

# Lowell Ledger

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LOWELL, MICH., THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, 1965

## Architect reports \$80,000 needed for Junior High

A school board meeting that did not adjourn until after midnight Monday brought a variety of matters to the attention of the board. Of vital interest to the community was the report by school architect, Donally Palmer, who had completed a preliminary study of remodeling needed in the Junior High Building.

The 50-year-old building which now houses 472 sixth through eighth graders plus some fifth graders needs many improvements to bring it up to standards set by the State Fore Marshall and the State Electrical Inspector.

Palmer brought in estimates for upgrading the facilities to the state set standards and improving lights, floors, heating, ventilation and acoustics. These improvements include necessary changes required for the safety of the children, and are estimated to cost about \$80,000.

A final step to improve the educational facilities and modernize the building for today's teaching standards was roughly estimated to cost another \$100,000.

This, Palmer said, would give the building an estimated life of 25 years. A new Junior High School building to house this same number of pupils is estimated to cost \$690,000 and would have a life of at least another 50 years.

**Discuss Athletic Penalties**  
Over two hours of the evening's meeting was devoted to a discussion with parents of two boys, who had been banned from athletics for a year for violation of training rules.

No changes in the penalties were decided upon, but some members of the board voiced

their opinion that perhaps they were too severe for first offenders. A meeting of athletes and their parents was scheduled to make further inquiry into the charges aired at the board meeting.

### Change in Noon Hour

Beginning this week, the noon hour lunch period has been changed in the high school and junior high. Crowded conditions in the cafeteria have made staggering the lunch hour of various classes necessary. Superintendent Nisbet told the board. The superintendent also reported that Miss Marcia Fellows has been employed to teach an additional unit of the fourth grade. Mrs. Grantee's morning kindergarten class will be moved to the Congregational Church on January 26.

### Add Golf to Sports

Don Kelly, Athletic Director, revealed the financial condition of the athletic funds of the school and said that now that basketball was bringing in about the same gate as football.

Kelly told the board that there was a possible reorganization coming up of the Tri-River Conference. Comstock Park, he reported, was planning to drop out of the conference.

A new spring sport was added to the school program by the board when they approved golf. Several other schools in the conference have added this. Now that a golf course is close by in Vergennes Township and the school has been invited to make use of it, more youth of the community have an opportunity to compete. Estimated additional cost of this sport to the school is \$430.

## Chicago promoter asks to take over Lowell Showboat's operation in 1965

Only the day after the adjourned annual meeting of Lowell Showboat Inc. voted to not put on a Showboat program in 1965, a letter was received by President Frank Stephens asking for permission to put on the Showboat by Reginald Voorhees, booking agent from Chicago.

Voorhees, who has booked the professional acts for the Showboat almost every year since the 1930's, and has helped with the direction of the show, is familiar with the operation. In his letter he offered to take over the show and pay Showboat Inc. 25 percent of the net with a guarantee of \$2,000 for the use of the facilities.

Showboat Directors will be discussing the plans that Voorhees has for handling the show at an early meeting.

At the fourth adjourned meeting of Showboat Inc. held in the Legion Building last Wednesday only 15 were present. Robert Forst, who has headed a committee investigating broadening the operating base organizations of Showboat, did not have an encouraging report.

In view of the difficulties in getting enough interest in continuing the show, it was almost automatic that the recommendation of the board of directors made last September to discontinue the Showboat in 1965 was accepted unanimously.

The assets and equipment of the Showboat are to be kept intact until a final decision is made at the annual meeting in September 1965. All the directors of the corporation were voted to continue in office until that time.

## Roy A. Kyser injured in car-truck collision

A Lowell man was seriously injured last Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock when his car collided with a truck near the Ionia and Barry County line, near Jordan Lake.

Investigating officers said Roy A. Kyser of Route 3, Lowell, was going north on Cemetery Road when his car collided with a vehicle driven by Arthur J. Loveland of Lansing, at the intersection of M-50.

The Lansing truck driver and a passenger were not injured, but Mrs. Kyser was treated and released at Pennekot Hospital in Hastings.

Hospital officials said Saturday noon that Mr. Kyser, who lives near the Ionia-Kent County line, suffered severe head injuries and is in critical condition.



Janice Marshall Honored Queen of Bethel No. 14

## Mary Chamberlain, past Lowell teacher, dies

Mrs. Mary E. Chamberlain, aged 91, passed away January 9, at Blodgett Memorial Hospital in Grand Rapids.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at the Morris Funeral Home in Saranac. The Reverend Charles Davis of the Lowell Congregational Church officiated. Interment was made in Balmcon Cemetery.

Mrs. Chamberlain was a former Lowell High School teacher, and was a member of the Lowell Congregational Church.

She was born in Michigan on November 20, 1873, and at the time of her death was a member of Stevens Thomson Mason Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution of Ionia, and an honorary member of the Saranac Ladies Literary Club.

She is survived by a stepson, Russell Chamberlain of Greenville, and a stepdaughter, Mrs. Leona Weston of Flint.

## Prof. Edgar Tweedt to speak at Baptist Church

Professor Edgar Tweedt, former school teacher and pastor, will be the visiting speaker at both of the services at the Lowell Baptist Church, Sunday, January 17.

Mr. Tweedt is a teacher in Christian Education and Ministries in the College Department of the Baptist Seminary in Grand Rapids. This seminary is now located in the new campus on the East Beltline, south of Leonard Street.

Mr. Tweedt has his B. D. degree from the Baptist Seminary, his Master's degree from Michigan State and is presently on leave of absence completing his studies toward a Ph. D. degree at Michigan State.

We invite you to enjoy with us, his challenging ministry at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday.

### EVENING HIGH SCHOOL

Lowell area adults or students may now obtain schedules of the evening high school program in Grand Rapids.

They are available at the high school guidance office on Monday through Friday.

Tuition runs \$15 per course, and registration will be open on January 27 and 28. Classes begin on February 1.

Janice L. Marshall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Y. Marshall of Lowell, will be installed as Honored Queen of Bethel No. 14 of the International Order of Job's Daughters at an open ceremony, Saturday, January 16, 1965, at 8 p. m. in the Masonic Temple of Lowell.

Besides Miss Marshall officers to be installed are Patricia Beauchamp, Senior Princess; Barbara Weeks, Junior Princess; Judy Martin, Guide; Lynn Thomet, Marshal; Sheila Morris, Chaplain; and messengers, Beverly Roth, Shirley Seaman, Ann Baker, Janice Kauffman and Donna Beauchamp.

Others taking office will be Patty Pletcher, musician; Brenda Anderson, Senior Custodian; Geraldine Marshall, Junior Custodian; Cheryl Fish, Inner guard and Jean Tower, Outer guard.

Installing officers will be the retired Honored Queen, Jean Tower; Dorothy Cook, Alice Tower, Nancy Wood, Rebecca Turrittin, Patricia Liboit and Evelyn Wittenbach.

Dick Martin, Associate Guardian will be the Narrator and Mrs. Eugene Morris, Guardian will give the welcome. Mrs. Hugh Onan will serve as soloist accompanied by Mrs. Arnold Wittenbach.

Janelle Marshall, sister of the new Honored Queen, will carry the Bible, and her aunt, Mrs. Edward J. Danoski of Kalamazoo will preside at the refreshment table.

**REGISTRATION NOTICE**  
Registrations are being taken in the City Clerk's office for the City Primary Election, February 15, 1965.

The last day to register is Monday, January 18. The Clerk's office will be open from 8 a. m. to 8 p. m.

The City Primary Election will be held if more than two candidates file for any city office.

Laura Shepard  
City Clerk  
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Shooting is six foot, five inch Duane Melver, No. 55, with his team-mates blocking out the Cedar man, Left to right, Tim Nelson, Paul Kropp and Bob Elzinga, waiting for the rebound.



Six foot, seven inch Tim Nelson, No. 53, pictured here taking control of a jump ball is one of the reasons why Lowell has won six games in a row. Nelson provides a good, steady man under the basket and usually hits in double figures.

## Cagers take Tri-River conference lead with 77-76 defeat of Cedar

In a thrilling basketball game last Friday night at Cedar Springs, the lead changed hands 31 times. The game was finally decided in the last few seconds of play when Bob Elzinga drove in for a layup to put the

Arrows in the lead by a single point. This win made Lowell the only undefeated team in the Tri-River Conference, which puts them in the lead for the coveted title.

The game was an even battle throughout. The fast, but much shorter, Cedar team was deadly from the floor. Hill, the league's top scorer, poured in 27 points. The Hawks battled their bigger opponents at the boards taking more than their share of rebounds. At the quarter the score read, Cedar 19, Lowell 17; 35-33 at half time; and 57 to 55 at the third quarter.

Elzinga was double teamed throughout the first half and failed to score a single point. After half time he came back to score 21 points. Nelson netted 23, Kropp, 17 and Melver, 12. The Arrows made 31 field goals and hit 15 of 33 foul shots to come from a 5 point deficit to win, 77-76.

### Defeat Ionia, 68-50

The game Saturday night against Ionia was played at a much slower pace than the previous game. Coach Kempker was able to use all his bench in the game.

Lowell led throughout the game, but Ionia kept up a steady pressure during the first half.

The Arrows led, 18-15 at the quarter, 37-28 at half time, and by the third quarter led, 60 to 44.

The Red Arrows made thirty field goals and hit 8 out of 15 foul shots for 53 percent accuracy. Elzinga led the scoring with 26 points, Kropp had 16, Melver and Nelson each had 8. The Varsity now have a 6-0 season.

## Alto Mothers set husband night

The Alto Area Mothers' Club is planning Tuesday evening, January 19, as husband night. Those whose husbands are not able to attend are asked to invite another mother.

Louise Grover, exchange student from Lowell High School, will speak and show slides of her recent stay in Ireland.

A Mystery Walk will follow with proceeds to be used for financing the carnival in the spring. There will be door prizes and refreshments.

This is a good time for any new parents in the school to get acquainted. Starts at 8, so don't forget!

## YMCA ADULT ART CLASSES BEGIN TUESDAY, JAN 19

YMCA adult art classes will meet Tuesday afternoon, January 19, from 1 until 3 p. m. at the Y Office.

The class is scheduled to continue for eight weeks and cost \$5 for 'Y' members and \$8 for non-members.

Also if enough men are interested Jan Johnson will be conducting a men's course each Wednesday evening starting on January 20 at 8:15 p. m.

## Ledger Wants Ads bring results

A strike was called Monday at the Newell Manufacturing Company by Local 19 of the United Auto Workers. Fifty-six employees of the plant are affected by the strike. Rex Bailey, Rte. 2, Greenville, president of this plant group, a tool and die worker in the plant, and Doris Cook, 680 Spring St., Lowell, who is a painter, are pictured here on picket duty Monday morning.



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The strike called at the Newell Manufacturing Co., according to Rex Bailey, President of the group, is over a closed shop contract and check-off of dues. The company and the union are very close on the economic demands but differ on demanding that all employees of the plant belong to the union and the company deduct the monthly dues from the employee's pay. Wallace Hook, President of Newell Manufacturing Co., said that he was only acting to protect the right to work guarantee of the employees who do not wish to join any union. Hook said that in the election held last July 16, the vote in favor of the union was only 32 for the group, is over a closed shop contract and one contested vote. The right of the 24 to work without belonging to the Union, Hook said, is the right of every working man and to protect those rights he was not willing to sign a contract with a closed-shop contract. About 30 pickets were on hand Monday morning, office workers and supervisory employees went to work as usual. By Wednesday, about 10 hourly employees had returned to work.

## Church services on TV Sunday

The First Methodist Church of Lowell will be sharing in the Grand Rapids Area Council of Churches Television ministry this coming Sunday. The local congregation will have their early worship service televised at 9 a. m. Approximately 100 people will be sharing in the service.

The choir will be participating in the service, and will sing "Behold Now, Praise the Lord" by Titcomb, Rev. Bovee will be preaching on the woman at the well in a sermon entitled "The Existential Results of Worship."

It is the hope that this ministry will reach many shut-in people in the area who cannot attend a regular service as well as many people who do not regularly attend a local church.

### VERGENNES TWP. TAXES

I will be at the Lowell Bank Saturday mornings, February 6 and 13 to collect Vergennes Township taxes. You can send payment by mail or I will be home until February 28. Dog licenses are also due.

Goldie Clark, Treasurer



## Program teaches job fundamentals

The Co-Op Club was instituted into the Lowell Area School system in 1957 to enable students to study the fundamental principles and practices of retail merchandising by working on-the-job. Carol Weemhoff (left), and Laurel Hobbs, are both employed parttime at Fluger's Lowell Bakery. Beth Rollins (right), is attaining her pre-nurse apprenticeship in Dr. McKay's office. Carol, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Weemhoff, 632 N. Lafayette, Lowell, a senior this year, spends her mornings at the bakery. During the afternoons Laurel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hobbs, 5340 Morse Lake, Alto, takes over. Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Rollins, 911 N. Hudson, Lowell, are Beth's parents. Beth, a junior at LHS, can be found manning the supply room of the doctor's office late every afternoon.



**South Lowell**  
Mrs. Nancy Nordhoff

plan to spend a couple of days with their grandfather, Howard Ferguson at the George Christian home in Jacksonville.

**Snow Community**  
Mrs. S. P. Reynolds

Worship services at Snow Church begin at 9:30 Sunday morning. Sunday School is at 10:45 following worship services.

**How Can You Fight Birth Defects? March of Dimes Has Good Advice**

What would you do if a defective child were born in your family or to friends or neighbors? Would you know where to turn?

**Miss Nugent becomes bride of Thomas Evans**

St. Patrick's Church of Parma was the scene Saturday morning, January 9 of the ceremony uniting Miss Kathleen H. Evans and Thomas H. Evans.

A crown of sequins and pearls secured her hair in a cascade of curls. She carried a cascade of white carnations and roses. Miss Phyllis Nugent was her sister's honor attendant.

**Accident injures local woman**

Mrs. James Fahrni (Linda Dygert) of Alto suffered a fracture of her right leg and a laceration of her right arm and a laceration of her forehead.

**Alto party line**

The Bowe Center Young Adults group will meet Saturday, January 16, at 7:30 p. m. at the Alto Community Center.

**Patient's family needs treatment**

The patient who is presented to the physician is not always the one who most requires attention, says a University of Michigan psychiatrist.

**South Boston**  
Mrs. Belle Young

Seaman Apprentice Craig Stuart has completed his basic training at the U. S. Training Center, Great Lakes, Illinois.

**Elmdale**  
Mrs. Ira Sargent

Mrs. Keith Gould is organizing a Boy Scout Club and passes on the information that all boys between 8 and 11 years of age who are in the Alto area are eligible to become a member.

**Grove Lake**  
Mrs. Leon Seelye

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Key and family attended a "Carowitz" family Christmas dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Pogue and family in Grand Rapids Sunday.

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Ever wish, at income tax time, that you had a complete record of every cent you spent for drugs and drug products throughout the year—and how much of it was legally deductible?

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