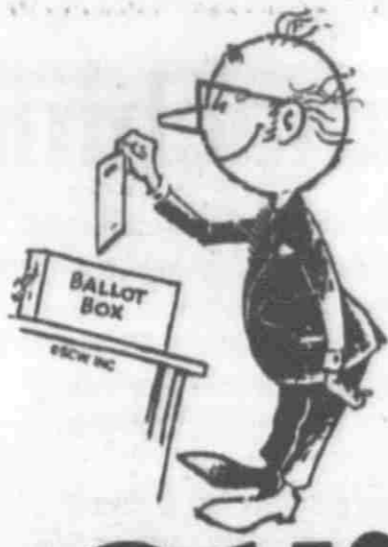


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YMCA CAMP MANITOU-LIN INFORMATION NIGHT

YMCA Camp Manitou-Lin will be hosting a Camp Information Night at the Lowell YMCA office from 7-8 p.m. on Monday, March 27.

Slides will be shown and camp staff will be available for questions, plus a chance to participate in the "Y" Camp candy sale to help youngsters earn their way to Manitou-Lin.

Please call the Y Office at 897-8445.

ST. MARY'S SCHEDULES KINDERGARTEN ROUNDUP

St. Mary's School will have Kindergarten Roundup on Friday, April 28, 1989. (Both vision and hearing will also be tested at this time).

Registration forms can be obtained from the school office during regular school hours (7 a.m. - 2 p.m.) or by calling Norma at 897-9393.

Children should be 5 years of age before December 1 in order to be accepted for testing.

Both parish and non-parish members are accepted into the Kindergarten Program.

In addition the school is presently accepting registrations for its fully licensed preschool.

Children should be 4 years of age by December 1, 1989 to qualify for entrance.

Please call the school office at 897-9393 during office hours, 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. for forms and further information.

ALTO FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY HOLD BOOK SALE

The Alto Friends of the Library will sponsor a used book and record sale Tuesday, March 21, from 12 to 8 p.m. at the Library, 6059 Linfield.

GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

Government Surplus Commodities will be distributed to all those eligible on Thursday, March 30 from 9-5 p.m. at the Lowell Moose.

The Fuel Bill Assistance Program is also taking applications at local sites for Kent County residents with low incomes and high heating costs.

Applicants should present the most recent heat bill (if fuel is gas or electric) or at least the past two bills if heat source is a deliverable fuel (propane, wood, oil). Proof of total household income for the past 13 or 17 weeks or the past 12 months, Social Security Numbers and Medicaid cards (if receiving public assistance) should be provided.

Call Bernadette Johnson for an appointment, anytime at 897-8519 and on Wednesday at 897-5811, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Persons who lack permanent housing, may be eligible for assistance through the Kent/Grand Rapids Homeless Project. Call Mark Sellers at 458-9502 for more information.

If you are seeking employment or training, call Cedar Springs, 696-2150 or Rockford 866-3478.

FIREMEN'S PANCAKE BREAKFAST TO RAISE FUNDS FOR NEW EQUIPMENT

The Lowell Firemen will be serving their annual breakfast on Saturday, March 25 from 7-11 a.m. All you can eat of those delicious pancakes, eggs, sausage, and coffee, to be "dished out" at the Lowell V.F.W. Hall, 307 E. Main Street.

The price for this breakfast is \$3.50 for adults and \$2.00 for children.

Proceeds will be used for equipment. Bring your gang and come on down!

HUCKLEBERRY'S HELP FUND POOL REPAIRS

Mary Ford of Huckleberry's, located in the Flat River Antique Mall, recently announced that she would donate 25¢ to the YMCA Memorial Pool Fund for every hot dog sold until the end of April.

So come on over for some delicious hotdogs and support the Pool Fund.

MILLAGE INFORMATIONAL MEETING FOR MARCH 16

There will be a school millage informational meeting at Vergennes Township Hall on Thursday, March 16 from 6:30 until 8 p.m.

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Millage election March 21

Direction of Lowell Schools lies in balance

Less than a week remains before the electors of the Lowell Area School District will be asked to vote for a second time on a millage increase.

Back in September, voters responded no to the tune of 952 votes to 873. That vote was directly responsible for cuts totaling \$260,000.

Those cuts can be reinstated and others (\$509,000) can be avoided provided the "yes" votes outweigh the "no" votes on Tuesday, March 21.

People living in the Lowell School District from Lowell, Vergennes and Bowne Townships will be asked to vote between 7 a.m. and 8 p.m. at one of three precincts. City of Lowell and Lowell Township residents lying north of the centerline of Cascade Road in Cascade and Lowell Townships in Kent County, and Boston Township in Ionia County will vote at Runciman Elementary.

Bowne Township residents, the second precinct, consists of Bowne Township in Kent County and Campbell Township in Ionia County and those portions lying south of the centerline of Cascade Road in Cascade and Lowell Townships in Kent County, and Boston Township in Ionia County. Voting will take place at the old Township Hall at 8240 Alden Nash Road.

Vergennes Township residents, third precinct, will vote at the Vergennes Township Hall located at the corner of Bailey Drive and Parnell Avenue in Vergennes. The precinct consists of the Townships of Ada, Cannon, Grattan, and Vergennes in Kent County, and Keene Township in Ionia County.

"We encourage everyone to be informed on the issues and to get out and vote," Lowell High School Principal Dick Korb said.

Lowell School District voters will be voting on a 2.9 mill increase for 1989-90 and a .3 mill increase in 1990-91, raising the mills to 3.2.

One of the most often asked questions concerning the millage is why should a person vote for increased millage when their property assessment went up - aren't the schools getting more money?

Korb explains, "It is true that when assessments go up the school district receives more local dollars, however, the state then reduces its share of funding, dollar for dollar. The result is that the school district has the same amount of money with which to operate. Voting "no" on the millage will not force the state to increase its share of funding. The only way we can preserve our programs is to increase our millage rate."

The \$260,000 worth of cuts already made include two teachers, new textbooks, classroom computers, instructional

supplies, staff training, bus maintenance, athletic programs, high school co-op and drivers education.

A millage defeat this time would mean slashes of an additional \$509,000. Of this total, \$225,000 would come in staff layoff, \$184,000 in transportation and services and \$100,000 in co-curricular activities (Students will have to pay to participate in athletics, music, etc.).

School officials are also being asked if an increased millage is going to be used to increase teacher salaries. School officials



The March 21 millage election will have a lot to say about the future caliber of education at Lowell.

say that the purpose of this millage is to restore and maintain essential services. Teacher salaries are set by the collective bargaining process.

Lowell Assistant Superintendent Gary Kemp pointed out that Lowell teachers' salaries rank 11th out of 21 in the county. "In order to attract qualified teachers to educate our children, it is crucial that we maintain a fair and equitable salary that is competitive with both the private and public sector," he said.

To help get the information out, the "Neighbors Who Care" organization has organized roughly 45 coffee gatherings where issues are discussed and questions concerning the millage are answered. Korb estimated that 10-12 people have attended the coffee gatherings.

Since the district is prohibited from using any of its own money toward the millage campaign, the "Neighbors Who Care" group has been responsible for raising funds for advertising. "The group has raised roughly \$1,500 in donations," Korb said.

Showboat Talent Search underway

The Lowell Showboat Talent Search '89 is back. The Talent Search Show '89 will take place Friday, May 19. The winners selected will perform one evening of the Lowell Showboat June 22, 23 and 24th. Start preparing your acts and send your application in. Application deadline is April 22 for auditions.

Preliminary auditions will be held at the Lowell High School auditorium Thursday and Friday, April 27 and 28 at 7 p.m. Finalist selected will be able to perform Friday, May 19 in the Lowell Showboat Talent Search '89. Lowell Senior High School Auditorium is at 750 Foreman; north on Hudson St. at the light; eight blocks to Foreman, turn west. Please use Gymnasium entrance.

Acts will be judged by an appointed panel and based on five criteria: 1. Appearance, 2. Stage Presentation, 3. Originality/novelty, 4. Degree of difficulty, 5. Overall act, 6. Crowd Re-

sponse (Talent Show only).

All decisions are final. Please keep in mind the judges will consider how quickly the set-up takes for each act. The smooth flow of the Showboat without

long breaks is important for the audience.

A dressing room will be provided and the auditions should be in full costume. Arrange to have your own music, in-

strumentation, cassette tapes or accompanist. (A cassette tape player, piano, and microphones will be provided). Please return application to below address with preferred evening of audition (April 27 or 28). Include a self-addressed stamped envelope with application, for notifying the 30 acts to be selected from Auditions.

Dates to Remember:

Audition Application Deadline . . . April 22, 1989
Audition at LHS April 27, 28
Showboat Talent Search '89 May 19
Showboat June 22-24

Name of Act: _____

Address _____

City, State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Names & ages of contestants: _____

Prior Appearances: _____

Audition Date preferred: _____

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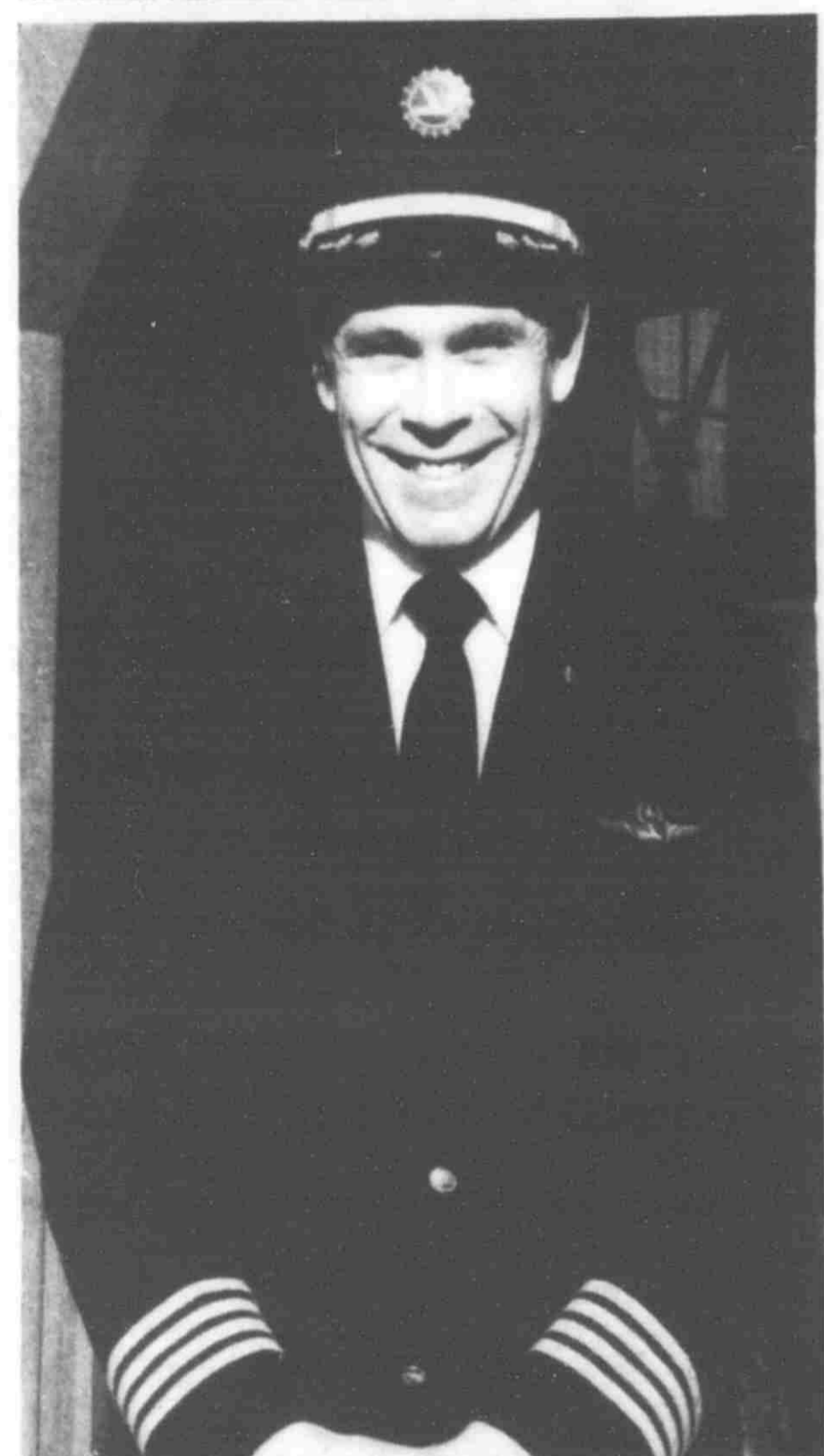
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Odell, Eastern grounded by machinists' strike

Roger Odell celebrated the satisfaction of his promotion to DC-9 captain a little more than two months ago. Today, along with 28,000 other Eastern Airline employees, he labors in the pains of watching the airlines being dismantled, realizing that his promotion, more importantly his job, lies in the balance.

Odell struggled on whether to honor the strike of the International Association Machinists' Union or to continue to do what he loves



Roger Odell, DC-9 Captain for Eastern Airlines, is unsure what the future holds for his flying career with the company. The current machinists' strike has grounded any flight plans he may have had.

- fly. "I've jogged, puttered around the house, worked in my shop and prayed, looking for the right answer for myself," Odell said.

The right answer for Odell was to honor the machinists' strike. "Basically it came down to reviewing the latest contract presented by Frank Lorenzo. It gave no assurances that he would quit selling Eastern assets and dismantling the airline and destroy our jobs," Odell said.

He adds that it was the resolve of the vast majority or their resolve to not participate in the airline's own destruction set forth by the oppressive management style.

The daily scrutiny that Odell has gone through, as have probably the majority of other Eastern Airline employees, has been difficult. Probably more for Odell, considering the loyalty and strong feelings he has for the company he's worked with for 20-1/2 years. "It's been my career. Eastern has been family," he says.

Odell, raised on a farm and groomed with a strong work ethic, believes if you work hard good things will come. "I've always thought that reasonable people can come to a reasonable compromise so that they can reach a reasonable solution," he adds.

However, Charlie Bryan, head of the machinists' union and Frank Lorenzo, chairman of Eastern's parent, Texas Air Corp., Eastern Airlines and Continental may never get past their clash of styles. According to a March 9 article in the Wall Street Journal, Bryan is described as a rabble-rouser, a missionary for labor. Lorenzo, mean-

while, is tabbed as more laconic, factual and low-key. It describes him as a calculating management-entrepreneurial type.

To Eastern employees, calculating but oppressive. Since Lorenzo's takeover the employee count has dropped 14,000 (42,000 to 28,000). The number of planes has dwindled from 305 to 222. He has sold London and Mexican routes to Continental. He has given the same airline low interest loans.

"We've been making wage concessions since 1973," Odell said. "Why are companies (Delta, Amway) that have a high regard for their employees doing so well? Because the employees want to do well back for their companies."

Odell adds that Eastern employees are not looking for any lifetime work guarantee, but they would appreciate being dealt with fairly. "This is not the real Eastern Airlines I've worked for over the last 20 years. If it was, I would put on my uniform and go back to work today."

The Lowell resident isn't sure where all the insanity stops, but like many he's hopeful there's a white knight down the road. "I think if Eastern was to merge in part or totally with another airline - that would be most advantageous to everybody," Odell said.

Until a move is made, Odell, like many other Eastern pilots, will refer to an old pilot term "Cover your 6," which means cover your gluteus maximus - have options, have other plans.

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Along Main St. cont'd

OFF THE BLOTTER

CITED INTO 63RD DISTRICT COURT ON AN APPEARANCE VIOLATION FOR LARCENY UNDER \$100 I.E. Taking of \$4.00 worth of gas from the Shell Gas Station Feb. 28, was Todd Wheeler, 20, of Dorr, MI. Patricia Peters, 41, of Ada backed from a private drive on Center St. near Main St. March 6 and struck a parked car owned by Elizabeth Parkins of Lowell.

KATHRYN VANSYCKLE, 24, of Ionia was involved in a property damage accident March 6 on Main St. near Center St. when a vehicle driven by Daniel White, 20, of Saranac attempted to make a right turn from the left lane.

THE LOWELL FIRE DEPARTMENT RESPONDED TO 25 CALLS IN THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY. The Lowell Medical Unit had 33 dispatches in February.

INVOLVED IN A PROPERTY DAMAGE ACCIDENT SATURDAY MORNING, March 11 were Kirk Wilkins, 23, of Kentwood and Margaret Whinery, 24, of Lowell on Main as both cars sideswiped each other.

ARRESTED ON TWO WARRANTS OUT OF TWO SEPARATE COURTS IN KENT COUNTY FOR FAILURE TO APPEAR WAS RICHARD WEBER, 22, of Saranac, March 10. Weber was also involved in an accident in the alley behind the 200 block of West Main when he struck a parked car owned by Ruth Graham of Lowell.

ISSUED AN APPEARANCE TICKET TO 63RD DISTRICT COURT FOR MALICIOUS DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY UNDER \$100 WAS ROBERT VANCAMP, 30, of Saranac.

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THURSDAYS: TAKE OFF POUNDS Sensibly Tops #1 No. 333. Saranac, meets every Thursday evening at the Saranac Public Library. Weigh-ins at 6:45 p.m.

SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH: The Lowell Area Schools Board of Education meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Board of Education office located in the Middle School, 12685 Foreman Road.

EVERY MONDAY EVENING: "Euchre" will be played at the V.F.W. Post 8303 at 7:30 p.m. Admission is \$1, prizes. Public welcome.

EVERY SECOND TUESDAY The Lowell Area Fishing Club now meets at the Flat River Snowmobile Clubhouse on Potters Road, just east of Montcalm Ave. at 7:00 p.m. All prospective members or interested individuals are cordially welcome.

FIRST MONDAY OF EACH MONTH: The Bowne Township Historical Society will hold regular meetings at the Township Hall, 6059 Linfield, Alto, on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. No December or January meetings.

EVERY SECOND WEDNESDAY: Lowell Woman's Club meets every 2nd Wednesday of the month at Schneider Manor at 12:00. Luncheon and program.

EVERY SECOND WEDNESDAY: Lowell VFW Auxiliary No. 8303 meets at 8:00 p.m. at the VFW Post, 307 W. Main Street, Lowell.

EVERY THIRD SUNDAY: The Flat River Snowmobile Club meets at the clubhouse at 11841 Potters Rd. A Potluck is at 12:30 p.m. with business meeting following. New members and guests are welcome.

QUA-KE-ZIK SPORTSMEN'S CLUB meets every 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 8:00 p.m. at the Club building at 11400 Foreman Road, Lowell.

SECOND TUESDAY - Better Buyers Food Buying Club meets the second Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at Grace Kutchey's home, 1001 Heffron, Lowell. Interested people are welcome. For information, call Kathy at 897-8779.

EVERY 1ST & 3RD THURS. - Lowell Area Jaycees, meet at the Lowell Congregational Church at 7:00 p.m. New members welcome. Membership 21-39 years of age. Leadership training through community involvement. Interested, call 897-9152 or 897-6539.

EVERY 1ST & 3RD TUESDAY - V.F.W. Post 8303 meets at the V.F.W. Clubroom, 307 E. Main St., Lowell at 8:00 p.m.

SATURDAYS - Take Off Pounds Sensibly Tops #MI 1493 meets every Sat. at 8:30 a.m. in the Congregational Church basement in Lowell. Corner of Spring and Hudson Sts. Weigh-ins from 8:30 a.m. 'til 9:00 a.m.

TUESDAYS - Take Off Pounds Sensibly Tops #MI 372 meets every Tuesday evening at the Lowell Congregational Church basement. Corner of Spring and Hudson Sts. Weigh-ins at 5:45 p.m.

THURSDAYS: Take Off Pounds Sensibly Tops MI No. 333. Saranac, meets every Thursday evening at the Saranac Public Library. Weigh-ins at 6:45 p.m.

BATHIA KING, WHO WILL BE CELEBRATING HER 80TH BIRTHDAY, MARCH 16. Cards may be sent to her home address: 8976 Elmdale Road, Clarksville, MI 48815.

THURS., MAR. 16: Lenten Book Review. Joan Wittenbach will present a biographical sketch of Beryl Markham: thrilling, captivating storyteller from Africa. Coffee at 1:15 and review at 1:30. All invited, no charge.

SAT., MAR. 18: Open House honoring Jerry and Sandie Fisher on their 25th Wedding Anniversary. 1-4 p.m. Good Shepherd Lutheran Church on M-21 (between Lowell and Saranac). Hosted by their children, Barb, Alan, and Bryan. Friends, family and neighbors invited.

3RD SAT. OF EACH MONTH - V.F.W. Post No. 8303 in Lowell, 307 W. Main. Steak dinner, serving 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. Public invited.

EVERY TUES. MORNING - Ladies join us for Coffee Break/Story Hour at Calvary Christian Reformed Church, 1151 W. Main, Lowell 9:30 thru 10:45 a.m. Nursery provided.

EVERY THIRD SATURDAY - Men's Breakfast 8 a.m. at Lowell Assembly of God, 3050 Alden Nash, (just south of town). Special speaker and good food. For more info call 897-7047.

THIRD TUESDAY EVENING - Ladies Joy Fellowship. Various topics and special speakers. For more info call Lowell Assembly of God at 897-7047.

EVERY SUNDAY EVENING - Royal Rangers for the boys. Missionettes for the girls for kids kindergarten and up. Christ Ambassadors for the youth (7 thru 12 grades). Christian Clubs to help our children grow through the means of achievement programs, special activities, crafts and basic moral learning. For more info call Lowell Assembly of God at 897-7047.

LOWELL LIBRARY - will be open: Mon. 9:30 to 4:30 p.m.; Wed., 12:30 to 8:30 p.m. and Fri. & Sat., 12:30 to 5:30 p.m.

WED., MAR. 15: The newly reactivated Historical Society of Ada will hold its next meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the Amway Learning Center, 7215 Headly St. Ada. Frank Mackaman, director of the Gerald R. Ford Museum will speak on steps in establishing a historical society. Anyone interested, please attend.

THURS., MAR. 16: Beef Stew Dinner from 5-7 p.m. Saranac High School Cafeteria. Adults \$4; children 5-12 \$2.50. Sponsored by the Boston-Saranac Historical Society for Depot Restoration. Reservations encouraged, 642-9289.

THURS., MAR. 16: A card shower will be held in honor of

SAT., MAR. 18: The annual Smyrna St. Patrick's Day celebration will be at the Smyrna Macabee hall with a roast beef dinner serving 11:30 until 2 p.m. Donation for meals are adults \$4.50; children 12 and under \$2; children under 5 free with parent. Euchre tournament upstairs at 1:30 p.m. Dancing from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. with "Scatter". Program at 7:30 p.m. at the Mattison Lyceum Hall, everyone welcome.

MON., MAR. 20: West Central Michigan Historical Society will meet at Schneider Manor at 6 p.m. for a potluck and 7 p.m. for the program. Program is Jim Mulder talking about "Fallsburg as It Really Was in the 1800's". Please call 897-7000 to reserve a place. Sponsor is Ida Onan.

Important: Reservations necessary.

TUES., MAR. 21: Lowell Music Boosters will meet in the Middle School Band Room at 7 p.m. All parents of music students are urged to attend.

TUES., MAR. 21: Open House for Tops No. 372 at 7:00 p.m. at the First Congregational Church in Lowell. All persons interested in losing weight are invited to attend. Come and see the results of our members. You, too, can benefit.

THURS., MAR. 23: Senior Citizen trip to Voight House and St. George Greek Orthodox Church. Call the Community Ed office for information and reservation, 897-8434.

SAT., MAR. 25: 50th Wedding Anniversary Open House for Gerald and Margaret Kyser at South Boston Bible Church from 2-4 p.m. Your presence is the only gift requested.

SAT., MAR. 25: Lowell Firemen's Pancake Breakfast, serving 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Lowell V.F.W. Hall, 307 E. Main, Lowell. All You Can Eat Pancakes, Eggs, Sausage, Coffee. Adults \$3.50; children \$2.00. Proceeds to be used for equipment.

THURS., MAR. 30: Government Surplus commodities will be distributed from 9-5 p.m. at the Lowell Moose. For appointment for more information, call Bernadette Johnson at 897-8519; Wednesday call 897-5811.

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TOMORROW IS ANOTHER DAY

The original title of Gone with the Wind was Tomorrow is Another Day.

Drop a thimble over the center tube in a percolator coffeepot before adding ground coffee, that way grounds won't fall in the water.

Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Kyser celebrate 50th anniversary

Gerald and Margaret Kyser of 10895 Peck Lake Road, Lowell, will celebrate 50 years of marriage on Saturday, March 25 with an open house at South Boston Bible Church from 2-4 p.m.

They have five children, 20 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. They are charter members of South Boston Bible Church and Gerald has been known in this area for over 40 years as a DeKalb Seed Corn dealer.

Your presence is the only gift requested by their children, Bob and Kathy Roush, Charlie and Marsha Kyser, Dave and Diana Roush, Dick and Carolyn Manion, and Tim and Elizabeth Calihan.



Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Kyser today



- MAR. 16: Vercel Bovee, Joe VanderVliet, Curt Gray, Batha King, Greg Briggs, Linda Keim, Alice Wilczewski, Cindy Cornell, Emma Oesch.
- MAR. 17: Michele McGee.
- MAR. 18: Scott Dykhuizen, Rob Burritt, Mike Dumas.
- MAR. 19: Tara May, Jeremy Barber.
- MAR. 20: Sharon Hurley, John Roudabush, Hugh Cosgrove, Jacob Louis Baker.
- MAR. 21: Terry Raymor, Michael Serne, Sally Reinke, Joy Drayton, Richard Johnson.
- MAR. 22: Jenny Tschirhart, Howard Briggs, Robert King, Toni Miller.



Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Kyser 50 years ago

Homespun Devotions



By Pauline Spray

Even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister... (Matthew 20:28).

My mother just can't do enough for me when I go home to visit for a few days. She asks, "Pauline, what would you like to eat?" And if I don't stop her, she insists on waiting on me hand and foot.

"You don't have to wait on me," I told her one day. "But I like to wait on people who don't want to be waited on. It is the people who want to be waited on that I don't like to wait on," she replied.

Those who seek the solitudes of others, who want the attention of all about them, are selfish - and unhappy. And, they are of limited service in this world. We can be joyful only if we forget ourselves and concentrate on making others happy.

Jesus came, not to be waited on, but to give Himself without reserve. He is our example. We need to be on the alert for opportunities to do good unto all men. The smallest acts of kindness can bring joy both to those who receive and to the giver. We should never despise the worth of "little things."

Prayer: Dear Jesus, cause me to serve Thee in the little things. Make me alert to see the needs of others and eager to administer to them - even through the smallest acts of kindness. This Thou wilt not despise. Amen.

Often the most useful Christians are those who serve their Master in little things. He never despises the day of small things, or else He would not hide His oaks in tiny acorns, or the wealth of a wheat field in bags of little seeds.

Theodore Cuyler

Ultraviolet rays can harm your eyes

Skin isn't the only part of the body that can be damaged by the sun's ultraviolet radiation. The eyes can also be harmed.

"We're concerned that people aren't protecting their eyes because they don't know how UV rays can affect their vision," said Robert L. Carter, O.D., president of the Michigan Optometric Association, in a message issued for Save Your Vision Week, which was observed March 5-11.

It's the long-term effects of exposure to UV radiation that cause the most worry. Short-term overexposure can result in red, watery eyes and be accompanied by extreme light sensitivity and a gritty feeling in the eyes. But, while sometimes painful, these effects are temporary.

Exposing the eyes to UV radiation over a period of years, on the other hand, may cause the development of cataracts and damage the eye's retina, which is packed with the irreplaceable cells needed for seeing. These injuries happen painlessly yet can impair vision and may cause a partial vision loss.

"Some people may be more at risk than others to eye damage from UV rays but I recommend that everyone consider full protection," Dr. Carter said. "It's available. It's affordable. So why take a chance with your eyes?"

Sunglasses that block or absorb the full range of UV-A and UV-B give the kind of maximum protection people need today.

Unfortunately, current sunglasses labels don't give consumers the information they need to make a buying decision about UV protection. Some can even be misleading, promising 100 percent protection but actually giving less. Price is no gauge, either. Some expensive models have less UV protection than inexpensive ones.

Dr. Carter suggests that people ask their optometrist's advice, even if they only want non-prescription sunglasses. Optometrists have access to manufacturers' technical information and can give informed advice.

Lowell looking into an all-day kindergarten

The research for the All Day Alternate Day (ADAD) kindergarten program has been completed. Its findings and results will now be presented to the parents and concerned citizens in an open meeting at Runciman and Alto Elementaries the week of April 10.

The Lowell Board of Education gave its endorsement for the continuation of the ADAD program research, at its March meeting.

The research, which was done by a 21-member group, including parents, kindergarten and first-grade teachers, three school board members and elementary

present half day every day kindergarten. "The school is interested however, in knowing whether or not there is a better way of meeting the academic and social needs of our young children in a changing society," he says.

Schools that have already implemented such a kindergarten program include Zeeland, Wayland, Tri-County (Howard City) and Holton. Some schools have children alternate weeks of two and three days. Other schools have kindergarten classes on Monday/Wednesday and Tuesday/Thursday with the two ses-

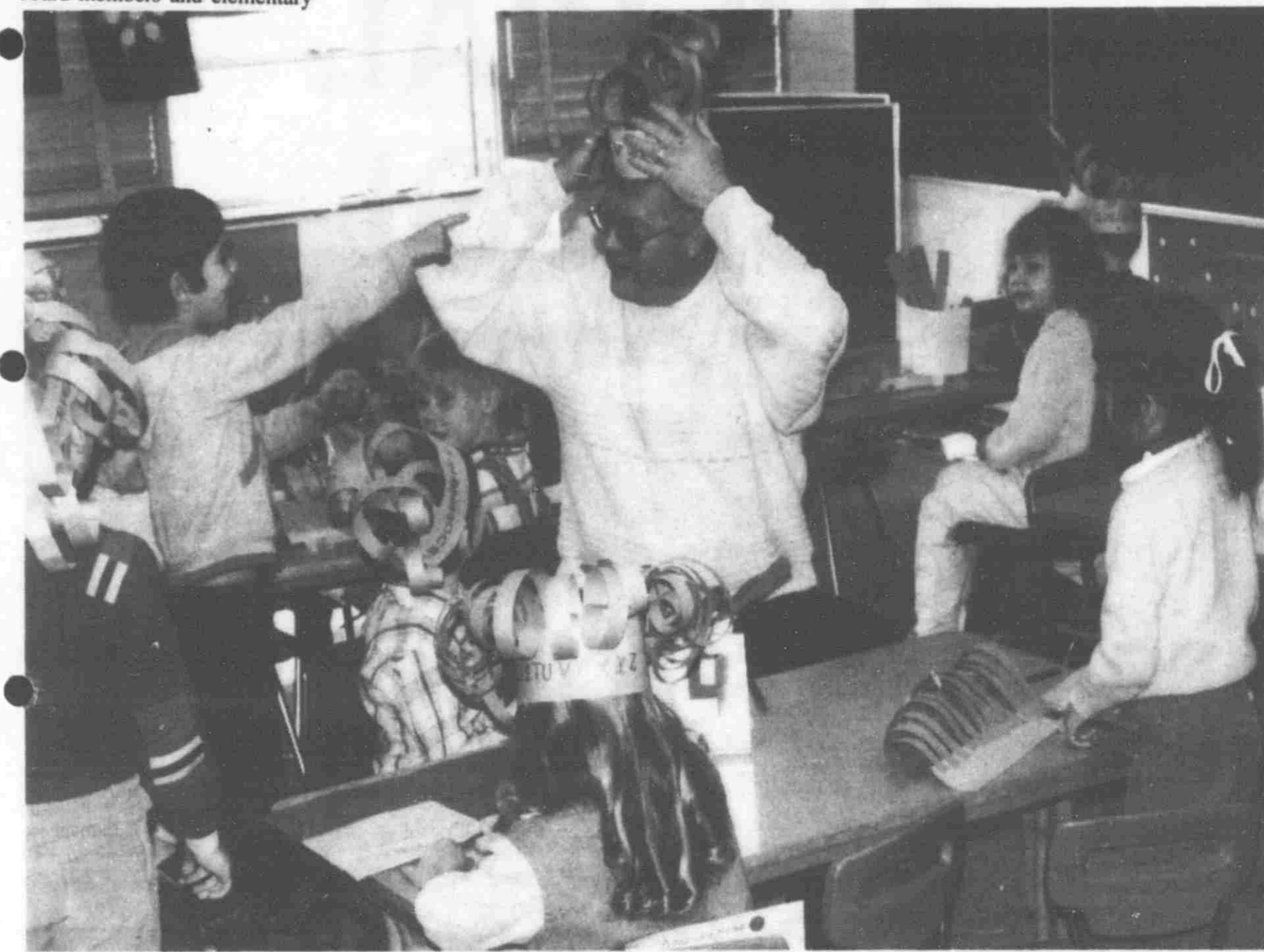
"This program will allow us to broaden our curriculum. It gives us the ability to expand the leisurely atmosphere and the enrichment activities.

As Dudeck explains, now there are children who spend close to an hour and 15 minutes on the bus. "This would cut bus time in half and provide the school with extra time to work with the kids - and isn't this why we're here? It will allow teachers to carry their lessons through the day. The program would add 8-12 days of instructional time," he said.

Other cons found in the re-



This Runciman/Riverside morning kindergarten class benefits from prime instruction time. ADAD would allow all students to share in this time equally throughout the year.



Lowell's area school district is pondering the idea of an All Day Alternative Day kindergarten program. The program, which is currently being used by a handful of schools in the West Michigan area, has shown some interesting benefits.

administrators, provided the panel with answers to its concerns and left the majority of its members with a feeling of excitement.

"Initially I was concerned about such a program, but now I'm excited," Runciman Kindergarten teacher Karen Burd said. "It will allow for more one on one time with the kids. There will be less time pressure."

Runciman-Riverside School Principal Louie Dudeck said that there is nothing wrong with the

search include: "One of the biggest apprehensions and myths about this program is that young children are not able to adjust to full days," Dudeck said. "Through our research and talking to schools that have implemented the program, that simply is not the case."

He adds that children do adjust. "Kids aren't dragging at the end of the day. They are not fatigued. We have no intentions of letting this become a watered down first grade," Dudeck said.

* There may be some difficulty in arranging noon supervision and a lunch room schedule.

* A need to purchase more classroom materials.

* Additional compensation would be required for teachers to meet in the summer to revise the curriculum.

* The State Board of Education is still at the two-year pilot stage of this program. A position paper won't be available for a year or two.



These three Lowell tots busy themselves finishing with some morning art work

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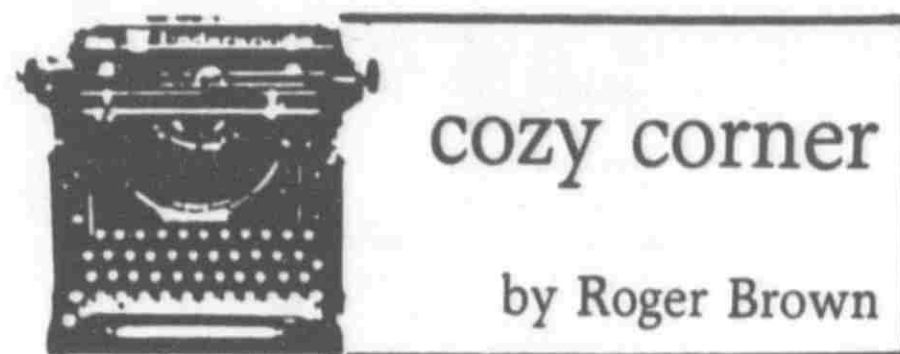
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Prior to the last school millage election I wrote a traditional, well researched, very opinionated editorial in favor of passing the proposal. The millage issue failed. Consequently, cuts have been made and new programs have been cancelled because the money is not there. Now the school district has another proposal before us that is smaller than the previous issue. This proposal will prevent even deeper cuts in programs if we voters approve it. The proposed cuts are serious, and include staff, transportation and all after school activities!

As members of this school district, we can't allow our school system to deteriorate. We must support this millage proposal on Tuesday, March 21. But, as strongly as I feel about approving this millage, I still hate to get up on my soap box and preach my views. Mainly 'cause I've found that nobody listens. Instead of a straight forward editorial, I figured I'd be better off to stick with my usual format, and have a go at a light-hearted look at the issue. If you want the facts, look to a two page advertisement in this week's Buyers Guide from the "Neighbors Who Care" committee. They're the ones with the hard facts. I'm the one with the hard head.

What's this really going to cost us? I know your assessment just went up. I know it's tax time. I know your kid wants a \$70.00 pair of jeans. But, have you stopped to analyze what this millage means in terms of money? Let's say you live in a house assessed at \$80,000. If it's assessed at that figure, it's probably worth a little more on the market, and that has to be well on the high side of average in our school district. Your state equalized evaluation is \$40,000 and 2.9 mills of that is \$116.00 per year. I don't know about you, but I'd rather have my kids out for basketball, band or a play during their after school hours for \$116.00 per year. They can cause that much damage just tearing around the house after school. And that's not to mention the phone calls made, the raids on the refrigerator, the electricity to run TV's and radios and all that other stuff they do that costs you money.

Let's take that \$116.00 and divide it by 12 months. How does \$9.66 grab ya? That's two car washes. Get some fresh air and wash it yourself. That's maybe one trip to McDonald's... if you skip the raspberry Danish. That's not even a carton of cigarettes (you oughta' quit anyway). That's the gas for a trip to Detroit... one way. Who in the world would ever go to Detroit, one way?

Now let's break it down by 52 weeks. \$2.23 per week can be found in nearly anyone's budget. Rent one less video tape, and you've got it. Have two less beers after work, and you've got it. Cut out that weekly, fattening bag of Oreos, and you've got it. Take back your cans, and you've got it. In my case, my stash of cans would probably fund this increase for the full year.

How about by the day? We're talkin' less than 32 cents here folks. And remember, that's if you're living in a house worth \$80,000. plus. I don't eat 'em, but I don't think 32 cents will even buy a candy bar anymore. You can mail a letter for less than that, but probably not if you figure in the envelope, the stationery, the ink and the liquid needed to replace your lost body fluids from licking the stamp and envelope. You've got to agree, 32 cents a day is probably not even going to be missed.

Hopefully you agree with me that the cost to homeowners is very small compared to the loss the children of our school district are faced with if this proposal fails. But, it takes more than simply agreeing with me... you've got to get out and vote. See you at the polls Tuesday, March 21!!!

Beers' 4-year term expires in June

One four-year term on the Lowell Board of Education which is currently held by Linda Beers will be expiring on June 30, 1989. Persons interested in running for this position must meet the following qualifications.

1. Be a citizen of the United States.
2. Have attained the age of eighteen (18) years of age or older.
3. Be a resident of the State of Michigan for at least 30 days.
4. Be a resident of the Lowell School District for at least 30 days before the election.

Nominating petitions may be

obtained by any candidate from the Board of Education office. The petitions must contain at least 20 signatures of registered school electors of the district, and not less than 1% of the votes of the candidates who received the greatest number of votes in the last election in which Board members were elected.

Petition circulators must be registered voters, individual petitions must be taken for each township and city in which signatures are obtained, and ELECTIONS CAN SIGN AS MANY PETITIONS AS THERE ARE PERSONS TO BE ELECTED.

In addition to filing nominat-

ing petitions, candidates are also required to file two identification affidavits. The affidavit of identity must contain:

1. The candidate's name
2. The candidate's address
3. The candidate's ward and precinct where he or she is registered as a voter
4. The number of years the candidate has resided in the state and county.
5. Other information that may be required to identify the candidate.

The identification affidavits

are available at the Board of Education office also.

If you are interested in running, please note the following dates:

APRIL 10, 1989 - 4:00 p.m. last day for filing nominating petitions

APRIL 13, 1989 - 4:00 p.m. last day for a candidate to withdraw his/her name

JUNE 12, 1989 - Annual School Election

If you have any questions, please call Carol or Kay at 897-8415.



The world has changed dramatically since World War II ended. The United States is no longer the unchallenged economic powerhouse we were 45 years ago. On the other hand, Japan and Germany--then in ruins--are now among the most prosperous nations in the world. But one thing hasn't changed. Back in 1945, the free world looked to the United States to defend it against the threat posed

by Stalin's Soviet Union. And, today, the United States continues to bear a disproportionate percentage of the West's defense burden.

As a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, I'm concerned that American taxpayers are paying the bill and our budget deficit is growing as our allies look to us--rather than to their own people--to bear the costs of our mutual defense. We

treat some of our allies as though their economies are still ravaged by war.

Because we're carrying a large part of their defense burden, Japan, West Germany and South Korea (and other allies) are able to devote a greater proportion of their national wealth to building up their civilian industries--industries which often compete directly with ours.

Take a look at the numbers.

On a per person basis, Japan spends \$200 per citizen on defense. France spends \$626. West Germany spends \$558.

We spend \$1,181 per person...more for the defense of the Atlantic and Europe than all 15 other NATO nations combined! We spend over six percent of our Gross National Product (GNP) on defense; Japan spends one percent.

It isn't fair. We ought to insist that our allies make as much of an effort for our common defense as we do. The Administration has to stop making excuses for those allies who aren't carrying their share of the load, and start finding ways to make carefully selected and coordinated partial reductions in U.S. forces overseas.

If our allies are reluctant to

push up their own defense spending, then they ought to pay more of the costs of supporting U.S. forces in places like the Philippines and the Persian Gulf. Both Japan and Western Europe get about half of their oil from the Gulf. We pay the cost--in military, economic and political terms. And they get the oil.

I believe that our allies would

respond to a forceful request by our President. After all, they are aware of our growing budget deficits and claim to be alarmed by them--as they should be. A weaker U.S. means a weaker Western alliance. That's why it's time for our allies to ease the unfair load that has been placed on us and assume a fair share of the cost of the common defense.

Defensive Driving

Here are some tips from experts at the Shell Motorist Club (SMC) that may help you become a good defensive driver:

- Adjust your driving to match light conditions. Always wear sunglasses and use a sun visor when facing bright sunshine. Avoid staring into oncoming headlights. When light conditions are poor, reduce speed.
- Use good judgment in deciding whether to proceed with a driving trip if weather conditions may affect traction, visibility and vehicle control.
- Always yield the right of way to pedestrians.
- Recognize changing road conditions and adjust your driving accordingly.
- Never mix alcohol and driving.
- Be prepared for road emergencies by joining an automobile club.

SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTION

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION OF THE ELECTORS OF LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS KENT AND IONIA COUNTIES, MICHIGAN TO BE HELD MARCH 21, 1989

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please Take Notice that a special election of the electors of Lowell Area Schools, Kent and Ionia Counties, Michigan, will be held in the school district on Tuesday, March 21, 1989.

THE POLLS OF ELECTION WILL OPEN AT 7 O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING AND CLOSE AT 8 O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING.

The following proposition will be submitted to the vote of the electors at the special election:

MILLAGE PROPOSITION:

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in Lowell Area Schools, Kent and Ionia Counties, Michigan, be increased by 2.9 mills (2.90 on each \$1,000.00) for the year 1989, and by 3.2 mills (\$3.20 on each \$1,000.00) for the year 1990, on state equalized valuation to provide additional funds for operating purposes?

THE VOTING PLACE(S) ARE AS FOLLOWS:

PRECINCT NO. 1
Voting Place: Runciman Elementary School, 300 High Street, Lowell, Michigan. The first precinct consists of the City of Lowell and those portions lying north of the centerline of Cascade Road in Cascade and Lowell Townships in Kent County, and Boston Township in Ionia County.

PRECINCT NO. 2
Voting Place: Old Township Hall, 8240 Alden Nash Road, Alto, Michigan. The second precinct consists of Bowne Township in Kent County and Campbell Township in Ionia County and those portions lying south of the centerline of Cascade Road in Cascade and Lowell Townships in Kent County, and Boston Township in Ionia County.

PRECINCT NO. 3
Voting Place: Vergennes Township Hall, corner of Bailey Drive and Parnell Avenue in Vergennes Township. The third precinct consists of the Townships of Ada, Cannon, Grattan, and Vergennes in Kent County, and Keene Township in Ionia County.

All school electors who are registered with the city or township clerk of the city or township in which they reside are eligible to vote at this election.

STATEMENT OF KENT COUNTY TREASURER AS TO VOTED INCREASES

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF KENT

I, John K. Boerema, the duly elected, qualified and acting Treasurer of the County of Kent, State of Michigan, hereby certify that part of Lowell Area Schools, is located within the boundaries of said County of Kent and that, at the date hereof, the records of this office indicate that there are voted increases in the total tax rate limitation, in local units, affecting the taxable property in said school district as follows:

Unit	Voted Increases	Years Effective
By Kent County:	NONE	
By Grattan Township:	NONE	
By Ada Township:	1.25 Mills	1987 to 1991 incl.
By Vergennes Township:	NONE	
By Cannon Township:	1.00 Mills	1984 to 1989 incl.
By Lowell Township:	NONE	
By Bowne Township:	NONE	
By the School District:	1.4 Mills, 22.2 Mills, 0.7 Mill	1987 to 1993 incl. 1986 to 1990 incl. 1986 to 1990 incl.

John K. Boerema
Kent County Treasurer

Dated: January 10, 1989 at Grand Rapids, Michigan.

STATEMENT OF IONIA COUNTY TREASURER AS TO VOTED INCREASES

I, Lucille Heppe, Treasurer of Ionia County, Michigan, hereby certify that as of January 9, 1989, the records of this office indicate that the total of all voted increases over and above the tax limitation established by the Constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in Lowell Area Schools, Kent and Ionia Counties, Michigan, is as follows:

Unit	Voted Increases	Years Effective
By Ionia County:	.003	unlimited
By Boston Township:	NONE	
By Campbell Township:	NONE	
By Keene Township:	NONE	
By the School District:	1.4 Mills, 22.2 Mills, 0.7 Mill	1989 to 1993 incl. 1989 and 1990 1989 & 1990

Date: January 9, 1989

Lucille Heppe
Treasurer, Ionia County

This Notice is given by order of the Board of Education of Lowell Area Schools, Kent and Ionia Counties, Michigan.

Jack T. Lane
Secretary, Board of Education

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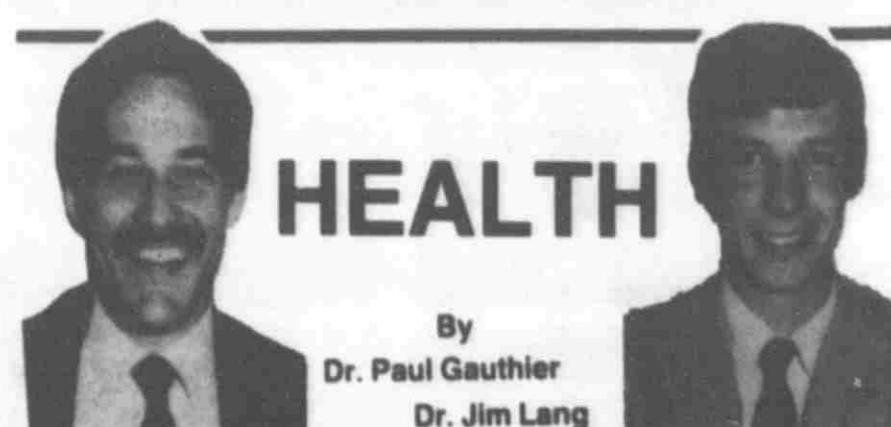
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HEALTH

By
Dr. Paul Gauthier
Dr. Jim Lang

SIGMOIDOSCOPY

In last week's column we stated that the only way we can decrease the mortality of colon cancer was through detection at the earliest stage possible. These screening exams are recommended by the American Cancer Society to detect colon cancer and its predecessors prior to overt symptoms. Last week we discussed the importance of yearly digital rectal exams and fecal

occult blood testing. Today we are going to review flexible sigmoidoscopy.

Flexible sigmoidoscopy is the direct visualization of the lower end of the colon through a lighted flexible tube. This is a very simple procedure performed in the office for detection of small polyps and colon cancers. Through the sigmoidoscope, the physician can see the inside of the last few feet of the colon.

The procedure itself usually takes ten to twenty minutes and is performed while you are awake. The colon must be cleaned out for the best possible visualization. You will be instructed to take a laxative the night before the examination and you will not be allowed to eat anything after midnight before the exam. On the morning of the exam you will prep the colon by giving yourself an enema at home. Once in the office, you will lay on your left side as your physician passes a flexible tube approximately two feet into the colon from the rectum. Many patients will experience some discomfort and cramping during the exam but this is very short-lived and is usually well tolerated by most patients. As the physician draws the scope out, he is looking at the walls of the colon for abnormal growths which can become invasive cancers if not adequately treated. Suspicious lesions may be biopsied through the scope which is entirely painless. Once the scope is out, the exam is complete and your doctor will review the findings and recommendations with you.

Currently the American Cancer Society recommends yearly sigmoidoscopy in all individuals (even those without any symptoms) over the age of fifty. After two completely normal exams, screening can be done every three to five years. Screening should begin earlier in patients that have a high risk for developing colon cancer. Sigmoidoscopy should be performed regardless of age in patients that have suspicious symptoms such as bleeding.

Early detection and treatment is our only tool to decrease the mortality of this common cancer.

CITY OF LOWELL

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

APPLICATIONS FOR MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES GRANTS

The City of Lowell is applying for grant funding through the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund/Land and Water Conservation Fund as administered by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources to carry out the following:

Creekside Park Improvements
construct home run fence for softball field
construct north boundary fence
install lighting for main softball field \$33,000.00

Bowes Road/Lake Park Improvements
excavate and fill to establish beach
construct bath house and restrooms
place 10 picnic tables and 5 grills
asphalt parking lot \$94,000.00

The Lowell City Council will hold a public hearing on:

MONDAY, MARCH 20, 1989 at 8:00 P.M.

to receive comments on these proposed projects.

Any comments before the hearing should be directed to David M. Pasquale, City Manager, 301 E. Main, Lowell, Michigan 49331, 897-8457.

David M. Pasquale
City Manager

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TOWNSHIP OF VERGENNES

PUBLIC NOTICE

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting will be held:

SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 1989 at 1:00 P.M.

at the Vergennes Township hall, 10381 Bailey Drive, Lowell, MI. A budget shall be submitted for consideration.

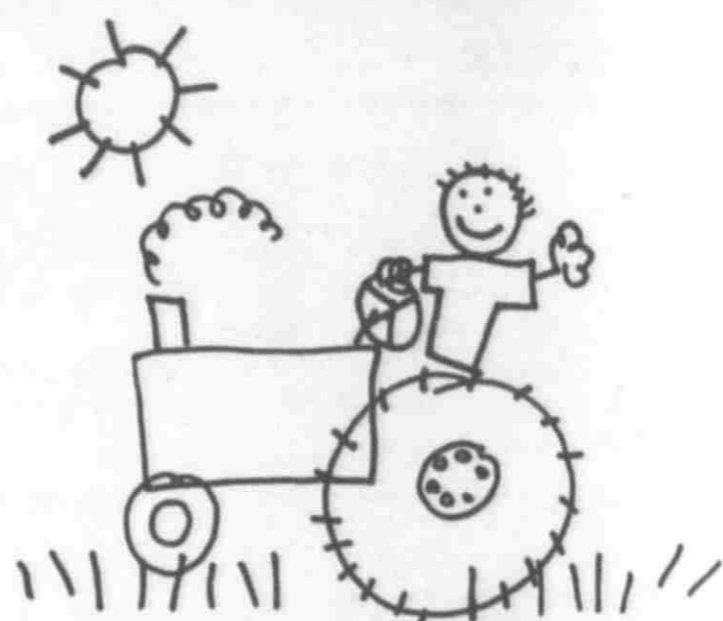
Citizens attending the hearing have the right to provide written and oral comments and ask questions concerning the entire budget.

A copy of the entire proposed budget shall be available for public inspection at the Vergennes Township Hall.

Jean Hoffman
Vergennes Township Clerk

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NEIGHBORS WHO CARE



VOTE YES
tuesday, March 21



It takes the entire life's work of ten bees to create a pound of honey.

LOWELL TOWNSHIP

PUBLIC NOTICE

ANNUAL MEETING AND BUDGET HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the annual Township meeting of the electors in Lowell Township will be held at the Lowell Township Hall, 2910 Alden Nash, SE on:

SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 1989 at 1:30 P.M.

At such time in addition to regular business and in accordance with the law, a budget covering proposed expenditures and estimated revenue of the township shall be submitted for consideration.

Carol L. Wells
Lowell Township Clerk
897-7600

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NOTICE

INVITATION TO BID

Boston Township is seeking bids for cemetery maintenance for the Saranac Cemetery from April thru November. Bidders must supply their own equipment and liability insurance. A copy of the contract to be signed may be received from township clerk, Patricia Zander, 350 Mill Street, Saranac after 6 p.m.

Bids & proof of insurance should be mailed to:
P.O. BOX 2, SARANAC, MI 48881

Bids will be accepted until 7 p.m. on March 21, 1989. Discussion of bids will be held at regular meeting of the Township Board 3-21-89 and bid to be let 3-28-89. Boston Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

Patricia Zander
Boston Township Clerk

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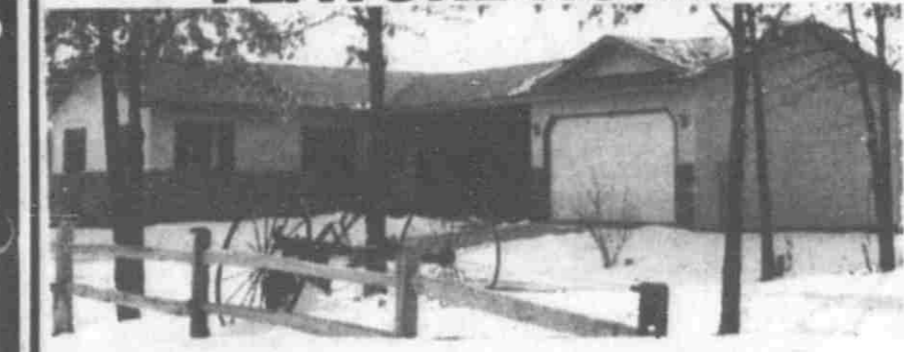
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CONTAINS LISTINGS FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 17, THRU THURSDAY, MAR. 23, 1989

MARY MARTIN (top) stars as the boy who refuses to grow up in *Peter Pan*, the Emmy Award-winning musical to be colorcast for the first time in 16 years, Friday, March 24, on NBC. Also starring as the Darling family children are Maureen Bailey (left) as Wendy, Kent Fletcher as Michael and Joey Trent as John.

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TOWNSHIP OF VERGENNES

PUBLIC NOTICE

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Vergennes Township Zoning Board of Appeals will meet:

THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 1989 at 8:00 P.M.

to address a request for a variance to operate a beauty parlor at 786 Lincoln Lake.

The Zoning District is R2, a medium density residential district and the land use of a beauty parlor not used as a home occupation, is considered a commercial use.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Intrain are the present property owners.

James B. Cook, Supervisor
Vergennes Township

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GRATTAN TOWNSHIP

NOTICE

ANNUAL MEETING & BUDGET MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the annual township meeting of the electors in Grattan Township will be held at the Grattan Township Hall, 11676 Old Belding Road.

SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 1989 at 1:00 P.M.

At such time in addition to regular business and in accordance with the law, a budget covering proposed expenditures and estimated revenue of the township shall be submitted for consideration.

Said budget will be available for inspection at the Township Hall after March 21.

Rex Lally
Clerk

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SATURDAY CONT.

- NewsNight
Mad Movies
Safari
Night Tracks (Stereo)
Grand Ole Opry Live
Sign Off
Great American Outdoors
Tractor Pull
Evans and Novak
CNN Headline News
Lancelotti Link
Weight Lifting Machines
Twin Star
Three's Company
This Week in Country Music
Touch a Child's Life
Life's Most Embarrassing Moments
Monsters
Diets Don't Work
Stevens Wright: The Appointments of Dennis Jennings
MOVIE: Topper Takes a Trip

SUNDAY

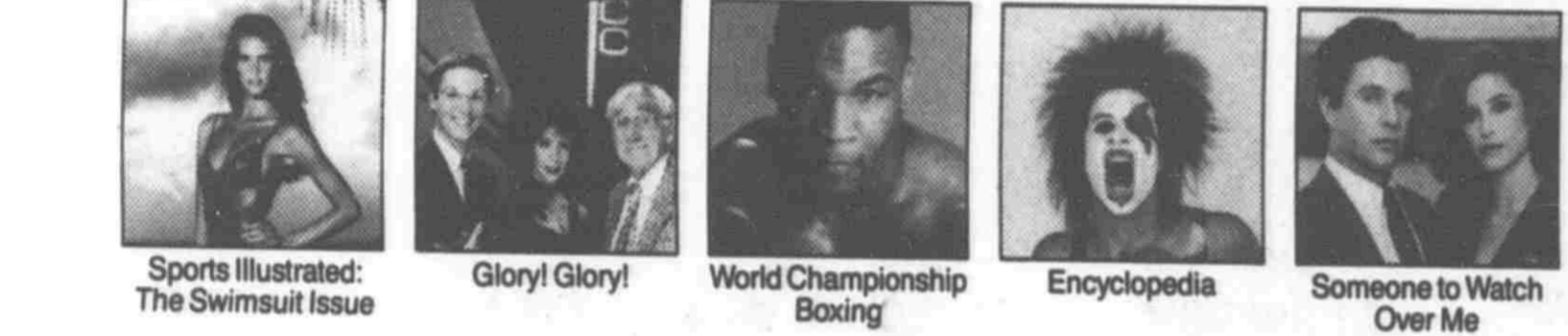
March 19

- Morning
5:00 Movie
Scholastic Sports America
Sports Review
Night Tracks (Stereo)
(HBO) MOVIE: Angel Heart (Stereo)
Runaway with the Rich and Famous (Stereo)
This Week in Japan
Ann Sothorn
Sign Off
Wille and Phil The Comrades between two friends is strained, but survives, when both become lovers of the same free spirited girl Michael Ontkean, Ray Sharkey, 1980.

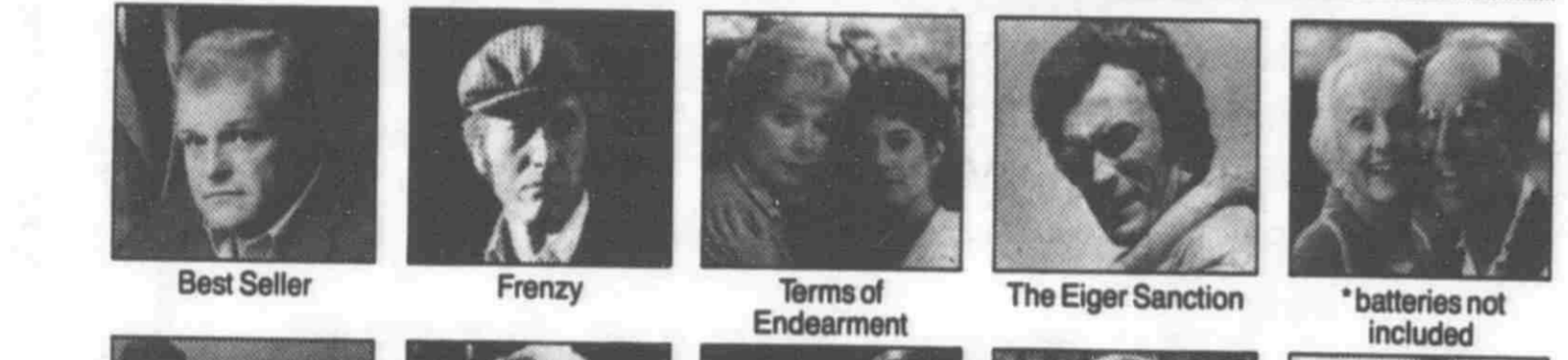
SUNDAY CONT.

- Entertainers of WWII
Dr. Who: The Deadly Assassin
Think and Grow Rich
MOVIE: The Red Tent A fictionalized account of General Umberto Nobile's disastrous flight to the North Pole in 1928, including a crash and the crew's eventual rescue. Sean Connery, Claudia Cardinale, 1971.
Miami Vice
Our House
Wagon Train
Kung Fu
Week in Review
The Pinballs of St. Nicholas
Atlanta 500 Stock Car Race
Realm of Darkness

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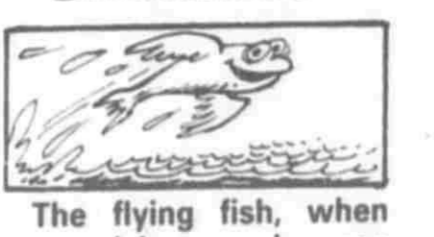
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MONDAY

March 20
MORNING

5:00 (HBO) MOVIE: Our Little Girl A troubled child tries to patch up parental differences by running away. Shirley Temple. Joel McCrea. 1935 (CC)

5:30 (HBO) MOVIE: My Fair Lady (Stereo) (CC)

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WEDNESDAY

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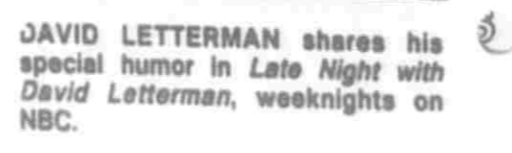
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DAYTIME

MORNING
8:00 (MO) Music Videos
8:30 (FR) Wild America
9:00 (TU,WE,TH) TV
9:30 (MO,WE,TH) Crossfire
10:00 (FR) Sesame Street
11:00 (TU,WE,TH) TBA
11:30 (MO,WE,TH) Sesame Street
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Action Auto advertisement featuring car parts, tires, and services. Includes sections for 'GAS. PARTS. SERVICE. TIRES. AT DISCOUNT PRICES.', 'EXPERT REPAIR SERVICE GUARANTEED', 'QUALITY TIRES FOR LESS! KELLY EXPLORER 400', and 'ACTION-PRICED AUTO PARTS'.

Neighbors Who Care crossword puzzle. Includes a drawing of children holding a sign that says 'SCHOOL' and the text 'VOTE YES tuesday, March 21'.

Crossword Puzzle section. Includes a crossword grid, a crossword quiz question: 'What former magazine cover girl now plays a prime-time deputy district attorney?', and a list of clues for the puzzle.

Commission Order - CFI-104.89A

(Under the authority of Act 230 of the Public Acts of 1925, as amended)

Statewide Trout and Salmon Regulations

Under the authority of Act 230 of the Public Acts of 1925, as amended, being sections 300.1 to 300.5 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, the Natural Resources Commission, at its February 10, 1989, meeting, ordered that for a period of four years:

The open season on lake trout in Lake Huron and its tributary streams and in Lake Michigan and its tributary streams shall be from May 1 through Labor Day.

On the Great Lakes and connecting waters the size limit for trout and salmon shall be 10" and the possession limit shall be 5 fish singly or in combination but no more than 3 of any one species except pink salmon nor more than 2 lake trout or splake from Lake Michigan. A bonus of 5 pink salmon may be taken from the St. Mary's River from the last Saturday in April through September 30.

On inland lakes the size limit on trout and salmon shall be 10" and the possession limit shall be 5 in any combination. On streams from the last Saturday in April to September 30 the size limit on trout and salmon shall be 7" in the Upper Peninsula and 8" in the Lower Peninsula and the possession limit shall be 10 in any combination but no more than 3 over 16" unless they are pink salmon; at all other times of the year on streams open to extended trout and salmon fishing the size limit shall be 16" and the possession limit shall be 3 trout or salmon in any combination.

This order modifies the Commission order entitled "Statewide Trout and Salmon Regulations," effective April 1, 1988 and assigned number CFI-104.88.

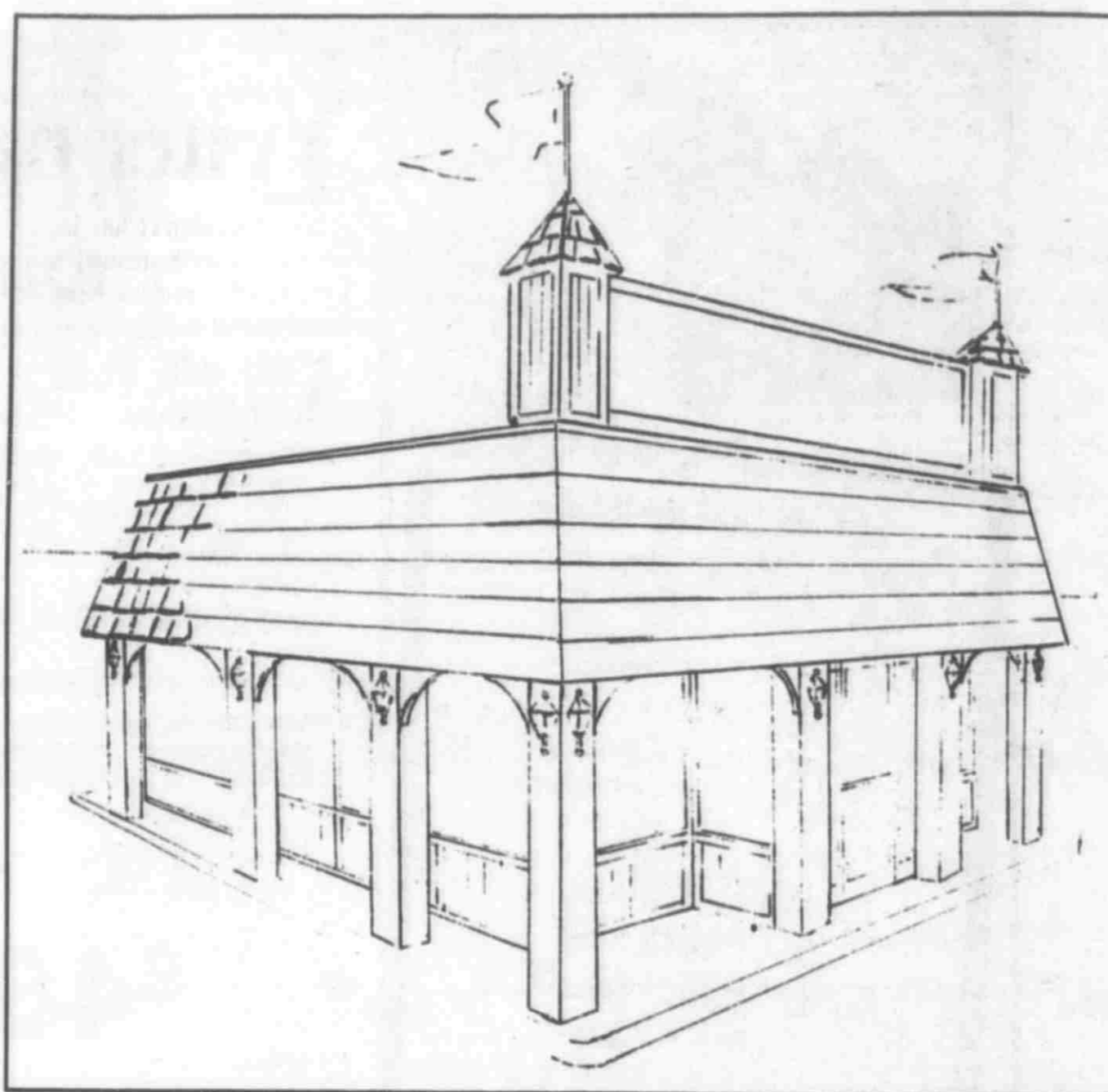
This order shall take effect on April 1, 1989, and shall remain effective through March 31, 1993.

Raymond Poupore, Chairman - Natural Resources Commission

Barbara E. McLeod, Commission and Legislative Liaison

Countersigned: David F. Hales - Director

Department of Natural Resources, Box 30028, Lansing, MI, 48909



Harold and Rose Ball got the okay from the City Fathers to go ahead with their plans for a Yogurt Station at the site of the old Zephyr gas station in late May or early June.

Balls bringing Yogurt Station to Lowell

Over the last four years the old Zephyr gas station has sat empty. The winds blowing through town have whistled out the sounds of fast food or Mexican food, but the doors remained closed to the suggestions.

Now, with the support of the Lowell City Council, Harold and Rose Ball, owners of the structure, have drawn up plans to open a Yogurt Station in late May or early June.

"Ivan Blough made the presentation to the City, prior to getting its support," Rose Ball said. "The Yogurt Station will carry four yogurt flavors and mixes. We will also serve eight different flavors of hard dip ice cream. We will also have veggie sandwiches and other sorts of health food.

The yogurt will be served in bowls, cones and waffle cones.

Balls, who own and run Softee Cream located on East Main Street, are anxious, yet self-assured of their new endeavor. "I feel sure that the Yogurt Station will go," Rose Ball said. She said despite taking four years for approval, they were happy to finally get something going at that location.

The Yogurt Station will be independent. "We will not be a member of any chain," Rose Ball said. Health food is in, and the new Lowell business will allow customers to eat yogurt, ice cream or other health foods, in or to take out.

A blooming success: Wildflowers may become a common sight along many of this country's highways, thanks to a law recently passed by Congress. The Federal Highway Administration now requires that a portion of the money spent on landscaping along certain roads be used to plant native wildflowers. According to National Wildlife magazine, wildflowers reduce the need for mowing and watering and also seem to deter people from littering.



Betty Yeiter, president of the Lowell Women's Club, was named the organization's 1989 "Woman of the Year."

Yeiter named "Woman of the Year"

Lowell Women's Club, in existence since 1928, named its organizational president, Betty Yeiter, as its 1989 "Women of the Year."

Yeiter was cited for her five years of dedicated service and her active participation, noting her active promotional work for the Fallsburg Festival.

Yeiter, who spent one year as second vice president, is currently in her second-year term as president of the club.

The organization's chief thrust is education. With this in mind, the club distributes three scholarships annually, including a \$500 scholarship from the club. It recently added a fourth scholarship, the McPherson Scholarship. It's ironic that with education being the Women's Club chief aim, that Yeiter taught for 31 years in the Lowell Public Schools.

Lowell Women's Club is also active both on the local and national scenes concerning conservation issues. "The club is also active with HOBY - a foundation for providing leadership training; funds for Girls' Town; and with the Santa Claus Girls," Yeiter said. "The club is entirely service oriented."

Yeiter and her husband, Don will represent the Lowell United Methodist Church in Washington D.C. in April.

The Yeiters have been married for 41 years. They have two children, Dave and Janice.

The Lowell Women's Club has several times won awards from the federation of Women's Clubs for increase in membership, which is well over 70. The club meets the second Wednesday of the month at 1 p.m. in Schneider Manor Lounge.

The Lowell Women's Club has been around since 1928, having been formed from amalgamation of the Lowell Literary Club and Cloverleaf Club, according to the Lowell - 50 Years of History book.



America's first compulsory education law was passed in 1647 in Massachusetts

CITY OF LOWELL

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Lowell City Council, acting as the Zoning Board of Appeals, will conduct a public hearing at its regularly scheduled meeting of:

MARCH 20, 1989 at 8:00 P.M.

at the Lowell City hall, 301 E. Main, Lowell, Michigan.

The purpose of said hearing will be to receive comments on the following variance request:

Bob and Joyce Wilkerson (applicant) request for a variance for parcel 41-20-02-288-011 located at 208 N. Division to erect a deck to their house that would be 20' from the side street (Avery) rather than the required 30'

Interested persons may submit comments prior to the meeting or appear in person at City Hall.
Betty R. Morlock
Deputy City Clerk

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Senator Ehlers urges Congress to reconsider

The Michigan Senate adopted a resolution urging the United States Congress to correct flaws in a federal act that would lead to the placement of a regional low-level radioactive waste dump in Michigan.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 25, introduced earlier this month by Senator Vern Ehlers (R-Grand Rapids), asks Congress to reconsider environmental, liability and fiscal issues pertaining to the act.

"New methods of reducing radioactive waste has cut by one-third the amount produced today as compared to what was produced in 1980, when the federal law was adopted" Ehlers said. "Therefore we need far fewer disposal sites than what was envisioned in the act. As many as 13 sites are being considered, when in fact the current level of output would require only two or three."

"The federal act is environmentally unsound," said Ehlers. "In 1980, Congress did not compare the relative environmental impact of the sites. Michigan's ability to withstand the environmental dangers of a radioactive disposal facility was not compared with that of other sites, and I believe it essential to compare these environmental factors."

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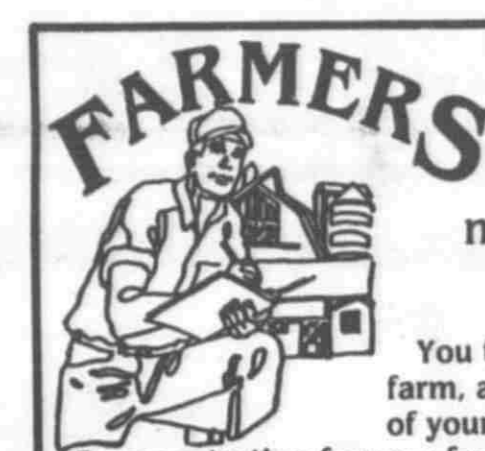
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Krause at the House



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Legislation to make school attendance mandatory for 16 to 18 year olds who want to get and keep their drivers' licenses was introduced in the Michigan House last week.

House Bill 4184 would prohibit people under the age of 18 from getting their licenses if they are not conforming with the attendance policies of their high school (playing hooky), if they have been expelled from school or if they do not have a high school diploma. Exceptions include personal or family hardship, or medical-related purposes.

House Bill 4183 would require the Secretary of State to suspend the drivers' licenses of 16 to 18 year olds who have dropped out

of school. The license could be reinstated only if they re-enrolled with the intent of earning a high school diploma.

I am a strong supporter of both of these measures, which I believe would not only decrease our troubling drop-out problem, but would encourage responsibility as well.

Michigan's drop-out rate has steadily accelerated since 1981. The latest statewide statistics available are for the 1985-86 school year, and they reflect a statewide 23 percent drop-out rate for grades 9-12. In Detroit alone, 41 percent of the students leave high school before graduating.

The traditional arguments about the educational importance of completing high school

to often fall on deaf ears and I believe it's time to try a different approach. A driver's license is a privilege that must be earned and responsibly maintained - not a right, as many people seem to think. By withholding driving privileges from young people who choose not to complete their basic education, we emphasize that the right to certain privileges goes hand in hand with responsible preparation for one's future.

Even as the Legislature is once more gearing up to deal with the first of several proposed school finance/property tax reform measures, a group of Michigan school superintendents is assembling a war chest to take the issue of financial inequity to court.

The In-Formula Caucus of the Michigan Association of School Administrators has banded together to finance the legal fight challenging the constitutionality of per pupil funding inequities of the State School Aid Act.

Of the state's 525 school districts, 390 are "in formula,"

meaning they require direct per-pupil state support because they have relatively low property values. Out-of-formula districts have a higher property value than in-formula districts; therefore, they generally have more dollars behind each pupil.

In 1982, 20 Michigan school districts unsuccessfully challenged the present school financing system. Although the state Court of Appeals agreed there was gross funding inequities between rich and poor districts, it ruled that the system was not unconstitutional.

The Legislature, along with school officials, has been unhappy for many years with the dollar discrepancy between the two types of districts, which can amount to as much as a \$5,000 difference per pupil between the richest and poorest districts. The problem has been agreeing on how to change it.

A lawsuit like this is a sad commentary on how far we have not come in forcing equity into our school funding formula. The widespread disparities among the districts are indefensible; the education of Michigan children

should not be determined by the property values in their school districts.

My Republican colleagues and I are urging immediate consideration of a school reform and a property tax reform measure. It goes without saying that the recent track record of the Legislature on this issue is dismal, despite the sincerity and honest efforts of many people. Trying to agree on a reform plan that will satisfy 149 politicians, hundreds of school administrators and every taxpaying citizen in Michigan is not an easy task.

However, we must - and we will. The future of our children depends on it.

Legislation that would severely reduce the tolerable amount of alcohol truck drivers could consume if they are on the road was introduced in the Michigan House last week.

House Bill 4307 would penalize drivers of commercial motor vehicles over 26,000 pounds, who have a blood alcohol content or .04 percent of

above. Current state law sets presumption of legal intoxication at 0.10 percent, more than twice the proposed limit.

The new lower limit is necessary to bring Michigan into compliance with recent federal rules aimed at tightening up truck regulations and standards. If the state fails to revise its blood alcohol content level, it stands to lose federal transportation dollars.

Penalties for exceeding the legal limit will remain the same.

I support this legislation, because trucks that have large weights and travel at high speeds should be scrutinized more carefully. Michigan drivers are entitled to feel comfortable driving beside a semi, and the passage of this bill will help provide a greater degree of safety for the many people who use our roads and highways.

Legislation to outlaw bypass mechanisms on boats which allow the dumping of raw sewage into the Great Lakes and other Michigan waters passed the state House this week.

I strongly supported House Bill 4245, which will strengthen the Watercraft Pollution Control Act by making it illegal for boats to operate the bypasses.

Underwater dumping of sewage from boats has been illegal in Michigan for almost 20 years, but people continue to do so. Since the law requires the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to catch boaters in the act of discharging waste before they can be cited, it is almost impossible to stop those who are determined to pollute our waters with human waste.

It is outrageous that people continue to pollute our waters in this way. By disabling the mechanism which allows direct discharge, we will be able to force them to properly dispose of their waste by pumping out their holding tanks at designated marina facilities.

HB 4245 also would allow the DNR to inspect Michigan boats once a year and certify that the vessels do not have operable bypass mechanisms. In addition, the bill provides for pump-out facilities at marinas.

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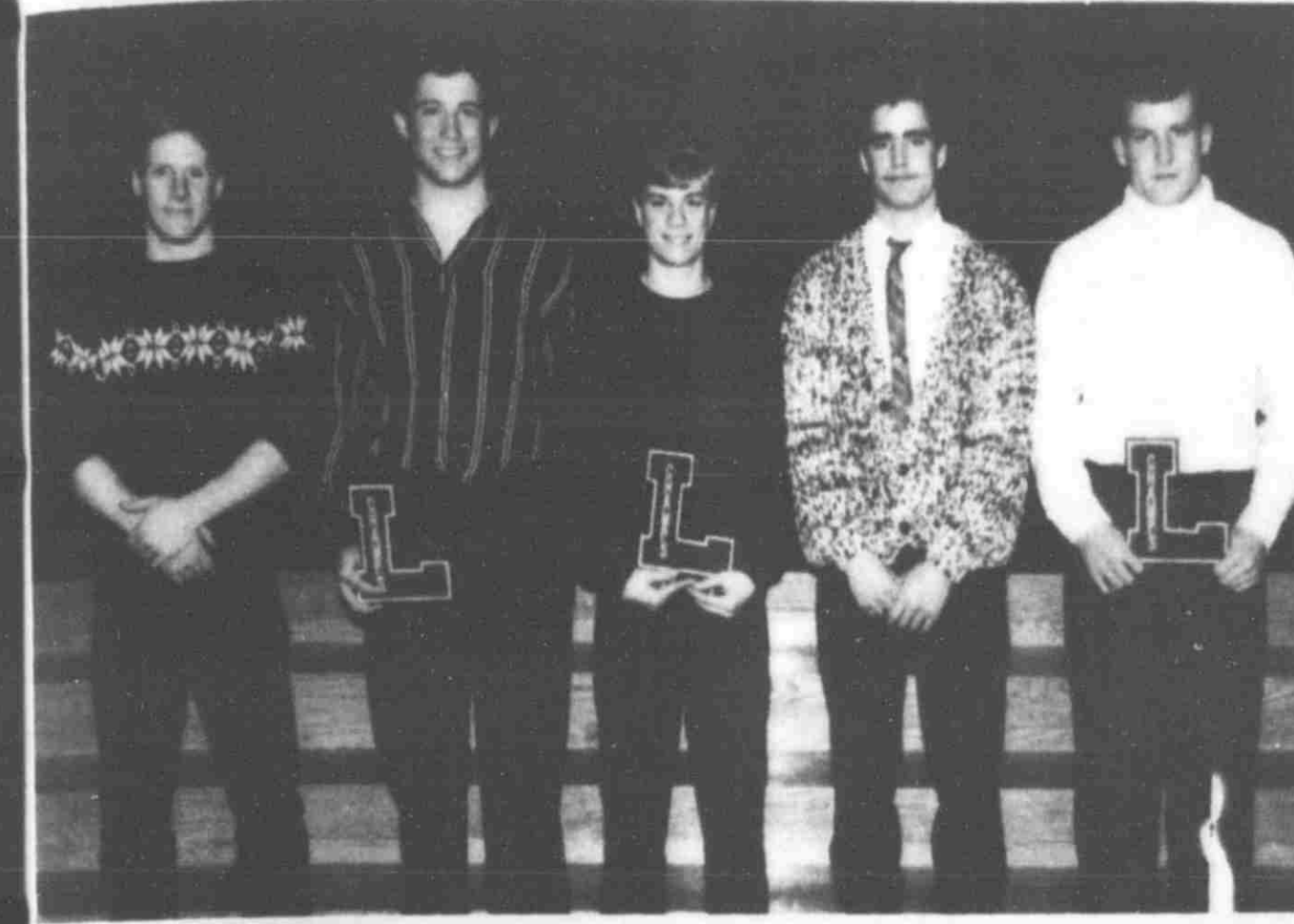
Quitting smoking may be easier if you ask for your doctor's help.

In the past, many doctors could do for would-be nonsmokers was to offer advice. These days, however, doctors can write a prescription for something effective—nicotine-containing gum.

A Surgeon General report found that nicotine, an ingredient in cigarettes, is addictive. The prescription gum works because it releases small amounts of nicotine into the mouth, combating withdrawal symptoms.

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LHS celebrates another district championship year



Lowell wrestlers were honored at the 1988-89 banquet by Red Arrow coach Gary Rivers. From left to right, Bart Olin, Lion's Club "Most Valuable Player"; Rob McGee, "Most Improved"; Scott Nagy, Jeff Hoffman and Joe DePew.

After 30 years of coaching Lowell High School wrestling, there isn't much that surprises coach Gary Rivers.

That is until the 1988-89 season. "I'm surprised we did this well," Rivers said at the annual grappler banquet. "I guess some of it is that Lowell tradition." Rivers, though, credited much of the success to the club's hard work and heart.

The Red Arrows finished 14-3 in the O-K White Conference, pinning down its fourth consecutive league crown. The 1988-89 season also saw the Arrow club claim its second straight district crown; and its seventh consecutive Lowell Invitational championship.

Leading the way for the Red Arrows was Bart Olin. Lowell Lion's Club presented the senior with the Most Valuable Player award. Olin posted a 37-6 mark, and recorded 15 pins.

Another senior that put together a tremendous year was Todd Nauta. He went 33-8 with 18 pins and one tie. Aaron Adams wrestling at 125 pounds walked away from his senior year with a 31-10 record. Of those victories, 20 of Adams' wins were by pin.

Trevor Tyler, 119-pound class, recorded 16 pins to go along with a 25-12 ledger.

At 189 pounds, Aaron Wester proved solid as a rock for the Red Arrows. He rolled off the mat with 18 pins and posted a winning record of 25-10.

Underclassmen who contributed greatly to the Red Arrow success in 1888-89 were Scott Nagy, 25-10 with 17 pins; Nate Nauta, 29-15 with 11 pins; Joe DePew, 22-17 with seven pins; Rob McGee, 16-14 with 10 pins; Jeff Hoffman, 13-8 with five pins; and Aaron White, 13-18 with eight pins.

Other grapplers who contributed are Dave Wilcox 1-7; Davide Rotier 1-19; Mike Jourdan 1-1; Ralph Anheuser 1-1; Dave Stouffer 0-1; Craig Mersman 5-8; Rich DePew 1-2; Tony Stepek 5-4; John Rupp 7-2; and Dallas Kirkbride 4-7.

McGee was bestowed the honor of most improved by Coach Rivers. Scott Nagy, Jeff Hoffman and Joe DePew were named as the 1989-90 tri-captains.

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"I spend more time preparing mentally than I do working out in the gym," says America's rising star in the sport of gymnastics. It was Scientology founder L. Ron Hubbard's widely acclaimed best-selling self-help book, *Dianetics: The Modern Science of Mental Health* that Lakes says first gave him a workable way to get in control of "the mental side of gymnastics."

Weststrate hoop MVP

Tim Weststrate was honored by the Lowell Lion's Club as the 1988-89 basketball "Most Valuable Player" at the LHS basketball banquet.

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Lowell students' MEAP scores higher than state average

A presentation regarding the recent results of the Michigan Educational Assessment Program by Alto Elementary Principal Jim White at the Lowell Board of Education March meeting, showed that the Lowell area schools' scores in reading, math and science are above the state average.

"Our definition of low is higher than many schools' top scores," says White.

White pointed out that the test

shows there is no sign of a major weakness in the fourth-grade reading and math scores. He added that seventh graders are a little low in main idea, cause-effect, sequence, drawing conclusions (all fall under comprehension). The students are also low in fractions, decimals and metric measure.

A third area of weakness fell in the 10th-grade level. The students' scores reflected a drop in prefixes, cause/effect, drawing

conclusions, fact/opinion, math weaknesses in decimals, story problems, metrics and estimating.

These problem areas were far outweighed by the strengths shown by Lowell students in grades four, seven and 10.

The test showed that Lowell students continue to do well in reading and math. Lowell students scored higher than the state averages in all three areas. At the fourth-grade level, Lowell students scored 94.3 in reading

compared to 82.3 at the state level. In math Lowell tallied 97.8. The state average was 87. Science, an area that is down statewide, saw Lowell students average 60.4 percent while the state average was only 45.5.

At the 10th-grade level, the reading average was 80.7, however, Lowell students averaged 85.1. In math, the state number was 68.5 and Lowell posted an average of 83.7. Science scores at the 10th-grade level statewide

were also down but higher at 43.3.

"Our science scores are improving, and top state averages, but are still not as high as math and reading," White said. "Yet this can be attributed partially to areas taught out of sequence with MEAP testing."

White added that girls score lower in science than boys. "This is a national trend that needs to

be addressed," White said.

The data clearly showed that students who have been in the Lowell school system since fourth grade scored higher than those who have moved into the district.

White stressed that it is important to remember that this is a minimal skills test... so all students can achieve all objectives."

School Board acts swiftly on agenda items

With the decisive and swift direction of President John Haggai, the Lowell Board of Education moved expeditiously through a mildly busy March agenda.

The board approved the purchase of one 78-passenger bus from Hoekstra Truck Equipment in the amount of \$48,802 and three 65 passenger buses with bodies from Hoekstra Truck and chassis with automatic transmissions from Woodland International in the amount of \$112,111 with the understanding that if the millage fails on March 21, the order will be placed for two 65 passenger buses only.

The 78 passenger bus is expected to do the work of 1 1/2 buses. It will be used in the short route areas. Assistant Superintendent Gary Kemp, filling in for the absent Lowell Superintendent Fritz Esch, said the cost-saving per student would be substantial.

The board adopted the revised board Policy Number 6200 entitled "Addition/Deletion of Athletic Programs" on its second reading.

In other action it also denied the request made by Russell Slater, of 4001 Quiggle, Ada, to transfer his property into the Forest Hills School District.

The main reason given for the request, is the distance traveled by his children to Lowell would be twice that of Forest Hills school.

Reasons given for denying the request were, there is a comparable curriculum program; adequate transportation is provided to and from Alto; approval of the request would further distort the current property lines; and approval would be precedent-setting in other similar situations.

In another board item, the board adopted a resolution calling for the annual school election to be held on Monday, June 12.

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Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor wins a \$1,500 judgment against three Lowell saloon keepers after her husband, jailed for drunkenness, suffocates when his mattress catches fire. The verdict will be appealed.
Dr. Warthin will give a university extension lecture on Sex Hygiene at City Hall to men only. Boys under 16 must be accompanied by fathers.
50 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - MAR. 16, 1939
The well-advertised Clayton Johnson auction of Bowne Center brings 1,800 people and \$7,000. 150 pounds of hot dogs and quantities of bean soup and coffee are also sold.
The Ledger notes that 50 years ago President Benjamin Harrison and Lowell barber Bert Charles made their debuts. Bert is still on the job.
Readers are reminded that Michigan minors under 21 may not smoke cigarettes.
Westerns and detective tales make up the double features at the Strand Theatre.
25 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - MAR. 19, 1964
Lowell firemen fight six grass fires urged on by high winds. Traffic deaths are rising sharply in Michigan two years in a row.
Shifts, sleeveless dresses well above the knees are the preferred style for spring 1964.
Amongst considerable argument, the closing of Lafayette St. for permanent Showboat seating is deferred for at least a year and plans are made for revamping the existing seating.

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THE FAMILY OF RAY LINTON - wishes to thank all who helped in so many ways at the time of his death. The food, flowers, visits and memorial contributions in his memory, are very much appreciated. Also a special thank you to Rev. Meg Peterson for her comforting words and prayers. To the ladies of the Alto United Methodist Church for the lovely lunch after the service, thank you. We sincerely appreciate every act of kindness shown us and will not forget your thoughtfulness.
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Ledger Entries

of 75, 50, and 25 Years Ago



100 YEARS AGO IN THE JOURNAL - MAR. 13, 1889
Sugaring is well underway and early robins have been seen. News item, in toto: "A skunk farm is one of the probable new Lowell industries."
Large surprise parties with lots of good food brought in, and games or dancing, are an approved social custom. 50 people trooped in on the Coverts of Keene Township last week.
The winter terms of many area schools are complete and several rural school teachers are asked back without needing to apply.
75 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - MAR. 12, 1914
The Lowell Ledger, a Progressive Paper for Progressive People.
Christopher Bergin, incumbent, defeats councilman, F.B. Rhodes by six votes for village president. He didn't really want the post anymore, but it is "thrust upon him."
Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor wins a \$1,500 judgment against three Lowell saloon keepers after her husband, jailed for drunkenness, suffocates when his mattress catches fire. The verdict will be appealed.
Dr. Warthin will give a university extension lecture on Sex Hygiene at City Hall to men only. Boys under 16 must be accompanied by fathers.
50 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - MAR. 16, 1939
The well-advertised Clayton Johnson auction of Bowne Center brings 1,800 people and \$7,000. 150 pounds of hot dogs and quantities of bean soup and coffee are also sold.
The Ledger notes that 50 years ago President Benjamin Harrison and Lowell barber Bert Charles made their debuts. Bert is still on the job.
Readers are reminded that Michigan minors under 21 may not smoke cigarettes.
Westerns and detective tales make up the double features at the Strand Theatre.
25 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - MAR. 19, 1964
Lowell firemen fight six grass fires urged on by high winds. Traffic deaths are rising sharply in Michigan two years in a row.
Shifts, sleeveless dresses well above the knees are the preferred style for spring 1964.
Amongst considerable argument, the closing of Lafayette St. for permanent Showboat seating is deferred for at least a year and plans are made for revamping the existing seating.

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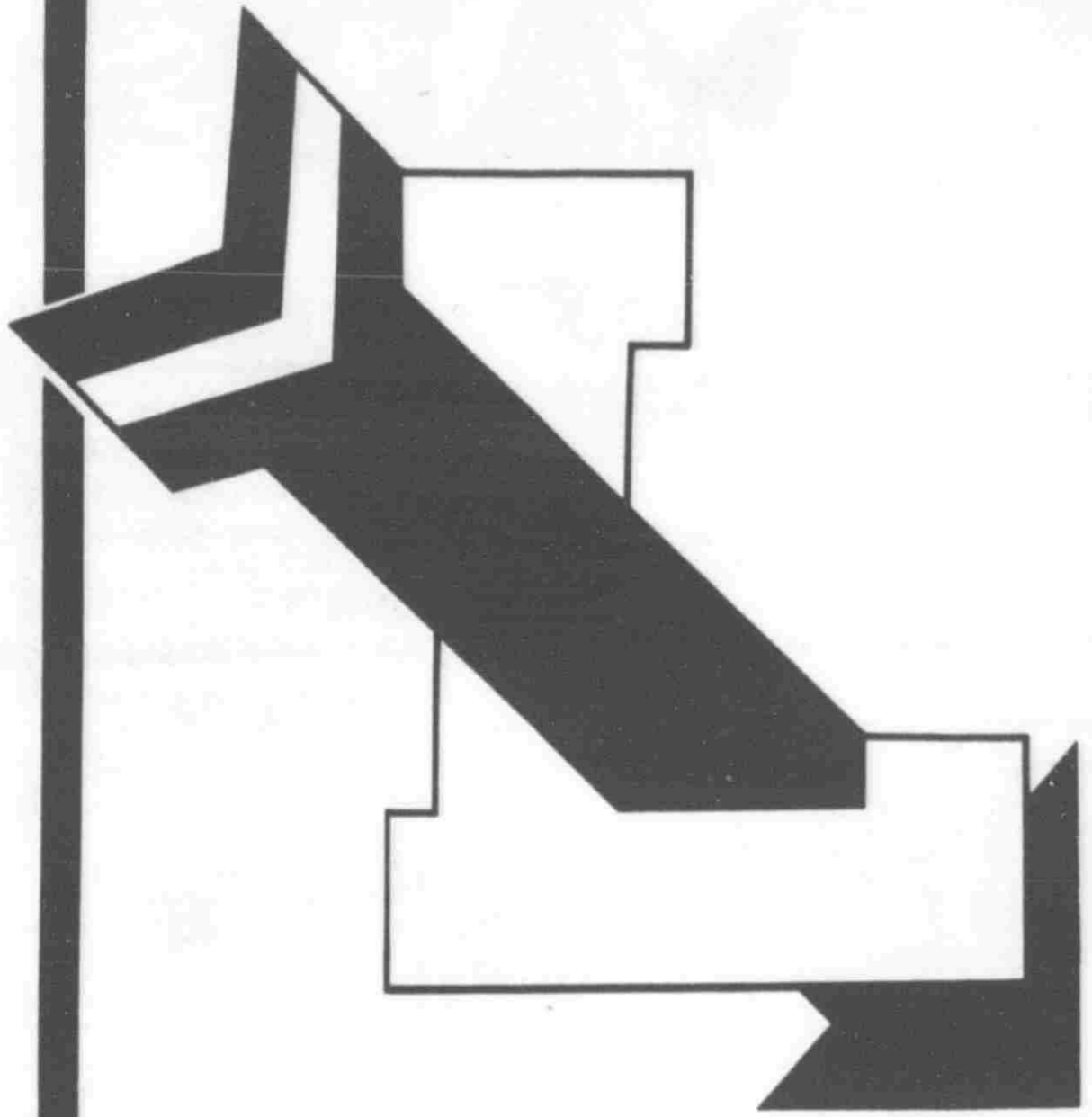
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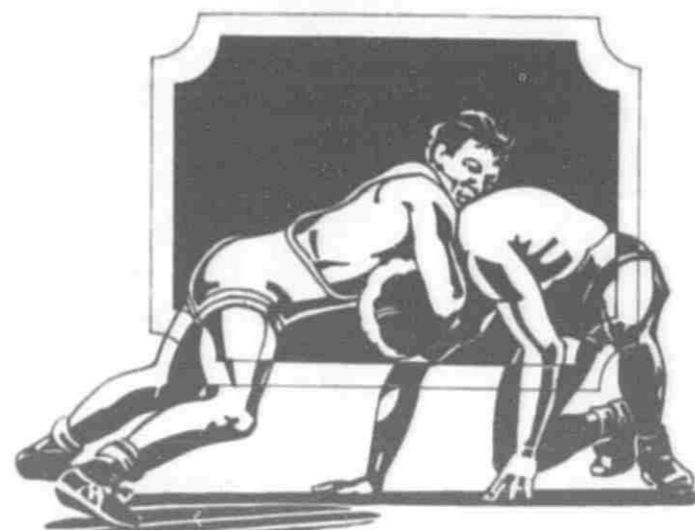
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