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Talent Night is July 14 Fifty Acts Signed for Annual Pre-Showboat Talent Competition

Fifty selected acts have been signed for the annual Lowell Showboat Talent Night, held each year to give young artists a chance to compete for a spot on the Lowell Showboat program.

Competition will be keen from the 5-year-old acrobatic toe dancer, little Kathy Petersen from Six Lakes, to the "Striving Errors", an instrumental combo coming from Fowlerville.

There are even four acts from Detroit: Chichi Prentiss, a teenage vocalist; Stella Odobina, another vocalist; Carol Ann Fedoranko, boogie tap dancer; and Eleanor Kloss, a lyric soprano.

Held This Saturday
This year's show of amateur talent will be held Saturday, July 14.

Spruce-up Day Monday, July 16

By a joint proclamation of Lowell's Village President Peter Speerstra and Lowell Board of Trade President Jerry Roth, July 16, a Monday, is "Lowell Spruce-Up Day". Monday, traditionally a wash day, is a general over-all fix-up-out-town day only a short week in advance of the busy week when thousands of visitors pour in for the annual gala Showboat performances.

The committee, headed by the gentlemen named above, also consists of M. N. Henry, W. A. Roth, Dr. Thomas Hill, Earl Evans, Mrs. Jack Fonger, and Mrs. Bernice Bedell.

They simply ask that each person do something, at least one thing, to make Lowell's Main Street a little more attractive. They suggest a coat of paint, a new awning or sign, the removal of something unsightly; how about a Showboat display in those vacant shops—or a Showboat flag flying in front.

The "do-it-yourself" craze with us now could very well result in a Lowell spruce-up if turned in the right channels. This sounds like a good deal. Let's all get behind "Lowell Spruce-Up Day."

Trailer Ordinance To Be Enforced

As of October 1, 1956, the village ordinance concerning house trailers will be strictly enforced, and a resolution concerning this decision was passed at the last regular meeting of the Village Council held Monday, July 2.

This action was brought about by the insistence of the many residents in the Lowell area who have been complaining to officials of the village about the violations of this ordinance.

The ordinance, Section II, Temporary Housing and Sanitary Facilities, states: "No basement, garage or housing trailer shall be used for human habitation provided, however, that temporary permits to live in the same may be granted by the building inspector for a period not to exceed 6 months, when the owner of said premises is making a bona fide attempt to build a proper dwelling house on the same."

There are ten families which will be affected by this decision of the Council, all of which will be given written notice of the move this week, according to Laura Shepard, Village Clerk. They will have until the first of October to comply with the ordinance.

Wolverine 4H Club

The Wolverine 4Hers Club has decided to have a roller skating party, at their last meeting. It will be held July 17, at Neibors Roller Rink, in Grand Rapids. All who do not know their way there, should meet at the Vergennes Hall by 8:00, the cars are leaving at 8 sharp.

They are going to go with the Trumbles Reef Club; any other 4-H club that is interested in going roller skating is welcome. The cost to get in is 40 cents plus 25 cents for skates. Members can bring dates.

Reporter Marcia Goldner

RETURN HOME FROM COLORADO VACATION TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Heim and Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Noall of Greenville have returned home from a ten day vacation trip to Colorado Springs, Colorado and the Black Hills and Bad lands of South Dakota. While in Col. Springs they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Brighton and Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Himm. Other guests of the Brightons during the week were William and Betty of Mantito, Colo., Paul Fuss of Camp Carson, Colo., and Mr. and Mrs. Al Wallney and Raymond and friend of Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Ethel Yeiter spent Sunday night and Monday with her daughter Mrs. Letha Blough and family of Clarksville.

Sixty-two Votes Cast In Annual School Election

Only sixty-two votes were cast in the annual school election held Monday evening at the Lowell central School building.

Frank Stephens and Gerald Rollins, incumbent directors, and the only ones to file petitions for reelection, were both reinstated for another three-year term.

All officers assumed their same posts in the reorganization meeting following the election, as follows: Carlton H. Runciman, president, D. A. Wingeier, secretary; and Frank Stephens, treasurer.

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Benefit Card Party Earns \$80 for Pool

The Showboat Garden Club's benefit card party Monday evening attracted about 65 guests, who enjoyed an evening of Euchre, Canasta and Bridge.

Mrs. Virginia Fonger, president of the garden club, stated that about \$80 was netted at the affair, which will be turned over to the Lions Club to be deposited in the Swimming Pool Fund.

Refreshments of coffee and cookies were enjoyed by all the card players. Mrs. Fonger also stated that the club members sincerely appreciated the generosity of the local merchants in providing prizes and monetary donations.

The door prize, a beautiful chaise longue, was won by Mrs. Richard Dilly.

Tax Bills Mailed; Total \$36,770.99

Summer taxes for property owners in the village, the regular village assessment, were mailed to residents the last week of June, and Treasurer Esther Fahrni stated this Monday that returns have been coming in steadily, and collections are being credited.

The total amount to be collected by the Village treasurer is \$36,770.99, which represents about a two-thousand dollar increase over the 1955 tax. This was brought about by increased construction during the year, causing the assessment roll to rise; also the village must now use the state equalized valuation when figuring the tax, rather than the village valuation.

Services Tuesday for S. Jay Carter, 84; Lifetime Resident Here

S. Jay Carter, age 84, a life resident of this area, passed away Saturday, July 7, at the Maple Grove home in Grand Rapids, after suffering a stroke only ten days before. Mr. Carter was the son of Theodore and Francis Carter, early pioneer residents of Lowell. He was born September 24, 1871, in Vergennes township.

Services were held Tuesday at the Roth Chapel, Rev. Elton Mills officiating; interment in South Boston cemetery.

Mr. Carter was a member of the Lowell Baptist Church. He made his home in Lowell for many years and was employed for some time at the old cutter factory. In 1914 he moved his family south of town, on Obery drive, where he resided until ill health forced him to move to the Grand Rapids home.

Surviving are a son, Myron of Highland Park; a daughter, Mrs. Delbert Kropf of 4 mile road; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Vine Hunter of Lowell and Mrs. Lillian Cannon of Pontiac; and a brother, Ernest, of Palo.

Merle Cramton Dies July 5th

Merle A. Cramton, 70, a lifelong resident of Ada, passed away Thursday afternoon, July 5, in Butterworth Hospital, following a brief illness.

A farmer, Mr. Cramton was a member of the Kent County Selective Board No. 42, and Secretary-Treasurer of the Northeast Kent Soil Conservation District.

He was a member of the Ada Congregational Church, and was always active in the affairs of the community.

Funeral services were held Saturday, July 7, in the Metcalf Funeral Home; interment at Ada cemetery, where graveside services were conducted by the Ada Masonic lodge.

Mr. Cramton was also a very active member of the Masonic order, being a past master of Ada Lodge, past patron of Vesta Chapter, Order of Eastern Star; past master of Egypt Grange; and a former vice president of the Kent County Association, O. E. S.

Surviving besides his widow, Lenna, are a daughter, Mrs. Evelyn B. Visser of Grand Rapids, a son, Edward B. Cramton of Nashville, Tenn., and a brother, Chas. Cramton of Ada.

St. Johns Schedules Centennial July 18-22

An old-fashioned balloon ascension and parachute jump will be one of the featured attractions at the St. Johns Centennial celebration July 18-22.

Lloyd Sproat, Lansing balloonist, will make an ascension in an 80-foot hot-air balloon from the St. John city park on Friday, July 20.

Other attractions at the Centennial include an aquacade at the city's outdoor pool, an exhibit of pre-1880 wood-burning railway equipment, a log cutting contest, beard judging and beard shaving contests, parades and a Centennial pageant titled "Flame in the Forest."

Phone your wants ads to the Ledger.

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Would Join Cascade District McBrides School Turns Down Lowell Annexation; Gove Favors, But . . .

Only seven voters in Lowell Township School District No. 5 (McBrides School) favored annexation with the Lowell District No. 1 in a vote held Tuesday evening, July 3. Twenty-seven voters were against joining Lowell, and defeated the proposition.

However, at the annual meeting of the McBrides School District Monday evening, July 9, the group voted 12-10 in favor of sending their youngsters to Lowell to school.

Board of Trade Solicits Funds

Lowell business men are being solicited this week for contributions to the 1956 Lowell Board of Trade Budget, chairman of the finance committee Dr. Robert Regan announced this week.

In a letter to all business people, suggested budget contributions were made with a minimum membership fee of \$10.00 and a maximum of \$100.00 this is in line with similar organizations in other communities like Lowell.

Need for funds this year is very great with the planning of special retail promotions, black topping of new parking areas and the purchase of new Christmas decorations for the Main Street. These projects are in addition to the regular general expenditures.

Schedule Clinic For Polio Shots; Second Series

The Kent County Health Department has scheduled a clinic in Lowell on Tuesday morning, July 17, from 9 to 11 o'clock in the kindergarten room of the elementary building for children who received their first shots at the county clinics about a month ago, announced Dr. W. B. Prothro this week.

In addition, third shots, or boosters, will be available for those youngsters receiving placebos (not the real vaccine) in the 1954-55 Polio Field Trials.

Those youngsters who participated in the field trials, and received placebos, but did get their booster last year do not need another one at this time. Parents should check their immunization record card.

Dr. Prothro advises that all children should bring with them the polio card or certificate of immunization card which was given them at their last clinic. This will simplify and procedure at the clinic considerably.

June Busy Month For Lowell J. P.

Justice Rittenger reports a rather busy schedule during June, having heard a total of 84 cases, and collected fines and costs in the sum of \$902.80. The greatest activity was in the speeding "department", with 30 violations being heard.

Thirteen warrants were handled, 41 of the violations related to township offenses, and 30 involved village law matters.

The village fared best in the financial end of the court, collecting \$524.40, while the township received \$378.40 in fines and costs.

A breakdown of the law violations includes 2 tickets for driving to the left of the centerline; 5 for no operators license; 4 defective equipment; 30 speeders; 4 were stopped for having no chauffeurs license; 2 for no trailer license; 4 were stopped for no mufflers; 2 following too close and involved in accident; 2 failure to stop for red traffic signal; 5 for improper turns; 4 for traffic interference, and 7 for being intoxicated on a public street. Three of the latter offenders did not pay their fines so they were sent to jail, one for 15 days and two for 30 days.

Single tickets were issued for the following violations: State Highway department for overload; non-stop; excessive noise muffler; no mud flaps; parked wrong side of street; failure to stop in assured, clear distance; reckless driving. Warrants were issued for excessive speed, operating motor vehicle in reckless manner, destruction of property, operating motor vehicle without license, drunk in a public place, and one for being drunk and fighting on a public street.

LOCAL TAVERN FINED \$150 FOR SERVING MINORS

Clare and Ora Palen, operators of the Lowell Cafe, Main st. in Lowell, were fined \$150 as a result of hearings of the Michigan Liquor Control Commission in Grand Rapids on February 29 this year concerning a charge brought against the tavern for serving minors, and allowing minors to consume on the premises. The charge was dated July 30, 1955.

The fine is due July 30 this year. The commission also ordered a 7-day suspension, which was to be waived.

Along Main Street

George Kerr was out Wednesday preparing the front of his East Main Street building for a paint job.

A fresh coat of white paint on the Gee Hardware building really "spruced up" that corner. We hope to see more of this type of fix-up before the big showboat week.

Incidentally, this out-door paint job was done with rollers, not brushes.

We are happy to note that Frank Losey has decided to re-open Pauls Drive in on East Main St. He's been closed because of his wife's illness. The restaurant is now open daily from 11:00 a. m. to 12:00 p. m.

A special guest at the annual Lowell Showboat Talent night will be Mayor Albert E. Cobo of Detroit, candidate for the Republican gubernatorial nomination. Mayor Cobo will be motorcading with his workers throughout the 5th Congressional District Saturday, but Lowell is not one of the scheduled stops of this campaign tour. The mayor has planned to spend a few moments here away from his supporters to visit with Lowell folks and the guests here on talent night.

His campaign office didn't tell us what kind of an act he would provide for the audience. Will he sing, or maybe he plans to call a square dance or two?

The Lowell Showboat Garden Club has planned a picnic for Monday, July 16. They will meet that day, at 10:30 a.m. at Recreation park for departure to the Vern Armstrong cottage, Murray Lake.

Hostesses for the day are Ann Armstrong and Lucille Dalstra. Lee Wittenbach is program chairman. Members are requested to bring their own service, and either a salad or hot dish for the picnic lunch.

A scavenger hunt is planned and a workshop will be held afterwards to arrange the materials found in the hunt. Members should bring their own equipment for the making of the arrangements.

A report will be given by Ruby Leeman on the "Shrub of the Month", which is the butterfly bush.

Three Lowell boys join the Air Force on June 26, and will all be stationed at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. They are Richard Nead, Ronald Ford, and Jerry Dalstra.

Parents of the boys are Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nead, Nash road, Mr. and Mrs. John Ford, S. Division, and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Dalstra, Cascade road.

The three boys are among a group of 55 West Michigan youths to be known as the Dok Builders Quittarian Flight.

They may all be addressed at Flight 645, P. O. Box 1510, Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio Texas, with their respective names and serial numbers of course, which are: A-B Richard F. Nead, Jr., AF16538180; A-B Gerald Dalstra, AF16538189; and A-B Ronald Ford, AF16538171.

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BURT ELLIS TEAM SUNDAY

A former Lowell boy, Burt Ellis, is bringing his White Cloud Baseball team to Townsend park this Sunday, July 15, to play the Parnell Merchants. Game time is 2:30 p.m.

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Dinner in the Bag

A famous New York City restaurateur has turned food processor and is freezing individual, precooked portions of four of its most popular dishes in a transparent bag with eight more dishes projected. A unique feature awaits the water: the bag is in the unopened bag, is dropped into boiling water. Twelve minutes later Mrs. Housewife serves a piping-hot, precooked meal, and she hasn't even soiled a cooking utensil. Currently the products are marketed only in the New York City area, but greater distribution is planned.

Heavy deposits of grease and oil that make automobile engines, marine equipment, outdoor motors, power lawn mowers, barbeque grills, and kitchen exhaust fans messy can be softened and loosened with a new aerosol spray so they can be washed off with a water hose. The product contains no acids or alkali which might harm metal surfaces, its manufacturer claims, and also can be used as a cleaner on painted surfaces, clothing, and upholstery. Other tested applications include cleaning auto underframes, aircraft and Diesel engines, aircraft fuselages and windows, materials-handling equipment, and oil or grease spillage on cement floors.

Foreman Road Mrs. Edna Taylor

Mrs. F. H. Forester Jr. and 3 sons Robert, Fredrick and Schuyler of Washington D. C. is spending the month of July with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Robert Taylor.

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Segway Community Mrs. Jessie Rathbun

Shelby Mullen who has been visiting relatives here and in the East Detroit and Philadelphia is leaving for his home in Denver Colorado very soon.

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Lowell Happenings

MISS AGNES PERLEY—PHONE TW 7-1130

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Mrs. and Mr. Kenneth Anderson of Ada, Mrs. Mahle Gross returned home Sunday. Mandy, disgruntled with her husband, went to see a lawyer about a divorce. "I'm afraid not," said the lawyer. "That is unless his feet were in the wrong flat."

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South Lowell News Prayers for Bobby Answered; Recovering. The prayers of all members of South Lowell community for little Bobby Winters, 7 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph A. Winters, were answered, and he is reported by Baptist Hospital authorities as recovering satisfactorily from his 16-foot fall from a hayloft in a barn on the farm of a neighbor, Dale Shadle. Bobby was admitted to the hospital Thursday evening, July 5, in critical condition, suffering a fractured skull and back injuries. Bobby had been playing in the barn with two other boys when the accident occurred. Everyone from here sends best wishes to Bobby for a quick and very satisfactory recovery.

Other News. Bertha Rittenger's sister, Lucille Vasser, was a week end guest at the Chariton cottage on Snow Lake. Mrs. Florence Whitfield accompanied her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Cowles and son Ted to Mackinac City last week to spend a few days with Mr. and Mrs. George Whitfield. Mrs. Rosella Yetter is visiting her son Robert and family in Traverse City.

Working on the Railroad! Mrs. and Mr. Ed Yager went to Beaverton, Wednesday, to visit his uncle and aunt. Mrs. Tiney Acheson who is living with her daughters in Clarksville because of ill health spent Saturday with Mrs. Celia Williams and Mrs. E. S. White. She was pleased to have several of her old neighbors call on her. Raymond Yager is visiting relatives in Detroit for two weeks.

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Ada Community News

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Car Strikes Truck,
Ada Man Dies

An Ada man was killed, and
a woman seriously injured
Saturday afternoon, June 24,
when a car in which they were
riding skidded on a curve on M-21
near the Ada bridge, and hit a
parked gravel truck.

Ada Masons to Confer
Third Degree on Three
Sons, One Son-in-Law

On Wednesday evening, July 12,
Ada Lodge No. 280, F. & M.,
are conferring the third degree on
four candidates, three being sons
and one a son-in-law of Ada Lodge
members.

WIFE FAMILY ENJOYS
TRIP TO MICHIGAN

Mr. and Mrs. Norman W.
Marian and Norma returned Friday
evening June 29 from a ten-day
vacation trip to Benton, Miss.,
where they were the guests of
Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Taylor and
Mr. and Mrs. George Taylor and
family.

Wedding Reception

A reception was held June 30
at the home of Mrs. M. J.
Rooker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs.
Howard Rooker, who was married
in the late afternoon to Carl
Harker, son of Mr. and Mrs.
Edward Cramton of Ada, R.

Fare-McCall Reunion

The annual Fare-McCall reunion
was held at Fallsburg Park
Sunday, July 8 with more than 100
attending coming from Ohio,
Ireland, Fremont, Grand Haven,
Holland, Ionia, Clarksville, Grand
Rapids, Lowell, Ada. After a
dinner at the Fallsburg Hotel,
the following officers were elected:
Donald Fare, president; Mrs. Bernice
McCall, secretary; Mrs. Beatrice
Kulper, treasurer. Games were
played and an enjoyable day was
spent.

JULY 4TH BALL GAME
DRAWS BIG CROWD

It was estimated 2500 people
were present at the Ada ball park
July 4th to see the ball game
between the Ada Merchants and
Cascades clubs.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Morris

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Morris
were Thursday evening callers on
Mr. and Mrs. Walt Afton in Kent
City.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pollicie

Mr. and Mrs. John Pollicie,
Gen. and David were Sunday
guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter
Kernowski in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Neesley

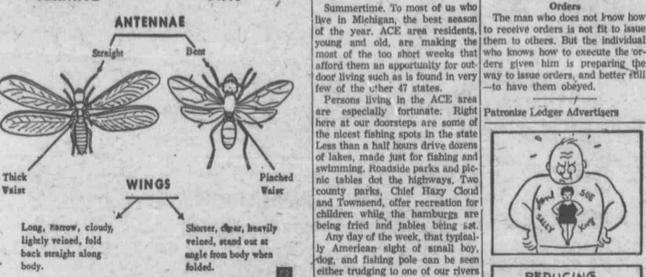
Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Neesley
of Butterworth rd., returned home
last week after visiting her mother
in Kansas City, Mo.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Robyn

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Robyn
of Kalamazoo from Wednesday until Sunday.
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set.



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these days near your home or
building. Chances are they are
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in your woodwork.

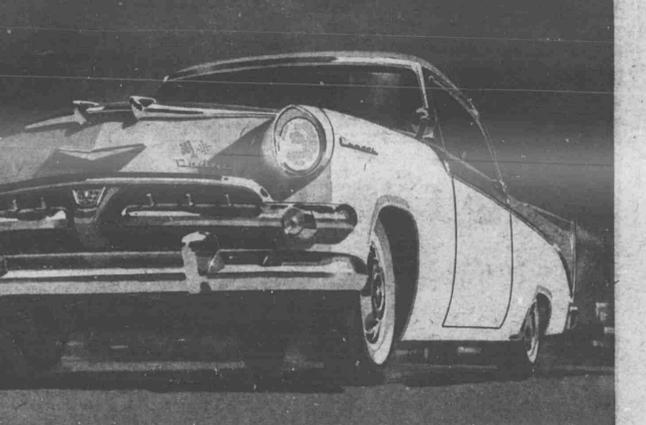
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Wedding Announced

Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Joseph Galvin of Bay Head, New Jersey, have announced the marriage of their daughter, Mary Ellen, to Hadley P. Shaefer, on Saturday, June 30.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Schaefer, Riverside Drive, are the parents of the bridegroom.



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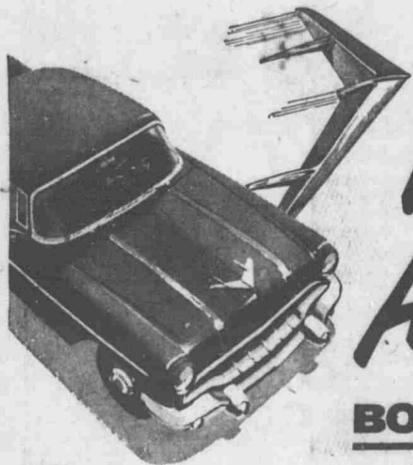
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Mr. and Mrs. Gary Starkweather



Mr. and Mrs. Gary Starkweather are pictured following their marriage ceremony at the Lowell Church of the Nazarene on June 22. Mrs. Harvey Richards is the mother of the bride, and the bridegroom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Earl Starkweather, all of Lowell. The couple are now making their home at 2393 Segun rd.

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WHISTLE TOOTS

New Endman, Chas. Doyle made his first "appearance" at the Chorus rehearsal last Thursday—did all right, too! He received quite an ovation after running through a peppy version of "Alabama Bound." The other endmen turned in their usual good performances; Walt Gumsier seemed to be quite pleased with the way the chorus was shaping up on the important part it has in his number.

Singing with the Showboat Chorus this year is red-headed Al Tweedy, of Freeport. Al was one of the winners in last year's Talent Night contest. He appeared as the shabby hobo who was loved by "Nobody." Al had such a good time last year that he came back to sing in the tenor section of the chorus, bringing some of his Freeport friends with him.

Chorus members come from all over. Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Rykert of Kent City, take the distance record. They drive over eighty miles every night that there is a chorus rehearsal. That's a long walk.

That Mississippi belle is back again! Miss Katherine Bounds, formerly of Jackson, Mississippi, and who now makes her home with Mr. and Mrs. John Topp of Jefferson St., is singing alto with the Showboat chorus again this year. And she still has a little of that southern drawl left.

Katherine was selected, along with Miss Carole Sawyer of Cascade and Miss Cara Lee Croninger of Alto, to accompany Miss Sue Adams, this year's Miss Lowell Showboat, when she extended Showboat invitations to the Governor and other Western Michigan dignitaries Wednesday morning. The four girls certainly are attractive ambassadors for the Showboat.

Katherine, Carole, and Cara Lee were among the six finalists in the "beauty contest" held during Tuesday's rehearsal. Eighteen beautiful contestants paraded before the chorus, who picked the top three in two secret ballots. It was a tough job, too! The three runners-up were Barbara Carpenter and Eleanor Biggs of Saranac, and Boni Bryan of Lowell.

Jurden Moore, who is handling the sound equipment for Talent Night and the Showboat again this year, brought an instruction sheet for the assembly of a model of the original Robt. E. Lee into the Ledger Office Tuesday. In it was a brief history of our boat's namesake.

The first Robt. E. Lee (the name is never spelled out in full in this account—it doesn't seem to fit in the space allotted for the sign on the side of the paddle wheel) was 300 ft. long, had a 44-ft. beam, a 10-ft. hold, and two engines with a 10 ft. stroke. She carried 8 boilers, 32 feet long, and had side paddle wheels of 38-ft. in diameter. She was built in 1866, after the Civil War, when the cotton trade between New Orleans and Vicksburg was very brisk. All steamboats on this run paid for themselves and yielded good profits until the coming of the railroads made them obsolete. The Robt. E. Lee carried 104,061 bales of cotton one season, besides such additional items as 55,000 sacks of cotton seed and thousands of passengers.

After the Robt. E. Lee beat the Natchez in the famous steamboat race between New Orleans and St. Louis in 1870, traveling the 1,210 miles in 3 days, 18 hours, and 30 minutes (a record that has never been surpassed even in modern times on this course), she was privileged to carry a pair of deer antlers fastened to her bell frame. But, even though she defeated the Natchez, the Robt. E. Lee died the same death as the former ship—she burned at her dock.

Jurd and Dr. McKay are the first to send us articles on the history of steamboats and Showboats. Dr. McKay's information was printed in last week's Ledger. Have you something that would be of interest to the members of the Showboat community? Bring it in and we'll relay it to our readers.

Mighty Midgets to Race July 14 at Owosso

The sound of roaring exhausts and screaming tires will be heard at the Rocket Motor Speedway on Saturday night, July 14, when the mighty midgets will be in action again trying to lower the track record once more. They broke the record twice in their first appearance at the local track this year; the first time when Jimmy Florian of Miami turned the quarter mile asphalt oval in one lap in the time of 14.11 seconds and later Russ Englehaup of Cleveland qualified in 14.02 seconds on June 23. Time trials will start at 7:30 p. m. and the first race at 8:30. The old model stock cars will race at the Rocket Motor Speedway every Sunday night with the time trials starting at 6:45 and the first race at 8 p. m.

One often wonders whether these leaders of the bar (legal profession) got where they are by sheer politics.



The mangled late-model hard top pictured above was no competition for a loaded dirt truck parked near the curve of Ada bridge. The owner of the car, John William Major, of Ada, was killed Saturday afternoon June 29, when his speeding car (authorities say it was traveling 100 m. p. h.) went out of control on the curve. A companion in the car Roy S. Hartzog, of Grand Rapids, seriously injured.

COMING EVENTS

The Perry Group of the Congregational Woman's Fellowship will have a luncheon and work meeting beginning at eleven o'clock Friday, July 13, at the home of Mrs. Ray Rogers. Take sandwiches and service.

The Mary Group of the Methodist Church will meet at the home of Mrs. Seymour Dawson at one o'clock Friday for potluck dinner.

Alton Ladies Aid will meet in the church basement Thursday afternoon, July 12. Potluck lunch. Bring your own table service.

The Old School Mates Reunion of the Clarksville school will be held Sunday, July 15th, in the Masonic temple dining room, Clarksville.

The "Eustis-Michigan" Picnic will be held on Sunday, July 15 at Falesburg Park, 12:30 p. m.

The Lowell Garden Lore Club is having a potluck dinner July 17 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Johnson. Please bring table service and a dish to pass.

Vergennes Farm Bureau will meet in the hall Tuesday evening July 17.

The American Legion Auxiliary will have a euchre party Friday night, July 13, at 8 o'clock at the Community Legion building. Public cordially invited. c-12

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hill, Sunday, July 1, at St. Mary's hospital, a daughter Dolores Jane, weighing 7 pounds 9 1/2 ounces.

To Mr. and Mrs. Paul Smith of Muskegon at Hackley hospital, on June 23, a daughter Michelle Louise, weighing 6 pounds, 7 ounces.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Keith Avery of Phoenix, Arizona, June 28, a daughter, Jane Ellen, weighing 7 lb. 9 oz.

To Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Steffens in Butterworth Hospital, July 8, a son weighing 8 lbs. 8 ozs.

CARD OF APPRECIATION

I wish to say a great big thank-you to each and every one for their many expressions of good will during my recent illness.

Sincerely, A. E. Wingeler

Any bit of verbal information prefaced by the word incidentally is usually bad and unwelcome, in my experience.



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First Accident at New Traffic Light

On Saturday morning, June 30, Lowell had its first accident at the M21 and M91 intersection since the installation of the new traffic signal lights.

No one was injured, but one car was damaged to such an extent that it could not be driven from the scene.

The accident occurred at 7:15 Saturday morning when a car driven by Frank J. Donovan, R. 3 778 Wabasis Lake Avenue, Belding, rammed that of Alphonsus Kehoe, R. 2, 5946 Gavin Lake Avenue, Rockford, which was stopped at the intersection light.

Both cars were traveling east on M21. Mr. Donovan stated that he was blinded by the morning sun, and had just reached up for his sun visor when the accident occurred. He was ticketed by the Lowell police for not stopping his vehicle within the assured clear distance ahead.

Donovan's car was damaged in front to the extent of \$200 and it was estimated that it would cost \$150 to repair the damage to the rear of the Kehoe vehicle. Mr. Kehoe works for the Capital Lumber Co. in Grand Rapids, and Donovan is employed by the State Highway department. Both men were alone in their respective cars.

Family Reunions

Schwab

The 38th annual Schwab family reunion was held at the Community cabin in Rockford Sunday July 8, with a carry-in dinner at 1 o'clock.

Robert Yelter, president, called the business meeting, and Mrs. Sam Schwab, secretary and treasurer read the minutes of the meeting last year.

New president elect was Jack Schwab of Lansing, and Mrs. Donald Barker of Ionia will be the secretary and treasurer for the coming year.

Reunion will be in the same place next year.

Relatives numbered 95, coming from Indiana, Ohio, and Michigan from Sunfield, Portland, Ionia, Belding, Elmdale, Caledonia, Grandville, Grand Rapids, Lansing, Battle Creek and Lowell.

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Engagement Announced



Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Stauffer of Ionia announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Rosemary to Bill W. Webster, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lyle H. Webster of Lowell.

The wedding will take place on August 24 in the First Presbyterian Church, Ionia.

Hay Pellets

A University of Wisconsin professor predicts that cattle of the future may get the equivalent of a whole bale of hay in a shovelful of pellets. Tests have shown that most feeds can be put into pellet form by use of pelleting machines which utilize pressures as high as 20,000 pounds per square inch. Pelleted hay or grain can reduce labor, the need for maintaining high-quality feed, and reduce the cost of storage space, feed-handling equipment and transportation probably the time is still far off when the small farmer will have a portable pelleting machine on his farm.

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Sun., Mon., Tues., Wed. July 15, 16, 17, 18 Sunday from 3 P. M.



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Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thorne and Toni, and Karl Feller attended the wedding of their niece, Miss Mary Senema, to Ward Sovell, at the First Methodist Church in Grand Rapids Saturday. Toni was her cousin's flower girl. Mrs. Elise Bieri returned home with Mr. and Mrs. Thorne for the week end.

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