

Dr. Hill Explains His Proposal Revised Pay-as-you-go Sewer-Water Plan Presented to Village Council

At the last council meeting Dr. Thomas B. Hill, health officer of the village, presented a revised pay-as-you-go plan for the construction of sewer and water service to all residents of the village, and we quote his written report verbatim:

As a result of the vote of Dec. 15, I am making the following recommendation. If the vote can be considered to have been on the basis of the discussion at the open meeting of December 12, 1955, the refusal of the voters to approve the sewer and water bond issue was not a denial of the need for a rapid extension of the water and sewer system but was rather an approval of an attempt to complete the program on a pay as you go basis over a period of six to eight years as against completing the program over a one or two year period on a bond issue.

A program can be based on the Citizens Committee's recommendation of 1953 which was discussed in some detail at the open meeting. Their program envisioned raising about \$35,000 a year for six years from the following sources:

1. \$7,000 to be obtained by general taxation.
2. Another \$7,000 to be obtained by assessing the village \$3,000 for hydrant rental and \$4,000 from street funds for sewer services. Actually this too requires an increase in general taxation of \$5,000 for that is the amount in excess of the \$2,000 now being paid by the village to the sewer and water utility for these services which is included in the figure for utility revenues.
3. Therefore for items 1 and 2, \$12,000 can be raised by taxation of approximately 2 1/2 mills against state equalized property values which are the evaluations to be in effect next year.

3. The committee then would have raised 25 per cent of the total cost of the improvements by assessments of the property owners. As was discussed in the open meeting this would not be feasible unless the village charter is replaced by a city charter. In place of this assessment are the present water and sewer hook-on fees of \$75 and \$40 respectively for smaller connections. This actually represents about 22 per cent of the costs for laying sewer and water mains in front of a 66 foot lot but admittedly does not cover any share of the long mains that may be necessary to reach the area of the lots. These hook-on fees have given the following revenues to the water and sewer services:

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| 1953-\$1,904 |
| 1954-\$1,418 |
| 1955-\$2,125 |

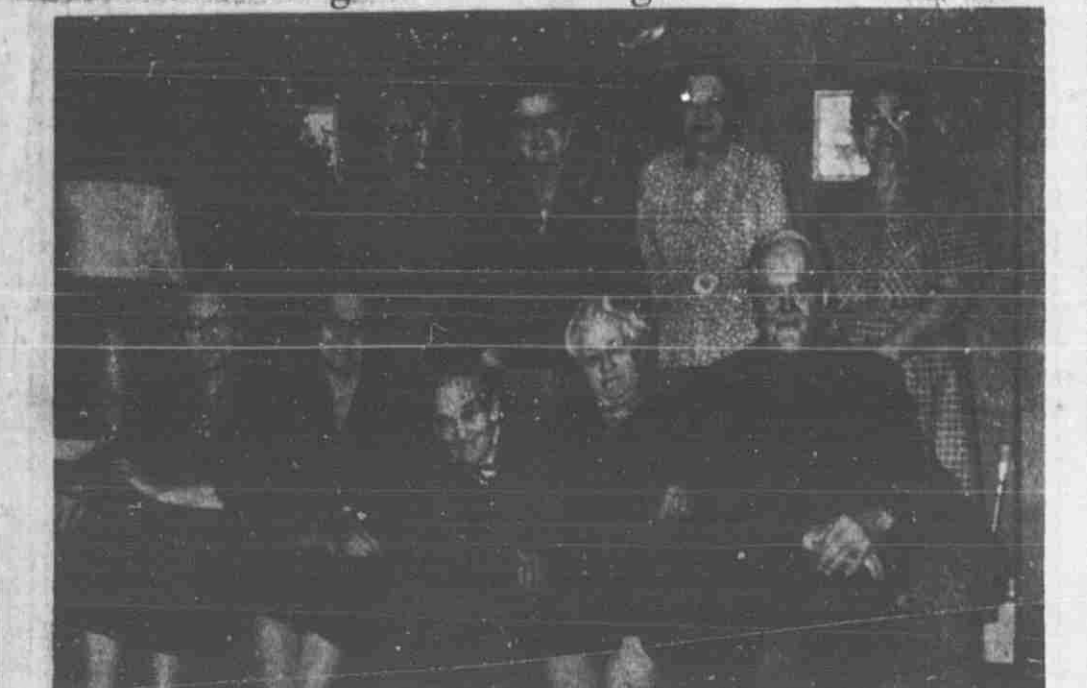
With expanded sewer and water construction these revenues may increase, but it can be seen from the above figures that they have accounted for slightly under 20 per cent of the \$30,000 in water and

ONLY FIVE FAITHFUL OBSERVERS REPORT

Only five faithful workers reported for duty at the Lowell G. O. C. post from Saturday midnight to Monday midnight. They were Bonnie Mayou, Norma Jean Briggs, Forrest Smith, Arle Leeman and Helen Wyzle.

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These Ladies Organized to Bring Sunshine to Shut-Ins



The Swiss Ladies Aid, which was organized in 1897 by a group of members of the German Methodist church, still holds monthly meetings, and the above picture was taken December 8, at the home of Mrs. Anna Ryder, W. Main st. The nine members present are, left to right, standing: Mrs. Ira Blough, Mrs. Godfrey Roth, Mrs. Rudy Wittenbach, Sr., Miss Helen Fuss, and Mrs. Ryder, seated, Mrs. Joe Berkley, Mrs. Martha Nash, Mrs. Elise Wittenbach, Mrs. Al Blaser and the group's honorary member, Christ Bieri.

The Swiss Ladies Aid met for the first time, back in 1897, with Mrs. Mariana Althaus, who was elected its president; vice president was Suzanne Bieri; secretary, Elise Althaus Clemenz.

In 1903 there were thirty-seven members; now there are only thirteen, but they still continue to meet once a month, and pay their dues, and with this money they try and spread a little sunshine to the shut-ins.

Oldest member of the group in the picture is Mrs. Elise Witten-

Twinoaks Exchange for Lowell Phones Starts Monday, January 9th

Lowell phones will go metropolitan on Monday, January 9th, when the Michigan Bell Telephone Company will have completed all work necessary to put this area in a direct exchange with Grand Rapids. The prefix "Twinoaks" followed by a number 7 will be used in addition to your regular Lowell phone number of four digits. In other words the Ledger's new phone number will be TWinoaks 7-9261, starting January 9th.

Similar exchange systems are being arranged for Ada, Alto and Grattan, to be put in effect shortly after the Lowell exchange.

According to Bell officials, this program of putting rural communities on an exchange with Grand Rapids will be a major step in a long-range program to make telephone service better and faster.

New Lowell Listing Will Better Serve Emergency Calls

Starting January 1, 1956, Lowell physicians and the Roth Ambulance and Funeral service have made arrangements with Mrs. Itoi Dalstra, proprietor of the Lowell Rest Home, to establish an emergency call number to be answered by a phone at her home, 429 High st., to be used when the former cannot be reached either at their offices or homes.

This new number TWinoaks 9210, will replace the number previously used out of Grand Rapids.

The purpose of the new service is to enable the people of this area to more quickly obtain medical assistance in cases of emergency, when other listings do not respond. In the past each of the subscribers had to arrange for someone to always be at their home to answer the phone. Now their families may have a more normal life, and at the same time the people of Lowell will be better served.

There will be no charge made to persons calling this number.

From Jan. 1, 1956 until Jan. 9, 1956, when the new dial system goes into effect, call 9210. On and after Jan. 9, 1956, call TWinoaks 7-9210.

EMERGENCY CALL NUMBER
When your doctor or Roth do not have business hours, or cannot be reached at home, call:
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The undersigned will always inform this number where they can be reached.
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Harold Myers, D.O.
Thomas Hill, M.D.
Orval McKay M.D.
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News of Our Servicemen

Richard Ryder of Bowne Center was called by the Navy Dec. 3, for two years duty. He spent two weeks at Philadelphia, Pa.; then was sent to Norfolk, Va. to board the U. S. S. Forrestal. Richard's wife Clara lives near her folks at Bowne Center.

His new address is:
Richard F. Ryder, P. O. 4247914,
U. S. S. Forrestal, C. V. A. Fleet,
Postoffice New York City, New York

Mrs. Ralph Boerma, 73 Dies Thursday Morning

Mrs. Helen M. Boerma, 73, passed away quietly in her sleep Thursday morning December 22, at a Grand Rapids hospital, where she had been a patient about two weeks. Mrs. Boerma had been in failing health since a fall last Spring, in which she suffered two broken vertebrae.

Funeral services were held at the Roth Chapel Saturday afternoon, the Rev. Norman Woon officiating; interment in Oakwood cemetery.

The deceased was a member of the Rebekah Lodge for 54 years, and also belonged to the Women's Relief Corps and the Past Noble Grand Club.

On February 10, 1904, Mr. and Mrs. Boerma were wed at Yuma, Wexford County; they moved to Lowell in 1921, buying the Orle Godfrey farm, where they made their home until twenty years ago when they sold the farm, and moved to their Pleasant st. home.

Mr. and Mrs. Boerma celebrated their golden wedding anniversary two years ago this February.

Besides her husband Mrs. Boerma is survived by four of her five sons: Cecil and Clarence of Grand Rapids, and Melvin and Donald of Lowell.

There are also four grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

**This Veteran Meatsman
Has Over 50-Year Record
in Retail Business**

R. G. Thompson, "Dad" as he is affectionately known to his many friends, rounds out in 1955 over fifty years in the meat business. Beginning when he was only 12 years old working for his brother at Bear Lake, Michigan, he has been continuously in the meat business in Muskegon, Grand Rapids and Lowell.

"Dad" Thompson is still going strong after these many years operating the meat department at Precious Grocery and is still as sharp a buyer as any in the business. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson came to Lowell in 1947 to assist his son G. R. "Butch" when he opened his market, taking over at Precious after his son sold the market.

Both "Dad's" sons, G. R. and Frank who is in charge of the meat department at Kroger here, have been brought up in the trade by their father. Besides his sons he has three daughters; Mrs. Lee Francisco, and Mrs. Ed Johnson both of Jacksonville, Florida; Mrs. Les Kerr of Grand Rapids.

He is very proud of his 11 grand children and 6 great grand children. Early in January Dad and Mrs. Thompson expect to visit their daughters in Florida.

George DeVries All-State Material Says Lowell Coach

Lowell's height-lacking Red Arrows are being lead this season by a candidate for all-state basketball honors, with a year-end record of five wins in their first seven games on the basketball court. George DeVries, pictured above, has a point-per-game average in Grand Valley competition of better than 27 and is headed for his second straight scoring crown.

George's height of 5 ft. 10 in. doesn't hamper him, in fact, never has in his four years of varsity play. Now a senior, he is not only the leading scoring member of the Red Arrow team, but leads the Grand Valley conference for the second straight year, with an average of .43 scores for each attempted shot in Lowell's seven games so far this season.

Lowell's coach Norman Gotschall reports that George has improved his defensive game greatly in the first few contests of the season, and the coach has high hopes of his winning all-state honors this year.

The Arrows have the unusual distinction of winning their first five games by an average score of only 2 points; in their seven games played, the opponents have scored a total of 19 more points than Lowell has been able to accumulate.



VFW Auxiliary Hears Of 'Mothers March'

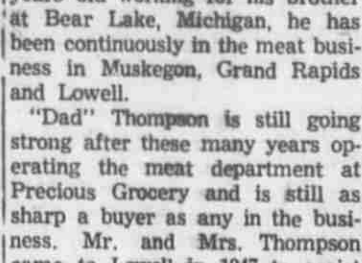
Corra Troy, President of the Lowell Auxiliary to V.F.W. Post 8303 reported to her fellow members at their regular meeting Thursday, December 15, concerning a recent meeting in Grand Rapids relative to "The Mothers March."

Mrs. Troy states the campaign will be held the last Thursday in January.

Also at this regular meeting the club members initiated Lorraine Pratt, a new member of the auxiliary.

Following the business session a Christmas party was held, and gifts exchanged.

Next regular meeting of the auxiliary will be Jan. 11. All members are urged to attend.



We have received a nice note from Mr. and Mrs. George Tanis, who are wintering in Florida, while we are shoveling snow and shivering. They stated also that they missed the paper, and would like it sent to them.

In case any of our readers would like to send their season's greetings at 3025 Central Avenue, St. Petersburg, Fla., we are sure they will be glad to hear from you.

COMING EVENTS

Vergennes Cooperative Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Blanche Himebaugh Jan. 5.

The roll call: A new years resolution your husband should make.

Ladies night of the Rod and Gun Club will meet at the City Hall Thursday night December 29.

The Rebekah Lodge will hold its first meeting of the new year Tuesday Jan. 3, 1956 8 p.m. at the IOOF Hall.

The Lila Group of the Congregational Womens fellowship will meet Thursday afternoon Jan. 5 in the Parish House. They will be making pital gowns.

Public Euchre Party at IOOF Hall Thursday December 29, at 8 p.m.

OPEN BOWLING Friday, December 30, from 7 to 11 p. m. Sunday and Monday, January 1 and 2, from 2 to 11 p. m. Lowell Bowling Alleys.

The village hostess, Mrs. John Bergin, reports that we erred in reporting our new family, the Slegersmas, last week; although we were correct in stating they had two children at home, there are three other sons in the family, two of whom are in military service.

"Now that the city has widened our Main st., to make a speedway for through traffic, what are they going to do for the poor pedestrian when it comes to crossing the street?" ... we quote Frank Newell.

Well, Frank, we understand that the State has this week authorized the installation of a traffic light at the intersection of M-1 and Main. This will operate as a regular stop light between 7:00 a. m. and 7:00 p. m., and a red flasher on M-1 and caution light on M-1 at other hours. Editor.

The San Juan River in Utah at one place runs 8 1/2 miles to cover a distance (as the crow flies) of one mile.

Quiet Holiday Weekend For Lowell Police

Three traffic violations, and one property damage accident, were all that marred the Lowell safety record over the Christmas holiday weekend, according to Police Chief F. L. Stephens.

The property damage accident occurred Friday evening about 7 o'clock when one auto attempted to overtake another, which was making a left-hand turn off Vergennes st. in Lowell.

Bertha Alexander was attempting to enter the driveway at 917 Vergennes, when Jerry Thompson started to pass her car. The Thompson vehicle ran across the John Freeman, Alexander and Peter Mulder yards, hitting a tree, and ramming the Mulder porch, to the extent of about \$200 damages.



See Rise in Cost Of Family Living

Family living costs will continue their slight upward drift in 1956. That's what farm economists at Michigan State University expect next year.

During the past four years, farmers' living costs have gone up about 2 per cent. Next year, prices may go up about 1 to 1 1/2 per cent. Many of the price hikes, however, will be on items that the average family buys only now and then.

The economists believe that "bargain hunting" will pay even more during the coming year. Competition will put a damper on price boosts and buyers can expect to find a bargain on many items.

Food prices will average about the same or a little lower. Little or no change is in sight for fall and winter clothing prices.

Prices for household furnishings and equipment should be near those of 1955 but housing costs are expected to be slightly higher. Some lumber is up and other basic materials may be marked up. Heatings and plumbing fixtures will be higher and fuel will cost more, too.

Services such as medical, household service and personal care will cost slightly more next year, a trend for several years.

"Battle of Bulge" Is Never-Ending Says UM Dietitian

The battle of the bulge never ends. To the person who wants to reduce, the struggle is permanent.

According to Miss Isabel Foster, Director of Diabetics at the University of Michigan Hospital, losing weight is not easy. It is a continual war of life.

In fact, declares Miss Foster, "I would say that no easy way to reduce is safe, and no safe way is easy."

If you are tempted by magic reducing diets and candy-coated pills which are designed to fill a vacuum, be wary, warns Miss Foster. "Such methods not only cost money," she states, "they can be dangerous."

The Hospital dietitian says she believes the first thing a person should do is find out if it is necessary for him or her to reduce. Some persons needlessly turn themselves into stomach-stoics when they don't have to.

But if your physician tells you to take the excess baggage off your back, then believe him and do what he says. "After all," states Miss Foster, "we all know it is much easier to carry a straight chair than an overstuffed one."

Here are some of her specific suggestions:

Drink coffee black; Go easy on butter; Substitute lemon juice for salad dressing; Trim fat from meat; Drink fruit juices instead of sodas; Broil and roast rather than breading and frying meats; Substitute herbs, onions, or peppers for gravied meats.

New Campfire Group Selects Name "Omaha"

The Fifth Grade Camp Fire Girls newly organized in September, selected the name Omaha, which means "a friendship band of industrious gay maidens," and elected officers as follows:

President, Carol Sue Potter; vice president, Sheryl Staal; secretary, Susan Moore; treasurer, Sharon Walker; scribe, Suzanne Starkweather.

The group participated in the Halloween campaign for UNICEF, sold tickets for the magic show, sold candy and made colorful place mats for the Lowell Rest Home patients at Thanksgiving. They also have enjoyed an autumn trail hike and held a Christmas party with games and refreshments.

Suzanne Starkweather, Scribe

BIRTHS

Born to Rev. and Mrs. Howard McDonald at Butterworth Hospital on Saturday Dec. 17, a daughter Myra Sue, weight 10 lbs. 2 ozs.

Brazil has three states larger than Texas.

Has Served Village 22 Years Roth to Retire From Public Office; Dr. McKay Will Seek Presidency

The Ledger was informed today that Village President W. A. Roth, (left) will not seek re-election in the coming primaries, but will step down from public office, after serving 3 years as the village president, and 19 on the council as trustee. Doctor Orval McKay (right) will seek nomination for this job at the February 20 primaries.

There are only six days left in which candidates seeking village office in the annual election may file nominating petitions with the village clerk, January 3, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, is the deadline, and as of this writing a few petitions are being circulated and two have been filed: Those filed are for Laura A. Shepard, incumbent village clerk and Esther Fahrni, incumbent village treasurer.

The best job open in this election, no doubt, is the clerk's position, which has been made a full-time job by the Council, at a weekly salary of \$75.

Parking Violators To Be Ticketed

Police Chief Frank Stephens advised this week that his department will enforce the ordinance prohibiting parking on any Lowell street between the hours of 2 to 6 in the morning, in order to facilitate the work of the street department in the removal of snow and other waste materials.

Also, vehicles parked on the wrong side of the street will be ticketed. During the past months, Mr. Stephens stated, it has been the policy of his department to issue warning tickets only, but the results have been very unsatisfactory, with violations increasing rather than decreasing.

Start January 2

Therefore, beginning January 2, 1956, all vehicles found parked on the wrong side of the street, or parked on any village street during the hours above designated, will be issued a parking ticket and the owner of the automobile will be required to post the necessary \$1.00 violation fee with the village clerk the same as in the instances of other parking violations.

Even the Teacher Liked This Practical Joke

Young Dan DeGraw and Jimmie Bibber decided it would be fun to play a practical joke on Jenn Antonides, whose prize-winning Black Angus steer was purchased recently by their employer (they work part time at Herm Scholten's market).

When preparing the critter for sale this week, they saved the tail, boxed it and wrapped it prettily for a gift, presenting it to Jenn in her bookkeeping class the last day of school before Christmas. Even Ray Avery, instructor, and usually very poised, seemed to enjoy this prank.

Not to be outdone, one of the other school teachers thought it was too good a joke to pull on just one, and presented another beautifully wrapped package (the same tail) to one of the school's custodians.

What Would You Do If Offered Trip to Moon?

How would you like to receive a quit-claim deed to an acre of land on the Moon, with all mineral and fishing rights thereto? That's what 13-year-old Brooke Mullen found in a package under the Christmas tree.

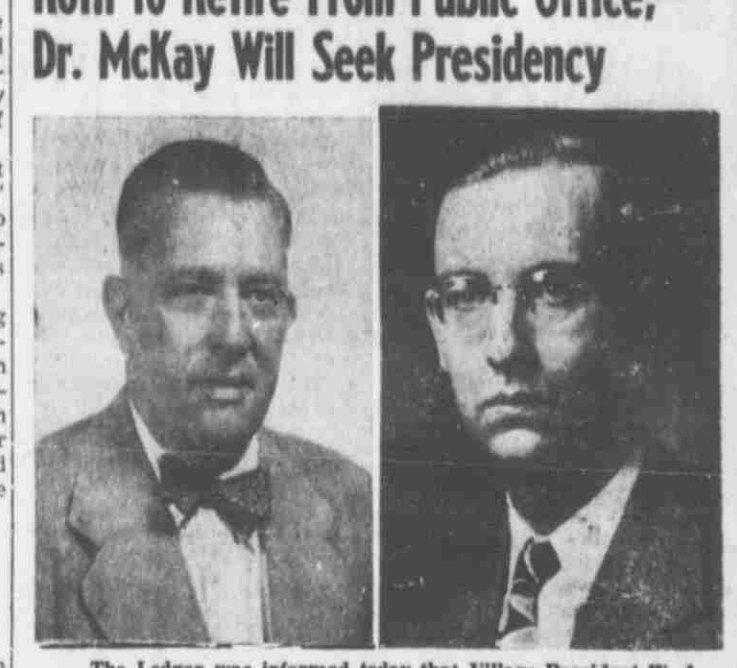
This air-craft enthusiast, since the age of 8 when she took her first plane trip to Chicago, was a little doubtful about the clause in the deed where she is offered a reserved seat on first space-ship to the moon. She was reported to have wistfully remarked to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Don Mullen, "Do I have to go?"

The sale of these \$1 per acre plots on the Moon by the Interplanetary Development Project has been approved by the U. S. Supreme Court, and funds are to go toward inter-planetary research.

Brook's property, incidentally, is on the crater Copernicus, which faces the Earth.

Leisure time is the finished product of greater efficiency.

Leo Sullivan, whose petition is being circulated for the position of assessor, is seeking election to a job which has been held the past two years by Harold Jefferies, who is not seeking re-election. This job pays \$300, but in becoming a candidate for this post Mr. Sullivan has been assured by the present council the appointment to the position of health officer and building inspector, which three jobs should pay him about \$1,000 per year.



Present health officer, Dr. Thomas B. Hill, has announced he will be unable to accept re-appointment to this job in the coming year, but would be very willing to help in an advisory capacity. The building inspector's job has been assumed in the past by Thomas Moore, superintendent of municipal utilities.

Mr. Sullivan, who is 65, has been employed by the Corduroy Rubber Company in Grand Rapids for the past 18 years, from which position he wishes to retire. Prior to moving to 216 Riverdale drive about 6 years ago, he was a resident of Fallsburg Park area, and before that lived 30 years in Grand Rapids.

Roth to retire

After serving on the village council for 22 years, the last three of which he has been president, W. A. Roth announced this week that he would not seek a fourth term as president. Mr. Roth, however, is urging the nomination of Dr. Orval McKay to succeed him for this job; and a petition is being circulated; Dr. McKay's first term as a council member will expire this year; he has served on the light and power committee during his term as a trustee.

Other incumbents who are expected to be candidates for re-election are Mrs. Lylia Johnson, who has just completed her first term as trustee; and Jack Tomga, who was appointed to the position of trustee to fill the vacancy which occurred last summer when Dr. D. H. Outley moved to Calumet.

SEGWUN WILL LOSE THEIR GENERAL STORE JAN. 1

The Boyd's General store will close as of the first of the year. The present owners, Mr. and Mrs. Edw. J. Boyd, purchased this store in 1946 from his father, S. J. Boyd, who had operated a general store in Segwun since 1936.

Mrs. Boyd stated to the Ledger that their plans are rather indefinite, but they hope to move to their country property on 28th st. near the Ionia County line, and complete a home which they have started to build. This will not probably be done until after school is out at least.

Besides assisting in running the store, Mr. Boyd is a custodian at the Lowell Public schools and drives school bus.

Tables may be reserved in a night club, but the patrons usually aren't.



Dr. Harold R. Myers, in a phone conversation with the Ledger office Wednesday noon, indicated that he would seek one of the three trustee positions open on the council, and will also be circulating a petition to Lowell's registered voters this week.

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Elmdale
Mrs. Ira Sargent
family dinner for the parents of Mrs. Miller and all of her brothers and sisters and families on Christmas Day.
Mr. and Mrs. Lee Steiner and baby spent the holiday week with relatives of Ohio.
Mr. and Mrs. Deane Krauss and children also enjoyed the holiday with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Krauss.

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Ocean Spray Cranberry Sauce

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Lux Soap

Christmas night supper with Mrs. King's parents Mr. and Mrs. Carl St. John.
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S. Keene—N. Boston
Mrs. Mary Foster
Happy New Year to Editor and Staff, and all the readers.
Bacon Club will be held with Mrs. Pauline Burtle next week, Thursday afternoon, January 5th. Don't forget your dice, tables and sandwiches.

Monday evening the Richards and Mrs. Clemens attended another Christmas party at the Victor Clemens home in Lowell for all the Richert families.
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Smith and family attended Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Guy Smith at Blandhard.

Christmas dinner guests at the Roy Gage home were Mr. and Mrs. Ted Gage; evening callers were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Whiston and Marie in Greenville.
Emma Blough and Marie Burt were Christmas dinner guests at the Cloyd Noon home.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Marcellus of Grandville were Christmas dinner guests of the Robert Anderson family; other callers were Mrs. Margaret Dyer and family, Monday the Andersons were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Marcellus.
Mr. and Mrs. Russell Feerstein and

and Beverly and the Darwin Hendricks family and all the other Hendricks families were Christmas dinner guests at the Berens home in Byron.
Mrs. Chas. Baird and family were morning Christmas guests at the James Baird home. Charles had to remain in Hopkins to receive his laundry.
Mr. and Mrs. Glen Barkley of Grand Rapids were Sunday callers of Leda and Geneva Barkley.
Miss Dawn Capron and mother of Ionia and Mr. and Mrs. Milroy of Saranac were Saturday evening guests at the John Smith home. Later the John Smiths and Milroy were guests at the Cloyd Noon home.

Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hewett of Lowell were Christmas dinner guests along with the Milroy family at the John Smith home. Evening guests at the Smith home, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Potter, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Ed Potter, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Jackson and baby, and next Mrs. and Mrs. Eddie Potter had as dinner guests on Christmas day Mr. and Mrs. James Lind and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Potter, Sr.
All the Hale families and Mr. and Mrs. Glen Shea were dinner guests Christmas day at the Chas. Dent home at Lansing.
Monday Christmas dinner guests at the Phlorus Hale home were Edna Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Thompson.
All the Frank Shores families were Christmas day dinner guests at the Mike Bergsma home in Grand Rapids.
Frank Thompson was over the Christmas holiday week at the Howard Raimor home in Grand Rapids, and returned home Monday afternoon.
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Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Fryer of Droyton Plaines were Friday afternoon guests at the Ed and Paul Droyton homes.
Mr. and Mrs. Edwin George are the parents of a baby girl, Linda Sue, born December 18 at St. Lawrence hospital, Lansing, with a weight of 8 pounds, 14 ounces.
JANUARY CALENDAR
Tuesday Jan. 3, Denison Guild, Official Board, Cascade Christian Church, Township Board.
Friday Jan. 6 Tri Cies; American Legion.
Monday Jan. 9, Executive Board, Legion Auxiliary.
Thursday Jan. 12 Cascade school Mothers' club; Cradle Roll Guild.
Sunday Jan. 15, 3rd Fellowship Night, Cascade Christian Church.
Monday Jan. 16, Cascade Fire Department.
Tuesday Jan. 17, Senior Mr. and Mrs. club.
Thursday Jan. 19, Ada Neighborhood Girl Scout Assn. 7:30 p.m.
Friday Jan. 20, American Legion.
Saturday Jan. 21, Thornapple post GOC dance.
Thursday Jan. 26, Sunny Acres Farm Bureau; Cub Scout Pack meeting.
Friday, Jan. 27, American Legion Auxiliary.

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Cascade Community News

MRS. ROBER WYTES, JR. — PHONE 41-4-5570

No Serious Injury in Christmas Eve Accident
Accidents happen at Christmas as well as at other times, and two cars on holiday trips, collided on U.S. 16 and the South Beltline, when dusk and a blue fog lowered visibility. Two occupants of one car were injured, but not seriously, and both cars were damaged.
Richard T. Winstrom, Covell rd., Grand Rapids, making a left turn from U.S. 16 onto the beltline due to see the station wagon driven by Cornell W. Lughart, Bates st., Grand Rapids, approaching from the north on U.S. 16. He pulled in front of it, and was struck and spun around. Neither car was going fast.
Mrs. Lughart and her son, 12, riding in the front seat, struck the windshield, making a hole in it, and the boy was quite shaken. Both were found not seriously injured when examined by a local physician, and allowed to continue their journey.
The Lugharts were on the way to Battle Creek to spend Christmas with relatives. Their car, damaged by the left turn, was taken to Dykhouse and Buys for repairs, and the relatives drove to Cascade to get the family and take them to Battle Creek.
Mr. Winstrom had delivered a carload of Christmas presents to a relative in the country, and was returning for a second load at the time of the accident. His car, after having the front fender damaged, was able to proceed.
Cascade firemen and George C. Strain, of the Red Cross Traffic Squad, set up a road block, and the considerable flow of holiday traffic until state police arrived.

NEWS FROM ARRIVED
Guest speaker at Cascade Christian church morning worship service, January 3, at the home of Mrs. Roger Wykes, Thornapple River, Jr., for dessert at 1 o'clock, followed by a business meeting and study program at 1:30.
Tri Cies of Cascade Christian church will meet Friday evening, January 6, at 6:30 for a potluck supper and some music. Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Ray will be in charge of the devotions.
C.Y.F. of Cascade Christian church was to have a holiday party this Thursday, Dec. 29, at 6 p.m. at the O. B. Snow home, Cascade Springs rd.

Recovering
Mrs. John Timmer, Thornapple River rd., underwent emergency surgery Friday morning, is recovering, and is reported in good condition Tuesday by Butsworth hospital authorities.
Elmdale News
Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Krauss enjoyed a fine dinner Tuesday night at Hastings with the Milk Truckers association.
We learn that Mrs. Leona Rosenberger who recently moved to the farm, known as her girlhood home has had a telephone installed, the number being AL 2461.
Mr. and Mrs. Ira Sargent their daughter Mr. Laura Schwab and daughter Ann who Walter Peck and Kenny Mennens all of Grand Lodge for a Christmas dinner Monday.

Complex Translation
Miss Marian Schoiland, 48th st., recently completed a translation from the Dutch of "Stand By Boys" by K. Norel, a story of the flood for children but of interest to adults. She has done a commendation of a girl's book written a hundred years ago, "The Wide World," by Susan Warner, which some of us may remember weeping over.

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Snow Community

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Washlight Party
A wash party will be held at Snow W. S. C. S. hall on Saturday evening beginning at 9 o'clock by members of Snow Church. Bring an inexpensive gift for exchange. Refreshments will be served and Daurell Heashe will show pictures of Korea.
Mr. and Mrs. Claud Cole spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Martin Schneider of Lowell and Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. John Vincent of Hastings.
Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Heashe entertained Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Bloomer and Ruth Ann of N. McConds, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Bloomer and children of Grand Rapids, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Meesowen and family of West Lowell, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Heashe and children of Farmington, Va., Naval base, where she is stationed.
Mr. and Mrs. Keith West and children of Lansing spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Smith and Monday afternoon callers were Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Brown of Eaton Rapids and Mrs. John Phelps of Lowell.
James Ballard of McCards called on Mr. and Mrs. Claude Cole Monday.
Mr. and Mrs. Dan Blanding Sr. of Greenville spent Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. John Blanding.
A new well is being drilled at Snow school as the old well went dry.

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Star Corners

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Nancy and Christy Krebs were overnight guests of Grandpa and Grandma Krebs Monday.
Several from this vicinity attended Star Farm Bureau at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Watta of South Bowne Tuesday evening.
Mr. and Mrs. Ray Seese visited Mr. and Mrs. Ashley Thompson in Friday evening.
Mrs. Jessie Rattan entertained for Christmas dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Edw. Strong of Eastmont, Mr. and Mrs. P. Z. Strong of Grand Rapids and Glen Brough of Horse Sho Lake.
Mrs. Clarence McIntyre entertained for Christmas dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Stevens and family and Ron Stevens of Kalamazoo, Ill., Delbert Stevens of LaPorte Ind.
Rev. and Mrs. Myron Dawson of Freeport was a Friday guest of his father, Mrs. Iva McIntyre, Herbert Dawson and sister.
Albert Ketcham is spending the week with his uncle and aunt. Mr. and Mrs. Lester Jones of Lansing spent Christmas with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jones and called on Mrs. Lottie Anderson. Mr. and Mrs. James LaDue had the misfortune to fall and each suffered a fractured wrist.
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Michel of E. Lansing were guests of their parents Mr. and Mrs. F. Stevens Monday, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stevens were guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Brindle of Ionia on Christmas day. They spent Monday in Rockford with Mr. Boyd's brother and mother.

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Mrs. M. E. Simpson and Miss Agnes Perry called on Miss Kittle Mason and Mrs. Mason, Friday, at the Edw. Nursing Home in Ionia.
Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Nisbet and two sons spent Christmas evening at the home of Mrs. Nisbet's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pinkerton and family in Saginaw. On Monday, they visited the Nisbet family in Saginaw.
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Mr. and Mrs. Bert McNelly of Elkton spent the week-end at the Lowell Rest Home and Mrs. Dora Fletcher.
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Now the end of 1955 we see another Year of Progress in Lowell. A check back of course also reveals tragedy to some folks. But if you will stay with us for the next few paragraphs we would like to condense for you the events leading up to now, and invite you to reminisce with us.

As many of you know we do go back to some things that did go wrong and would have had to be removed anyway. Of course it was fortunate that we were able to get them together, petitioned the council, and the street was re-surveyed and some trees, although ruined, were saved.

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On July 15 Dave Clark, Jr., was named commander of the Lowell post of the American Legion. Early in the morning of July 12, three-year term this summer on the Lowell School Board, upon completion of which he will have served the Lowell schools for forty years. He has been president for thirty years. He had no competition in the annual school election.

Rev. J. Marion DeViney came to Lowell and Vergennes Methodist churches in June to become their new pastor. Rev. Philip R. Glettochy, Jr., was transferred to a church in Charlotte.

Four students shared honors scholastically in the 1955 Senior Class, being: Maureen Rankin, Eleanor Vanden Heuvel, co-valedictorian; and Barbara Burtie and Cary Cliff, co-salutatorians.

Lowell Methodist church observed their centennial year in 1955, with special programs in March. The sale season was in the fall in 1955, and the first clinic was held here in Lowell schools on April 21.

Lions club held their Variety show on April 21 and 22, and raised funds for the proposed swimming pool.

Robert Jacob, 38, died Sunday, April 17, after being severely injured when his car left the highway M-21 just east of the Belline, near Grand Rapids.

Monday April 18, Leonard Fase of the Lowell Truck Team smashed all local records by running high hurdles in 16.5 seconds.

Richard Court was named president of the Lowell P.T.A. in April, succeeding Bernard Krug.

Susan McPherson was one of four girls chosen April 27, at the Kent exhibit in Grand Rapids to represent the county in the State style event. Her formal gown, of hunter green nylon tulle, featured a front panel of nylon plaited netting, sprinkled with rhinestones.

Richard Baird, 42, was killed instantly May 16 when his car went out of control on Lincoln Lake road, at Pines corner.

May 18, Carl R. Seese, 20, was killed instantly in a freak accident while working in Grand Rapids for his employer, MacDrew Tire Co. A huge tire rim flew off, striking him

September 14 Vern Ashley died, at age of 62. He was a former village president. Bill Fritz, 28, was seriously injured in a construction accident at Monroe on Saturday October 22. Both legs were amputated above the knee, and Bill was later moved to St. Mary's hospital in Grand Rapids, where he will be a patient until sometime in January when he hopes to return home.

We hope you have mentioned all the stories about which you wanted to read. But we don't want to close without giving a little pat on the back to the Cross Country Team of the Lowell High School, which this year took fifth place in the State meet at Ypsilanti on Saturday November 5. They were the only Grand Valley team to qualify in this State meet. Lowell also took part in the meet last year.

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"One thing is clear," Professor Baxter says, "the beetles prefer unhealthy trees, so keep your elm healthy by watering and fertilization."

Still further expense will be entailed if the sick trees are part of a formally planned landscaping program this expert declares, since their destruction will throw future work involving the planting of new trees into the future.

Prof. Baxter lists the external symptoms of Dutch Elm Disease as: curling leaves; dieback of twigs; and wilting of branches.

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Advertisement for 'YEAR END BARGAINS' from 'LOWELL LUMBER & COAL CO.' listing items like '1x8 Utility Fir Sheathing \$75 M' and '48 in. Wood Lath bd. \$1.35'. Includes 'Radio Service Company' logo.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Cooley of Lowell were Christmas guests of Mrs. Myrtle Culver. Afternoon callers were Mr. and Mrs. Neil DeYoung and family, Albert and Lizzie Zahn was a guest on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Orren Sterken called on Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stehower in Grand Rapids, Monday. Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey Oesch were Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey Roth Jr. and their sons of Grand Rapids, and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Oesch and Roger Ryder. The four sons and their families presented their parents with a T.V. set.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Good and daughter of Saginaw, Frank Carpenter of Grand Rapids, and Ralph Boerma were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Boerma on Christmas. Mr. and Mrs. Orren Sterken entertained their family Monday, with a dinner honoring the first birthday of their great-granddaughter, Joe Ellen Schneider.

Christmas Was Fun Back in 1855, According to Journal in UM Library

Ever wonder whether kids had as much fun at Christmas-time a hundred years ago as they do now? There may have been fewer time-wrappings but the fun was all there from the gift-giving to the hilarity of the sleigh ride after the big dinner with friends, according to a diary kept by Elizabeth Garney (Taylor) now in the possession of The University of Michigan Historical Collections.

Elizabeth, who lived on a farm in St. Joseph County, near Constantine and Three Rivers, kept a journal which filled thirteen large volumes and covered thirty-three years of her life.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Seely and daughter Mr. and Mrs. Rex Minnie in Corpus Christi, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Martin with Miss Jessie Wybenga and Mr. and Mrs. Emil Beckwith of Grand Rapids were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Wybenga.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kelly visited John Nuckols at the V. A. Hospital, Ann Arbor Monday. He is coming along fine. To those who would like to write, the address is Ward 5 West V.A. Hospital Ann Arbor, Michigan.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank my friends, neighbors and Snow WSCS for your kind thoughts and gifts during Christmas. We could not express my appreciation, but I will say thank you again. John Yetter

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Mr. and Mrs. Byron Weeks spent Christmas with the Bill Vickers in Grand Haven. Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bowen spent the Christmas week end with their daughter, Mrs. Richard Rosaline and family at Comstock Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Timmer of 460 Burton S.E. entertained on Monday the Stormzand family of which there were 31 present. Those from away were Mr. and Mrs. Steve Demovic and two daughters from Detroit and Mr. and Mrs. Tom O'Neill and three children from N. Muskegon.

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We desire to express to our kind neighbors and thoughtful friends and relatives our heartfelt thanks for their many expressions of sympathy. The beautiful floral tributes were especially appreciated. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Krum 236 Mrs. Robert Chaffin

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Chaffin I wish to thank my customers for gifts and money and wish them all a Happy New Year. Raymond Yager

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Parents Tell of Troth Of Miss Virginia Erb Mr. and Mrs. Erb have announced the engagement of their daughter, Virginia C. to Charles Rayner, son of Arthur Rayner of Hastings, no date has been set for the wedding.

Wedding Announced Barbara Lee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee of Knoxville, Tenn. and John Flowers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Flowers of St. Johns were united in marriage last Sunday at 4 in the Congregational church at St. Johns. Rev. Wilcox officiated.

A reception was held in the church parlors following the wedding service. The bride is a nurse in Kalamazoo and the groom is attending Western State College in Kalamazoo where they will make their home.

Jolly Workers The Jolly Workers Club was entertained at the home of Mrs. Harriet Mole last Friday. It was the Christmas Party with a delicious carry-in dinner. Gifts from the Christmas tree were presented and everyone opened their gift which were exchanged by drawing names at an earlier meeting. Mrs. Myrtle Worth and Doris Sewly and daughter were guests.

Mrs. Manda Scott will entertain the January meeting, and there will be a quilt to work on.

The Yetter Family served their Christmas dinner at the Fire Hall Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Brooks entertained Christmas Day with a lovely dinner. Those attending were Mrs. Enley Stuart, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Rose and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rood and family and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Seelig.

Mrs. Mayme Church who is employed in Grand Rapids is spending several days this week at her home here. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Derby of Grand Rapids and Mrs. and Mrs. William Pickney and baby of Saranac spent Christmas Day with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Ray Derby.

Busby Fellow at Night

This squinty-eyed barn owl is a busy fellow at night to satisfy his huge appetite. A friend to farmers, he preys on mice, rats and other farm pests and eats his own weight in food every night. This particular bird was captured by a farmer near Lansing and was banded and released by Conservation Department game workers at the Ross Lake wildlife experiment station.

The monkey-faced barn owl is a valuable friend to Michigan farmers, although relatively scarce in the state. This brown and white night mauler is a champion when it comes to eating. He devours his own weight in food every night and the range of his appetite is almost unlimited. Favorite prey for the barn owl includes mice, rats, rabbits, gophers and other farm pests.

These big owls, who often attain 4-4 1/2 inch wingspan, also feed on ground squirrels, sparrows, kangaroo rats, mice, and even small fish occasionally. Barn owls get their name from their tendency to frequent farm outbuildings, but also make their homes in church steeples, hollow trees, holes in steep banks or in ground burrows.

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