

The proposed health insurance program, which has the support of President Truman, would if adopted, provide for a system of nationwide health insurance which would cover approximately 85 per cent of the population, including employees, self-employed persons in business for themselves and the dependents of both. The cost would probably amount to a charge of about three percent on the average income.

—No—

1. Health insurance means socialized medicine. A huge governmental organization will be necessary to administer such a scheme. The road to socialism everywhere will be opened if we allow it in what has always been such a private and personal field as the practice of medicine.

2. Whatever may be said to the contrary, the mixing of governmental controls with the practice of medicine will lead to political meddling which will lower the high standards now prevailing in this field. There will be political interference with the normal relationship between doctor and patient. The large bureaucracy this plan will entail should afford a happy hunting ground for politicians looking for jobs to give their friends. Would you want to have to deal with a political appointee when you or your child is ill?

3. The great majority of doctors, who should know the most about the problems of medical care, are strongly opposed to this project. In response to a poll on the subject, 61 per cent of them say they will not participate in such a scheme. Even if all doctors were willing to join there would not be enough doctors to take care of all the demands which would be made on an insurance plan of this sort by people who will flood the system with trifling requests and imaginary complaints.

POINT OF NO RETURN

The Farm Journal, which has a very large circulation among rural families throughout the United States, recently ran an exceptional editorial, which deserves the widest possible circulation. Here is what the Journal said:

"Never has a nation recovered itself, once the leaders have lured the people far into the grip of socialist power. You can call this roll as far back as history reaches. Countries go on down to catastrophe as Germany and Italy have gone, as Rome went, and as Russia will go.

"Americans for a century and a half supported their government, kept it well out of their affairs, and so became the earth's richest people. Now more and more we ask the government to support us.

"Government offers more help for agriculture, housing, education, health and other things. Everybody is encouraged to ask for something. Every government aid means more taxes and more regulation. Each new experiment fastens onto the people a new load, and the load remains."

"When a fiercer stormy weather over the ocean, he approaches, what airman call 'point of no return.' Beyond that he cannot return to safety. He must take his chance on getting through.

How near is the U. S. A. to point of No Return?

THE RIGHT TO CHOOSE

In the middle of February, 214-372 retail stores, situated in some 10,000 American communities, joined forces in a campaign bearing the theme, "Democracy Works Here."

The purpose of the campaign was to demonstrate to the buying public that the right to pick and choose at store counters is a forceful expression of American democracy at work. Every size, type and description of store was included. Newspapers, the radio and compelling store displays will be employed to emphasize what the free enterprise system does day in and day out for the people.

It is particularly fitting that retailing should sponsor such a campaign. It is one of the most competitive of all enterprises—every community has its chains, its independents, its department stores and the rest. It is also an enterprise which has made tremendous progress in the last generation. We have infinitely more goods to choose from, services have been broadened, the improvement in sanitation has been almost revolutionary and—despite higher prices—the profit earned by the average retailer on each dollar spent with him is far smaller than it used to be. The free market has been the relentless driving force which has made all that possible.

Every retail store is a miniature show place of the American way of doing things. The intricate machinery of production and distribution is geared to your needs and desires.

In a controlled economy, people get what the bosses think they ought to have—in a free economy they get what they want.

That is the difference—and what a whale of a difference it is.

Vergennes Farm Bureau

The Vergennes Community Farm Bureau will have a St. Patrick's party on March 17 at the Vergennes Hall to welcome new members. A potluck supper will be served at 7:30. Please bring your own service and a dish to pass. The meal, rolls and coffee will be furnished. All old and new members are urged to attend.



A card to the Ledger from Mr. and Mrs. Lee Lampkin, dated March 1, states that they were just leaving Miami for Havana, Cuba, and on to Jamaica, Dominican Republic, Haiti and St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands and will be back in Miami by March 16.

All join in wishing the Lampkins bon voyage and a safe return.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Newell left last Friday for New York City to attend the 46th annual American Toy Fair. The Newell Manufacturing Company will exhibit toy guns during the fair which runs from March 7 to 18.

More than 300 Future Farmers of America from 150 Michigan schools will meet at Michigan State College at East Lansing March 22 and 23 for the organization's twenty-first annual state convention.

Shirley Preston and Kenneth Merfman, juniors at Lowell high school, have been elected by the F. F. A. chapter of the school to represent them.

Thanks to Mother Nature for the recent rains which have washed away the hummocks of ice and piles of snow which have impeded traffic on Main street ever since the beginning of winter.

It will be greatly appreciated by the public if the proper officials now see to it that the main drag is kept free of snow in the future.

Donations from School District No. 2, Lowell, towards the new 4-H Lodge Camp, located at Bostwick Lake, amounting to \$100.00 has been turned over to Ralph Roth, regional chairman.

What's become of the old-fashioned politician who ran for office on a promise to cut the costs and lower taxes? Maybe better yet, would be to ask what has become of the old-fashioned voter who would vote for that kind of a candidate rather than the one who promises to give and give and tax and tax.

The "Good" Pill Age... From a Chicago daily the Portland Review reprinted this interesting and alarming story:

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union today launched an all-out drive for uniform state laws to outlaw the distribution and sale of barbiturates, except on unrefractory prescription of a physician.

Mrs. Pearl Kendall Hess, chairman of the organization's bureau of narcotic drugs, said the American public now uses 3,000,000,000 one-grain sleeping pills annually. She quoted health authorities as saying that pharmaceutical manufacturers have produced a large variety of the drugs and that high pressure radio advertising has been used to sell them.

Jokes, jests, jabs and jibes just by Jeff: Our grandparents raised their own baby sitters by having large families... Some folks who are lazy use the excuse "you can't take it with you"... The best word of advice to most people, is to not give it!... When you have a car that will last you a life time it might follow that you don't have time to live... Remember the days when the car mark of a beauty parlor was the curling iron.

New 1949 Chrysler On Display March 11

The McQueen Motor Co. will place the new 1949 Silver Anniversary Chrysler on display this week Friday, March 11. This is a completely new car with amazing new protection for drivers and passengers. More horsepower from the leader in high compression, safety-rim wheels, prestomable fluid drive. You are invited by the McQueen Motor Company to come in and see the new Chrysler.

4-H NEWS

The Sweet School Busy Bodies held their March meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Colby in Alto.

The business meeting was called to order by president Don Dennis. We decided to give \$10.00 for the new lodge to be built at Bostwick Lake.

Games were played and a delicious lunch was served by Mrs. Colby and Mrs. H. Rittenger. The next meeting will be held April 4 at the Sweet school. Everyone try and come as there will be election of officers.

Marie Wieland

Village Election

Notice is hereby given to the Qualified Electors of the Village of Lowell, Michigan, that the next regular village election will be held at Lowell City Hall, within said Village on Monday, March 14, 1949, at which election the following Village officers are to be elected: Village President, Village Clerk, Village Treasurer, Village Assessor, all for one year; and three Trustees for two-year terms.

The polls of said election will open at 7 o'clock a. m., or as soon thereafter as may be, and will remain open until 8 o'clock p. m., Eastern Standard Time, on said day of election.

JOHN ABRAHAM, Clerk of Said Village.

Try a Ledger want ad.

Tractor Overturns Young Man, Age 19 Is Instantly Killed

Clair Weeks, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence (Mike) Weeks, was killed suddenly Monday afternoon, when the tractor, which he was operating on their farm north of Fallsburg Park on Biggs Road, went off a bank into a gravel pit.

Clair was driving a tractor with a manure spreader attached and Robert Biggs, a neighbor friend, was helping him with his tractor and loader. Biggs went home to replace the oil in his machine and on return missed his friend.

After looking around he found him in a gravel pit near where they were working. Clair was lying about half way down the bank and the tractor and spreader were several feet below.

Dr. Michael Ellis of Lowell was called but on his arrival found the boy dead from a crushed chest and a skull fracture.

Mr. Weeks, the boy's father, said Clair had probably turned around to watch the spreader, when the accident occurred.

Surviving are his parents and one brother, Lyle, of Lowell.

Funeral services will be held today (Thursday) at two o'clock at the Allen Church with the Rev. Norman G. Wagon officiating. Burial in Alto cemetery.

Sincere sympathy is extended to the bereaved parents and brother over their great loss.

Maple Syrup Laws Must Be Observed

Michigan in the average year has 500,000 maple trees tapped for sap, and farmers are now ready for this year's run, reports Miles A. Nelson, Chief of the Bureau of Marketing and Enforcement, Michigan Department of Agriculture.

Mr. Nelson says with the advent of the maple syrup making season, and since maple syrup is a food product, all manufacturers of the syrup should become familiar with the requirements of the Michigan laws and the marketing of this popular product.

The Law Must Be Followed

All containers of maple syrup when offered for sale or sold must bear a label clearly indicating the true and appropriate name of the product, the true net contents in terms of liquid measure, and the name and address of the person or firm manufacturing or distributing the same.

To meet the legal standards, maple syrup must weigh not less than 11 pounds to the gallon and must not contain more than 35% water.

After the 1948 maple syrup season closed, because of complaints received by the Bureau of Marketing and Enforcement, inspectors obtained several convictions for adulteration or misbranding of maple syrup. Official samples, secured from one manufacturer's products, when analyzed by the department's chemical laboratory, revealed that when a gallon of this "maple syrup" was brought up to the required state standard, it would make only 3/4 quart of legal syrup.

Inasmuch as a large part of this particular lot of syrup sold for \$8 a gallon, the consumers paid about \$1.25 for 1 1/4 quarts of excess water, a rather exorbitant price to pay for just water. Another violator was found advertising "Pure Vermont Maple Syrup", each gallon of which was made out of eight pounds of common sugar, four pounds of water, and two ounces of maple flavor.

The adulteration or misbranding of maple sugar, molasses and syrup is punishable under the state law by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than one year, or by a fine of not more than \$500.

Farm Bureau Formed By South Boston Folks

The South Boston Bureau, newly organized, was held at the home of Lester Stewart, with the following officers being elected: Lester Stewart, chairman; Gerald Kypor, vice chairman; Mrs. Lyle Condon, secretary; Mrs. Hills Stuart, vice chairman of Blue Cross; Ralph McDonald, discussion chairman; Mrs. Mulder, publicity chairman. Mrs. Wittenbach was appointed to visit other farm bureaus and meetings and report back.

There were 25 people present and nineteen families enrolled in the Blue Cross.

The next meeting will be held on Friday, March 11, at the home of Ralph McDonald.

Vergennes Extension Class

The Vergennes Extension Class met at the home of Mrs. Paul Detmer on Wednesday, March 2, 1949. The leader, Mrs. Harold Wittenbach, assisted by Mrs. Clyde Fairchild, gave the lesson on News in Cleaning, explaining the use of many cleaning products on the market.

A demonstration on the use of water softener in hard water was given.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Harold Wittenbach on Wednesday, April 4.

Read the Ledger ads.

Michael Fitzgerald Wins English Contest At Wisconsin School

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Fitzgerald of Lowell have just received word from Father Guentia S. J. President of Campion high school, Prairie du Chien, Wis., that their son, Michael Fitzgerald, won the English contest recently sponsored in that school for high school freshmen.

The contest was conducted over a period of a week in grammar, literature and creative writing.

The letter read in part: "The laurels were won by the 'Smiling Irishman, Michael Fitzgerald of Lowell, Michigan, who will go on to Denver, Colo., to match wits with the best in Regis high school."

Michael is 14 years old, having graduated from Barbour Hall Junior Military Academy in June 1948, winning the gold medal for outstanding scholarship.

L.H.S. Senior Comedy Construction Begins

The stage setting for "Susie the Siren" took form last Monday when the construction crew began work on the structure of the stage.

The presentation of the play by the Senior class in the Lowell High School auditorium will be made Thursday and Friday evening, March 24 and 25. Susan Krum, pictured above will take the leading role of Susie.

The crew is led by Ralph Townsend, Lowell, and Dale Johnson, Alto, and assisted by Mr. Stephen Niblet, social science and athletics instructor, Albert Pitsch, R.F.D., Lowell, and Allan Hale, Lowell, who will have charge of the auditorium. Leslie Hopkins, Ada, is gathering properties. Barbara Holst, Ada, is in charge of tickets and advertising.

The general admission tickets for the production will be sold by the members of the senior class (the door) the next two weeks and at the door. If reserved seats are desired the exchange will be made at the Christiansen Drug Store, Lowell, beginning at one o'clock, March 19.

U.S. Government and Seven Best Sellers

For years Government publications have been widely regarded as mere dry, statistical themes. However, sales figures released by the Superintendent of Documents of the Government Printing office for the month of February show that some Government documents are attracting a widespread audience. Here is the list of Government best sellers.

Infant Care, 15c, an all-time best seller with over 5,000,000 copies sold. Currently selling 4,000 copies a week.

100 Things You Should Know About Communism and Labor, 10c, sales are running 2,000 a week.

100 Things You Should Know About Communism in U. S. A., 10c, 7,500 copies sold in February.

100 Things You Should Know About Communism and Religion, 10c, has consistently good sales.

100 Things You Should Know About Communism and Government, 10c, sales increasing steadily.

How Manufacturers Reduce Their Distribution Costs, 35c, selling 4,000 a week.

100 Things You Should Know About Communism and Education, 10c, first printing of 25,000 sold out.

Cat Owners Advised To Keep Pets at Home

Deputy Sheriff Frank Stephens suggests that owners of cats should make a special effort this time of year to keep their pets at home as they are killing song birds and molesting birds nests.

The cats also kill young ducks along the river bank as soon as they are hatched out.

SOUTH BOSTON GRANGE

Another record crowd turned out for the 7:30 supper on February 26 at which time we raised \$53.86 for the March of Dimes. We will again meet for potluck supper at 7:30 on March 12. A good program is promised with Bert Hanson and Wes Keim in charge of the music. An archery demonstration will be given by Harold Clements of Banner Grange.

Village Operated Within Receipts In Past Year, According to Audit

The annual audit of the books of the Village of Lowell has been made covering the year ending January 31, 1949 and it shows that the village surplus was reduced to the extent of \$27,522. This indicates that the village practically operated within its receipts for the past year. Total current assets amount to \$57,249.93 compared to a total of \$59,287.84 a year ago.

Current liabilities are \$11,718.84 compared to \$11,645.54 a year ago. During the past year the village paid off a total of \$10,000.00 on its long term liabilities which are listed on the books at 2 1/4% Revenue Certificates of the Light and Power Plants.

How the Funds Stand

The operations show that the following funds had receipts in excess of expenditures as follows: Band Fund \$687.57, General Fund \$4,246.26, Water Works \$510.32 and Light and Power Plant \$1,642.33.

Excess of disbursements appeared in the following funds: Street Funds \$12,641.37 and City Hall \$4,734.02. The Street Fund showed receipts of \$9,325.06 which consisted of Gas and Weight Tax receipts as well as funds for the maintenance of M-21 in the village were not sufficient to meet the expenditures in this fund due to the unusual amounts expended for rubbish hauling, grading and graveling, patching of streets and street work.

The books show that \$15,000 was collected through village taxes for general fund purposes and \$2,434.45 for the sinking fund. They also show total receipts in the general fund of \$215,077.96 of which \$149,690.29 was received by the Light and Power Plant and \$11,245.97 by the Water Works. The remainder was received from the other sources of income which includes the village share of weight and gas tax, sales tax and intangible tax.

Expenditures from the general fund amounted to \$215,472.14 and they covered the various funds listed in the annual financial statement.

Expenditures Are Within Receipts

Compared with a year ago the report shows that the financial condition of the village is appraised approximately the same among the Light and Power Plant, Water Works and Village Fund.

It also reveals that the Village Council is keeping expenditures within receipts and that the expenditures for Land, Building and Equipment was less than the amount of depreciation calculated for the year of \$38,530.71. The additions during the year are distributed as follows: Village \$2,827.77, Light and Power \$24,362.20 and Water Works \$4,018.13.

The annual audit of the village, prepared by Adrian P. Kuyper, C. P. A. appears in full on another page of this issue of the Ledger.

Vergennes and Lowell Camp Vining 4-H Fund

Ralph Roth, regional chairman, and Mrs. Irma Richmond, township chairman, report Vergennes township has collected 81.7% in the Camp Vining 4-H Lodge Fund Campaign.

Lowell township and village are close behind with 73.5%, says Mrs. Norton Avery, township chairman, and Wesley Roth, village chairman.

Shortly after the death of her husband, Mrs. Stevens returned to Lowell with her daughter and had resided here ever since.

She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Lucille Byrne, one grandson, Austin Byrne of Delton, Mich., and a sister, Mrs. Austin Byrne of Grattan, also several nieces and nephews.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Albert Delatrea nee Lucille Armstrong, Monday, March 7, at Biograd hospital, a 10, 10 oz. girl, Jo Ellen.

To Mr. and Mrs. Don MacNaughton, on March 2, at Butterworth hospital, a boy, wt. 8 lbs., 7 oz. Name Roger Alan.

U. S. A.

Advertise in the Ledger and get results.

Auto Tax Burden Now Reaches Record High of \$74 Per Car

Special automotive taxes will average a record of \$74 for every motor vehicle registered in Michigan in 1948, according to preliminary estimates released recently by William Palmer of the Michigan Petroleum Industries Committee.

Mr. Palmer pointed out that this tax burden, which includes all special federal and state levies on motor vehicles, has increased 71 per cent since 1938.

"These are startling figures when we realize that they represent only the special taxes that motorists paid on their motor vehicles and motor fuel during the past year," he said, "but in addition to the \$74 burden of these special taxes, motorists also paid all the general taxes required of other citizens."

"The motorists have been called the most heavily taxed group in the entire state and it is easy to see why," he continued. "We hear a lot about the high cost of living, but what about the high cost of taxes?" he asked.

"Here is a tax cost increase of approximately 71 per cent in just one field of taxation in the last ten years.

"Already there are signs that the cost of living may be headed downward. But at the same time the automotive tax burden is at its highest point in history. It is true of most taxes, and especially of automotive taxes that the trend of tax rates is seldom downward. But since we're beginning to get some relief from the pinch of inflation, let's hope that this exorbitant tax burden will also decline with the return of normalcy. And falling that, the least we should do is prevent tax rates from getting any higher," he urged.

But despite this year's all-time record burden of minor vehicle taxation, Mr. Palmer pointed out that "there are still those persons who propose to increase the state gasoline tax rate and thus heap even heavier taxes on Michigan motorists. But they overlook the fact that most car-owners in this state already pay out more money than in federal income taxes. They should remember that, even with taxes, there comes a time when enough is enough."

Nazarene Young Folk To Hold Youth Rally This Friday Evening

The young people of the Nazarene churches of the Grand Rapids Zone will hold a youth rally in the Lowell Church of the Nazarene this Friday evening. The rally will begin at 7:30 with the Rev. T. T. Liddell of the First Nazarene Church, Lansing, as speaker.

Young people are expected from ten different churches of this area. Roger Heasley, of Grand Rapids, is the zone president and will be in charge of the services. Irene Weeks is the Lowell president and will give the welcome.

This rally is open to the public.

Recipe Winners And Runners

In another section of this issue of the Ledger the King Milling Co. offers nearly one hundred fine flour recipes in such form that they can easily be cut out and pasted into cook books.

The recipes are taken from entries submitted in the "Recipe of the Year" contest which ended last December and are the winners and runners-up.

It has taken several weeks to compile the recipes but it has been well worthwhile as it will enlarge many a good cook book and give each one still more variety.

Present Officials Renamed at Caucus

With only forty in attendance the Lowell Township Republican Caucus met Monday afternoon and nominated the present township officers to succeed themselves.

The nominations were as follows: Frank Houghton, supervisor; Esther M. Fahrni, clerk; Lyla Johnson, treasurer; Seymour Heesche, board of review, 4 years; Bert Purchase, highway commissioner; Melvin Court and Ernest Roth, Justice of the Peace, 4 years; Lawrence Armstrong, A. H. Stormans, Eugene Carr, and Frank Stephens, Constables.

The following caucus committee was named: W. A. Roth, Theron Richmond and Roland DePaw.

COMING EVENTS

Public euchre party at I. O. O. F. hall this Friday evening, Mar. 11. c45

Mrs. Agnes Stevens, 85 Laid to Rest Wednesday

Mrs. Agnes Stevens, aged 85, passed away at her home at 127 Pleasant St., Lowell, Tuesday morning, March 8, after a short illness. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon in the Roth Chapel with the Rev. Norman G. Wagon officiating. Interment was in Oakwood cemetery.

Agnes Houlihan was born December 10, 1863, in Vergennes township, the daughter of Patrick and Catherine Houlihan.

On August 25, 1888 she was united in marriage to John Stevens of Rochester, Mich., and lived in Cleveland, Ohio, for five years until her husband passed away. To this union was born one daughter, Lucille, who survives her.

She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Lucille Byrne, one grandson, Austin Byrne of Delton, Mich., and a sister, Mrs. Austin Byrne of Grattan, also several nieces and nephews.

CUSTOM TAILORING DISPLAY

Mr. Henry Livingstone of the Kahn Tailoring Co. will be with us next Wednesday, March 16, showing the new spring wools and taking measurements for suits and topcoats. We invite your inspection.

Cooks.

The Eastern Star Social Club will hold a St. Patrick's Day Luncheon and all games card party at the Masonic hall on Thursday, March 17, Luncheon at 7 o'clock in the church dining room for a potluck supper. Mr. and Mrs. Herb Davis have charge of the supper plans. Charles White will give a talk on "Practical Home Decoration."

The Co-Wives of the Congregational Church will meet Saturday evening, March 12, at 7 o'clock in the church dining room for a potluck supper. Mr. and Mrs. Herb Davis have charge of the supper plans. Charles White will give a talk on "Practical Home Decoration."

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Elhart Farm Passes To New Owners; In Family 100 Years

Ted Elhart has sold his farm, which has been in the Andrews family for over 100 years, to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Pratt of Lake Odessa. The former Mrs. Helen Elhart, who died about three years ago was the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abra Andrews, who came to Michigan from New York State with three small children in 1843 and settled on the original farm of 80 acres on section 34, Grattan township.

The frame work of the Moseley log school house was built but the doors and windows were not in at that time. Mr. Andrews and family lived in that until, with the help of some Ojibway Indian Braves that had camping grounds on Murray Lake, they built a log house. Mr. Andrews had to walk to Marshall to get a deed for his farm. At that time there were only Indian trails and they went to Grand Rapids every two or three months to get their mail. During the Civil War when they were

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McCords Matters. Ed Higler, who has been ill for some time, passed away Saturday night in Grand Rapids.

Whitneyville Locals. This will be a very interesting program. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mulder of Burton Road called on Mr. and Mrs. Peter Buys and family Thursday evening.

News from Grand Rapids. Mrs. Blanch Denning and Mrs. Anna Hunsberger called on Mrs. Mary Heintzelman at St. Mary's hospital during the week.

Whitneyville. Mrs. William Bates of Newsgate spent several days last week visiting Mrs. Levi Cooper.

SO. KEENE - NO. POSTON. The Bunco Club met last Thursday afternoon at 7:15. Mrs. John Baird in Lowell, with 13 ladies and 6 children present.

Whitneyville. Mrs. Doris Linton and son Jackie were Sunday afternoon callers of Mrs. Jerome Eash and family.

Whitneyville. Mrs. Richard Rawlings and Billy Mrs. Dale O'Bray and Mary Jane Bates of Grand Rapids were Thursday dinner guests of Mrs. Levi Cooper and Mrs. Wm Bates returned Grand Rapids with them.

Moseley-Murray Lake. Ted Elhart has purchased a home in Holland and will soon move there with his wife, Ed. Elhart family are moving on the Lake Odessa as they purchased.

South Lowell. Mrs. George Kallong and son Axel spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Klampp, Jr. and Mrs. Cliff Klampp, Jr. and Mrs. Cliff Klampp, Jr. and Mrs. Cliff Klampp, Jr.

South Lowell. Mrs. Leona Wieland and family called on Mrs. Walter and Mrs. Elmer King at Ionia Sunday afternoon.

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LOCAL NEWS. Richard Ponger of Lowell was chosen as a member of the committee in charge of an informal dance to be given Friday evening, Mar. 4, in the ballroom of Watwood Hall by members of Theta Chi Fraternity.

LOCAL NEWS. Mrs. Fred Bissar and Mrs. W. A. Roth were in Hastings Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Audrey Post is attending a conference for Dental assistants at the regional office of the Veterans' Administration in Detroit this week.

LOCAL NEWS. Mrs. Paul Z. Hoornaar was in Decker'sville Sunday to attend the funeral of his cousin, Oscar Merriam. Other relatives who attended the funeral from this locality were Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Roth, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Merriam, Mr. Howard Krump, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Colby, Mr. and Mrs. Jennie Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Yernum of Grand Rapids.

LOCAL NEWS. Mrs. and Mrs. Ray Aver attended the annual meetings of the Michigan Retail Jewelers' Association in Grand Rapids, Monday and Tuesday.

LOCAL NEWS. Mrs. and Mrs. Loyal Rickner spent Sunday at Carson City with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Huyok and Mrs. Ellen.

LOCAL NEWS. Mrs. Clarence Speaker is convalescing after a two weeks illness. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Munroe and family were guests on Sunday of Mrs. Munroe's sister, Mrs. Henry Sugarbaker, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hull in Muskegon.

LOCAL NEWS. Mrs. and Mrs. Paul Gardner returned home Saturday accompanied by their daughter, Mrs. Robert Middleton of Lansing, who remained here until Thursday.

PLUMBING & HEATING. Sheet Metal Work. Ray H. Covert & Son. The Plumbers.

LOCAL NEWS. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Stephens of Grand Rapids called Saturday on his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Stephens.

LOCAL NEWS. Mr. and Mrs. Nick Kloosterman and daughter, Reazel and Kathryn, attended the Spahr-Phelps wedding and dinner at the Grand Rapids Hotel on Saturday at 4 o'clock.

LOCAL NEWS. Mr. and Mrs. Philip Davenport and daughter Joanne were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Standish in Grand Rapids.

LOCAL NEWS. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Dunn of Grand Rapids were in Lowell Sunday visiting her sister, Mrs. Carl Freyermuth and family.

LOCAL NEWS. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hoffman and Mrs. Jennie Hoffman, who had the cow jumping over the fence, were in Grand Rapids Wednesday.

LOCAL NEWS. Mr. and Mrs. Tobias Shrock of Grand Rapids were callers at Paul Folks, Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson, Appeal.

with a COUSCO "2-in-1" stool. It's a back-saver and a leg-saver, this good-looking COUSCO stool. A comfortable, handy seat for ironing, sewing and doing kitchen tasks. A sturdy ladder, too, with rubber-treaded "swing-away" steps that fit neatly beneath the seat. Restful, form-fitting back doubles as a hand-hold when you're reaching high. Finished in durable, baked-on enamel. Your choice of modern colors. \$9.95. ROTH & SONS CO. FURNITURE FUNERAL DIRECTORS.

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Proceedings of Common Council (Continued) A regular meeting of the Common Council of the Village of Lowell was held at the city hall council room Monday evening, Feb. 22, 1949. The meeting was called to order by President Pro Tem Rutherford, at 8:15 o'clock. Trustees present: Hahn, Etzing, Roth and Christiansen. Trustee absent: Forsman. Trustee Rutherford acting as president pro tem. The minutes of the meeting held February 7, 1949 were read and approved. A communication from Palmbank, Morse & Company was read, and it was moved by Trustee Roth, supported by Trustee Etzing, that the council accept the offer of \$13,500.86 made by Palmbank, Morse & Company as full settlement of the charges against the village totaling \$20,838.88. Roll call: Hahn, yes; Etzing, yes; Roth, yes; Christiansen, yes; Yes 4, Nays 0, Carried. It was moved by Trustee Etzing, supported by Trustee Roth, that the Clerk be authorized to transfer to the General Fund to pay the revenue certificates maturing on March 1, 1949. It was moved by Trustee Christiansen, supported by Trustee Roth, that bills in the following amounts be paid:

General Payroll \$418.00, Clark Plumbing & Heating 4.87, Postmaster 1.80, State Savings Bank 14.80, Lowell Library Fund 100.00, Paul Kollig 10.00, Earl Thomas 10.00. Total \$624.47. City Hall Payroll \$418.00, Clark Plumbing & Heating 22.01, J. I. Holcomb Mfg. Co. 6.15, Mich. Bell Telephone Co. 456.54, C. H. Runciman Co. 456.54. Total \$1,409.25. Street Payroll \$418.00, York's Friendly Service 50.84, Clark Plumbing 25.00, C. H. Runciman Co. 100.00, Mahon's Shell Service 37.11, Fleisher Service 19.28, O. R. Gravel Co. 75.00, Kent Co. Road Comm. 321.15, Leo Davenport 8.50. Total \$1,237.48. Light, Power & Water Payroll \$2,028.10, State Savings Bank 32.79, York's Friendly Service 2.25, Blue Mill Service 2.71, Roosevelt Oil Co. 1,571.16, Line Material 16.82, R. R. Kluse Electric 28.98, John H. Graham Co. 1.02, Neptune Meter Co. 294.00, Morley Iron 61.94. Total \$5,468.95.

Cascade Township Republican Caucus To the Electors of the Republican party, township of Cascade, County of Kent, State of Michigan: You are hereby notified that a caucus of the electors of the above named party, of aforesaid township, will be held at Cascade Town Hall, said township, on Saturday, March 12, 1949, starting at 1:30 o'clock, p. m. for the purpose of nominating candidates for the several township offices to be voted for at the Biennial Township Election, to be held on Saturday, April 1, 1949, namely: Supervisor, Township Clerk, Township Treasurer, Township Highway Commissioner, Two Justices of the Peace, full term; One Justice of the Peace, to fill vacancy; to review, to fill vacancy, if any; Member Board of Review, 6-year term; Member Board of Review, to fill vacancy, if any; and one Member Board of Review, to fill vacancy, if any. A Township Committee of said party for the ensuing two years, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting. John Kleinhokel, Chairman Township Committee.

Registration Notices Lowell Township Any voter not registered, must register with the Township Clerk before Tuesday, March 15, 1949, in order to vote in the coming township election on Monday, April 4, 1949. Cascade Township Any voter not registered, must register with the Township Clerk before Tuesday, March 15, 1949, in order to vote in the coming township election on Monday, April 4, 1949. Ada Township Any voter not registered, must register with the Township Clerk before Tuesday, March 15, 1949, in order to vote in the coming township election on Monday, April 4, 1949. Vergennes Township Any voter not registered, must register with the Township Clerk before Tuesday, March 15, 1949, in order to vote in the coming township election on Monday, April 4, 1949. Bowne Township Any voter not registered, must register with the Township Clerk before Tuesday, March 15, 1949, in order to vote in the coming township election on Monday, April 4, 1949.

Generous Gifts For Camp Vining Lodge Officers by Richard Machiele The 4-H leaders in the county and a lot of other volunteers are earnestly putting a lot of time and effort into the drive for funds for the Camp Vining 4-H Lodge. The responses have been good. It is inspiring to the Extension staff to see how willingly many of the donations are made. And it's pretty gratifying to hear folks say, "My son has gotten so much out of 4-H that I surely want to do my share." or "Our children aren't old enough for 4-H yet, but we want to make sure that they get all of the advantages of club work in a few years." One of the first contributions to be entered in this campaign came from one of our fine citizens who is in Florida, but who had heard about the campaign and left a \$50 check with Audrey Whittall of Hickory before he left. Many other gifts of \$25 to \$200 and more have encouraged the collectors. To everyone, the 4-Hers of Kent County express a heartfelt "Thank You!" Building plans are being completed by a committee composed of Victor Weiler, Rockford; Charles Barnum, Grand Rapids; John Klanger, Ada; Elmer Deansmore and Richard Machiele. As soon as the money is available and the weather permits, the Lodge will be begun. Many persons have expressed a willingness to help with the work. Some contractors have said for an opportunity to help as their contributions.

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56983 Tests a Year Last year, scientists of the Kroger-Peak Foundation made 56,983 careful tests to safeguard the quality of foods sold in Kroger stores. With test tubes and microscopes, these trained men are truly guardians of the food you buy in our stores. Two new folders have come to office in the past week. One deals with treating of fence posts to lengthen their life and the second, with controlling brown rot on peaches. Write in for either. Again a reminder that the tree orders from the Department of Conservation will be expedited March 15. Many folks have called to order this year and others have sent letters in ordering trees. Because of the large amount of orders received each year, both these methods complicate ordering very much. If you could come into the office and place your orders then we could process the whole order while you are there.

The 4-H Hot Lunch club of Longcore school, Tyrone Township, prepared and served a delicious banquet for the Mothers of the district on March 3. Mrs. Florence Hill, Kent County helping teacher, and the 4-H club agent were guests. The Hot Lunch club has done an outstanding job for two years. Using the new kitchen which was added to the school last summer, the girls and boys of the school, aided by a part-time cook, prepare and serve a full meal to all of the students every noon. Robert Merlington, the club leader and teacher, is enthusiastic about the program, reporting that close to 2,500 meals have been served already. Plans are under way for a Dairy club in the Longcore community for this summer. The Spring Barrow Show at East Lansing will have at least three Kent County participants. Joan Carlson, Stephen Carlson and Dale Johnson, all of Alto, have made entries. The judging will be on Friday, March 11, with the sale scheduled for Saturday. It would be of interest to many members and members and others to attend at least part of this event. "Give a man a horse he can ride" may be just some words to some folks, but to a lot of our 4-Hers they mean a lot more. The saddle horse project is growing in importance in Kent County. On Friday, March 25, Harry Moseley, Michigan State College, will be in the county to meet all 4-H Saddle Horse members to help them get off to a good start. Watch for further announcements as the date gets closer. Women's Extension classes in Kent County have been very active in supporting the drive for the 4-H lodge fund. Not only have individual women taken on the campaign responsibilities but groups are making generous contributions. They are raising money in many different ways, such as selling and the Alaska group reports they are giving a "Catalpa breakfast." Let I could give them a few tips on that.

Vergennes Extension Class Mrs. Florence Bailey entertained several ladies of the West Vergennes Extension Class on Thursday, Mar. 11. Most of the business meeting was centered on ways and means to raise money to give to the 4-H project of building a lodge at Danny Vining. Mrs. George Johnson and Mrs. Carl Roth were put in charge of a food sale to be held at Danny Vining Shoppe, 115 W. Main St., on Saturday, March 12, starting at 1:00 p. m. The discussion on cleaning agents and cleaning equipment went on some to label our boxes of cleaning agents, dishes, scrubbing, laundry, etc.

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ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT of the Village of Lowell, Michigan For the Year Ended January 31, 1949

The Annual Statement of the Village of Lowell, Michigan, as submitted by the Clerk, at the close of business, January 31, 1949.

Approved and ordered published at the regular meeting of the Village Council held Monday, March 7, 1949.

APPROVED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE: PETER SPEERSTRA, Village President, HERBERT ELZINGA, Village Clerk, WILLIAM CHRISTIANSEN, JOHN A. ABRAHAM, Village Clerk, LAWRENCE W. RUTHERFORD

DEPARTMENTAL BALANCE SHEET, JANUARY 31, 1949

Table with columns: ASSETS, LIABILITIES, and DEPARTMENTAL BALANCE SHEET. Rows include Cash on Hand, General Fund, Road Fund, etc.

Table with columns: RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, and ANALYSIS OF SURPLUS. Rows include Delinquent Taxes, Licenses Issued, 1948 Taxes Received, etc.

I hereby certify that I have made an audit of the books and records of the Village of Lowell, Michigan, for the year ended January 31, 1949, and in my opinion the above Balance Sheet prepared from said audit, fairly presents, in accordance with accepted principles of accounting, the financial position of the Village of Lowell, Michigan, as of January 31, 1949. I further certify that in my opinion, the attached statements fairly presents the divisional operations for the year ended on that date.

Table with columns: TAXES RECEIVABLE JANUARY 31, 1949, ROAD FUND, SINKING FUND, LEE MEMORIAL FUND, and BAND FUND. Rows include Delinquent Tax for year 1946, 1947, 1948, etc.

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ELM DALE - Mrs. Ira Sargent... Mr. and Mrs. Jay Leese and family...

ADA NEWS - Mrs. Grace Whaley has notified that there can be no extension of the conference...

VERGENNES CENTER - The West Vergennes extension group are having a bake sale at the Varsity Beauty Shop...

WITTENBACH FARM TRUCKS BUILT with FARM KNOW-HOW - Beyond any truck builder International his farm know-how...

WEST LOWELL - Mrs. Gordon Overholt and son of Lansing spent the week-end with her parents...

SNOW COMMUNITY - Mrs. Vera Antonides, Mrs. Beatrice Hesse and Mrs. Evelyn Baker attended a meeting of the Snow Community...

ALTO LOCALS - Mrs. Emma Moffitt and Mrs. Fred Pattison called on Mrs. Myrnia Haskins and Joe Coon...

ALTO LOCALS - Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dempsey and mother, Mrs. Gladys Taylor, of Grand Rapids spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Glen Loveland...

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CARD OF THANKS I wish to thank my relatives, neighbors, friends, South Lowell Circle, White Circle of Alto and the Community Club for the cards, flowers and gifts I received while in the hospital and at home. Marie Sterzick c45

Gov. G. Mennen Williams Favors Unions in Proposed Legislation

Michigan's bi-partisan state government has entered its third month with little on the surface to indicate partisan differences. Just as coming events have a habit of casting shadows before them, so the April election has created a temporary lull in the state legislature. A total of 379 bills were introduced in the Senate and House prior to March 1. Most of these are before committees for study, revision or pigeon-holing. Considerable work is done by legislators in committee, and often their best contributions are decisions to kill undesirable bills. No major developments in the legislature are expected until the April ballots are counted. The political strategy seems to be well set. Republicans will concentrate on the rural vote, while Democrats are relying heavily on another CIO demonstration in Wayne county and other industrial centers. County highway departments are concerned about the possibility of the state highway department taking over control of state highway maintenance if Charles M. Ziegler, present highway commissioner at Lansing, is replaced by John H. McCarthy of Detroit, Democratic nominee.



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SOCIAL EVENTS

Social Brevities The Bridge Experts' Club met on Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. C. E. Martin. Mr. and Mrs. Theron Richmond, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce McQueen and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kellogg were entertained Thursday evening by Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Roth at a dinner party in honor of Mrs. Paul Kellogg's birthday. Mrs. Robert McCormick of Ada gave a stork shower for her sister-in-law, Mrs. Rex Collins, on Friday evening. Guests from Lowell were Mrs. Ruth Gault, Mrs. Wm. Collins, Mrs. Don White, Mrs. Henry Kooers, Mrs. Bert Hansen, Marylyn and Roseynn Collins. Mrs. Lottie Anderson was given a surprise birthday party on Saturday by her daughters, Mrs. James LeDuc and Mrs. Charles Jones, at the LeDuc home. The neighbors were invited. Games were played and a supper served. Mrs. Anderson received many gifts and cards.

Vergennes Cooperative Club The Vergennes Cooperative club met with Mrs. Annabelle Wittenbach on Thursday, March 3, with twenty-five members and two guests present. It was voted to buy a scrap book for the use of the club historian. The club gave five dollar contributions to both the Red Cross and the lodge to be erected at Camp Vining. Leah Rickner brought a number of Irish records and entertained the group with music. The roll call was on the wearing of green. Bertha Collar read a humorous story. The refreshments carried out the wearing the green motif.

Moseley Extension Group The Moseley Extension group met Thursday afternoon, March 3, at 1:30 at the home of Mrs. Chris Kropf. After a short business meeting the leader, Mrs. Frank Rueger and Mrs. Lee Keech led an interesting discussion on Legal Phases of Home Management. They also discussed lamp shades enough so we could plan how many wanted to make some and how much material to order. The next meeting will be March 16 with Mrs. Dan Byrnes.

CAMPFIRE GIRLS Nemiya Group The Nemiya Group of Camp Fire girls held their meeting Mar. 2 at the home of Nola Bedell. We discussed having a play and a rummage sale. We also were invited to a party at the Grand Rapids Armory, Mar. 19, which we are planning to attend. Donna Geisheid visited our meeting and told us she might join. The meeting was adjourned by the president—Nola Bedell, Scribe.

South Lowell Extension Class The South Lowell Extension Club met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Glen Vos. The chairman, Mrs. Elmer Swanson, called the meeting to order. The roll was taken and minutes read and approved. Next months meeting was planned and will be at Mrs. John Graham's. The motion was made and seconded to write to Senator Martin regarding the bill of throwing trash along the highway. The motion carried. Mrs. Vern Preston and Mrs. Archie Duncan then gave a very enlightening lesson on "The New in Cleaning". The motion was made and seconded to adjourn.

Morse Lake Farm Bureau The Morse Lake Farm Bureau held their regular meeting Tuesday evening, Feb. 22, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Dewap. Simon DeLew conducted the business meeting which was followed by a discussion, "The Future of the Schools." A very delicious lunch was served by the host and hostess. The March meeting will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Clark, Tuesday evening, March 15.

IN MEMORIAM In memory of William C. Stone, who passed away four years ago, March 9, 1945. One little knows the sorrow That lies within our hearts today, For the one we loved so dearly Has forever passed away. R45 Mrs. Will Stone and Daughter.

IN MEMORIAM In loving memory of our dear mother and grandmother, Mrs. Rosa Thomet, who passed away two years ago, March 10, 1947. Always so true, unselfish and kind, A few in this world Her equal you'll find. A beautiful life that came to an end, She died as she lived, everyone's friend. Sadly missed by Children and Grandchildren. R45

CARD OF THANKS We wish to express our sincere thanks to relatives, neighbors and friends for their kindness and sympathy shown us during the illness and death of our sister and aunt, Grace Blanding, also our appreciation to the trustees, superintendent, matron and nurses of Clark Memorial Home. We also wish to thank Rev. Grottel for his words of comfort, to those who furnished music and songs, the pallbearers for their services and those who sent flowers. Mrs. Ruby Hudson and Family.

YOUR WASHINGTON REVIEW Sheel P. Ford Jr.

Who says Republicans are stingy with the public purse strings? Last week a letter went out from the office of James VanZandt, (R-PA) describing an Old Age Pension Bill which would provide "at least \$50,000 per month to citizens over sixty years of age!" Inadequate, I say—don't see how a person could live on it. Next morning a corrected letter arrived: \$80.00, a slight typographical error.

Representative Dwight L. Rogers has asked his constituents the following questions. Rogers is from Florida, but it strikes me folks in western Michigan would have some ideas on these subjects. Why not check the answers off as you read them? Send them to your representative at 321 House Office Building: 1. Do you favor increasing the minimum wage law? Yes—No—To what figure? 2. How would you vote on the Taft Hartley Law? Repeat—Amend—Leave it alone— 3. Would you favor re-enactment of the Wagner Labor Act? Yes—No— 4. Do you favor extending rent control in our area another year? Yes—No— 5. Should Congress pass a law providing Federal Aid to Education? Yes—No— 6. Do you think Congress should pass a compulsory health insurance system? Yes—No— 7. Yes—No—on universal military training. 8. How about price controls? Yes—No— 9. Do you favor extension of the Social Security System as recommended by President Truman? Yes—No— 10. Do you favor a veteran's pension for men who served in World War I or II? Yes—No—

These are some of the questions to be decided by Congress in the next few weeks. Your answers can help me a lot. On Wednesday, March 2, the House took up the District of Columbia Appropriation bill. Representative Powell, at the strategic moment, introduced an amendment to the bill to wipe out segregation in the District of Columbia schools. The proposed amendment was defeated first by a voice vote, then by division, and finally by tellers. Although it is poor legislative procedure to attach this kind of amendment to an appropriation bill, I voted for the amendment in all three instances. That's where I stand on civil rights and the protection of minority groups.

Visitors in Washington: Bill DePree of Zeeland and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Verulius of Grand Rapids. Mr. Verulius was working on completing plans for his television station. The hitch is in getting programs from the networks, but soon they will be available on film. Mr. Verulius explained that with the transmitter located on the highest point in the vicinity (13 miles south of the city), residents for 40 or 50 miles around can expect good reception. The date of opening is still uncertain, but if all goes well, next winter we may be enjoying this new form of entertainment. Ledger ads pay big dividends.

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BOWNE CENTER W. S. C. S. Hostesses for the delicious roast beef dinner served March 2 at the Aid hall were Mesdames Edna Johnson, Lydia, Bertha and Frances Porritt and Edwina Wingeler. Dinner collection was \$23. Roll call was answered by constructive suggestions for betterment of the W. S. C. S. Mrs. Bolto was in charge of the devotions, Mrs. Esther Simpson gave a vocal solo. Mrs. Bertha Porritt gave a review of the study book. Extended discussion was held in regard to the floor covering for the lower hall. It is estimated as a \$300 project and it was decided to start the fund with the donation of \$25 given by Mr. and Mrs. George Clark of Caledonia. Mrs. Frank Brew added \$5. Special sales will be held and it is hoped that the fund will grow rapidly. A film about the conditions in Europe will be shown in the near future. Watch for the date. Also a family community night is planned for April. Dr. Dorrell of Grand Rapids will be the speaker. Quarterly Conference at W.S.C.S. Hall March 25. Lunch will be served after the business meeting. Next meeting will be held Election Day, April 4. Members will receive notice of menu planned by the committee. Anger or hunger will make fish bite, but when they are full they will take no more for irregular periods of time. Their appetites vary from day to day, season to season. Failure to obey traffic signals can be a walker's last mistake.

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Workers hired by firms in intrastate commerce would be given the right of collective bargaining under a "Little Wagner act" bill approved by Governor Williams. The measure would permit a three-member state labor relations board to hold elections to determine the bargaining agent desired by a majority of employees. "Cease and desist" orders also could be issued against employers. Another measure, blessed by Governor Williams, would revise the Bonine-Tripp labor law to eliminate requirement of strike vote by majority of employees before a legal strike call be called. Waiting period before a strike could be called would be cut from ten to five days, except in hospital and utility strikes where a 30-day "cooling off" period would be retained. The state Supreme court ruled that compulsory arbitration in public utility disputes were unconstitutional.

Unemployment compensation coverage would be extended by another Williams-approved bill to employees of firms which pay a minimum of \$150 weekly in wages. At present firms which hire eight or more workers are taxed. Maximum weekly payments would be raised to \$42 for 26 weeks, as contrasted to the present \$28 weekly for 20 weeks. The cost of all government—local, state and federal—will approximate one-third of the national income in 1949, reports the United Press. "New taxes are being proposed in nearly every state to help balance rising budgets."

Taxes levied in Michigan for county, municipal, school and other local units increased 15.78 per cent during 1948, according to the state board of assessors. Former Governors Harry F. Kelly and Wilbur M. Brucker are being mentioned prominently as possible contenders for the United States senatorship to be vacated by Senator Vandenberg in 1952. Kim Sigler didn't appear at the Republican state convention in Grand Rapids. He is vacationing with Mrs. Sigler at Fort Lauderdale, Fla., also the winter retreat of George R. Averill, his executive secretary in 1947 and 1948. Insurance should be kept up to correspond with today's higher replacement values of buildings, say Michigan State college farm management specialists.

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