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L & P Pioneer, Frank McMahon, Passes

All Lowell was saddened to hear of the death Friday in St. Mary's hospital of Frank J. McMahon, 88, former superintendent of the Lowell Light & Power plant and community leader.

Frank McMahon was born in Vergennes Twp., attended school at Parnell and came to Lowell as a boy. In 1891 he was operating a grocery store on Main Street and while at this job became interested in the Lowell Light & Power plant which was established by the village in 1896. In 1902 Frank was made superintendent of the Power plant.

Service in those days work was executed via bicycles, horse and rig, cutters and by foot. The original ownership of the municipal power plant here over private ownership was fought on "lights on Sunday and after midnight" which the private owners refused to provide. The people of Lowell voted a bond issue to \$23,000 to build the first hydro-electric plant.

Frank McMahon in his many stories of those days, said "We worked day and night, the staff included one other man and we did everything, checking meters, collecting bills, trouble calls, digging of post holes and running lines."

When Frank took over management of the plant there were only 100 customers, the plant grew to nearly 2,000 customers during his operation. The original plant consisted of an arc machine for street and store lighting and a 75-kilowatt generator for power. Its output today would not carry any one of the factories in Lowell.

Frank managed the plant during times of adversity, dams washed out, and demand for power grew, making constant expansion necessary. Lowell pioneered the use of electric water heaters and ranges long before the large utilities would even consider promoting them.

In 1952 Frank retired as superintendent of the plant, but during



the last ten years he has been active in community affairs.

Great Humanitarian
Frank McMahon was a booster for Lowell and a man every citizen could call on in time of need for help of any kind. Day or night he put the needs and demands of his community ahead of his own welfare.

His devotion to his church and family was an outstanding example for the town, his fellow citizens all held a deep friendship for him.

Frank Named in His Honor
On September 30, 1959, a testimonial dinner was given Frank McMahon with Congressman Gerald R. Ford as the principal speaker. At that time the area he loved so well on top of Reservoir Hill near where he built his home was dedicated as a city park in his honor.

Services Held Monday
Services were held at St. Mary's church, Lowell, on Monday morning for Frank McMahon with burial in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Parnell.

He is survived by two sons, F. Byrne and J. Bruce both of Lowell; brothers James of Ada and Charles of Tampa, Florida; fifteen grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren.

Tribute to Frank J. McMahon

The priest said, in paying his respects at the funeral that "Frank was heavenly-minded." One of the honorary pallbearers remarked on the way back from the cemetery that he had never heard Frank say an unkind word or utter a curse or oath of any kind. These sincere remarks and observations attest to an exemplary life. And so we insist that one of Lowell's outstanding citizens has passed on to his Maker. His departure will leave a void that will be difficult to fill.

His long sojourn among us impressively personified those traits of character which are often sought after but seldom achieved. His life was an open book to those who were privileged to associate with him. It was an outstanding volume. His deeds and an exemplary life speak even more elo-

quently than the printed word. His was an unselfish service to his community. Service above self was no mirage to him, for his greatest satisfactions in life came from helping others and in doing good. His consuming passion was a sincere consideration for others. His forbearance was beyond comprehension. He grieved when he lost several dear ones somewhat prematurely, but he never complained. He was a loving patriarch to a host of friends and to his community. He was faithful to his convictions and to his God.

Yes—no matter what the nature of the appraisal of this life, Frank McMahon rated near the top. It was a pleasure and an inspiration to have known him intimately. His imprint on the minds and hearts of Lowell friends and associates will be indelible. W. W. Gurner

Lucille M. Place Dies Unexpectedly

Mrs. Lester (Lucille) Place, aged 53, of Route 2, Lowell, passed away very unexpectedly at her home Wednesday afternoon, April 4, following a heart attack.

The Rev. J. Marion DeVinney of the Lowell Methodist church conducted the last rites which were held at the Roth Funeral home on Saturday afternoon. Interment was made in Oakwood Cemetery.

Lucille M. McCallum was born September 14, 1909, in Chippewa Township, the daughter of William and Ida McCallum. On June 19, 1927, she was united in marriage with Lester Place. They have resided in Lowell Township on M-91, Route 2, Lowell, for the past 15 years.

Mrs. Place was a member of the Lowell Methodist church, and was very active in the Sweet Community.

Besides her husband, Lester, Mrs. Place is survived by two sons, Richard of Grand Rapids, and a Bruce of Ada; two daughters, Miss Constance Place a teacher at Midland, and Barbara at home; one brother Floyd McCallum of Evart; two sisters, Mrs. Colin Campbell of Barryton and Mrs. Leonard Sparks of Evart; five grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Police Enforce Parking

Lowell Police Chief George DeGraw announced this week that a program of marking cars parked in the downtown area will be started this week.

Ice and snow have hampered the program in the winter, but with the spring and increased parking problems the police will enforce the city ordinances.

FIBERGLASS

"The life time coat for your boat." \$6.95 a gal. Williams Radio & TV, 126 N. Hudson, Lowell, c52

Union Good Friday Services To Be Held At Congregational Church

This year's Congregational-Methodist Good Friday Service will be held in the Congregational church, Rev. Earl Collins, interim pastor of the Congregational church, and Rev. J. Marion DeVinney, pastor of the Methodist church, will speak at the service. There will be special music.

The service will begin at 1:30 and conclude in time to enable merchants and their customers to return to their places of business in time for the 3 o'clock reopening.

Receive New Members Sunday

New members will be received into the First Congregational church and also the Sacrament of Baptism will be observed during the morning service, Palm Sunday, April 15. The new members will be welcomed by the congregation at the social hour following the service.

White Breakfast
The annual White Breakfast for the Women's Fellowship of the First Congregational church will be held, Thursday, April 19, at 9:30 a. m. in the dining room of the church. It will be sponsored by the Deborah Group.

At this service commemorating the Lord's Last Supper with His disciples, the women of the church will meet for a short inspirational program and the Women's Gift will be given.

The program is entitled "Beyond a Doubt." A violin solo will be given by Michael Herwig, accompanied by Mrs. Herbert Harris. The Scripture will be read by Mrs. Ray Engle.

Mrs. Seymour Dawson will give the invocation and the benediction will be given by Mrs. Stewart Thomet.

Maundy Thursday
This will be a quiet hour of worship celebrating the Last Supper and Service of the Shadows. Beginning at 8 p. m. all are invited to attend this service.

The choir will sing the anthem, "Could Ye not Watch with Me?" by Stainer, soloist, Dr. Thomas B. Hill, Mrs. William Wood will sing a solo entitled, "Were You There?", arranged by Burleigh.

Edward Johnson Passes At Home Here Wednesday

Edward Johnson, aged 57, of 829 High Street, Lowell, passed away at his home here Wednesday after a nearly three year illness.

He was born in Lowell and worked most of his life in this community. Services will be held on Saturday at 2 p. m. Burial will be made in Oakwood Cemetery.

He is survived by one brother, Manley of Lowell; three sisters, Mrs. Lotta Peckham of Mysa, Oregon, Mrs. Dora Zemlet of Grand Rapids and Mrs. Anna Sibilski of Lowell.

Wins Trip to Las Vegas

Joe Azzarello, owner of Azzarello Chevrolet & Buick Inc., will leave on Monday, April 16 for Las Vegas, Nevada, for a four day stay in one of the big hotels and a full program of entertainment as a reward for winning a recently sponsored Chevrolet selling contest. Joe will be among 28 from this zone who led in their area in percentage of sales gain in the last month. This is the first time the local dealership has won such an award.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING
The annual meeting of the Lowell Savings & Loan Association will be held at the State Savings Bank Monday, April 16, at 7:30 p. m. for the purpose of electing three directors and such other business as may come before the meeting.

David F. Coons, Sec. c52

Churches Combine For Cantata Sunday

Twenty-five of the leading singers of Lowell will be heard next Sunday afternoon in the Cantata, "The Redeemer" by Martin Shaw. The Cantata is being sung by the combined choirs of the Congregational and Methodist churches. It will be directed by Dick Calkins of Grand Rapids with David Coons at the organ. It will be heard at 4 o'clock in the afternoon in the Methodist church.

Singers having solo parts include Miss Janet Doyle, Mrs. Herbert Harris, Dr. Thomas B. Hill, Riel and McNeal, Mrs. Winnifred M. Onan, Donald Schneider, Mrs. Howard Thurteil, Bruce Walter, Mrs. Charles M. White and Mrs. William Wood.

Others taking part in the choral sections are Carlen Anderson, Mrs. Howard Briggs, Miss Judy Doyle, Mrs. Lyle Laux, Miss Carole Pearson, Gould Rivette, Mrs. Allen Roth, Mrs. Herbert Swan, Mrs. Bruce C. Walter, Craig Walter, Gene Walter, Charles M. White, Mrs. Arnold Wittenbach, Miss Martha Wittenbach and William H. Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. White are guest singers from another church who are singing with the choir for this occasion.

The Rev. J. Marion DeVinney will give the invocation and the Rev. Earl Collins will pronounce the benediction.

Honor Students At St. Patrick's

Honor students of the graduating class of St. Patrick High School, Parnell, are: Mary Jane Nugent, valedictorian, having a 3.65 average; and Donna Mae Mooney, salutatorian with an average of 3.53. Other honor students are Phyllis Nugent and Geraldine Joyce.



Mary Jane is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Nugent of Five Mile Road, Route 1, Lowell. During her junior year Mary Jane served as class secretary. She has been an active leader in many school activities and is a present member of the St. Patrick Bowling Team. She is looking forward to a teaching career.

Donna is the daughter of Mrs. Charles Mooney of Gavin Lake Road, Route 2, Ada. During her freshman and sophomore years she was vice president and president, respectively. In her junior year, Donna was the recipient of bookkeeping and typing awards. Donna will attend Mercy College, in teacher education.

RECEIVE FINES FOR PARKING ON SIDEWALK

John Finney 38, and Arthur Jackson 49, were picked up by Lowell Police Sunday morning when they were found parked on the sidewalk on East Main Street.

They were sentenced on a disorderly charge on Monday morning in Justice Rittengers court and fined \$25 each. They were remanded to the jail until their fines were paid.

Choirs To Present 'Musica Americana'

The Varsity and General Choirs of Lowell High School will present "Musica Americana", an evening of songs of our land, both past and present. The date for this choir production is this Friday, April 13, at the Runciman Elementary Building at 8 p. m.

The choirs will be heard in songs from various sections of our country including "The Green Leaves of Summer" (west), "Cindy" (south), selections from "West Side Story" (east), and "Don't You Marry Me", an old and humorous New England folk song, with Tari Zahm and Dennis Sisson singing the solo parts.

Other students who will appear as soloists are Carrie Albus, Ron Thomet, Marta McMahon, Jan Marshall, Doug La Due, Carol Sue Potter, Paul Rogers and Tom Davis. The "Stardusters", a quartette whose members are Susan Doyle, Candy Roth, Pat Mullen, and Sharon Jones, will sing "Old Cape Cod" as part of the New England section of songs.

Mrs. Herbert Harris and Tari Zahm will accompany the choirs which are directed by Mrs. Leonard G. Rowell.

Tickets may be purchased from any member of the choir. There are no reserved seats. You will not want to miss this panorama of American music.

Four Churches Unite for Good Friday Services

Four Lowell area pastors have made plans for two union services, one at 1:30 in the afternoon at the Nazarene church, and the other at 7:30 in the evening at Calvary Chapel. In the afternoon, Alton Bible church and Kenneth Culver of the Nazarene church will both bring 20 minute messages with Pastors Henry Bulkema of Calvary Chapel and Keith Melver of the Baptist church servicing in the capacity of chairman and scripture reader, respectively.

In the evening, Pastors Melver and Bulkema will both bring 20 minute messages, with Pastors Culver and Tuinstra serving in the capacity of chairman and scripture reader, respectively.

These services are scheduled as one hour services. Special vocal and instrumental music will also be rendered at both services. We feel that it is a wonderful thing that four pastors of churches with varying beliefs and practices, yet definitely believing the Bible to be the inspired word of God and the atonement of Christ as the only way of salvation, can unite at the foot of the cross of Calvary on Good Friday to adore and to preach the Christ to a world that sorely needs Him.

Everyone is invited to attend these services.

Lowell Awaits Portrayal In New Swarthout Book

Lowell fans of Glendon Swarthout who has written two best sellers, "Where the Boys Are" and "They Came to Codura" which were made into movies are looking forward to his latest book, "Welcome to Thebes" due on the book stands May 2.

The book, according to Swarthout's report to friends, uses Lowell as its background and its characters, while not representing anyone in this community, may draw a certain similarity to those who wish to fill in the blank spaces.

As the story is going around now, half the town hopes they can find themselves portrayed in the story, and the other half are afraid they will be Thebes, so the history goes, was a town in ancient Egypt on the Nile which worshipped the god of reproduction. The simile he has drawn in his book will be of great interest to all the citizens of the community.

Lowell Rotarians Hear State Banking Official

Gerald Phelan, Assistant Manager of the Michigan Bankers Association, yesterday told the Lowell Rotarians "Some Things You Can Bank on in the Future", a presentation that was illustrated with prepared graphs.

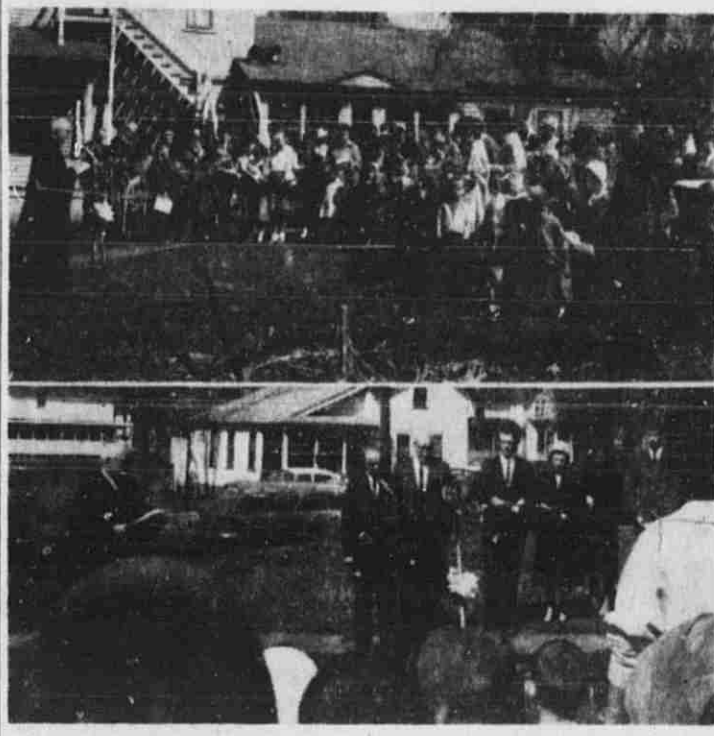
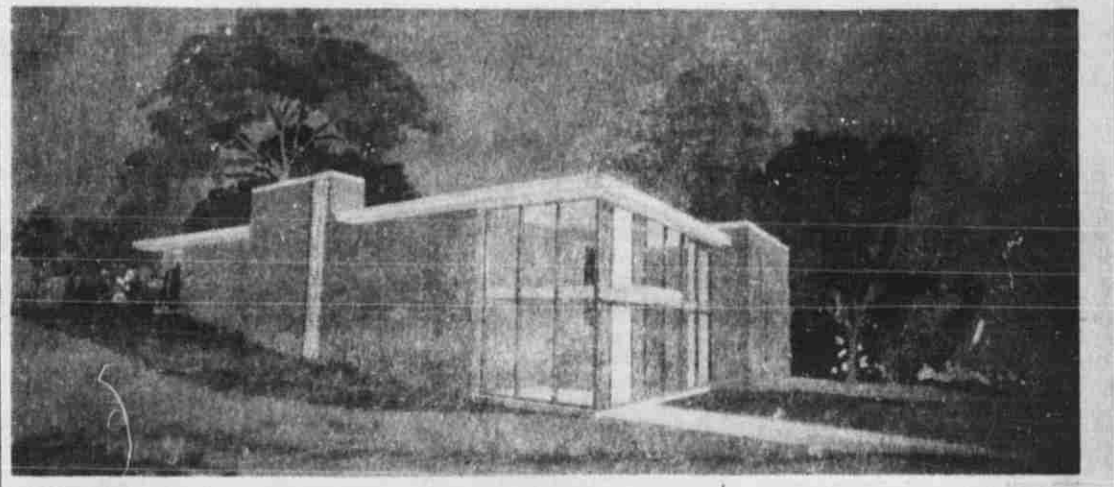
After speaking on some of the services offered by our local State Savings Bank, Mr. Phelan gave the audience a composite story of what bankers and other economists see for the balance of 1962. He concluded his talk by telling his audience to "broaden their outlook" and keep a close finger on the pulse of the market place.

Phelan is ordinarily based in Lansing but came here from Adrian where he had spoken to the high school assembly and the Adrian Exchange Club.

The speaker was secured for the Rotary Club by Harold J. Englehardt, president of the State Savings Bank.

Watch Ledger Want Ads for 'top grade' buys every week.

Methodists Break Ground Sunday for Education Building



Ground breaking ceremonies were held on Sunday, April 8 for the new Christian Education building being constructed by the First Methodist Church of Lowell on Jackson St. The new building will house Sunday School classrooms which can be expanded into a chapel for special services and an auditorium for programs. The basement of the new building will house classrooms and recreational facilities for all the groups of the church.

Construction is to start at once and the building is expected to be completed in the fall. It is estimated to cost some \$70,000, which was raised by contributions among the members and friends of the church. O. E. Bieri and Sons have been selected as contractors for the building. This will be a real addition to the community and to the Methodist Church program.

Pictured above is the architect's drawing of the building completed. It will front on Jackson St.

The center picture shows the large group that assembled at the building site Sunday morning to hold ground breaking service.

The lower picture is of Dan A. Wingeier turning the first spade of earth in a ceremony during which 12 of the department heads and committee chairmen of the church took part.

The Sunday service of dedication started with a hymn and prayer by the pastor, the Rev. J. Marion DeVinney. The ground breaking ceremony was conducted by 12 of the leaders of the church; the first spade of earth was turned by Dan Wingeier, chairman of the board of trustees, followed by Orion Thaler, chairman of the building committee, and Carl Munroe, superintendent of the church school. Lion Schneider, lay leader, took his turn at the spade along with Mrs. David Coons, chairman of the commission on education; Mrs. Tyrus Wessell, superintendent of the youth division; Tim Vanderveen, president of the senior youth fellowship; Bruce Walter, chairman of the music committee; C. A. Bradshaw, president of the Methodist men; Mrs. Jack Thorne, president of the women's society; Mrs. Orion Thaler, president of the Three 'M's'; Clark Parsons, president of the Mariners.

Rev. DeVinney, as a final gesture of the unity of the church in this project, took a plow and the entire membership of the Sunday school pulled ropes breaking ground with the plow.

Arthur J. Ingold To Address Last Farmer Forum

This Thursday night, April 12, will be the tenth and final meeting of our adult farmer forum programs for this year, and we are most fortunate to have obtained one of the country's outstanding agricultural speakers for this final meeting, Arthur J. Ingold, who resides in Blissfield, Michigan, is President of the Michigan Livestock Exchange, President of the Deerfield State Bank, Director of the National Livestock Producers, with offices in Chicago, Director of the National Publishing Board of Livestock Producers, and a Director of the National Council of Farmer Cooperatives with offices in Washington, D. C.

Mr. Ingold is renowned for his keen wit and sense of humor, and for his vast awareness of the nation's agriculture as it applies to every farmer, large or small.

The farm wives are extended a special invitation to attend this final meeting with their husbands—to enjoy Mr. Ingold and our refreshments of coffee and doughnuts.

We will meet at 8 p. m. in the Lowell High School study hall, on Thursday, April 12, and all interested persons are invited to be our guests.

Keith W. Avery

Oldest Cannon Township Resident S. F. Collar Dies

Sylvester Frank Collar, aged 96, of 4065 Egypt Valley Rd. N. E. believed to be the oldest resident of Cannon Township, passed away at his farm home Thursday after a lingering illness.

Mr. Collar operated a general farm in this area for 77 years, until his retirement five years ago. He was the oldest member of the church.

Miss Lovina Collar, who made her home with her father, is the only survivor.

Services were held at 1:30 Saturday at the VanZee Funeral Home in Grand Rapids. The body was interred in Cannonsburg Cemetery.

Forrest L. Durkee, Aged 71 Interred At Whitneyville

Forrest L. Durkee died very suddenly Sunday at his residence, 1120 Fountain Street in Grand Rapids at the age of 71.

Interment was made in Whitneyville cemetery Thursday afternoon following the services which were held at the Sullivan Funeral home with Rev. G. H. Kellerman officiating.

Mr. Durkee who made his home in Lowell for a short time, was married to Viola LeClear, a former Lowell girl. He had lived on Fountain Street in Grand Rapids for the past seven years, following the passing of his wife.

He is survived by one son William of Bellflower, California; one brother, Bernard Howe of Grand Rapids; one granddaughter, Dorothy Durkee; and several nieces and nephews.

Defeat Kalamazoo Pistol Team Here Friday

Lowell Pistol Club defeated Southern Michigan Gun Club No. 1 from Kalamazoo both matches on the Lowell range on April 6, with scores of 1122 against 1104, and 1126 against 1118.

Total individual scores for Lowell were: B. Reynolds 550, P. Schneider 566, G. DeYoung 555, T. Schermittauer 577.

For Battle Creek: D. Sutton 567, L. Hutchins 548, M. McAdams 550, and J. Raseman 556.

Ledger Want Ads bring results.

Holy Week Services At Methodist Church

Holy Week services at the Methodist church will begin with Palm Sunday services at 8:45 and 11. There will be baptism of babies at the 11 o'clock service and special Palm Sunday music by the choir.

In the afternoon at 4 the Congregational and Methodist choirs will sing Martin Shaw's cantata, "The Redeemer."

Maundy Thursday morning at 10 will be the White breakfast and in the evening from 7:30 to 9 will be held the silent candlelight Communion Service for which worshippers will come and go during the hour and a half.

Members of the church will attend the Good Friday service at the Congregational church where the ministers of both churches will bring Good Friday messages at 1:30.

Easter Sunday will begin with an Easter Sunrise service in the church, sponsored by the Senior Youth Fellowship followed by an Easter breakfast also sponsored by the Fellowship for which an offering will be taken.

The regular Easter services will feature Easter music and an Easter sermon.

Church School will meet at 9:45 both Sundays.

Mrs. Isabel Rutherford, 78, Passes Here

Lowell community resident and leader for the past fifty-four years Mrs. Isabel Rutherford passed away here on Wednesday evening, April 4, at the age of 78.

Isabel Fallas was born in Grand Rapids, Michigan the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Fallas on April 6, 1883.

She attended early school in Grand Rapids and then attended Olivet College and Ypsilanti Normal where she was a graduate of the Music Department, and continued her studies in Berlin, Germany.

When she returned from Europe her family had moved to Lowell and her father started the Edwin Fallas Canning Company, later operated by her husband, the late Lawrence Rutherford.

In 1908, she married L. W. Rutherford at the home of her parents on Riverside Drive. In 1958, they

celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Mrs. Rutherford was a member of the Lowell Congregational church and the Esther group. She sang in the church choir for many years. She was also a member of the DAR, the Mayflower Society and a life member of the Order of the Eastern Star and the Garden Club.

Services were held Sunday afternoon, April 8, at the Roth Funeral Home, with the Rev. Norman Woon officiating. Committal services will be held at a future date at Oakwood Cemetery.

Mrs. Rutherford is survived by two sons, John E. and Richard L., both of Lowell; two daughters, Mrs. Jean L. Martin of Grand Rapids, and Mrs. Mary Jean Theobald of Northridge, California; 7 grandchildren; one sister, Mrs. Elva V. Spight of Pomona, California; two nieces and two nephews.

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Rasmus Trading Post Offers New Service

Rasmus Trading Post at the corner of Cascade and Whiskeyville roads has enlarged its stock of groceries, packaged meats along with soft drinks, wine and beer. The new superette will offer service seven days a week with staples and specialty items that will cover every need. Plan now to stop in and see the more than 1200 items in stock for your regular food purchases or those last minute items needed for an emergency.

Foreman Road Mrs. Edna Taylor

Mr. and Mrs. Arlie Wheeler of Benton Harbor and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dixon of Dearborn were weekend guests at the Carl James farm.

Local B&PW Club Members Attend District Meeting

Saturday, April 7, the eleven clubs attending the District Four of the Michigan Federation of Business and Professional Women gathered for their annual Spring meeting. Highlight of the event was the account of her trip to San Juan, Puerto Rico, by Mrs. Taylor, State President of the Michigan Federation. In her address, she cited the growing need of closer association between the women of U. S. and South America, and expressed the deep concern of those women over the infiltration of Communism into their countries.

Y.M.C.A. News

Y.M.C.A. SUMMER BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL SEASON OPENS

Lowell area boys and girls of all ages will have an opportunity to play ball this summer. Clinics in fundamentals in batting, catching and fielding will be held regularly until school is out on the following schedule: (Beginning April 23) Monday-6:30-8, 9 yr. old boys Tuesday-6:30-8, 11 yr. old boys Wednesday-6:30-8, 13-14 yr. old boys Thursday-6:30-8, 11 yr. old boys Friday-6:30-8, 13 yr. old boys Saturday-10:11-30, 14 yr. old boys Sunday-10:11-30, 14 yr. old boys Registration sheets along with a special Easter vacation practice schedule will be passed out in the schools of the area this week. All sessions will be held at Recreation Park. Boys are to meet in the grandstand.

Elmdale Mrs. Ira Sargeant

The Community extends sincere sympathy to the family of the late John Birkey, aged 77, who passed away Thursday April 5, at his home after an illness of over a year. He is survived by his wife, Lydia, two daughters, Mrs. Glenn Edna Kaufman and Mrs. Norman (Irene) Kaufman, besides a large number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren; also three sisters, one of whom is Mrs. Albert (Phoebe) Slabaugh of Alto; and a large number of nieces and nephews.

Gove Lake Mrs. Leon Seeley

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Gates of Cedar Springs spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Dean and family.

Read the Want Ads.

Richard Lester of Grand Rapids was a caller one day last week at the Horace Myers home.

Daane Kruss is now employed by John Timpan of near Lowell. Mrs. Hilma Johnson has arrived home from her visit in Sweden. She has been visiting relatives at Battle Creek and Chicago. She plans on being back at her own home sometime this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Lachmet entertained his parents to dinner, assisting Roger in celebrating his birthday. Also Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Heybourn of Grand Rapids were guests to enjoy the meal.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Lachmet were Friday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Shores of Lowell, the event being the celebration of Roger's birthday and Mrs. Shores' wedding anniversary.

Owing to the Lenten season and pre-Easter services, the regular date of the meeting of the Edmore Grange has been changed from the 21st to the 28th of April at which time it will be held with Banner Grange, with a 7:30 p. m. supper followed by a program and meeting. Visiting members bring own service and dish of dessert to pass.

Star Corners Mrs. Ira Blough

Mr. and Mrs. David Krebs and daughter Cheryl of Grand Rapids were Saturday supper guests at the John Krebs home. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Krebs and daughter of Eastport were evening guests. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Aubl of Moline were also callers.

Seagun Community Mrs. Iva McIntyre

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Morris and family were Sunday afternoon callers of Mr. and Mrs. Derwood Koung of Grandville, who was adopted and reared by a missionary family.

Co-Weds Group to Hear Speaker from India

The Co-weds group of the Lowell Congregational church this week will feature Esther Pether from Alameda, India. Miss Pether is a native Indian who was adopted and reared by a missionary family.

Lowell YMCA Bowling Leagues Season Ends

A new bowling time has been set up—Saturday at 1 p. m. at the Legion Lanes. Results of the recent handicap doubles tournament were: First—Jim Hagen and Dick Lyoya. Second—Ron Olson and Chris Kysar. Third—Don Hemmings and Dave Barrus.

Miss Edie Rose of Parnell was a Wednesday overnight guest of Mrs. Barbara Krebs.

Miss Christine Wingeier visited Mr. and Mrs. Alex Wingeier Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Leon Vaughn and M. J. Lou of Lowell were Sunday afternoon and lunch guests of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Seese.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Blough called on Mrs. Flora Hooper at the Irvington home.

Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Hoffman and Mrs. Alex Wingeier attended services at the church at Leighton Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Oesch and family of near Clarksville were Saturday evening guests at the Francis Seese home.

Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Stevens and Janet, Iva McIntyre attended open house at Kelloggville school Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Stark were Sunday dinner guests of the i't grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Jones.

Earl Ketcham returned home on Sunday, after surgery.

Legen News Mrs. Harold Yoder

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Kennel and family of Roanoke, Ill., were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Yoder.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Yoder and family of Dearborn were Sunday afternoon callers at the Ira Blough, John Krebs and Raymond Seese homes.

Mr. and Mrs. George Krebs and son Bobby were Sunday evening visitors of Mrs. Leon Vaughn and family.

Miss Ann VanDriel was a Saturday overnight and Sunday guest of Miss Barbara Krebs.

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Modelettes To Give Review
The public is cordially invited to attend a style review of spring fashions worn by their makers, the Modelettes of the Verzenes 4-H Club. Some of the models will be participating in the Kent County 4-H Style Review held the same afternoon at Rogers Plaza, April 12 at 8 p. m., at the Verzenes Hall. Will be the scene for this review.

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Alto Community News

Easter Services Set at Alto
The schedule of Easter services at the Alto and Bowne Center Methodist churches has been set, and music will have a vital part in the services. The Easter Cantata, featuring the Senior and Junior Choirs, will be sung at Bowne Center on Sunday, April 15, and at the Alto church on April 22. Both services will be at 8 p. m. The senior choir will sing at the Maudy Thursday Communion service at Bowne Center at 8 p. m. Our two churches will unite with Hope Brethren Church for a Good Friday service. This will be at Alto on April 21 at 1:30 p. m. The Alto Young Adults are sponsoring the Easter Sunrise Service and breakfast. Worship will begin at 7 a. m. Mrs. Keith Conroy conducts the choir, assisted by Mrs. Ralph Craig for the Junior Choir. Mrs. Keith Bowman is the accompanist.

Methodist Church

Mark Evan Graham, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Evan Graham, was presented for baptism at the Bowne Center Methodist church on Sunday, April 8. The Bowne Center Young Adults will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Wiegeler on Saturday, April 14, at 8 p. m. The Commissions on Education of the Alto and the Bowne Center churches are asked to meet on Wednesday, April 18. At the meeting will be held at Alto at 8 p. m. we will plan for Vacation Church School, camp, etc. all members are urged to be present.

Other Alto News

Mrs. Clair Porritt was a Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Richardson. In the afternoon they all called on Mr. and Mrs. Walter Walbridge of Dutton. Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Watson and Mrs. Sophia Grazier were Sunday afternoon guests at the home of Mrs. Carman family in Grand Rapids in celebration of young Dan Carman's birthday. Miss Matie Stone and Mrs. Myrtle Alexander both of Lowell were entertained at the Glen Loveland home for dinner Sunday. Mrs. Alexander remained over night, re. Mrs. and Mrs. Steven Green of Jackson and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Fleet of Freehold were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Green. The Ralph Loveland family of Grand Rapids was Wednesday evening supper guests at the Glen Loveland home. Penny Wiegeler daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Wiegeler placed on the honor roll at Marywood Academy for this term. Miss Audie Yester of Mishawaka, Indiana, was a week-end guest of her brother, Glen Yester and wife. Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Berg and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Heas called on Mrs. Elci Erickson Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hovinen and family of Lowell were Saturday

Friday the 13th — Good Day to Retire?

Bill joined the employment of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad as a section track man on August 21, 1922. During this period of time, he has worked with crews in Elmira, Alto, Grand Lodge, Whitinsville and Portland. Before encountering his first job with the railroad, at Whitinsville, he was employed by the Freeport Creamery. William Fairchild was born April 13, 1879, the son of Frank and Anna Fairchild in Lowell, Township of Adams, Grand Rapids County, Michigan. He was educated in the Morse Lake School system. On June 25, 1925, he was united in marriage with Miss Ethel Byrd, a school teacher at that time. Mrs. Fairchild, who has been active in Township and community affairs, spends most of her time working part-time clerking in the Alto Post office. Mr. and Mrs. Fairchild have living children: Mrs. Art Burrows in the Alto community. They moved to their present country home at 1227-50th Street, Route 2, eight years ago. A man of various interests, Bill enjoys working around the house, the yard and garden and even smoking a pipe during a baseball game. Looking forward to seeing him more often, now that his time is not limited by his job, Mrs. Anna Fairchild, who operates a store in Alto; his son, Alvin; his brother, Richard, who works in the yard and garden and even smoking a pipe during a baseball game. When asked what he was going to do after he retires, Bill explained "Oh just part-time."

Choirs to Attend District Festival

The General High School Choir and the Junior High School Choirs, under the direction of Mrs. Leonard G. Rowell, will participate in the annual district choir festival to be held this year at Fountain Street church in Grand Rapids on Thursday, April 12. The General Choir will sing at 12 noon. Their selections are "Send Us Thy Heavenly Light" and "Let There Be Peace on Earth." They will then proceed to the sight reading section of the festival and will receive a rating on their total participation. The Junior High group, to be accompanied by Lynn Kay Wittenbach and Roger MacNaughton will sing "Not Alone for Mighty Empire" and "Sing Your Way Home." This choir will also receive ratings and comments, and will sing at 2:15 p. m. Parents and friends

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Servicemen
Army Capt. Collins J. Purchase, 32, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert M. Purchase, Bowes Rd., Lowell, Mich., completed the 34-week, off-duty course at the Transportation School, Fort Eustis, Va., March 30. Captain Purchase was trained in the duties and responsibilities of an officer in the Army's Transportation Corps. The captain was graduated from Lowell High School in 1947, and from Michigan State University, in East Lansing, in 1954, with a B.S. Degree in Agricultural Economics. His wife Loretta, lives in Detroit, Va.

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Marinots To View 'Heritage' Film

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4-H CLUB NEWS

Wolverine 4-H Club will hold a meeting April 17, 1962, at 8 at Vargennes Township Hall to sign members for summer projects. Anyone interested in joining as a new member will be welcome. Joly Hustlers 4-H Club will be held at the park house April 15, 1962. We will form our summer club at this time.

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Former Lowell Man, C. L. Cole, Began Artificial Insemination in 1936

Editor's Note: This is a reprint of an article in Boards Dairyman, published former Lowell man C. L. Cole, Mr. Cole is a graduate of Lowell High School and has been in Minnesota for 26 years on the family farm on Snow Ave. One day in June 1938, a young University of Minnesota graduate student presented the author's first scientific paper on artificial insemination of dairy cattle before the annual meeting of the American Dairy Science Association. Two years earlier he had formed the country's first artificial breeding association with four herds in the Grand Rapids, Minn., area. Now he presented a report of his work and a prediction for the future. By the spring of 1939 Cole had inseminated 100 cows. 100 were definitely pregnant. "Artificial insemination is not an emergency measure for getting cows in calf and should not be used for that purpose," Cole said at the meeting. "It is a regular procedure and control when it is used regularly organized when it is used as a regular procedure." He was convinced that exciting possibilities lay in extending the use of up rises to scores of dairy men. "The successful insemination of 1,000 or more cows per year is not beyond definite realization," he reported. During 1939, 1,070 cows in the U. S. were bred artificially. By 1961 the number had climbed to more than 7.3 million. "What we said about A. I. back in 1939 is being proved today," Cole said recently. "The use of a single sire has exceeded my early estimates by several thousand times, but the opportunities are as great as ever."

Lowell Sheres in \$80.6 Michigan Bell Improvements This Year

An outlay of nearly \$80.6 million will be made this year for the Michigan Bell Telephone Company. Included in this outlay is an expansion of its facilities, the Michigan Bell Telephone Company announced today. William M. Day, Michigan Bell president, said the 1962 program will push the company's total program expenditures past the billion dollar mark. "As one of the largest corporate investments made in the state in the years following the war, this huge sum reflects the continuing growth of Michigan and the corresponding need for more and better communications," Day said. Day, who serves as chairman of the Michigan Economic Development Commission, added: "Our 1962 program is based on sound expectations that the future will see a continuation of this growth in our state and the opportunity for us to grow with it. In short, we could not cradle an investment in a state that is growing so rapidly without being firmly convinced of the state's future."

DAVE DAVIS APPEARS WITH UNIVERSITY DANCERS

Dave Davis, a freshman student at Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, appeared with the University Dancers in "Rhythm and Space" at the Little Theatre on campus last Monday and Tuesday evenings. Dave also appeared in a dance group on television station WKZO the Friday before the program. Attending from Lowell on Tuesday evening were his parents Mr. and Mrs. Herb Davis and daughter Kimberly, Miss Judy Haldan and Miss Christine Sible from Grand Rapids.

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at the Tracks

Despite cool weather the opening of the racing season at the Grand Rapids Speedway Saturday night came off as scheduled with a large crowd and a good group of drivers in attendance. Wayne Landan of Hastings, driving his Chevrolet powered car, captured his first victory of the season by winning the super-modified fast car dash. In the modified sportman class, Bart Arrigo driving the same car he raced last year at outdoor Gull Cobb, to receive the checkered flag in this division. A strikingly close division was all-star driver, Marvin Blamer, former modified sportman driver taking all the honors. Wins Second Lowell driver, Larry Lawrence, who was piloting his newly purchased '62 Ford, chased Bob Mellemma across the finish line in the second modified sportman event. Larry also finished 2nd in the 20 lap feature won by Bob Mellemma. Jack Tenbrink escaped serious injury, when his car burst into flames at the finish line of the feature. The direct cause of the combustion was not immediately determined but Jack only received minor burns. Gordy Johnson, another popular Hastings driver, secured a heat race, and Landan topped his first major win of the season by out-driving the other top contenders in the 3M feature. Other Lowell drivers in competition were Ralph Lawrence and Jim Thompson. Berlin to Open A field of anxious drivers will be on hand when the 1962 racing season swings into action Saturday night, April 14, at the Berlin Raceway. Speed pilots will be diving maidens and constructed by car owners and mechanics through the long winter months.

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