

## Tragic Death Spurs M-21, Ambulance Crises



PRESENTATION of the American flag was made recently by Mrs. Earl Ketcham, Americanism chairman for the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary, to Bushnell Elementary School Principal Arthur Kera. Looking on are students Nancy Bieri and Larry Johnson.

### Board Hears Long-Range School Plans

Lowell Area Schools, through Superintendent James Pace and the Board of Education, today are considering long-range plans designed to gear the district for a 10-year period.

This was evidenced during a special meeting last week when board members heard preliminary reports from the superintendent.

"One of the most important items discussed was that of constructing a 'middle school,'" said Pace.

The middle school concept, relatively new, would call for construction of a new building to house grades five through eight or six through eight.

"Actually, the middle school is somewhat similar to a junior high," says Pace, "but more grades can be housed in it and all facilities can be utilized to a greater degree."

The board also authorized Pace to contact three owners of land adjacent to the Runciman School playground in an attempt to secure first option to purchase in the event the owners wish to sell. Pace explained that the property would enhance the playground.

The school administrators also are seeking use of a 4-H building and the McFall building (formerly Royce Ford) to store and maintain its fleet of 28 buses.

The board also approved several boundary changes both between Forest Hills and Caledonia in an effort to do away with "island property."

"Lowell and its neighboring districts are involved in much duplication of costs and services because of the irregular boundaries," said Pace. "We operate buses into each district to pick up children attending our school and they do the same. We hope that a realignment of district lines will alleviate this condition," he added.

### Serving With Tank Battalion

Marine Private First Class Luis A. Luna, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis C. Luna of Route 1, Clarksville, is serving with the First Tank Battalion, First Marine Division near Da Nang, Vietnam.

The primary mission of the battalion is to support the division's infantry units engaged in combat operations against the enemy by providing direct supporting fire.

The tankers also have road building and river fording capabilities.

Using a "blade tank" similar to a bulldozer, the tankers cut roads through the dense Vietnamese terrain in order to provide the infantry with supporting fire.

### VFW Auxiliary Seeks Gift Box Donations

A drive to send boxes of food-stuffs and other gifts to Lowell area men stationed overseas is contemplated by the VFW 8303 Auxiliary.

Persons interested in contributing to the effort are asked to contact Auxiliary President Mrs. Lena Phelps at TW 7-7119 or Mary Ann LaDue, before 5 p. m., at 897-9974.

### CLEARANCE SALE

Save on winter jackets for men, ladies and children. Good selection, wonderful values. Wepman's Clothing and Shoes, 103 E. Main, Lowell. c43

### Select Three Students for Exchange Trip

Three talented teenagers from Lowell High School have been selected to participate in the Youth For Understanding Foreign Student Exchange program this summer.

The selection committee designated Diane Nordhof, Carleton (Cla) Avery and Kay Feurstein as most qualified among the 11 outstanding candidates who sought the coveted honors.

The selection committee was headed by Don Beachum and included Dr. R. D. Siegle, Rev. Charles Davis, Bernard Kropf, Mrs. Virginia Fonger, Mrs. Alice Wessell and Charles Pierce.

Advisors to the committee were Pat Pletcher, Carol Witenbach and Lawrence Precious, all of whom participated in the exchange program last summer.

Funds to help sponsor the program may be contributed at anytime by contacting Mr. Beachum at 897-7768.

The committee hopes to raise sufficient money to fully pay the required \$750 to \$800 each student abroad. Contributions are tax deductible.

Miss Nordhof, an A- student, hopes to be able to visit Germany while Miss Feurstein, a B student, indicated Ireland as her preference. Cla Avery picked Germany. He is a B student.

All three have been active in school affairs as well as with other civic and church groups.

### Will Organize Pioneer Girls

Pioneer Girls will hold regular meetings at the Lowell Baptist Church beginning next Monday at 7 p. m.

A committee, meeting together in the home of Dr and Mrs Donald Gerard, will discuss plans for the coming activities February 5.

All girls (third grade, eight-years-old and up) and ladies are invited to attend this special meeting to become more acquainted with the benefits of this program and each other.

A registration guide will be present, February 5, to discuss the opportunities and answer questions pertaining to the Pioneer Girls program. Refreshments will be served.

### Driver Hits Deer

David H. Dacker of Greenville escaped without injury when the car he was driving hit a deer on Vergennes Road, west of Lincoln Lake Road, last week.

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THE FATAL CRASH SCENE that took the life of Mrs. Sylvia Ankin of Lowell at M-21 and Watrous last Friday is depicted in these staff photos. Above is the ambulance, which was rushing another Lowell resident, Edward Cordier, to Butterworth Hospital in Grand Rapids. The death car is shown below. It was the sixth fatality recorded in "Accident Alley" in the past 10 months.

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### Mother of 2 Is Killed on Highway

Outraged government officials and private citizens alike are today seeking to remedy a pair of vital matters relating to the welfare of local residents.

Both were brought into sharp focus late Friday when an ambulance carrying an injured Lowell man crashed into an oncoming car at M-21 and Watrous, a mile east of the Grand Rapids city limits.

Mrs. Sylvia Ankin, 22, of 239 Valley Vista, Lowell, suffered fatal injuries in the crash.

Not injured were Steven Beebe, 17, and Lawrence L. White, also 17, both of Ionia. They were operating an ambulance called to assist Edward P. Cordier of Lincoln Lake Road, Lowell, who had sustained an injury at Attwood Corporation. Cordier was not further injured.

Mrs. Ankin's death was the sixth recorded in slightly more than 10 months on the stretch of M-21 often referred to as "Accident Alley."

The accident accentuated both the need for widening and modernizing M-21 and installation of some form of local ambulance service to answer immediate needs.

Representatives of local government agencies, almost without exception, have voiced strong sentiment on resolving the two-fold problem quickly.

One of the most interested groups is the Kent County Board of Supervisors Safety Committee, which met Tuesday morning to consider several possible remedies.

One of these calls for study of use of fully-equipped helicopters as "flying ambulances." The plan has worked effectively in other areas of the country, it was pointed out.

Private citizens, horrified by the rising toll on M-21 expressed concern over the lack of action on the part of the State Highway Department to carefully inspect and analyze the road and its high-accident rate.

Said one: "It is time for action, not words. Too many people are injured and it takes an accident such as this to remind them again of the danger."

Others expressed dismay at "foot-dragging" by local government agencies in not seeking a better plan to provide fast, efficient ambulance service and, equally as important, a service that is staffed by qualified attendants.

Neither of the Ionia attendants, by law, was qualified to drive the vehicle. The state law requires a chauffeur's license for driving an ambulance and no licenses are issued until the driver has reached his 18th birthday.

It, Jim Haeshutter of the Kent County Sheriff's Department reported that the ambulance went out of control on a curve and skidded into the path of Mrs. Ankin's small import car as it headed eastbound on M-21.

The site was about a mile east on the 12-mile section that has become known as "Accident Alley."

Figures recently compiled bear out the name. During 1967, there were five fatalities recorded in a total of 77 accidents along the stretch. These involved 127 vehicles and resulted in 72 injuries, plus unestimated property damage.

For the most part, the highway is a narrow, twisting stretch of road that even long-time residents do not feel safe in traversing.

The accident that initially touched off the chain of events occurred late Friday afternoon at Attwood Brass. Edward P. Cordier of Lowell accidentally released a control on an automatic die cast machine.

Despite desperate efforts by attending physicians at Butterworth Hospital to save Cordier's right hand, which had been crushed near the wrist, it was necessary to amputate. Cordier was listed in good condition at press time.

LOWELL BEER STORE  
Open every day and evenings until 10 p. m. Sundays until 9 p. m.



Have you ever heard the expression, the author of which is not at all certain, that goes something like this:

"I lived a week one morning in Philadelphia."

It could have been the late W. C. Fields, who was as noted for his philosophy as for his humor.

Well, the expression came to mind last Saturday, which was to have been a productive day for the Village Smithy... but is recalled now only as a blur of wind, water, snow, slush and a once-trusted automobile that let me down when the going was toughest.

Good friend Wife had commuted across state to assist in picking out a home or homestead in which to install, come the end of the school term, those of the clan who remain under the protective wing of the family.

Now shopping for a future domicile of these proportions isn't exactly the easiest chore in the world and one that calls for much thought and planning.

We faced the challenge bravely, despite the utter gloom that greeted GFW and I on arising.

### Worried About Her Messy Hair

"It just couldn't be a nastier day for house-hunting," said GFW. "My hair is just a mess."

What the latter had to do with the former is completely beyond all comprehension, so I shrugged it off as just another of those completely unrelated declarations that I have become accustomed to in almost a quarter-century of wedded bliss.

Messy hair and all (hers, not mine), we set out in the rain to get a general picture of the area to establish within our minds the future course to pursue in setting up residency hereabouts.

Our wanderings carried us to a spot near Cascade which had been recommended. That's where once-trusted automobile let me down.

We own two cars, a late model sedan and an older vintage convertible and it was the latter that brought us to grief.

Can you imagine my thoughts as I carefully nursed Ol' Faithful to the nearest garage with what later developed to be a burned out wheel bearing?

### Just Made Final Payment!

This fine car, on which I had made the final payment not more than a week before, and which had been my constant companion for several years, made like it was headed for the Happy Hunting Grounds.

Several hours and much consternation later, not to mention a long and ignominious cross-country ride behind Powell Standard's tow truck, we dropped Ol' Faithful off at the garage.

A rented car helped us over the next crisis and we set off again to visit several other recommended sites. Then, it was on to Lansing for a meeting of Michigan publishers enroute to Mount Clemens to return GFW to her waiting brood.

All was fine until we reached the freeway.

Have you ever noticed that these splendid achievements of highway engineering are just great... until weather conditions make them a living nightmare to traverse?

### Better to Read a Good Book

And so it was late Saturday night. Impenetrable fog confronted us every foot of the journey. What normally would be a trip of 1 1/2 hours stretched into eternity. Had there been a sunrise Sunday morning, it would have greeted us at the end of the tedious experience.

As I pulled into the driveway, I made a vow that next time... and there is bound to be a next time... I will just chuck the whole idea on a day like that, get out a good book and let other idiots battle the elements.

And can you imagine what GFW had to say as we sat at the wheel, utterly exhausted and with eyeballs still hanging out from peering through the density?

"It sure was a long day... and you know my hair is still a mess!"

I'm sure the milkman noticed!

Ice Shanty Robbed

Supper at Clarksville

Lowell police report that approximately \$100 worth of fishing gear was taken from an ice shanty located at the gravel pit. The shanty is owned by Earl Miller of Route 3, Lowell. The thieves tipped the shanty over to gain entrance.

Clarksville Eastern Stars are sponsoring an open house honoring Mr. & Mrs. Henry Pietila (nee Dorothy Miller) at the Masonic Temple, Saturday evening, February 10, from 7-9:30 p. m. All friends are invited to attend.

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Special congratulations should be given to the committee that decided on the site for the annual National Auto Dealers convention, Joe Azzarello and Leonard Jackson are among the lucky (!) who made the trek to Las Vegas.

The Lowell Planning Commission listened a week ago as letters were read outlining why it would NOT be possible to redesign M-21 to Lowell in the immediate future. Those letter writers should take a good, hard look at the picture in today's paper!

State Representative Martin D. Bath scheduled in town on Thursday to address the annual Chamber of Commerce dinner-meeting. A good time to plug for action on the highway and ambulance problems.

Fans attending Lowell High basketball home games have been treated to exceptional entertainment by the Pep Band under the direction of Mr. Bill Mills.

Speaking of music, there will be a fine program scheduled locally during the summer. No particulars yet... but it does sound interesting.

Charles and Fred Thomas, owners of Industrial Tool and Machine on Grand River Avenue, have bought the building that housed Lowell Stamping Plant from AGM Industries. They plan to move in this summer.

Can you imagine a full day of sunshine such as Tuesday's. Won't be long before you can get out the golf clubs and head for the wide-open spaces.

If you're looking for something to celebrate this week, remember that it's Groundhog Day on Friday. If he sees his shadow... put those clubs away!

Random Thought: Early to bed and early to rise would be great if it weren't for daylight savings time!

Fire Chief Frank Baker underwent surgery for a slipped disc and has returned home from the hospital for an eight-week convalescence. Daughter Noreen, who was seriously injured in an accident a month ago, also is convalescing and is improving each day, though still in a cast and wheel chair.

TIP OF THE HAT: Police Chief Avery Block reports that volunteer citizen assistance at the scene of accidents is to be commended. The department received valuable aid Wednesday at a crash on M-21 with Herb Hanes and Bruce Monroe, among others, lending a hand to control traffic.

YOU ARE A GOOD DRIVER  
Of course! But that doesn't make you immune to auto accidents. Are you fully protected? See the Peter Speerstra Agency, 897-9259. c43

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Service Man's Call Completed via Telstar

Mothers are generally happy to hear from their children, but Mrs. Mildred King of Lowell was especially happy Sunday when she picked up the telephone to talk to her son, Wayne.

Wayne, a member of the United States Army, was calling from Bangkok, Thailand, where he is near the half-way point in his year's tour of duty.

As if it wasn't enough just to talk to someone dear halfway around the world, there was the added excitement of participating in a call which was completed with the aid of Telstar.

This small globe, which measures 34 1/2" in diameter, does a gain's work. Launched in July of 1962, Telstar is the only commercial satellite ever orbited.

Through the use of microwave signals it carries hundreds of telephone conversations plus television transmissions at the same time.

The call wasn't a complete surprise, for it has been in the works since last November when Mrs. King made application to the Union Bank's "Operation Holiday." She later received a letter from the bank indicating the call had been approved and could be placed at the convenience of herself and her son.

According to Bill Gill, vice-president of Union Bank, "Operation Holiday," has proved a tremendous success since it was instituted by the bank two years ago. This Christmas season 860 calls were approved for servicemen and women from Kent County.

Wayne's address is: Pfc Wayne N. King, US 54963312, 53D TC, Co. M, Trk, Cargo, APO, San Francisco, California, 96222.

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New Look Appears

TO OUR READERS:  
Any firmly established newspaper carefully weighs all factors before changing its "signature," the nameplate you see across the top of this page, so such action is not taken lightly. We have spent more than two months on the new design you see in today's edition. It is the result of many hours of discussion and work by numerous newspapermen and readers. The final rendition was prepared by Richard Mayer of Warren, Mich., one of the nation's leading newspaper artists. We think that he has done an outstanding job on our signature and trust that you will agree. You will notice that we are also using similar type on various column designations inside. All of this is aimed at bringing you a brighter, easier-to-read newspaper each week.

The Editor



Editorial

Two weeks ago, this newspaper dealt at some length on alternatives facing the community-at-large in what has come to be known as the "ambulance crisis."

Three possible courses of action were outlined. The fourth possibility... that of doing NOTHING... was not mentioned.

Last Friday afternoon, an emergency ambulance run was called for and a company in Ionia responded to the mercy plea. It was manned by two 17-year-old boys, who undoubtedly had the requirements for assisting those in need, but who were not legally qualified to operate the vehicle. The state law is specific... a driver must be 18 to have a chauffeur's license.

Minutes after leaving Lowell enroute to the hospital in Grand Rapids, a young mother of two lay dead... a victim of the treacherous stretch of M-21 known variously as "Accident Alley" or "Suicide Lane."

The tragedy serves to point up once again the desperate need for action to remedy both the highway and "stop-gap" measures to provide ambulance service.

We said then... and we repeat: Strong, decisive action is needed. Now!

Another life lost because of indifference would only compound the tragedy.

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VANDER VEEN, FRIEDHOFF & COOK 1125 W. Main Street, Lowell, Michigan, 49321

IT IS ORDERED that on April 18, 1968, at 9:30 A. M. in the Probate Courtroom, Grand Rapids, Michigan, a hearing be held at which all creditors of said deceased are required to prove their claims.

Open each Saturday evening from 8 p. m. to midnight, the admission price of 25 cents will cover the cost of goodies such as potato chips and pretzels, with the price of soft drinks extra.

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Mr. and Mrs. Richard Detroit and three children of Detroit were Saturday and Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Slogoth and family.

Dinner guests entertained at the home of Mrs. Vic Clemens and daughter, Carol, Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Rex Dowling and son of Cascade, and Steve Narrin.

Mrs. James Collins' Sunday afternoon guests were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Good of Muskegon.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Dennie attended a triplicate birthday celebration Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Evans and family of Clarksville, Kent.

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# Forsakes Life in Big City

The lure of "big city life" holds no particular appeal for Neil A. Weathers, 36, who has forsaken that country for the "beauties of Michigan."

Educated at Deerfield Academy in Massachusetts and at Amherst College, Weathers received his law degree from Yale and began his career in New York with the well-known firm of Simpson, Thatcher and Bartlett.

At this point in his life, however, he went into service with the Marines, entering as a private in a reserve battalion and ending his five-year hitch as a commander in the 1st Marine Division.

FOR SUBMITTING A cost-cutting suggestion, James B. Cook, Vice-President and General Manager of the Atwood Corporation, Lowell, congratulates Gerald Allen Shook on his winning a new General Electric Refrigerator. Award was presented to Shook for his suggestion on how to reduce manufacturing costs of the General Electric refrigerator door handles which the Lowell based company manufactures.

# Survey Needs For Fluoride Clinic Program

The Alto Mothers' Club in cooperation with the Grand Rapids-Kent County Health Department and the Michigan Department of Health is beginning to make plans for the topical application of sodium fluoride to the teeth of the children in our community.

The program will be available to pre-schoolers, 2nd, 3rd and 4th graders. There are at this time various grade levels that children have newly erupted teeth which should be protected against decay.

Fluoride has been found to be effective in reducing new tooth decay by an average of 40 percent. In addition to these benefits a program offers a valuable dental experience with no discomfort involved and no health education is given the child by the clinic personnel.

The entire procedure consists of four visits to the topical fluoride clinic, which will probably be located in the Alto School. At the first visit the teeth are cleaned and the fluoride is applied. On the second, third, and fourth appointments the application of the sodium fluoride is repeated. The program is not recommended for children already drinking fluoridated water for a certain number of years.

A fee of \$2.50 per child will be charged to cover the expenses of the program which will be due in March. The specific time for the clinic will be announced in May.

A survey is now being made to determine if there are enough interested parents in the community to conduct a program. A survey letter is being sent home to parents of all children in the Lowell area schools and St. Mary's in grades 2, 5, 8 and 11.

For further information on the topical fluoride clinic program in the Alto-Lowell area, contact Mrs. James Conter at 866-4740 or the Kent County Health Department.

**Summer Camp Date Awaits Theatre Group**  
Gerrit Lamin, director for the 16-by formed Thompkins Community Theatre, is seeking an invitation for the "Sound of Music" to visit Ludington.

Public employes should be notified of the option to strike. The union has extended the invitation for a strike on July 17 and 18.

The cast will be selected in February.

# Senior Citizens Urged to File for Tax Savings

Qualified area residents seeking a property tax reduction under Michigan's Senior Citizen Homestead Tax Exemption Law are urged to apply at their local assessor's office.

Last year, the law meant an average saving per senior citizen of \$65.88. The state spent \$10 million to reimburse local units of government for the tax loss.

Following this model, Weathers decided to search further into the matter. He found a law firm did, armed with several letters of introduction, combed every possibility. One of these letters was to Neil A. Weathers, 36, who lives in Grand Rapids and Weathers came west to join his company.

"I'll never regret that I left New York," Weathers says. "Michigan has given me a job, a wife, a family and a beautiful home."

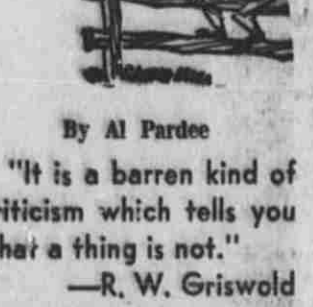
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Michigan residents of more than five years, aged 65 or over, are eligible for the exemption. The law requires that the property tax value does not exceed \$20,000, and their gross income does not exceed \$5,000.

Each applicant must supply a deed, land contract, or mortgage, a birth certificate or other legal proof of age; a recent tax bill or bills for all real property owned; and his social security number.

Following their marriage, the Weathers had a small house with only two rooms. It has been replaced by a new house with four bedrooms and a full bathroom.

# Country Squire



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Continued Story of the Early History of Kent County.

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# Zigler's Unit Earns Award

Sergeant Thomas C. Zigler, son of Mr. and Mrs. John N. Zigler of 7907 Conservation Rd., Ada, has been recognized for helping his unit earn the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award.

The unit was cited for exceptionally meritorious achievement by providing assistance for the people of Fairbanks and the surrounding communities during the severe floods in that area last August.

Sergeant Zigler, a graduate of East Grand Rapids High School, attended Ferris State College, Big Rapids.

While he was there, the savings came as usual and helped himself to the intricate but this time he was not. Robbison demanded what he wanted.

"I want whiskey," responded the Indian. "I will give you whiskey if you give me the money."

"Well, if you can pay for it, you can have it," said the trader. "I will give you the whiskey barrel and half almost reached it when Robbison lodged a powerful blow because of the whiskey-drinking a day or two later, he kicked him out of the store.

A few days later the Indian called at the store and stated that he had a new house for himself and his mother on the old family farm. This property on Ada Drive has been in his mother's family since 1838 which was the time of the French-Indian war.

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# Clancy's Family Pioneers

Fred Clancy, supervisor of the Ada District, was born in Grand Rapids and attended St. Andrew's Elementary and Catholic Central High Schools.

These efforts have been qualified to administer breath tests to drivers arrested for drunk driving, a move by the Sheriff's department to meet provisions in the recently enacted Michigan "Implied Consent" law.

Simply stated, this law permits a driver to give his consent to a breathalyzer or chemical test for alcohol if arrested for driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor.

Refusal to take a chemical test could result in the automatic suspension or revocation of the driver's license.

While in the service, Clancy spent seven years in Texas, three and a half years in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and two years of duty in Europe including three years in Germany and three years in England.

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All is not lost, however, for you may pick up these important papers at the Lowell or Ada cost offices, the Lowell City Hall or the Ada or Cascade Township halls.

The Young People Service will begin at 6 p. m. followed by the evening service at 7:30. The Mass Choir will sing at 8:00 p. m. on February 8th at 7:30 p. m. We will be making layettes for the Baptist Children Home in Saint Louis.

The Seminary Bible Conference will be taking place during the week of February 7th through 11th at the Wesley Street Baptist Church.

The Boone Center WSS will meet Wednesday, February 7th. The program will be provided by Mrs. Bea Wenger and Mrs. Laura Howell.

The Alto White Circle will meet at the home of Mrs. Crystal Berg, Wednesday, February 7th at 8 p. m. Mrs. E. J. Hosteter is Co-Ho-Hostess.

Pic William V. Aitchison of the U. S. Marine Corps began his tour of duty in Vietnam on December 2, 1967, following a 19-day furlough at home with his mother, Mrs. Fred Cox.

The major work to be exhibited will be the attractive new building addition dedicated to the efforts of McMillen-Palmer Architects, the contemporary design and construction of new buildings, yet blends with the original fire station to form one harmonious structure.

# Area Dairyman Named Director for Bureau

Kent County dairyman, Elton R. Smith, Kaleida, has been named to serve with a panel of consultants on dairy matters to the board of directors of the national largest farm organization—the American Farm Bureau Federation.

Smith and his wife, Linda, operate a 280 dairy farm at Kaleida, where there is "Med-O-Goom" farm and registered Guernsey cattle are well known in the area.

He serves as President of the Michigan Farm Bureau and as Farm Bureau's services, marketing and supply affiliate of the organization.

With 225 Michigan State Police Trooper positions open, Col. Frederick E. Davids, director, advises area recruits interested in joining the force to submit applications to work.

Eligible to apply for enlistment are young men, married or single who are citizens of the United States, between 21 and 30 years of age, high school graduates, and have a weight of 150 to 200 pounds in proportion to height.

Interested young men can apply at any State Police post or by writing to the Michigan Civil Service Commission at Lansing.

Troopers work a 40-hour five-day week and get paid for overtime. They receive free uniforms and equipment. They also get paid vacations a year, paid sick leave and longevity pay.

That's a lot of lead," remarks Bill Teeballe, who keeps track of the League Club's Ducks Unlimited, National Trap, and several others.

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**COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

A ham and fish supper sponsored by Masonic Lodge 451, will be held Saturday night, February 3, in the Masonic Hall at Clarksville. The public is welcome. Supper will be served from 5 to 8 p. m.

Lowell V. F. W. Post 8303 will meet Tuesday evening, February 6, at their post room on East Main Street.

St. Rita's Circle of St. Mary's School will hold a Valentine Bake Sale Saturday, February 10, 10 a. m. to 4 p. m. at Molly Wepman's Store, East Main St., Homemade bread, rolls, cakes, cookies, pastries.

Chapter Night Meeting, Women of the Moose, Chapter 1388, Monday evening, February 5. All members urged to attend.

The Joseph Wilson Relief Corps will meet on Wednesday, February 7, at Legion Hall. Putluck supper, 6:30 p. m.

Clarksville Masons and Order of Eastern Stars will serve Fish and Ham suppers on the first Saturday evening during February, March and April. The 1st, February 3rd, will be at the Clarksville Masonic Temple. Serving time will be between 5 and 8 p. m.

The Alton Ladies Aid will meet Thursday, February 8, at the home of Mrs. Bertha Weeks.

A report on "The Black People's Free Store" by Mr. Merwin Hill, Jr., of Grand Rapids at the Lowell Methodist Church Sunday, February 4th. Supper, 5:45. Program, 6:30.

Island City Rebekah Lodge will hold their installation of lodge officers at their regular meeting on Tuesday, February 6th, at 8 p. m. The installation will be in charge of Angelina Mulder, Lodge Deputy, and staff.

A pancake supper, sponsored by the Parents Club of the Scarlet Troubadours Jr. Drum and Bugle Corps will be held Friday evening, February 9, from 5 to 8 p. m., in the Runciman Elementary School all-purpose room. The public is invited.

The St. Mary's Altar Society will meet on February 5 at 8 p. m. Carol Knoohuisen will show her slides on Sweden. The Pacers Racing Team will hold their election on Sunday, February 4th at 7 p. m.



**Just arrived**  
 Mr. and Mrs. Phil Kropf at Butterworth Hospital on Monday, January 29, an 8½ pound boy

**CARD OF THANKS**  
 I wish to thank all my relatives, neighbors and friends for all the prayers, words of comfort, flowers, cards and deeds of kindness during the illness and death of my father. May God richly bless each and every one.  
 Carl I. Peterson p-43

**Engaged ...**



**MISS DOROTHY PAVEY Dorothy Pavey Engaged to Wed Bill Roth, jr.**

Mr. & Mrs. Alfred W. Pavey of Rising Sun, Indiana, announce the engagement of their daughter, Dorothy Grace, to William Arnold Roth, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. William Roth, Sr., of Ada.

Miss Pavey is a graduate of Earlham College, Richmond, Indiana. Mr. Roth is a graduate of Lowell High School and Michigan Technological University.

Both Miss Pavey and Mr. Roth reside in the Washington, D.C., area.

An April wedding is planned in Silver Spring, Maryland.



**MISS STARKWEATHER Miss Starkweather to Wed David Beutfe**

The engagement and forthcoming marriage of Suzanne Irene Starkweather to David Allen Beutfe has been announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl L. Starkweather, 116 S. Jefferson, Lowell.

Mr. Beutfe is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Beutfe, 6548 Burton Street, SE, Cascade.

Miss Starkweather, currently teaching at Bushnell Elementary School in Lowell, is a graduate of Michigan State University in East Lansing.

Mr. Beutfe, a graduate of Forest Hills High School, is a partner in the B & D Dry-wall Company.

The happy couple have selected April 5 as their wedding date.

**Obituaries**

**R D Bancroft**

R D Bancroft of Alto passed away Sunday morning in Butterworth Hospital in Grand Rapids.

A member of one of the pioneer families of the Alto area, he was born to Charles and Hattie Bancroft on January 17, 1900. He attended the Alto Area School and worked the family farm until his retirement due to ill health three years ago. On August 14, 1920 he was married to the former Esther Winge'er.

Active in community affairs, he served on the Alto School Board and was a member of the Alto Grange and the Alto Methodist Church.

Mr. Bancroft is survived, in addition to his wife, Esther, by one son, Richard; two daughters; Mrs. Denton (Jean) Wilcox and Mrs. Gary (Barbara) Forsberg, all of Alto; nine grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Herbert (Cecile) Croninger of Alto and Mrs. Otto (Leola) Dygett of Kalamazoo and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday afternoon at the Roth Funeral Home in Lowell with interment in Bowne Center Cemetery.

**Frances Gorman**

Mrs. Frances Gorman of Lowell passed away Sunday, January 28, in Sunshine Hospital in Grand Rapids at the age of 85.

She is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Margaret Clark and Miss Katherine Mueller, both of Lowell and several nieces and nephews.

A funeral Mass will be held Thursday morning at 10 a. m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Lowell.

Interment will follow in St. Mary's Cemetery.

**Bert L. Graham**

Bert L. Graham, aged 81, of Grand Rapids, passed away on Sunday evening, January 28, in Sunshine Hospital, Grand Rapids. He was the father of Ivan M. Graham of Lowell.

Mr. Graham is also survived by three daughters, Mrs. A. Ellis (Mary) Jenkins, Mrs. Geo. Robert (Glenna) Westfall, all of Grand Rapids; 12 grandchildren, and 11 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held on Tuesday at the Metcalf Chapel in Grand Rapids with the Rev. Phillip A. Carpenter of Trinity Methodist Church officiating.

Interment will follow the services at Graceland Memorial Park.

**Elsie V. Racine**

Mrs. Elsie V. Racine of Lowell died Sunday, January 21, at her home. Mrs. Racine, born on January 27, 1877, would have been 91 years old if she had lived to celebrate her birthday on Saturday, January 27.

The daughter of Eliza and James Godfrey, residents of Keen Township, she was a graduate of Lowell high school. She married Lonie H. Racine on March 4, 1920. Together they opened and operated the Little Racine Restaurant in Lowell.

Mr. Racine died in 1932 and Mrs. Racine continued to operate the restaurant until 1942. She is survived by a daughter, Alice Lou, at home, and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, January 23, at the Roth Funeral Home in Lowell, with the Rev. Robert Webber of the First Methodist Church of Lowell officiating.

Mrs. Racine was interred at Alton Cemetery.

**CARD OF THANKS**

I wish to thank my relatives, friends, and neighbors for cards, plants, visits, and good things to eat. Also, the Merriman Farm Bureau for fruit. It is greatly appreciated.

Thanks again, Marion Shade p-43

**CARD OF THANKS**

I wish to thank my friends and relatives for cards and flowers sent during my stay in the hospital and since my return home.

Mrs. Fred J. Roth c-43

**CARD OF THANKS**

Many thanks to my relatives, friends, and neighbors for helping celebrate my birthday. The many cards, gifts and personal good wishes were very much appreciated.

Rose Roth c-43

**IN MEMORIAM**

In loving memory of our dear father and grandfather, Clarence Possehn, who passed away one year ago February 2, 1967. This is a day of remembrance, and many sad regrets. A day we shall remember. When the rest of the world forgets.

There is a grief that finds no comfort. There are wounds that do not heal. The sorrow buried in our heart, is too deep to be revealed.

Jack & Jean Staal Gordon & Keitha Possehn LaVerne & Viola Possehn Virginia Wingeier and The Grandchildren c-43

**Large Throng on Hand to Honor Priest**

Friends, relatives and well-wishers from throughout the state and midwest gathered last Sunday to pay tribute to Fr. Benedict J. Marcilionis, pastor of St. Mary's Catholic Church, Lowell, on the celebration of his 25th year in the priesthood.

An estimated 400 people were on hand, including brothers, sisters and cousins from Grand Rapids, Chicago and Goodman and Hayward, Wisconsin.

Many of Fr. Marcilionis' former parishioners from Ludington, Custer and Grand Rapids also gathered to extend personal best wishes.

The occasion was marked by the presence of the Most Rev. Bishop Joseph Rancans, D.D. Bob Brock's Polka band from Grand Rapids provided musical entertainment for the dinner and reception in St. Mary's School.

**4-Car Crash at Parnell**

Icy roads and poor visibility may have contributed to the 4-car melee at Parnell Sunday morning, when a car driven by Mrs. Connie Karemier of 2477 Murray Lake Rd., Lowell, went out of control and struck three parked cars in front of St. Patrick's School.

Mrs. Karemier, traveling north on Parnell Avenue, first scraped the back of a car owned by Mrs. Irma Mooney of Gavin Lake Road, Ada, then smashed into the left side of a car owned by Jerry Kehoe of Kehoe Drive, Ada, and pushed it into a third car which is the property of Mrs. Algene Feuerstein of Murray Lake Road, Lowell. The owners of the parked cars were attending the 10 a. m. Mass at St. Patrick's Church at the time of the accident.

Mrs. Karemier and her children, who were passengers in her car, sustained no injuries in the accident.

**Receives CMU Degree**

Calvin H. Buikema, formerly of Lowell and now living in Mt. Pleasant, received his Bachelor of Science degree from Central Michigan University at its mid-year commencement last Saturday.

The son of Pastor and Mrs. Henry Buikema of Lowell, Calvin intends to remain at Central Michigan to pursue studies for his masters degree.

**CARD OF THANKS**

I wish to express my sincere appreciation and thanks to my friends, neighbors and relatives for the many acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy at the time of the death of my mother, Elsie Racine.

Special thanks to Dr. McKay, Reverend Webber, Herbert Reynolds, Jerry Roth, Howard Rittenger, the bearers, and Mr. & Mrs. Claude Ridgway.

Alice Lou Racine c-43

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 Rev. Lloyd Dawson  
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