEXT MONDAY

NEXT MONDAY occurs the annual village election. There is but one ticket in the field and for this reason many voters are apt to think that going to the polls at such a time is of no importance.

TAX PUBLICITY

A CHORUS of complaint rises against the provision of the federal income tax law which makes public the leading figures of these tax returns. It is declared that this plan will encourage curious prying to see what people's neighbors are paying, that taxpayers will be pestered by people who scrutinize these returns to see who would be able to buy things, and that crooked and criminal people will look to these returns to find out whom they can prey upon.

WASHINGTON CAN'T DO ALL

REV. DR. Harry Emerson Fosdick, noted radio preacher, warned his New York congregation the other Sunday against the tendency to centralize government in Washington. He hopes that such a centralizing government will solve all problems, but he said that this is not realistic. He said that the federal government is having to exercise a vast amount of power over industry and relief problems, and people differ as to how far this is necessary or desirable.

INDEPENDENCE OF THE PRESS

WALTER LIPPMANN, eminent newspaper writer, on whom the degree of Doctor of Laws was recently conferred by George Washington university, spoke at this occasion on the independence of the press. He noted that the liberties of the press are guaranteed by the laws, but that freedom depends on something more than laws.

Strand Calendar

Thursday, Mar. 7, "Wicked Woman," Mandy Christians, Jean Parker; also Bank Night, 8:30. Friday and Saturday, Mar. 8, "Rumba," George Raft, Marg, Carole Lombard. Sunday and Monday, Mar. 10-11, "Imitation of Life," Claudette Colbert, Warren William, Rochelle Hudson, Henry Armetta, Ned Sparks, Baby Jane. Tuesday and Wednesday, Mar. 12-13, "Silver Street," Sally Blane, Charles Starrett; also "Mystery Mountain," No. 9. Thursday, Mar. 14, "Gay Bride," Carole Lombard, Chester Morris, Zasu Pitts, Nat Pendleton, Leo Carrillo; also Bank Night.

DIES IN FLORIDA

H. O. Joseph, brother of Mrs. Earl Nash of Lowell, died Sunday, Mar. 3, at Lake Worth, Fla. Mr. Joseph had been spending his winters in Florida since his retirement from active business. He was raised in this community but for forty years preceding his retirement he was engaged in the brick business in Grand Rapids. The body will be brought to Grand Rapids for burial, with services being held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Burton Springs funeral parlors.

MEN TO SERVE BREAKFAST

Members and friends are cordially invited to attend the Men's Breakfast at the Lowell Congregational church on Sunday, Mar. 10, at 8:30 a. m. The guest speaker will be Dr. Stephen A. Lloyd. Free will offering.

REPORT SHOWS ADDITIONS TO TOWN'S ASSETS

ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF VILLAGE GIVEN IN THIS ISSUE REVEALS MANY FACTS OF INTEREST TO THE TAXPAYER

The annual financial statement for the village of Lowell for the fiscal year ending February 15, 1935 will be found on page seven of this issue. The report, prepared by Clerk O. J. Brezina, goes into minute details on the town's financial matters. Some of the highlights of the report reveal the following facts:

During the year, the liabilities have been reduced to the amount of \$9,081.12 and a total of \$14,688.61 has been expended for permanent improvements as follows: Light and power equipment, \$2,707.86; new pump, \$2,120.05; village sewers, \$9,847.00. The acquisition of the new pump mentioned above is worthy of special mention for the reason that it aids materially in the maintenance of the town's water supply. With this pump the reservoir can be filled in 45 minutes, whereas with the old pump over two and a half hours of time were required.

The cash on hand at the close of the fiscal year was \$8,889.11. Early in the year the council adopted the business-like method of setting aside \$1,000 monthly for the retirement of bonds, and at the time of this report there remained \$6,000 in actual cash in this fund. On June 1st \$9,000 in bonds will become due and the city will have the money to pay them. By the middle of the coming year the council plans to increase the amount to be set aside in the sinking fund to meet bonds as they come due to approximately \$1,500 a month.

The village also has in another fund the sum of \$2,097.97 which was received from the state as a portion of the weight tax money, and the council will have this sum for use this year for street and road improvement purposes within the village. Under the law, this money can be used only for such purposes.

The net profit in the light and power department was \$14,591.27, in the water works, \$1,433.65. The village street lighting was carried at the same cost as last year but the lights were left on all night instead of cutting them off at midnight as formerly.

The total bonded indebtedness of the village at the close of the fiscal year was \$84,900.00, which is \$6,000 less than one year ago. During the year the indebtedness on the Deisel engine was reduced by \$4,793.28, leaving a balance due on the engine of \$30,357.44.

The net worth of the village property is shown to be \$384,992.46. The village is now operating on a cash basis for light and water and, as a consequence of this policy, the village is working under a sound financial plan. This is illustrated by stating that the month of January this year collections were 100 per cent. Beginning with January of this year, the council made a material reduction in electric light rates, which over the year will result in savings to each consumer of electricity.

Dr. Stephen A. Lloyd At Cong. Church

Sunday will mean an unique experience for the Fellowship of the Lowell Congregational church. Dr. Stephen A. Lloyd, superintendent of the Michigan Congregational Conference, will begin the program with a meeting of all trustees and deacons on Saturday evening at 8 o'clock at the parsonage. He will speak at the men's breakfast at the parish house on Sunday at 8:30 a. m. and at worship service at the church at 11:30 a. m.

Seats Yet Available For Russian Ballet

Appearing in western Michigan for the first time, the picturesque Russian ballets and dance dramas, C. W. deBasil's Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo will give three numbers at the Grand Rapids Civic Auditorium on Monday evening, Mar. 11, at 8:30, as the last number of the 1935 season of the East Church Concert Course. Their North American season opened this year with a stop in Mexico City, from there to California and the far west. After appearing at all the large western cities, they gave a return appearance in Chicago, and after Grand Rapids, thence on to New York. For their local appearance the Monte Carlo ballet will dance "Les Sylphides," "Le Beau Danube" and "Union Pacific."

MRS. HIRAM JOHNSON PASSES

The Ledger extends its sympathy to Editor Hiram T. Johnson of the Saranac Advertiser in the death of his wife, which occurred last Friday. Funeral services were held Sunday and burial was in the Saranac cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson came to Saranac 54 years ago and shortly afterwards Hiram became publisher of The Advertiser, which paper he has published continuously since. Besides the husband, Mrs. Johnson is survived by a son, Norton of Saranac and a daughter, Mrs. Nettie Stark of Iowa. Many friends unite in extending their sincere sympathy to the bereaved family.

Registration Notice

TOWNSHIP OF LOWELL To the qualified electors of the Township of Lowell, County of Kent, State of Michigan: Notice is hereby given that I will be at the office of the Lowell-Tp. clerk, in the Village of Lowell daily, except Sunday, beginning Tuesday, Mar. 12, 1935 and ending Saturday, Mar. 23, 1935, for the purpose of entering for registration those electors duly qualified to vote at the Biennial Spring Election and Annual Township election to be held Monday, April 1st, 1935. ELMER S. WHITE, Clerk of Lowell-Tp.

Along Main St.

W. E. Hall, local cream buyer and implement dealer, has engaged the services of Frank Howk. Mr. Howk, who is well and favorably known in this community, began his new duties this week.

The new neon sign on top of the 122-ft. grain tower at the King mill is now in operation. When first lighted last Tuesday the village got quite a thrill out of its clear cut red letters against the black sky.

Main-st. was represented at the Republican state convention in Detroit last week by Messrs. C. H. Runciman, M. N. Henry, W. W. Gunser and N. E. Borgerson. Mr. Gunser was honored by being selected as secretary of the Resolutions Committee.

The Lowell-Tp. Republican caucus is being held at the city hall this Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, but we go to press before the making of the nominations. The Lowell-Tp. Democratic caucus will be held at the same place Saturday afternoon at 2:30.

Conversation overheard this morning at Christiansen's: Ruby—"I had a funny dream last night. I thought I was Greta Garbo." Esther—"Well, do tell." Ruby—"Yes, and my feet were so enlarged this morning that I couldn't get my shoes on."

Esther (Well just at this point Esther faints).

The work of remodeling the Coons clothing store which has been under way for the past two or three weeks is now completed and the interior presents a most inviting appearance. The walls and ceilings have been repainted, modern electric lighting fixtures installed and new maple flooring laid the full length of the store.

Upwards of 100 agents of the State Mutual Fire Insurance Company will meet in Lowell on Thursday, Mar. 28, for their annual business meeting. President W. V. Burras announces that the Hon. Artemus Myers of Indiana,apolis, Ind., will deliver the principal address at the meeting. The company holds five other meetings for its agents at convenient points throughout the state.

Township Treasurer William VanVorst has completed collections for the 1934 tax and has turned the township roll over to the county treasurer. Of the total amount spread for collection, \$30,677, Mr. VanVorst collected 75.7 per cent. All unpaid taxes must now be paid to the county treasurer. Mr. VanVorst will continue to collect on the dog tax until Saturday night of this week.

Lawrence Brunson, bridge engineer for the Kent County Road Commission, was in Lowell the latter part of the week examining the east bridge over Grand River. Last year the piers on this bridge were repaired and Mr. Brunson stated to The Ledger that if the cost is found not to be too excessive, the commission will this year strengthen the present trusses and add a new floor system so that the bridge, when completed, will be capable of sustaining the maximum loading of 18,000 lbs. on one axle. If the improvements mentioned are decided upon by the commission, the work will be started in the early spring.

Light Demand Here For New Baby Bonds

The United States Government, through its Post Offices, is now offering tax free Savings Bonds, in denominations of \$25.00, \$50.00, \$100.00, \$500.00 and \$1,000.00, maturing in ten years. \$25.00 bond costs \$18.75; \$50.00 bond costs \$37.50; \$100.00 bond costs \$75.00; \$500.00 bond costs \$375.00; \$1,000.00 bond costs \$750.00. These bonds are protected against loss or destruction by registering the purchaser's name on the books of the United States Treasury.

Full particulars regarding this new form of government security may be obtained at any postoffice. The new bonds went on sale last Thursday at the Lowell postoffice but thus far the demand has not been great. By Monday noon applications for two bonds had been received. In Detroit the demand for bonds has been good, the postmaster there finding it necessary to re-order from Washington.

Cows Are Bringing Good Sale Prices

Auctioneer A. W. Hilzey of Dutton, in town Tuesday, reported that cows continue to bring good prices. At a sale at Lake Odessa a few days ago a nine-year-old Registered Guernsey cow sold for \$125.00. At the Martin Dairymen's sale at Byron Center three yearling cows sold for \$60.00 each and two three-month-old calves for \$38.00 and \$36.00 each. At Reuben Heintzelman's sale in McGrods Saturday a Jersey grade cow sold for \$70.00.

State Game Farm Uses Incubators

Approximately 20,000 pheasant eggs will be distributed again this year to individuals and organizations of Michigan desiring to rear and release pheasants. Eggs will be distributed free of charge from the state game farm near Mason. Incubator hatching, which was successfully experimented with here last year at the Foreman Poultry farm, will be used this year at the Mason game farm for the hatching of pheasant eggs. The young pheasants reared from incubator-hatched eggs will be retained to serve as breeding stock and for release in various parts of the pheasant range where food and cover conditions are favorable. Special consideration will be given to neighborhoods where systematic efforts are being made to assist the stock of wild birds. Pheasant egg applications and instruction booklets for the handling of eggs and birds may be obtained directly from the Game Division or through local conservation officers.

SNOW AND ICE BRING MENACE OF HIGH WATER

BIG SNOWFALL OF ONE WEEK AGO AND SUNDAY NIGHT'S SLEET STORM CAUSE RIVERS TO RISE RAPIDLY—THINK HIGH POINT REACHED

One of the worst sleet storms in years hit this section last Sunday night and the next morning found the highways a veritable glare of ice. It was next impossible for pedestrians to keep their footing and, what with automobiles slewing beyond control, there was not much traffic except where sanding had been done on the main highways. The sleet storm was a week to a day after the big snowfall.

Floods have thus far been averted in this section due to a friendly sun and the gradual melting of the snow and ice in the rivers. The electrical display fountain in Flat river near the bridge was carried away from its foundation by high water Tuesday night. Out of this catastrophe (?) no doubt will grow a more brilliant fountain in a location that will lend enchantment to the view.

It was necessary for a crew from the King Milling Company to watch the water gates all Tuesday night and keep them free of ice. The mill has been obliged to close down temporarily, due to the high water, but it is expected that the mill will be able to resume operations within a day or two as Mr. Charles Doyle of the Milling Co. thinks the high water point has been reached and that the water will soon begin to subside.

At Fallsburg Park Flat river has overflowed up to the high banks and in places ice has accumulated to a height of several feet. The entire athletic field has been covered with water to a depth of five feet or more, but at this writing all of the footbridges remain intact.

On some of the gravel roads veritable gullies have been washed across roadways in many places and considerable repair work will be necessary, as a consequence.

A blinding blizzard is in progress and snow is again piling up on the highways. Should the storm continue unabated for a day or so rising waters in the river might cause more or less damage.

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WELCOME, Sweet Harbinger of Spring—by A. B. Chapin



Ketcham to Speak At Livestock Meet

Judging from interest being manifested by owners of livestock in this section, it seems certain that the annual meeting of the Lowell Livestock Association, which is to be held at the Lowell city hall next week Wednesday evening, Mar. 13, will be largely attended. In fact, it would not be at all surprising if as many as 250 farmers will be found seated at the tables when the serving of supper is started, which will be promptly at seven o'clock.

Matters of interest to every farmer will come up for discussion and the Hon. John C. Ketcham, former master of the Michigan State Grange and a member of the committee on agriculture while serving in Congress, will deliver the address of the evening. Mr. Ketcham always has a message of importance for his farmer friends and all will wish to avail themselves of this opportunity to hear him. The supper will be free to all farmers attending.

Swarthout, Beahan Carry First Honors

The oratorical contest held at the high school Wednesday afternoon was won by Glendon Swarthout while Hugh Beahan and Sarah Bannan won first and second places respectively in the declamatory contest. All the contestants did very well and the task of choosing the winners was made a difficulty for Rev. Wenger, Mrs. Gottfredsen and Lee R. Miller, who acted as judges. The other contestants participating in the oratorical contest were Letta Frost and Beatrice Yeiter. The others taking part in the declamatory contest were Eva Johnson, Beth Burdick and Dale Ford. Over 100 pupils participated in the preliminary contests and those mentioned above won the honor to represent their classes.

Lynn H. Clark Wins School Nomination

Lynn H. Clark won the Republican nomination for school commissioner for Kent County in Monday's primary election. Clark, who was at one time a principal in the Lowell schools, was victor in a field of five candidates. The successful candidates for the circuit benches in Kent County were the present incumbents, Judges Verrier, Perkins and Brown.

Auction Sales

H. L. Fitzsimmons, Mar. 16 An auction sale will be held Saturday, Mar. 16, at one o'clock at the Smith farm in Alaska. The list includes 14 head of Guernsey and Jersey milk cows, five head of horses, a pair of mules and tools and farm machinery. H. L. Fitzsimmons, Prop. N. C. Thomas, auctioneer. 42-43

BARGAINS ON OVERCOATS

We have about 20 Winter Overcoats which can be bought at bargain prices rather than pack them away. Coons.

Caucus Notices

Lowell-Tp. Democratic Caucus The Democratic caucus for Lowell-Tp. will be held at the Lowell city hall Saturday, Mar. 9, 1935, at 2:30 p. m., for the purpose of placing in nomination the following officers: One supervisor, one clerk, one treasurer, one justice of the peace, full term; one highway commissioner, one highway overseer, one member board of review, four constables, and for transaction of such other business as may come before the caucus. By order of the Committee.

Bowne-Tp. Democratic Caucus

A Democratic caucus will be held in Bowne township hall Friday evening, Mar. 8, 1935, at 8:00 o'clock, for the purpose of nominating candidates for the several township offices. By Order of Committee.

Cutler PTA Postponed

There will be no PTA meeting at Cutler school Friday evening, Mar. 8, on account of so much pink eye. This meeting will be held at a later date. Mary Potter, Publicity Chirman.

Council Considering Various Fire Trucks

The proposed purchase of an additional fire truck for the village brought forth spirited discussion among council members at last Monday night's regular meeting. Two of the members waxed warm in their declaration that the village could not afford to make the purchase at this time, while other members were of the opinion that the purchase should be made in order to augment the town's fire fighting facilities. Three or four representatives of manufacturers of centrifugal pumps were present and explained the virtues of their respective products. Further consideration of the matter has been postponed for two weeks in order to give the council further time for consideration, also to inspect various pumps in use in nearby towns.

Native of Lowell Dies in Gd. Rapids

Miss Nora M. Husted, 63, a native of Lowell, passed away on Tuesday afternoon at her home in Grand Rapids after a several months' illness. Miss Husted was the daughter of the late N. P. Husted, who conducted a nursery in Lowell for a number of years. She was born here June 24, 1871 and moved to Grand Rapids at the age of 14. With her mother, Mrs. J. C. Parr, and a sister, Elizabeth, she founded the Sempray Jovenoy Co., nationally known manufacturers of beauty preparations. At the time of her death Miss Husted was president and general manager of the company. Surviving are her sister, Elizabeth Husted of Grand Rapids and two brothers, Dr. J. W. Husted of Detroit and Otto of Grand Rapids. Her mother died in 1920.

Funeral services will be held

Funeral services will be held Friday morning at 9 o'clock at St. Mary's church, Grand Rapids. Interment in Mt. Calvary cemetery.

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CAMPAIN FOR BETTER HOMES STARTED HERE

FEDERAL HOUSING ACT MAKES IT EASY FOR TOWN AND COUNTRY HOME OWNERS TO MAKE NEEDED REPAIRS

Lowell is to have a city-wide modernization and improvement campaign as part of the National Better Housing Program sponsored by the Federal Housing Administration. W. V. Burras, president of the Lowell Board of Trade, has received official appointment as chairman of the campaign here and in the surrounding territory. The appointment was made by Raymond Foley, director of the Federal Housing program for Michigan.

Details were fully explained by Mr. L. E. Chapman, field representative for Michigan, at a largely attended meeting of the Lowell Board of Trade held at Richmond's Tavern last Friday evening. Mr. Chapman told how the Federal government had arranged matters so that money for improvements could be obtained at a low rate of interest. The loans are arranged through banks, or may be financed by wholesalers. Money may be borrowed for the improvement of both town and rural homes. Under the Federal act almost anything in the way of permanent improvement may be made, such as remodeling, reconditioning, heating, plumbing and electrical installations, re-roofing, repainting, new floor coverings, etc. Rural improvements mentioned above and many more, such as silo construction, new fencing, etc.

Mr. Chapman used moving pictures showing exteriors and interiors before and after improvements were made in order to illustrate the wide range of reconditioning and remodeling under the housing program.

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Additional Entries

THE GOING TO WORK SPIRIT
SOME PEOPLE come down to breakfast every morning in a grouchy spirit. They can't speak to the family without nearly snapping somebody's head off. They act as if their work, whatever it is, is the same black mood. They get as if work was a curse instead of the best blessing given to man. Folks that type are not apt to last long in the business world.

People ought to go to work mornings with a spirit of enthusiasm a smile on their face, a cheerful word for everyone they meet. This is the usual attitude in the business places of Lowell and everywhere. People will go some distance to trade with a person who has this buoyant air of enjoying his work. They feel there is an advantage in dealing with such a person.

THE NEEDS OF THE PUBLIC

PEOPLE HAVE often succeeded in business as the result of keeping their eyes and ears open to learn what the public needed. They were always talking with their neighbors about the practical affairs of life. They would hear a complaint that some product which the people were using was unsatisfactory and would find out what the trouble was and make it their business to study how it could be improved, or where they could obtain the best article.

Then they would offer the public such an improved article which they had made or purchased, and would inform the public how that difficulty had been solved. Purchasers would be glad to store, or order of their salesmen, and their enterprise and original observation would be rewarded.

BOARD ADVISES ADVERTISING

THE HOME LOAN BANK Board recommends that the Federal Savings and Loan Association use newspaper advertising in its advertising campaign. The board of directors of the association has advised that newspaper advertising is the most effective and economical way to reach the public.

Remember When

In summer the old horse-drawn springing wagon with its long handle and its heavy wooden barrel-shaped tank and metal sprinkling device fastened on behind, and the bus were used daily on the unpaved streets of Lowell, bumping over the plank and stone curbs. The bus would draw to a stop before the old dame who sat on East Main St., the hotel front, at the edge of which stood the old wooden town pump and watering trough.

Remember When

When Mr. Parker, one of the old-time pioneers of this vicinity, died at the home of his son, George M. Parker, in this village, at the age of 85 years.

Remember When

March 6, 1900-35 Years Ago
Charles D. Blackwell was stricken with paralysis.

Moseley-Murray Lake

Alton Community Club News
Charles Murray Lake meets this Friday evening, March 8, a play, "A Bit of Gossip," will be given by a group of young people. Also a number by the choir. He there to enjoy the home talent as well as let them know we appreciate their efforts in doing for the community.

Council Proceedings

VILLAGE OF LOWELL (Official)
Regular meeting of the Common Council of the Village of Lowell held in the council rooms Monday, Feb. 28, 1935.

General Fund

American Surety Co.	56.25
Lowell Library	100.00
High Bell Tel. Co.	3.72
Fire Dept.	38.00
Fred Grammer	34.63
W. C. Brezina	34.90
L. L. P. Plant	2.10
L. L. P. Plant	14.47
Mr. Racine	50.00
Total	800.61

Water Works Fund

Western Union	30.00
The Lowell Ledger	3.75
Neptune Meter Co.	6.52
W. S. Heathland	1.25
Total	25.43

Street Fund

Queen Court Co.	44.75
Fred Grammer	21.00
L. A. Tanner	18.80
Lowell Lib. Supp.	12.54
Fred Grammer	6.30
Fred Fahrni	21.80
L. A. Tanner	18.80
Total	137.80

Light and Power

Home's Market	1.18
Keene Township	58.65
Mich. Bell Tel. Co.	3.17
Lowell Journal	3.25
The Lowell Ledger	3.75
Westinghouse Electric	14.82
Apex Electric Co.	6.72
W. C. Brezina	6.50
G. E. Supply Co.	80.20
Gen. Elec. Sup. Corp.	43.98
Lowell Lib. Supp.	12.54
Lowell Mfg. Co.	3.85
J. J. McMahon	124.82
James McMahon	64.80
Paul Sinclair	53.46
Yale Chatterton	45.36
Ed. Bauer	49.50
Byrne McMahon	49.50
John Woodhead	12.38
Kittie Charles	12.38
Herry DeVine	36.00
John Woodhead	12.38
Ray Ingersoll	32.40
Total	876.80

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South Lowell

By Mrs. Charles Yetter
Miss Evelyn Cray of near Freeport is spending some time with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Yetter.

Grove Lake

By Mrs. H. L. Cozer
The discussion "Township Unit School System" at the school house last Friday evening proved to be very interesting.

Moseley-Murray Lake Locals

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Ehart and family were in Grand Rapids last Wednesday where Mr. Fritz purchased a span of horses. Every Road house in the town of Zeeland Saturday with his truck.

Alton - Vergennes

By Mrs. Olive Condon
Mr. and Mrs. Leon Ford of Elyria were week end guests of their mother and Mr. Dorus Ford.

Vergennes Center

By N. E. E.
Mrs. M. B. McPherson returned home Friday from a two week visit with friends in Zeeland.

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West Lowell

By Mrs. Helen Cozer
Mrs. Gabe Onan spent Friday with her mother, Mrs. Helen Reynolds.

Mapes District

By Mrs. Bazie Hunter
Mrs. Ernest Aldrich and children were in Grand Rapids Saturday evening.

Fallsburg & Vicinity

By Mrs. Wesley Miller
Mr. and Mrs. Harold Stenhouse called on the home of Ed Stauffer last Sunday.

Village Election

Notice is hereby given to the Qualified Electors of the Village of Lowell, (Precinct No. 1), State of Michigan, that the next regular Village Election will be held at Lowell City Hall, within said village, on Monday, March 11, A. D. 1935, at which election the following village officers are to be elected:

LaBarge Ripples

By Mrs. Vera Lovin
Mr. and Mrs. John Raab and family, Edridge Tupper and family, Miss Joppy of Grand Rapids, the late Mrs. J. W. Dewson and family Sunday afternoon.

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Topcoat Special

\$15.75
Outstanding in quality, in service and in value.
For younger men, belt-all-around coats of polo cloth or other soft nature fabric.
New check patterns and rich, plain shades. Single and double breasted.
Stylish—Swagger—Smart.
Tweed Topcoats [all wool] \$10
Rocklyn Fleeces \$22.75

The Homes of a Michigan Citizen

LET us examine him on several points that distinguish a good citizen from a bad one:
Does he pay his taxes? ... During the past ten years he has paid a total of \$32,532.175 in taxes into State and Federal funds. Last year he paid \$2,670.87 to Michigan.

MICHIGAN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY

Each year he buys good quantities of building material—copper and furniture.

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This and That From Around the Old Town

Mrs. Wm. Pullen is spending to-day in Grand Rapids with Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Henry were in Lansing on business Wednesday.

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CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

ZION M. E. CHURCH
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SPECIALS

Buy at Christiansen's and Save

Marrow Oil Shampoo, 60c size	42c
Vick's Vapo Rub, 35c size	27c
Box 50 Haliver Oil Capsules, \$1.00 value	89c
Petrolagar, All Numbers, \$1.20 size	89c
Super D Cod Liver Oil, \$1.50 size	\$1.10
Super D Cod Liver Oil, \$1.00 size	69c
Italian Balm with Dispenser, \$1.25 value	59c

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Weaver's Food Market

VEAL - CHOICE YOUNG LOCAL - VEAL

Veal Shoulder Roast . lb. 15c

Beef Pot Roast lb. 15c | Fresh Side Pk. lb. 23c

Veal Rib Chops Choice Snowwhite veal. lb. 19c

Veal Breast . lb. 12c | Fresh Hamburg lb. 15c

Boneless Smoked Ham Rolled and Tied. lb. 27c

- Oranges SUNKIST 288 size dozen 29c
- CELERY stalk 6c
- Rutabagas Canadian 3 lbs. 10c
- Texas Grapefruit each 5c
- Hd. Lettuce Large Heads 2 for 15c
- Oval Sardines VanCamp's 10c
- Sardines Sea Lion 3 1/2 oz., each 5c
- Macaroni or Spaghetti Bulk lb. 7c
- Cream Cheese lb. 21c
- Wax Beans Green No. 2 Can 10c

Oxydol With one bar Lava Soap Free 23c

The recent discovery in Alaska of the skeletons of a giant Kodiak bear and a hunter lying near each other recalls the famous Devereaux Lake incident near Cheboygan, Mich., years ago, in which the bodies of a man and a bear were found, each the victim of his opponent in a terrible battle in the woods. The Cheboygan County hunter, whose last name was Devereaux, is said to be the only person ever killed by a bear in Michigan. He came unexpectedly upon a black bear and wounded it with his gun. The bear sprang at him and clawed him while Devereaux tried to beat it off with the gun. At length the bear became so weakened by the hunter's bullets that it stopped the attack and lay writhing in agony, while Devereaux crawled off a few feet and fell helpless from his injuries, lying there until death overtook him. Which died first, the man or the bear, no one will ever know. Neighbors searching for Devereaux found the two bodies and reconstructed the story. Devereaux was a Civil War veteran, and years after his fatal battle a military grave marker was secured from the Government and unveiled by the American Legion at his grave at the little lake where he lived and which has been named after him.

UNAUTHORIZED TELEPHONE CALLS ADJUDGED BURGLARY

Municipal Judge Curtis of Los Angeles ruled recently that entering another man's house without his permission to use his telephone for long distance conversations is burglary. J. A. Cressy testified that he returned home unexpectedly and found a neighbor using his telephone to talk to San Francisco. The man was held on two counts of burglary after he admitted putting in long distance calls on two occasions.

Permanent Wave Special Waves priced from \$2.50 to \$5.50, including spiral, croquignole and combination. Bring this ad, and get 50c credit on any permanent wave booked before March 15. Over Hilderley's Drug Store, Siles Beauty Shop, Phone 385-F2.

Friday and Saturday Special

A beautiful White Gold Frame, latest up-to-date style. A value usually selling for five dollars. OUR SALE PRICE ONLY \$3.50

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Social Events

The members of the Book Review Club met with Mrs. Byrne McMahon Tuesday evening. Miss Eleanor Jewell reported on the book, "Abroad at Home."

Mrs. J. C. Hatch's division of the Greene Circle held a get-together meeting at her home Friday evening. After refreshments were enjoyed, plans were made for the rest of the year.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rittenger entertained with a family dinner on Sunday, the occasion being their 45th wedding anniversary. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Rittenger and children of Grand Rapids, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Rittenger and children of South Lowell and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rittenger and children of Lowell.

Mrs. Fred Swarthout, one of our prominent social ladies, gave a very interesting talk on "Decorations of Girls' Rooms" before the high school girls' club on Wednesday, Feb. 27. Her talk contained many ideas on how to make your room express your own individual personality, and throughout she brought in verses of different poems, which were very well fitted to that part. These poems also used as mottoes for your room add to the thought and beauty of it.

Farewell Party

Emmett W. Delaney was the guest of honor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Michael McAndrews on Friday, Mar. 1. A very delightful baked ham dinner was served and covers were laid for twenty-three persons. The occasion was a farewell party to Mr. Delaney, who will leave shortly for Muscle Shoals, Ala., where he is interested in major real estate developments.

Big Surprise on Birthday

Mrs. James Denton gave a dinner Sunday in honor of her mother, Mrs. Mary Ransford, whose birthday occurred on Saturday. The dinner room ladies gave her a surprise Friday night, but she received a greater surprise Sunday, when she met a sister she had not seen for twenty-five years. Her sister lives in Texas. It surely was a family reunion; all the children, grandchildren and great grandchildren were there.

DEATH OF JAMES EDW. HAND

James Edward Hand, 46, passed away Monday in the Veterans hospital at Camp Custer. Death was due to pneumonia.

Mr. Hand was born in Lowell August 31, 1888, the second son of Seymour Newell and Lillian Annette Hand, both of whom preceded him in death by a few months. On August 27, 1918 he entered Camp Custer for training but as the war was nearly over he was discharged in January 1919 without having seen active service.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday afternoon at the Roth & Brezina chapel, under auspices of the local post of the American Legion, Rev. S. B. Wenger officiating. Interment was in Oakwood cemetery.

MOTHER OF MRS. M. HOUSEMAN DIES IN GRAND RAPIDS

Mrs. John Reynhout, 78, mother of Mrs. Martin Houseman of Lowell, passed away Monday in Grand Rapids. Although she had been an invalid for some time, Mrs. Reynhout was ill for only a week before her passing.

Surviving besides the husband are the daughter, Mrs. Houseman, a son, Reinier DeYoung; two step-children, Mrs. Jennie Todd and Hubert Reynhout; eleven grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Funeral services are being held this Thursday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock in Grand Rapids.

1936 Calendars

The Ledger is pleased to announce to the proprietors of all business houses that we have added the production of calendars as a part of our printing business. Our samples for 1936 are now made up and we will take both pleasure and pride in showing the same to those who use this form of advertising matter. The Ledger line will compare favorably in both quality and price with any line produced anywhere.

Orders are now being taken and the printing of same will be carried on in our own plant during the summer months, thus assuring steady employment to local printers.

Phone 200 and our representative will call and submit samples.

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WILL ROGERS in "COUNTY CHAIRMAN"

CHARLES DICKENS—"DAVID COPPERFIELD"

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May unroof your house, break your windows, uproot the trees.

Why Not Insure?

The cost is small.

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Agent

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Coming Events

Regular meeting of Cyclamen Chapter, No. 94, O. E. S., Friday evening, Mar. 8.

The Shepard Group of the Congregational church will meet with Mrs. Fred Swarthout Friday, Mar. 8.

There will be a meeting of the Lowell Democrat Club Friday, Mar. 8, at 7:30 p. m., at the Gazella store, on W. Main-st.

The Triple C Circle met at the home of Mrs. D. A. Winger on March 15 has been postponed. Date to be announced later.

The Peckham Group of the Congregational church will hold a food sale at Mr. Houseman's market Saturday, Mar. 16, from 10 a. m. to 6 p. m. p42-43

Congregational men's breakfast Sunday, Mar. 10, at 8 a. m. Address by Dr. Stephen A. Lloyd, Supt. Congregational Conference, Lansing. Dr. Oatley, Chairman.

The Greene Circle will hold a St. Patrick's party at the home of Mrs. Jennie Townsend Friday evening, Mar. 15, at 8 o'clock. Members are urged to dress in green if possible.

Don't forget Father-Daughter banquet to be given by the Girls' Club members March 12 at 7:00 o'clock in the high school gymnasium. There will be a 25c admission for each father.

The Shepard Group of the Congregational church is sponsoring an euchre party at the home of Mrs. Wesley Roth on March 13 at 1:30 p. m. Anyone wishing reservations, call 242 or 178.

Don't forget the quilt exhibit sponsored by Mrs. Mervin Sinclair of the Greene Circle at the McKay store Saturday, Mar. 16. Everyone is invited to bring their quilts to the exhibit either on Friday afternoon or early Saturday morning.

The next meeting of the Garden Lore Club will be held with Mrs. Charles Gardner, who has graciously opened her home to the club, on Tuesday, Mar. 12. The committee in charge of the meeting is composed of Miss Martha Perry, Mrs. Harris and Mrs. R. T. Ford. The topic to be discussed will be "Birds and Gardens to Attract Them." Everyone who is interested in this timely subject is invited to attend the meeting. We will also have with us Peter Patzer of Battle Creek, Mich., who will tell about the gardens he visited on his trip to California early last fall.

Scorebooks Enter Co. H Tournament

The Jones Scorebooks entered two teams in the Ionia Company H Tournament with the endorsement of Wm. Heim, manager of the local Texaco Service Station, who helped furnish the entry fees for both teams. Every player on both teams is more than thankful to Bill for making it possible for the teams to enter.

The Scorebooks drew Western Union No. 1 of Grand Rapids for the first game Thursday night and Lowell should win this game if Lowell plays ball as they are capable of. Elmer Laver will be in there playing for the Lowell team and should account for several baskets for he is very good in capturing the ball off the backboard. With Clark, Maloney, Watters and Friesner feeding the ball to Norris, Laver and McMahon Lowell should go places and capture a few prizes. Earl Maloney, who has been going very good, will see action.

The B team will carry the following players: Schneider, Buck, Gaunt, L. Potter, C. Potter, Baird, Mullen and Roberts. This team has been hitting their stride lately and defeating some good B teams and are capable of putting up a real battle. Let's hope they win some of the 67 prizes that will be given away next week.

CAMPAIGN FOR BETTER HOMES

(Continued from First Page)

"Our purpose will be to inform every property owner in this town and surrounding rural area how he can take advantage of this new financing plan and of the desirability of making necessary improvements to his property at this time.

"This campaign," Chairman Burras continued, "will have an immediate and most important effect on every type of business in the community. It will, of course, benefit the building industry first. But it will also have a direct effect on all other lines of activity.

"Approximately 75 cents of every dollar spent for repairs and improvements goes to local labor. Most of the money they receive in wages is immediately put back into the channels of retail trade. Bills are paid. Purchases are made of food, clothing, and such necessities, then of other goods and luxuries.

All Michigan Backs Program "More than 80 cities held modernizing and improvement campaigns in 1932-33 similar to the one we are now planning for Lowell. These campaigns resulted in an average expenditure of approximately \$10 per capita for repair and improvement work, and at that time there was no financing plan such as now available under the National Housing Act. More than 300 towns and cities in Michigan are now pushing better housing campaigns.

"Should we be able to do in our town only as well as those earlier campaigns, we would give rise to a tremendous increase in all lines of business, for every dollar taken out of idle savings and paid in wages multiplies many times in the course of a year.

"Our campaign will also be most helpful," Chairman Burras pointed out, "in relieving distress among the unemployed. Approximately one-third of all families now on the relief rolls in our town are the families of workers normally engaged in building. It is estimated that for every building tradesman put back to work, on the average, a family of four can be taken off the relief rolls.

"This means a reduction in relief expenditures which later will reflect itself in lowered taxes. "I know the people of Lowell will get behind this campaign and back it to the hilt. It is a real opportunity for us to improve local business conditions, to relieve distress, and to increase property values and beautify the city.

"There is a real need for modernization work. Too much of it has been too long delayed during our depression. The value of many properties will be seriously jeopardized unless this work is undertaken immediately.

"We will urge no property owner to undertake repairs or improvements who is not fully able to do so, or unless the improvements are needed or desirable. We will urge, however, every property owner who is financially able to go ahead immediately. "There are many reasons," Chairman Burras stated, "why property owners should make improvements now. Prices of building materials and labor are at fair levels. If anything, they are likely to increase as business turns upward. This means that improvements made now will increase in value.

"As far as the home owner is concerned, I am sure he will agree with me that no expenditure he can make will return greater dividends in satisfaction than money spent on his home.

Homes Have Suffered "Most of us are prone to think of the casualties of the past four or five depression years in terms of its human victims, and rightly so, but there have been other victims. Hundreds of homes, stores and other buildings in our town have suffered seriously from lack of normal care and attention.

"Owners have wanted to take care of their properties but they have not been able to because of curtailed income or lack of credit. "The National Housing Act has provided the means by which they can go ahead. It will be the purpose of our Better Housing Campaign to inform them how they may secure the money to do this work.

"I am sure that it is not necessary to tell property owners of the importance of maintaining property. Repairs which may be minor at the moment, if too long deferred will cost a great deal later on.

"Your home or your store may represent a major portion of your life savings. It is the part of wisdom to protect it and preserve it."

The Committees Mr. Burras announces the following committees for the Better Housing Campaign in this community: Executive Committee—E. C. Hardy, C. W. Cook, M. D. Hoyt, Ray H. Covert, M. N. Henry, J. M. Hilderley, Wm. C. Doyle. Finance Committee—C. H. Runciman, F. H. Swarthout, F. F. Coons, R. VanDyke, Harry Day. Publicity Committee—R. G. Jefferies, W. W. Gumsier, J. R. Stryker, J. M. Hutchinson. Building Committee—B. A. McMahon, F. J. McMahon, T. E. Richmond, Wm. C. Hartman, James Gee, R. C. Seyforth, Floyd Steed. Women's Committee—Mrs. Allen Bennett, Mrs. P. J. Finets, Miss Ella Ross.

A handful of wheat tossed into his front yard brought results that far exceeded the expectations of H. T. Wilbur, a resident of Springport, Jackson county. It demonstrated how easy it is to make friends with the birds when they're in need of help. One afternoon Wilbur sowed a lone pheasant in the yard and concluded that it must be hungry. He obtained some wheat and sprinkled it on the ground. The next morning he looked out to see if the pheasant had returned. To his surprise he saw not only one pheasant but 12 of them and so many other birds he had to count them. There were 38 quail and five pairs of cardinals and all were eating wheat.

Your action becomes my business when its influence reaches me or society.

Blue Crystal . . . The Spring Hat \$3.95



Can be worn brim up or down. Beaver fur quality, light weight. Same as shown in city stores at \$5.00. Colors—Blue crystal, squirrel gray, green and brown. Silk linings.

Less expensive All Fur Felts for Spring \$2.29



"I HAVEN'T HAD A GOLD IN FIVE YEARS"

"In the old days I used to dread the coming of winter. I was always fighting colds—feeling about half alive—trying to work with my body aching and every nerve on edge. "Then a friend told me about McCoy's Old Liver Oil Tablets with their marvelous vitamins A and D. I started to take them, five years ago and I haven't had a cold since that time. "McCoy's tablets put new life in folks; build up resistance so anyone can laugh at cold germs. They make weak, skinny people strong, steady-nerved and vigorous. They're wonderful! "Get the genuine McCoy's Old Liver Oil Tablets from your druggist today. Don't waste money on imitations. Ask for McCoy's."

Bus Line Schedule

Grand Rapids—Ionia—Lansing A. A. Schabel, Pres.

(Lowell Time)

EAST	DAILY	WEST
7:35 a. m.		8:55 a. m.
10:35 a. m.		12:25 p. m.
2:35 p. m.		3:55 p. m.
5:25 p. m.		8:35 p. m.

EAST	SUNDAY	WEST
7:35 a. m.		10:55 a. m.
5:25 p. m.		8:35 p. m.

New Low Prices on Round Trips STATION AT

Henry's Drug Store

203 E. Main St. Lowell, Mich. Secure Tickets Before Boarding Bus

OBITUARY

MRS. AUGUST MICHE

Lena Minger was born October 15, 1864, Mallery, Switzerland. She passed away February 25, 1935 at the age of 70 years, four months and ten days.

She was united in marriage to August J. Miche and to this union were born eleven children, four having preceded her in death. Surviving are the husband and six daughters and one son, ten grandchildren, one brother, Dover, Ohio, three sisters and one brother in Switzerland and a host of friends.

In the year 1905 she joined the German M. E. Church, under the pastorate of Rev. W. Magdanz, and remained a faithful member of the same. For many years she was a member of the Ladies Aid Society, and also a member of the W. F. M. Society.

Mrs. Miche was a true wife, a kind mother and a devout woman. She will be greatly missed not only by her family but by the entire community. Her sincere kindness and affection made many friends. A kind mother who toiled for her family rests from her labor.

Funeral services were held last Thursday afternoon at the late home at 1:30 p. m. and at the Alton church at 2 o'clock. Rev. John Claus and Rev. S. B. Wenger officiating. Burial in the Alton cemetery beside her two children. Arrangements by Roth & Brezina.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our gratitude to relatives, friends and neighbors for the beautiful floral offerings and many other kind and sympathetic deeds during our bereavement, the death of our beloved wife and mother, also to Rev. Claus, Rev. Wenger, Mrs. Albert Blaser, Gerald Tornga and Esther Bieri for their service of comfort.

Mr. August Miche and Children.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our appreciation to our many friends for their thoughtfulness and kindness at the time of our bereavement, the death of our dear mother, Mr. and Mrs. John Holland. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Morgan, Harold and Kenneth. c42



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AT 1 P. M. Sharp

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