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Change Water Billing Time
A proposal of the city manager was approved changing the billing time for water and sewer service to February, May, August and November which is one month later than formerly. This is now partially in effect and much of the city will receive their water billing in February. With this plan the manager told the council the outside meters will only miss being read one quarter a year.

In other action a permit system for docks on Riverside Drive in Flat River will go into effect this spring.

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Electronics Club
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The whole principle of the club is that a members will be able to learn and advance in electronics by working by themselves or in small groups.
Presently no dues are paid. All members are students of physics class (any person may join the club if they have had any education in science) and the club is open to all students qualified and interested.

Eventually the club expects to buy some testing equipment of its own, and build itself up to being one of the school's leading organizations.

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Grand Rapids Man Dies In Lowell Motel Monday

Police were called to the motel on M-21 operated by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cook Monday at 12:05 p. m. to investigate a guest who had failed to appear after two days. After going into the motel room police found Bernard E. Rimkus, 1610 Elizabeth Ave. N. W., unconscious. A local physician was called and an ambulance but Rimkus was pronounced dead before he could be taken to the hospital.

Mrs. Cook told police that he had been a patron before and that he stayed at the motel on Friday night going out on Saturday. Saturday evening he returned to his room and did not appear all day Sunday. When he failed to make an appearance at noon on Monday the officers were called. His mother with whom he lives in Grand Rapids, reported that he had been in poor health.

Services Held Monday For Erna Munroe, 79

Funeral services were conducted at the Roth Funeral home on Monday afternoon at 2 p. m. for Mrs. Erna Munroe aged 79, of Lowell, who passed away Saturday, December 31.

The Reverend Peter Vander Wal officiated at the services and interment was made in Oakwood Cemetery.

Mrs. Munroe was born October 1, 1881. She has been a resident of Lowell for many years.
She is survived by two sons, Carl of Lowell and Kenneth of Grand Rapids; four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; two brothers, Columbus Jay of Lowell and Herman Jay of Clayton.

Hot Lunch Menu

Monday: Bar-b-ques on buttered buns, pineapple-cottage cheese salad, bread, butter and chocolate cake.

Tuesday: Ham and scalloped potatoes, green beans, bread, butter, fruit salad and cookies.

Wednesday: Vegetable beef soup and crackers, corn bread and butter, beet or dill pickles, and Neslestrode pie.

Thursday: Chop Suey and Chinese noodles, hot buttered rolls, hot spinach, rolls and butter, orange juice.

Friday: Macaroni and cheese, cole slaw, bread and butter, buttered peas, peach halves.

Milk is served with each meal and is available in the cafeteria to those students who carry their lunch.

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City Manager Bernard Olson will be the guest speaker Monday evening, January 9, when the Lowell B & PW club meets at the home of Mrs. L. E. Johnson, 200 North Division, Lowell. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 8 p. m.

Mrs. Eva Chabody of Big Rapids, District Chairman of District No. 4 of Michigan B & PW Clubs, Inc., will be an honored guest.

Mrs. Arvil Hellman, President of the local club, asks that each member attend this important meeting. Guests are welcome.

High School Canteen

The Lowell YMCA High School Teen Canteen will have a toboggan and ice skating party Saturday, Jan. 14. More information will be available next week in your Lowell Ledger. Plan now to attend!

A jury under the American system is a group of twelve citizens who could not exert enough influence to be excused.

Bank Opens in New Quarters After 16-Hour Moving Project



The big job of moving the State Savings bank on Thursday, required 16 hours work by moving crews from Allied Vans and Robinson Carriage, plus all the employees of the bank. Work started at 8 a. m. Thursday with the Allied men moving the furniture, filing cases and lighter equipment. During the first hour Hank Ross, working for Allied, fell with a filing case and broke his leg. He was taken by ambulance to Grand Rapids. Work went on, the big job being the removal of the safety deposit boxes from the old vault and moving them to the new vault. These

seven tons of steel had to all be moved out of the vault by hand and each section required over an hour of work. They were moved by a lift truck under armed guard to the new bank, where they were guarded until installed in the vault. Two uniformed men from the sheriff's department were on hand along with two detectives, and Lowell police had three men on duty. The last of the deposit boxes and the cash of the bank were safely locked away in the new vault at 4:30 a. m. Friday.



The bank opened at the regular hour Friday morning. Several bank employees were on hand at 7 a. m. to get the bank ready for business. Over a year of planning and work has gone into this banking building. Work started in the spring and even yet there are a few finishing touches. The throngs of customers in the bank Friday were impressed with the wonderful facilities now available to the community. Businessmen eagerly signed up for night depository service and several drove up to try out the drive-in banking window

at the rear. Bank president, Harold Englehardt, expressed his satisfaction with the fine manner the move to the new quarters was made, and the hard work of the employees to continue the banking services during the move. He also stated that it was the feeling of the officers and directors of the bank that the new facilities now available, along with the revised banking services which have recently been adopted will provide a complete service to the growing community.

Lowell Wrestlers Return to Action

Lowell's Red Arrow wrestlers return to league action Wednesday, when they host league leading East Grand Rapids. Before Christmas vacation, the Arrows possessed a 1-1 record. The grapplers now have a 3-1 record; as they defeated Sparta 42-17 and Zeeland 40-20.

Lowell 42-Sparta 17

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112 lb.—Jeff Bonn (L) Forfeit
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133 lb.—Boes (L), Pinned Van Gessel (L) 1st period
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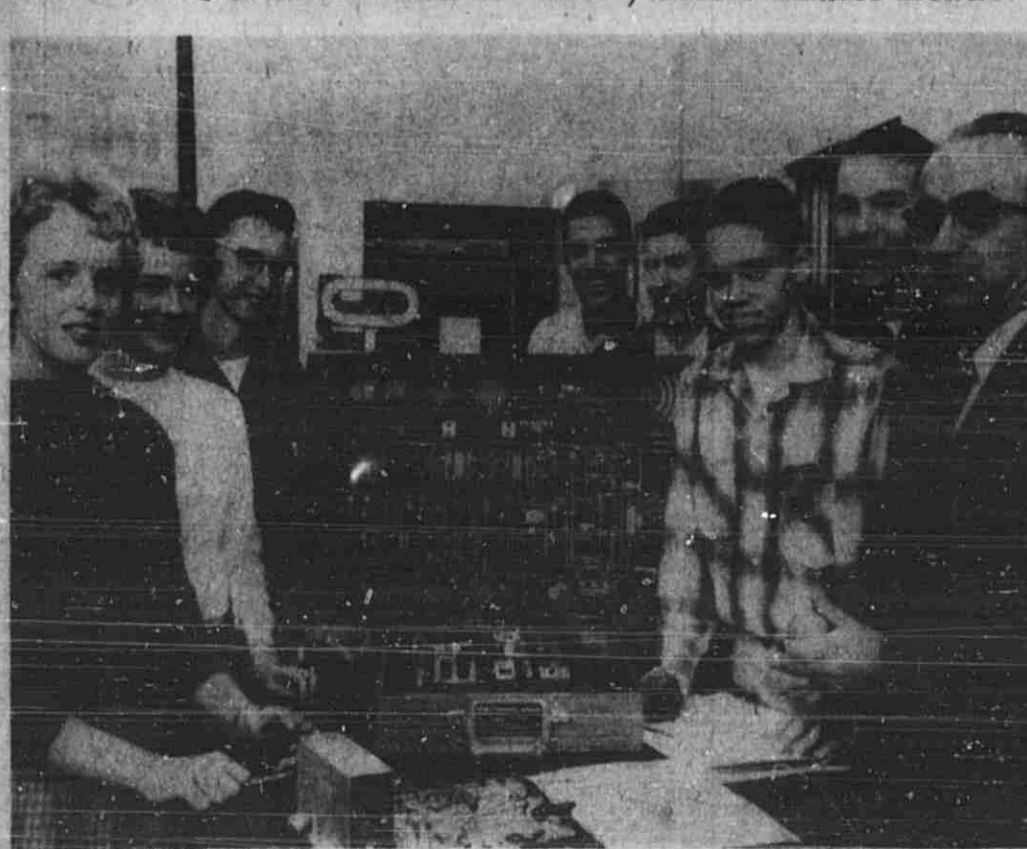
145 lb.—Gordy (S) pinned Miller (L) 2nd period
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Lowell 40—Zeeland 30

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The Priscilla group of the Methodist church will meet Wednesday, January 11, in the church lounge at 8 p. m. Program by Marian Bushnell, Hostess Doris Alexander.

Electronics Club Formed at L.H.S.; Orion Thaler Leader



'Y' BOARD SPECIAL MEETING

There will be a special meeting of Lowell YMCA Board of Managers this Thursday, Jan. 5th (tonight) at the 'Y' offices at 8:15 p. m.

Sandra Staal, Lola Alexander, Dick Buttrick, James Floyd, Larry Keiser, David Thaler and Bruce Munroe are members of the newly-formed Lowell High School Electronics Club, under the direction of Orion Thaler (right). Earlier this fall, Mr. Thaler and his son, David, were investigating the idea of forming the club, and they found a great deal of interest. These people all wanted the opportunity to investigate and experiment in the field of electronics, and they found this opportunity in the Electronics Club of L. H. S.

Rebekah Lodge Holiday Meeting

There was a fine attendance at the regular Christmas meeting of Rebekah Lodge. After the business session, the 7-member Committee chaired by Mrs. Al Gummo and ably assisted by Mrs. Margaret Weaver, Mrs. Don L. Phillips and Mrs. Philo Bleslee, served a delightful holiday lunch.

Decorations in the hall had been placed to carry out the Christmas motif. This made a beautiful setting for the Christmas tree which held gifts for all present. The following program was enjoyed:

Christmas Solo, Oleta Smith; N. G.; Christmas Prayer, Hattie Phillips, Chaplain; Christmas meaning, Margaret Weaver, Pianist; and Christmas Carols by all present.

Kent Council of PTA Held 'How to Do It' Conference, January 10

"HOW TO DO IT" conferences will highlight the program when the Kent County Council PTA meets at Sparta High School on January 10, at 10 a. m. The conference will begin after registration and a short business meeting with Mrs. Robert Ross presiding.

Participants will choose one of the following conferences as the one they wish to attend:

1. "What are the characteristics of a good meeting?" Panel: Carl A. Nelson, Mrs. Victor D. Adams, Mrs. Jesse H. Vandermeer.
2. "Selecting projects, raising and using PTA Funds." Panel: Mrs. William O. Tetro, Mrs. Fred H. Wagner, Mrs. Robert J. Lovell.

3. "What is expected of the PTA Historian? The Council delegate? The family life delegate? The publicity chairman?" Panel: Mrs. Don Zimmerman, Mrs. Vern E. Bull, Mrs. James R. Holmes.

4. "Nominating Committees What do they do?" Panel: Mrs. Robert F. Ross, Mrs. Henry VanderMeer, Mrs. Charles O. Johnson.

After luncheon the 5th and 6th grade chorus of Sparta Central Elementary School directed by Miss Sally Storey will sing, and Mrs. Ara Cary, Director of the Child Guidance Clinic will speak. Her topic will be "Emotional Disturbances in Children."
Mrs. Harold Beamer is in charge of arrangements.

New Year's Jokers

Two occurrences on New Years night, police reported, could have been the cause of serious accidents. At 8 p. m. a false alarm was turned in calling the firemen out on slippery roads to the corner of Lincoln Lake and Vergennes St.

Two city units turned out with the usual fire-fighting crew. A heavy cattle trailer was pulled into the center of King St. blocking traffic New Years morning. Police were called to remove this obstruction, fortunately before anyone had driven into it.

Former Lowell Residents Die in Home Fire

Mrs. Jessie Hammersley, aged 84, and daughter, Flora of Lincoln, Ark., both met their deaths in the burning of their home a few weeks before Christmas. Mrs. Hammersley and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Tilden were residents of Lowell for many years before moving to Oregon.

Mrs. Hammersley was graduated from Lowell High School in 1894 and later taught in district schools in this vicinity, and the 4th and 5th grades in the Lowell school.

Shortly after her marriage to R. D. Bancroft of Lowell, Feb. 6, 1901, they moved to Oregon where Mr. Bancroft passed away after several years. Later, Mrs. Bancroft married K. Hammersley. One daughter Flora, was born to them. Mr. Hammersley passed away about fifteen years ago, since which time his widow and daughter have lived in Lincoln, Arkansas. Flora was a Secretarial employee at the State University in Fayetteville, Arkansas.

Word of the tragic deaths of these two was received from the University by Mrs. Otto Dygert of Kalamazoo, who is a niece of Mrs. Hammersley's first husband.

Mrs. Herbert Croninger and R. D. Bancroft of Alto were also niece and nephew of Mr. Bancroft. There were no nearer relatives.

Dorcas Group to Host Father and Sons Banquet

Father and Sons Banquet to be given Jan. 9 by the Dorcas group of the Lowell Congregational church.

The theme of the program will be "Block that kick."
The committees are: Food—Mrs. John Schneider and Mrs. Rex Collins; Program—Mrs. Harold Allchin; Decorations—Mrs. Phil Johnson; and Tickets—Mrs. Bernard Hendrick, Mrs. Virgil Roudabush and Mrs. Richard McNeal.

Appointed Chairman of Co. Road Commission

Edwin Mueller, 1443 Fero, Lowell, has been named chairman of the Kent County Road Commission for the second year. His appointment was announced by Leonard E. Lauffman, secretary-manager of the commission, Friday.

Mueller has been a member of the Kent County Road Commission for the past 10 years. He also served as chairman from 1954 to 1956.

He was employed by the road commission as truck driver from 1923 to 1934. Since then he has been a general farmer, dealing in cattle, hay and grain.

Servicemen

S-Sgt. and Mrs. Raymond Ramsdell and son from San Diego, California, spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gregg Ramsdell at Whitneyville.

FRI. & SAT. BAKERY SPECIAL

Free loaf of bread with \$1 or more purchase. Fluger Lowell Bakery.



Jane Curtis, 9, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Curtis was first in the new bank to start a new savings account. Jane is pictured here with teler Marva Hartley turning in her cash and bonds to open her savings account.

Winter Dance Classes To Begin Monday, Jan. 9

The second series of Tap and Ballet classes sponsored by the Lowell YMCA will be held at the American Legion Club Rooms each Monday beginning Jan. 9th for 8 weeks.

The classes are for girls with the five to seven year olds at 3:45 and the seven through twelve year olds at 4:30. The Gerri Gillette School of Dance will again be the instructors.

New pupils may sign up. Enrollment forms or further information can be secured by calling the Lowell "Y", TW 7-7375.

The Lowell Fire Dept. was called to the Bruce Friessner home on Hunt St., Weds. afternoon. The building was damaged by smoke and water.

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The program will be supervised by Mrs. Herbert Davis assisted by Mrs. Kenneth Smith and Mrs. Peter Leeman. The program fee has been set at \$2.50 per week for YMCA members, \$3.00 for non-members.

Applications are available at the Lowell YMCA office. Phone reservations can be made by calling TW 7-7375.

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Mrs. Eva Chabody of Big Rapids, District Chairman of District No. 4 of Michigan B & P W Clubs, Inc., will be an honored guest.

Mrs. Arvil Hellman, President of the local club, asks that each member attend this important meeting. Guests are welcome.

High School Canteen

The Lowell YMCA High School Teen Canteen will have a toboggan and ice skating party Saturday, Jan. 14. More information will be available next week in your Lowell Ledger. Plan now to attend!

A jury under the American system is a group of twelve citizens who could not exert enough influence to be excused.

Bank Opens in New Quarters After 16-Hour Moving Project



The big job of moving the State Savings bank on Thursday, required 16 hours work by moving crews from Allied Vans and Robinson Cartage, plus all the employees of the bank. Work started at 8 a. m. Thursday with the Allied men moving the furniture, filing cases and lighter equipment. During the first hour Hank Ross, working for Allied, fell with a filing case and broke his leg. He was taken by ambulance to Grand Rapids. Work went on, the big job being the removal of the safety deposit boxes from the old vault and moving them to the new vault. These

seven tons of steel had to all be moved out of the vault by hand and each section required over an hour of work. They were moved by a lift truck under armed guard to the new bank, where they were guarded until installed in the vault. Two uniformed men from the sheriff's department were on hand along with two detectives, and Lowell police had three men on duty. The last of the deposit boxes and the cash of the bank were safely locked away in the new vault at 4:30 a. m. Friday.



The bank opened at the regular hour Friday morning. Several bank employees were on hand at 7 a. m. to get the bank ready for business. Over a year of planning and work has gone into this banking building. Work started in the spring and even yet there are a few finishing touches. The throngs of customers in the bank Friday were impressed with the wonderful facilities now available to the community. Businessmen eagerly signed up for night depository service and several drove up to try out the drive-in banking window

at the rear. Bank president, Harold Englehardt, expressed his satisfaction with the fine manner the move to the new quarters was made, and the hard work of the employees to continue the banking services during the move. He also stated that it was the feeling of the officers and directors of the bank that the new facilities now available, along with the revised banking services which have recently been adopted will provide a complete service to the growing community.

Lowell Wrestlers Return to Action

Lowell's Red Arrow wrestlers return to league action Wednesday, when they host leading East Grand Rapids. Before Christmas vacation, the Arrows possessed a 1-1 record. The grapplers now have a 3-1 record; as they defeated Sparta 42-17 and Zealand 40-20.

Lowell 42-Sparta 17

95 lb.—Sargent (S) Forfeit
103 lb.—Jim Bonn (L) Forfeit
112 lb.—Jeff Bonn (L) Forfeit
120 lb.—Marsh (L), Eaton (S) Draw

127 lb.—Potter (L), Pinned Williams (S) 2nd period.
133 lb.—Boes (L), Pinned Van Gessel (L) 1st period
138 lb.—Patterson (S) pinned Meyers (L) 3rd period.
145 lb.—Gordy (S) pinned Miller (L) 2nd period

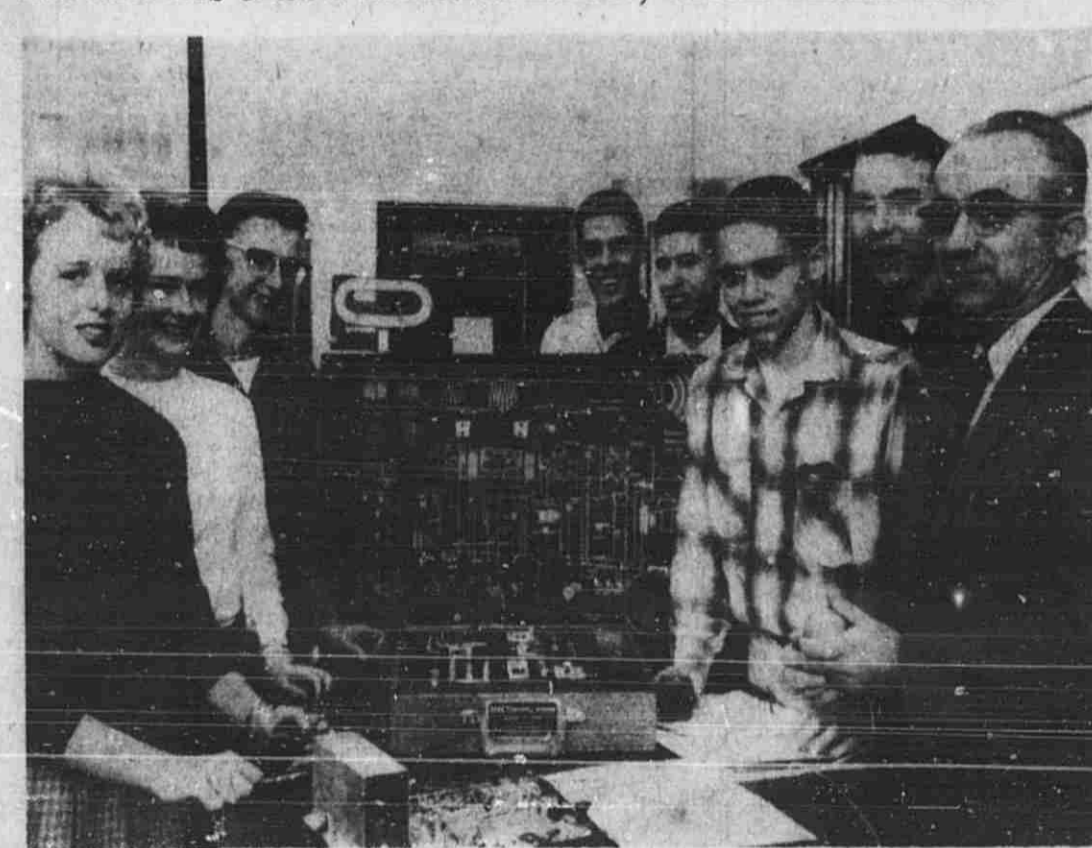
154 lb.—Brady (L) Forfeit
165 lb.—Houllihan (L) pinned Patterson (S) 1st period
180 lb.—Hostetter (L) Forfeit
Unlimited—Wakefield (L) pinned Rensland (S) 1st period

Lowell 40-Zealand 20
95 lb.—Lipscomb (L) Forfeit
103 lb.—Jim Bonn (L) pinned Prichan (Z) 2nd period
112 lb.—Jeff Bonn (L) pinned Overwey (Z) 1st period
120 lb.—Friends (Z) pinned Marsh (L) 1st period

127 lb.—Ponstien (Z) pinned Potter (L) 2nd period
133 lb.—Townsend (Z) pinned Meyers (L) 1st period
138 lb.—Boes (L) pinned DeJong (Z) 1st period
145 lb.—Brady (L) pinned Stob (Z) 1st period
165 lb.—Houllihan (L) pinned Dickline (Z) 1st period
180 lb.—Hostetter (L) pinned Nieuws (Z) 2nd period
Unlimited—Wakefield (L) Forfeit.

The Priscilla group of the Methodist church will meet Wednesday, January 11, in the church lounge at 8 p. m. Program by Marlan Bushnell. Hostess Doris Alexander.

Electronics Club Formed at L.H.S.; Orion Thaler Leader



Sandra Staal, Lola Alexander, Dick Buttrick, James Floyd, Larry Kelsner, David Thaler and Bruce Munroe are members of the newly-formed Lowell High School Electronics Club, under the direction of Orion Thaler (right). Earlier this fall, Mr. Thaler and his son, David, were investigating the idea of forming the club, and they found a great deal of interest. These people all wanted the opportunity to investigate and experiment in the field of electronics, and they found this opportunity in the Electronics Club of L. H. S.

Rebekah Lodge Holiday Meeting

There was a fine attendance at the regular Christmas meeting of the Rebekah Lodge. After the business session, the December Committee chaired by Mrs. A. J. Gummo and ably assisted by Mrs. Margaret Weaver, Mrs. Don L. Phillips and Mrs. Philo Blakeslee, served a delightful holiday lunch.

Decorations in the hall had been placed to carry out the Christmas motif. This made a beautiful setting for the Christmas tree which held gifts for all present. The following program was enjoyed:

Christmas Solo, Oleta Smith; N. G.; Christmas Prayer, Hatie Phillips, Chaplain; Christmas meaning, Margaret Weaver, Pianist; and Christmas Carols by all present.

Kent Council of PTA Hold 'How to Do It' Conference, January 10

"HOW TO DO IT" conferences will highlight the program when the Kent County Council PTA meets at Sparta High School on January 10, at 10 a. m. The conferences will begin after registration and a short business meeting with Mrs. Robert Ross presiding.

Participants will choose one of the following conferences as the one they wish to attend:

1. "What are the characteristics of a good meeting?" Panel: Mrs. Carl A. Nelson, Mrs. Victor D. Adams, Mrs. Jesse H. Vandermere.
2. "Selecting projects, raising and using PTA funds." Panel: Mrs. William O. Tetro, Mrs. Fred H. Wagner, Mrs. Robert J. Lowell.
3. "What is expected of the PTA Historian? The Council delegate? The family life delegate? The publicity chairman?" Panel: Mrs. Don Zimmerman, Mrs. Vernon E. Bull, Mrs. James R. Holmes.
4. "Nominating Committees: What do they do?" Panel: Mrs. Robert F. Ross, Mrs. Henry Vandermeer, Mrs. Charles O. Johnson.

After luncheon the 5th and 6th grade chorus of Sparta Central Elementary School directed by Miss Sally Storey will sing, and Mrs. Ann Cary, Director of the Child Guidance Clinic will speak. Her topic will be "Emotional Disturbances in Children."

Mrs. Harold Beamer is in charge of arrangements.

New Year's Jokers

Two occurrences on New Year's night, police reported, could have been the cause of serious accidents. At 8 p. m. a false alarm was turned in calling the firemen out on slippery roads to the corner of Lincoln Lake and Vergennes St. Two city units turned out with the usual fire-fighting crew.

A heavy cattle trailer was pulled into the center of King St. blocking traffic New Year's morning. Police were called to remove this obstruction, fortunately before anyone had driven into it.

Former Lowell Residents Die in Home Fire

Mrs. Jessie Hammersley, aged 84, and daughter, Flora of Lincoln, Ark., both met their deaths in the burning of their home a few weeks before Christmas. Mrs. Hammersley and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Tilden were residents of Lowell for many years before moving to Oregon.

Mrs. Hammersley was graduated from Lowell High School in 1894 and later taught in district schools in this vicinity, and the 4th and 5th grades in the Lowell school.

Shortly after her marriage to R. D. Bancroft of Lowell, Feb. 6, 1901, they moved to Oregon where Mr. Bancroft passed away after several years. Later, Mrs. Bancroft married K. Hammersley. One daughter, Flora, was born to them. Mr. Hammersley passed away about fifteen years ago, since which time his widow and daughter have lived in Lincoln, Arkansas. Flora was a Secretarial employee at the State University in Fayetteville, Arkansas.

Word of the tragic deaths of these two was received from the University by Mrs. Otto Dygert of Kalamazoo, who is a niece of Mrs. Hammersley's first husband, Mrs. Herbert Croninger and R. D. Bancroft of Alto were also niece and nephew of Mr. Bancroft. There were no nearer relatives.

Winter Dance Classes To Begin Monday, Jan. 9

The second series of Tap and Ballet classes sponsored by the Lowell YMCA will be held at the American Legion Club Rooms each Monday beginning Jan. 9th for 8 weeks.

The classes are for girls with the five to seven year olds at 3:45 and the seven through twelve year olds at 4:30. The Gerri Gillette School of Dance will again be the instructors.

New pupils may sign up. Enrollment forms or further information can be secured by calling the Lowell "Y", TW 7-7375.

The Lowell Fire Dept. was called to the Bruce Friessner home on Hunt St., Weds. afternoon. The building was damaged by smoke and water.

Edwin Mueller, 1443 Fero, Lowell, has been named chairman of the Kent County Road Commission for the second year. His appointment was announced by Leonard E. Laufman, secretary-manager of the commission, Friday.

Mueller has been a member of the Kent County Road Commission for the past 10 years. He also served as chairman from 1954 to 1956.

He was employed by the road commission as truck driver from 1923 to 1934. Since then he has been a general farmer, dealing in cattle, hay, and grain.

Servicemen
S-Sgt. and Mrs. Raymond Ramsdell and son from San Diego, California, spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gregg Ramsdell at Whitewater.

FRI. & SAT. BAKERY SPECIAL
Free loaf of bread with \$1 or more purchase. Fluger Lowell Bakery.



Jane Curtis, 9, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Curtis was first in the new bank to start a new savings account. Jane is pictured here with teller Marva Hartley turning in her cash and bonds to open her savings account.

Dorcas Group to Host Father and Son Banquet

Father and Sons Banquet to be given Jan. 9 by the Dorcas group of the Lowell Congregational church.

The theme of the program will be "Block that kick."

The committees are: Food—Mrs. John Schneider and Mrs. Rex Collins; Program—Mrs. Harold Alchin; Decorations—Mrs. Phil Johnson; and Tickets—Mrs. Bernard Hendrick, Mrs. Virgil Roudabush and Mrs. Richard McNeil.

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West Lowell
Mrs. Melvin Court
Terry Dawson spent several days last week at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Overholt in Kalamazoo.

Lowell Area Social Briefs

Margaret Hall and Harold Dawson attended the inauguration of the new year's day. Mrs. Ray Parker of Kalamazoo had a heart attack last Tuesday afternoon.

Foreman Road

Mrs. and Mrs. Fred Roth entertained New Year's Eve following: Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Roth, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Roth, Miss Lucille Roth, Mrs. Anna May Roth, and Mrs. Marie Yates.

Michigan is Everything for Industry

The first of a new series of public service advertisements based on the theme "Michigan is Everything for Industry" appears today in this newspaper.

At any hour, day or night, you can make deposits here. STATE SAVINGS BANK. No need to risk the loss or theft of substantial sums of money by holding them over-night.

Monday guests at the Albert Martin home were their grandchildren Mr. and Mrs. Richard Davis of Portland. Mrs. Verin Fisher, daughter Betty and sons Keith and Ricky of Saranac were Monday afternoon callers at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Martin.

My Neighbors. Highland Hill Dairy. DAVRY TALK. YOU'RE THE CREAM IN MY COFFEE. GEE! IF IT'S THE GOOD RICH CREAM FROM HIGHLAND HILL DAIRY I SURE MUST RATE HIGH!

Star Corners
Mrs. Ira Blough
Barbara and Bobby Krebs entertained a number of friends for a sliding party and winter roast Tuesday evening.

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Mrs. and Mrs. Paul Jones of Lansing and Mr. and Mrs. Mildred Potter and boys of Alto were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Jones.

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Grove Lake
Mr. and Mrs. Donald Samuel and family have moved into Grand Rapids...

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gesner Jr. and family spent New Year's Eve with C. D. Barnes in Grand Rapids...

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gesner Jr. and family attended a birthday dinner Monday at the home of Paul's sister and family...

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Gregory were New Year's Day callers of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dennett in Cascade...

Mr. and Mrs. Ruth Eberhart and family of Byron Center, Mr. and Mrs. Clark Caskey and family of Ann Arbor spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Dean...

Miss Nancy Combs of Grand Rapids spent Friday night and Saturday with Susan Key...

Alto Community News

WSSC Sides
The Alto WSSC held its Christmas program Thursday evening, December 29, at the Methodist church...

New Arrivals
A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Keith Wagner of 6255 Westhollow Road...

Methodist Church News
The White Circle will meet Wednesday evening at 8 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Dan Seelye...

Other Alto News
New Year's Day dinner guests at the home of Victor Forrit were Charles Forrit of Grand Rapids...

KILLER AT LARGE
Muscular dystrophy does children to death by going generally to the muscles...

Support the March for Muscular Dystrophy
The march is being held Sunday Jan. 8, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Fisher...

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Walter and family of Lansing who will be celebrating her 80th birthday...

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lupton of Grand Rapids entertained their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Berg...

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Endnote
Mrs. Ira Sargent

New Community
Mrs. S. P. Reynolds

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Lowell Council Proceedings

Regular meeting, Tuesday noon, December 29, postponed from Monday evening, December 18, 1960, due to lack of quorum.

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South Lowell

The Sweet Community Farm Bureau have invited the Merriman Farm Bureau to meet with them next Tuesday, Jan. 10, at the Sweet School...

Mr. and Mrs. George Wieland called on Mr. and Mrs. Lisle Clark Monday. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Thomet and new baby...

Mr. and Mrs. Earl McMillan entertained the birthday club Sunday's Eve with a turkey dinner. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wieland, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Shade and Mr. and Mrs. Mahlon Estes...

Monday evening Mr. and Mrs. Howard Briggs called on Mr. and Mrs. Loyal Mullen.

Mr. and Mrs. Orion Thaler joined the John Potter family Monday to view the Rose Bowl Game.

Mr. and Mrs. John Potter and family visited John Vrooman at the Michigan Veterans facility Sunday.

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We are a decaying society. Alcoholism, gambling, immorality, marital infidelity, divorce and remarriage are cursing our society everywhere. Has the modern church failed to speak out against these terrible sins? Yes, liberal, modern churches fail to condemn this type of living on the basis of the Bible, the word of God. They fail to preach, "Thus saith the Lord."

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Wierenga-Schroder Marriage Announcement

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Schroder wish to announce the marriage of their daughter, Judy, to Nicholas Wierenga, son of William Wierenga, Division Street, Lowell, on December 28.

The newly-weds are making their home in Grand Rapids.
To place your ad in the Lowell Ledger phone TW 7-9261.



We're Closest To Sun's Rays In Winter Time

No matter what the weatherman say winter is not here—yet. "Winter will officially strike at 3:27 p. m., Wednesday, December 21," the shortest day of the year, says Hazel M. Lash, University of Michigan associate professor of astronomy. "At that time the sun will reach its turning point or winter solstice, the most southerly position in its yearly journey around the earth."

On Dec. 21 the sun will: 1. rise and set about 30 degrees south of the east and west points of the horizon; and 2. reach its lowest altitude at noon of the whole year, swinging its shortest daily arc across our southern sky.

Result: "We in the northern hemisphere will have our shortest day, about nine hours, and longest night, around 15 hours," Professor Lash points out. "It's a different story with the other half of the globe, and for the seekers after summer days the place to go is the southern hemisphere she explains. "There, summer will be starting at the same instant as our winter."

"Contrary to common beliefs the seasons do not depend primarily upon the variation of the earth's distance from the sun, but rather on the 23 1/2 degree tilt of the earth's axis," the U-M astronomer says.

During our winter the earth's north pole is tipped 23 1/2 degrees away from the sun, and the sun shining at a more oblique angle gives us colder weather. But at the same time, "we in the north benefit by the fact that at this time of the year the earth is about three million miles closer to the sun than during our summer. (This winter we shall be closest to the sun on Jan. 2, 1961.) This tends to make our winters a little milder and the summers slightly cooler," she explains.

"Does the coldest weather come with the shortest day? Not so, says Professor Lash. The cold weather reaches its peak usually from four to six weeks later due to the "lag of the seasons."

"For a period after Dec. 21 the northern hemisphere will lose more heat at night than can be replaced by the sun during the shorter-than-average days, and the temperature will continue to drop."

THINGS TO COME
A new light, thin, inkless stamp pad that never requires re-inking is now available to the "rubber stamp" trade.

Also coming to market is an electrical gadget for housewives that keeps edibles like cookies, potato chips and nuts fresh and crisp.

I know exactly what our children are going to do with that large national debt. They will pass it on to their children.

Counting Time Man's Problem For Centuries

Time is, as no one can deny, very valuable, so it is not surprising man learned how to count it accurately, down to the minute, even to the second. But, man is not yet, the complete master of time.

The Gregorian Calendar, presented to the world in 1582, brought about the first achievement of any unity on the world time front. But, it took a long time to catch on. England didn't adopt the Gregorian system until 1752, after most other European countries had done so.

Egyptians
The ancient Egyptians devised a fairly accurate calendar, similar to the Gregorian in that it was divided into 12 periods and consisted of 365 days. The difference between the Egyptian method and our present time counting system, however, was that the 12 periods used in Egypt consisted of 30 days each, with the remaining 5 days of the year "tacked on" to the last period, or month, without any provision for leap years.

The purpose of our Leap Years, then, is not to give every girl the chance to catch herself a man. Instead, Leap Years help us keep the calendar and the solar equinoxes congruent. An adjustment is necessary because of the fact that the solar year consists of 365 days, 5 hours, 48 minutes and 46 seconds. Without Leap Years, we would have to do something with the extra hours.

How To Tell
How are Leap Years determined? Years divisible by four are Leap Years—except the years numbering the centuries. They are Leap Years only if divisible by four after the ciphers have been removed.

The use of this system guarantees the accuracy of the Gregorian calendar until 2500 A. D. Perhaps before that time arrives, someone will come up with the "perfect" method of marking time—forever.

STICKY SOLUTION
Adhesives are expected to play an increasingly important role in fastening together of materials, according to a University of Michigan expert on the subject. It may mean shirts without buttons, buildings minus nails and rivetless airplanes, says Alan A. Marra, professor of wood technology. He notes that adhesives are rapidly becoming the preferred means of assembling many constructions because of the great strength and rigidity that can be obtained.

COLD COOKIES
If you have a freezer, you can make it work for you during the holidays. Many kinds of cookies can be baked ahead, then stored in the freezer for future use.

coming events

Lowell Library Hours—Tuesday, 9 a. m. to noon; 1 p. m. to 3:30 p. m. Friday—1 p. m. to 3:30 p. m.; and Saturday afternoon from 1 to 5 p. m. c26tf

Regular meeting of Blue Star Mothers will be held Wednesday evening January 11, at the Legion Hall. Everyone is urged to attend as there will be installation of officers.

Monday, Jan. 9, regular meeting of the Business & Professional Women at Lylla Johnson's at 8 p. m.

Friday, Jan. 13, regular meeting of Cyclamen Chapter 94 OES at Masonic Temple at 8 p. m. c38-39

The Sweet Community Farm Bureau will be held at Sweet School on Tuesday evening, Jan. 10, Miss Sandra Finkbeiner of Caledonia, exchange student, will show pictures and give a talk on her trip to Europe. The Merriman Farm Bureau group have been invited as guests.

Next regular meeting of Rebekah Lodge will be held Tuesday, Jan. 10, at 8 p. m. at IOOF Hall.

The Alton Ladies Aid will hold a potluck meeting at the home of Mrs. Cassie Pottruff in Lowell on Thursday, January 12.

Wednesday evening, January 11, the Women's Club will hold their meeting in the club rooms at 8 p. m. The program will be entitled "Literature." Please note evening meeting.

Evening Club will meet January 10 at the home of Mrs. Lucille Story for a mid-winter dinner at 7 p. m. Table service will be furnished by the committee.

The Altar Society of the St. Mary's Church will meet Monday evening, January 9, at 8 p. m.

The Cheerful Doers will meet Monday, January 9.

The American Legion meets on Monday evening, January 9, at the Legion Hall.

The Women of the Moose will hold their Chapter meeting on Monday evening, January 9, in their club rooms. Enrollment.

births

Born to Tech. Sergeant and Mrs. Dennis E. Brink (nee Kitty Potter) of 5B Foster Drive, Eglon Airforce base, Florida, a baby girl, Danielle Elaine, on December 15. The new arrival weighed 7 pounds and 7 ounces. Mr. and Mrs. Byron Potter of R-3, Lowell, are the grandparents.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Green, Christmas Day, December 25, a baby girl, Jo Ellen, weighing 8 pounds 6 ounces.

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation for any kindness shown during the illness and death of Everett Richardson, husband and father.

The donations, flowers, plants, and cards, to the Ladies of the Lodge, also to Rev. McIver for the message and comforting words during our bereavement. To all friends and neighbors and relatives who helped in any way. Words can not thank you enough.

Mrs. Everett Richardson and family
Mr. & Mrs. Donald Richardson and family
Mr. & Mrs. Paul Richardson and family
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THINGS TO COME—
A new chain lock for doors has been developed to permit the user to chain-lock his door when he leaves the house. A key which locks the chain in place from the outside is the secret of the device.

The irritation of removing adhesive tape from the body has been eliminated with introduction of a new product which can be removed without taking hair along with it.

Some people's idea of celebrating the holidays is to have a Christmas they'll never forget and a New Year's Eve they can't remember.

Organeke-Godfrey Engagement Told



Mr. and Mrs. Chester Organeke, of Ellsworth, Michigan, wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Jane Anne Organeke to James L. Godfrey of Lowell.

The prospective bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Godfrey, 804 East Main St., Lowell.

Miss Organeke and her fiancé both attended Lowell High School.

An August wedding is being planned by the engaged couple.

Library Corner

Cor. Main & Hudson
It is hoped that one of your good resolutions for the New Year was to use your library and enjoy the fine books and magazines available there. Suggestions for better service will be given careful consideration and carried out whenever possible.

The centennial of the Civil War will be observed all over the United States. You will find a wide selection of fiction and non-fiction on this subject and a shelf section will be set up to aid your choice of reading on this subject.

Library hours are back to normal, Tuesday mornings from 9-12, afternoons and evenings from 1-8:30 p. m.; Fridays from 1-8:30; Saturday afternoons from 1-5 p. m.

Letter to Editor

The Lowell Ledger
Gentlemen:
I received notice today my Ledger was expired. Mrs. Cranmer is sending you a check for another year—1961! I sure get a lot of pleasure out of reading my Ledger every week. It is worth a dozen letters from home! I couldn't get along without it. I'm sending you some of my handwriting so the folks around Alto and Lowell can see how steady my hand is for handling a pencil. Also my eyesight is good for an old man 75 years of age as I was the 5th of last May 1960.

Now I will close thanking you very much for past favors! And wishing you a Happy and Prosperous New Year for 1961.

Yours truly,
Charlie Porritt
651 Kellogg S. E.
Grand Rapids, Michigan

CARD OF THANKS
Many thanks to my relatives, friends and neighbors for the beautiful flowers, gifts and cards I received while in the hospital and since my return home. Your kindness is greatly appreciated.

Mrs. Edward Thompson
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The 34 coral atolls in the Marshall Islands contain only 74 sq. miles of land area, but they extend over more than 180,000 sq. miles of ocean.

Couple Wed In Ada Church

A very pretty wedding was solemnized Saturday, December 31, at 11 a. m. in the St. Robert's church in Ada when Sydney Bennett, daughter of Mrs. Mary Bennett of Ada and the late Edward Bennett, was united in marriage with Richard Zinea of Grand Rapids.

The bride was attired in a beige afternoon dress and carried a white prayer book covered with a shower of orchids and carnations. The bride was escorted to the altar by her brother, Allan.

Her bridesmaid was her sister, Brenda, who wore a green wool afternoon dress with matching accessories.

George Zinea, brother of the groom, acted as best man. The altar was decorated with the usual Christmas greens and white poinsettias.

Mrs. Bennett, mother of the bride wore a blue dress with a pink carnation corsage.

Mr. and Mrs. Zinea will be at home to their friends at 1807 Francis Street, S. E., Grand Rapids, after January 8.

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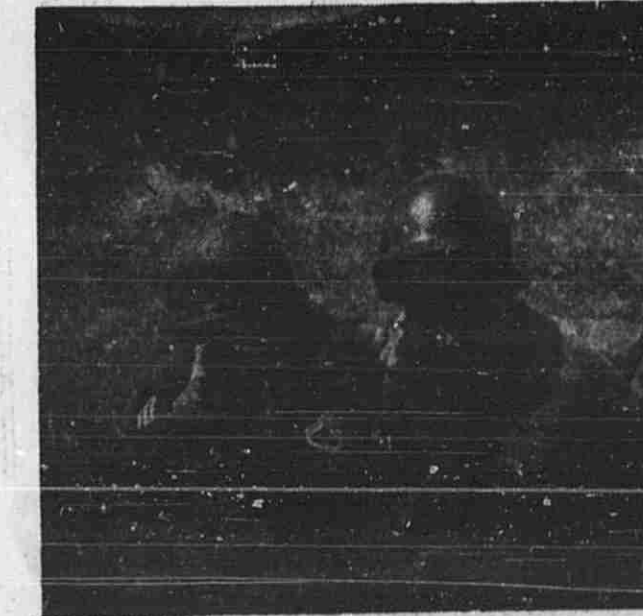
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One Army—One Mission—One Aim



BIG SLAM/PUERTO PINE—Training exercise planned for the past year to test the readiness of the U.S. Strategic Army Corps and the airlift capabilities of the Military Air Transport Service. Taking aim from left are, S/Sgt Galen A. Christensen, National Guardsman from Cedar City, Utah, Pfc Joseph E. O'Brynn, Regular Army soldier from Detroit, Michigan and Pfc Charles H. Scholl, Reservist from Reading, Pennsylvania. Guardsmen and Reservists joined STRAC troops in the operation under the ONE ARMY concept.

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