

# The Lowell Ledger

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Wednesday, December 27, 1989

## Area man burned seriously in propane tank explosion



This is the bottom of the cylinder that leaked and eventually ruptured, causing the explosion.

Mark Edward DeGrote was filling a 100-pound propane cylinder (Tuesday, Dec. 19) from the back of his LP Dependable Gas Co. truck when the cylinder ruptured and gas escaped into the air where the central heating ignited the propane fumes.

"DeGrote took off running," said Lowell Fire Chief Frank Martin. "A couple of guys from Michigan Wire Processing ripped his clothes off and helped put the fire out."

DeGrote was transported to Blodgett Memorial Medical Center's burn unit where he was treated for second and third-degree burns over 29 percent of his body (upper body and face), according to Martin. Lowell's Fire Chief added, on Wednesday, that DeGrote was in serious condition, but it was thought by a family member he was coming along pretty good.

While the explosion set DeGrote's clothing on fire it also knocked a plant em-

ployee off of his fork lift inside the building, explained Lowell Police Officer Jim Valentine.

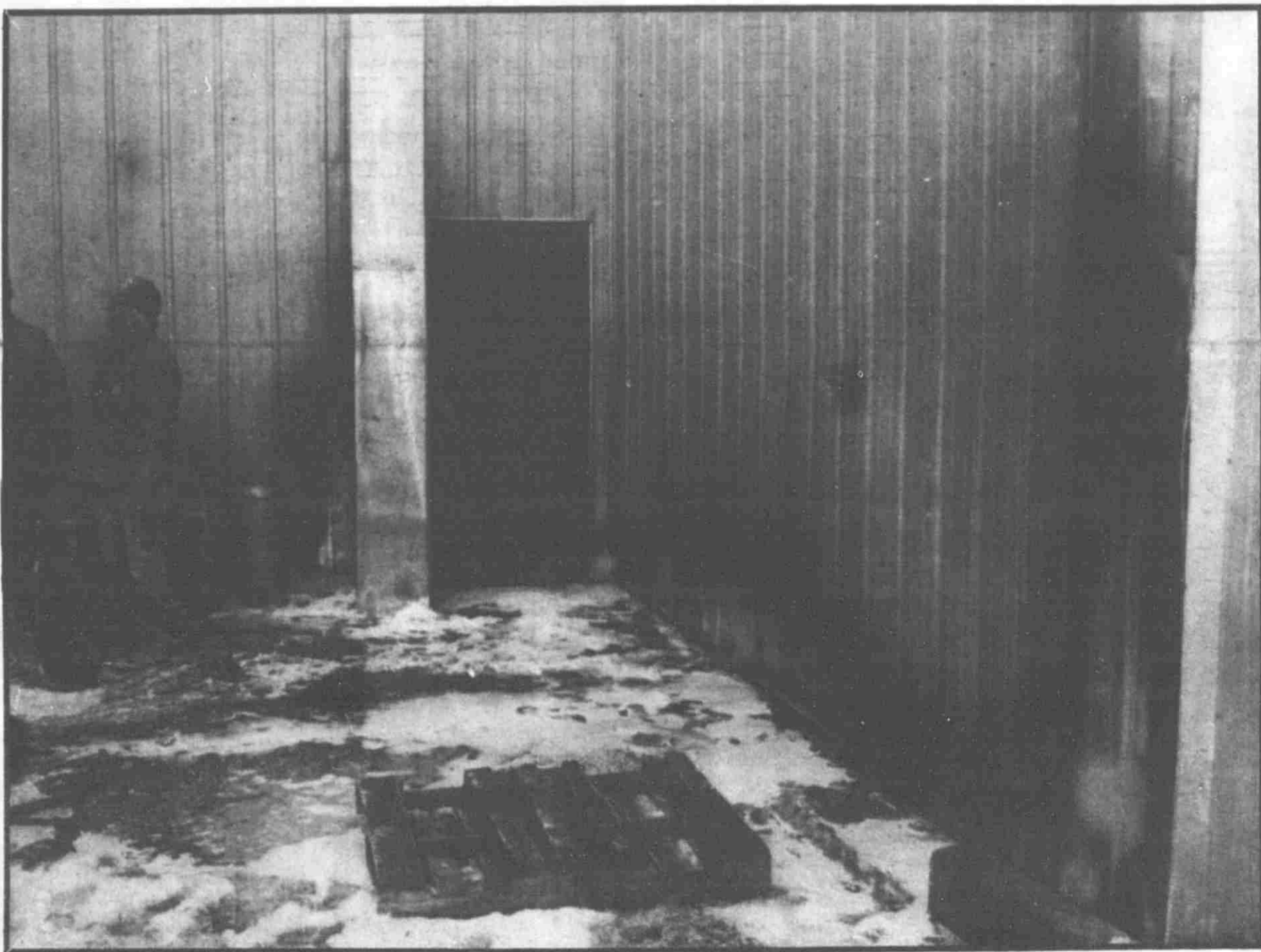
The fire caused moderate damage to the Michigan Wire building. The truck was not damaged and no employees were hurt.

Following the explosion, Michigan Wire employees called 911. Answering the call were Lowell Fire, Lowell Rescue, Lowell Ambulance, Aero Med, Lowell Police and

the Kent County Sheriff's Department.

While authorities were unsure what caused the explosion on Tuesday, Martin explained Wednesday that the bottom of the cylinder had rusted out, causing the leak and then rupture.

DeGrote delivered propane to Michigan Wire about three times a week. The liquid gas is used to power the company's forklifts.



A propane cylinder ruptured and gas escaped into the air where the central heating ignited the propane fumes at Michigan Wire on Tuesday, Dec. 19.



### LOWELL METHODIST CHURCH SERVICE TO BE SHOWN ON LCTV

The First United Methodist Church service of December 17 featuring the Chancel Choir Christmas Cantata will be aired on LCTV Channel 9.

The time for the showing are: Wednesday, Dec. 27 at 12 noon; Thursday, Dec. 28 at 5 p.m.; Friday, Dec. 29 at 7 p.m. and Sat., Dec. 30 at 10 a.m.

### LOWELL LIBRARY CHANGES MONDAY HOURS

By popular request, the Lowell Library will remain open one hour later Monday afternoons beginning January 1, 1990. (The library will also open one hour later Monday mornings.)

The new library open hours as of January 1, 1990 are Monday 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 12:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and Friday and Saturday, 12:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

### ICE SKATING NOW AVAILABLE!

Those ice skating enthusiasts can now enjoy their sport at Creekside Park on Gee Drive during the day.

## Lowell students surprise MEAP forecast

Michigan school districts were warned prior to administering the new Michigan Education Assessment Program reading test that the scores would probably be lower than in the past.

That was unsettling to administrators and teachers because of how it might reflect on the school in the eyes of parents.

The format changes in the reading test included longer passages from actual texts. "In the past the passages have been contrived and shorter in length (2-3 paragraphs)," Lowell's Director of Curriculum and Special Education Jim White said. "That is not realistic of what happens in society. When a person reads, it's usually much

longer than two or three paragraphs."

The new test not only challenges the students on what they read but also on the students' previous knowledge and how they felt about what they read.

The reading scores for the fourth, seventh and 10th-grade levels were better than anticipated, according to White.

The new reading test was separated into four categories with three being the highest followed in descending order by two-A, two-B, and one being the lowest.

In the reading attainment skills, 50.8 of the fourth-grade students tested placed in the category of three, as did 41.5 percent of the

seventh-graders and 36.1 of the 10th-graders. "The percentage of highs were more than we anticipated and our low scores were fewer than we anticipated," White said. Of the fourth-graders tested, 16.5 percent of the fourth-graders fell into category one. As did 25.6 percent of the seventh-graders and 31.9 of the 10th-graders.

Breaking those numbers down by school, it shows that all five Lowell schools scored higher in the basic skills comparison part of the reading test than a year ago. The fourth-graders were up from 94.7 to 97.5 percent; the seventh-graders were up from 91.4 to 92.8 percent and the 10th-graders jumped from 85.1 to 95.8.

"The numbers simply state that we were happy with the results and the students did better than what was projected and than we anticipated," White said.

Boys again scored higher in science than girls. "I think you'll find that reflects our social attitudes," White said. At the fifth-grade level the boys were at 90.2 percent and the girls were at 74.5. The eighth grade scores showed that boys at 76.3 percent and the girls at 63.5 percent. The 11th-grade boys percent attaining objectives was 61.5 percent while the girls were at 40.8 percent.

Lowell schools have always tested out high in math, as was the case in 1989.

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# Obituaries

**PORTER** - Leslie B. Porter, aged 65, of Lowell, passed away Tuesday, December 19, 1989. He is survived by his wife, Marilyn; his children, Mrs. David (Linda) Lovell of Sparta, Leslie (Vicki) Porter of Sand Lake, Richard (Marie) St. Clair of Iowa, Julia Porter of Lowell, William E. Frazier of Virginia; his mother, Mary Ann Orcutt of Lowell; a brother, Robert Porter of Greenville; and six grandchildren. Funeral Services were held Friday at the Roth-Gerst Chapel, Lowell,

Rev. Kenneth McGee of Alton Bible Church officiating. Entombment Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens.

**ROGERS** - Mrs. Florence L. (Straub) Roger, of Alto, aged 72, passed away unexpectedly Thursday, December 21, 1989. She is survived by her husband, Stanley L. Rogers; her children, Douglas and Kathy Straub of Alto, John and Linda Straub of Grandville, Diane Straub of Alto; six grandchildren, two great-grandchildren; a brother, Jerry and Evelyn Kane of Wyoming; a sister, Mary VanMeter of Wyoming; a sister-in-law, Gertrude Kane of Grand Rapids; several nieces and nephews. The Mass of Christian Burial was offered Saturday morning at Holy Family Catholic Church, Caledonia. Rev. Fr. James Cusack as Celebrant.

Interment Rosedale Memorial Park.

**WORTHINGTON** - Wayne W. Worthington, aged 52, of Lowell, passed away Friday, December 22, 1989. He is survived by his mother, Hazel Worthington of Saranac; his wife, Ruth; his children, Diane and Wayne Jr. both of Kentwood, Tracy of Alto, and Billie Jo of Lowell; brothers, Phillip "Butch" (Carla) of Hudsonville, David (Linda) of Texas, Roland "Gus" (Laura) of Gowen and James; sisters, Marcia Worthington of Ionia, Carol (Bill) Raison of Saranac, Judy (Bradley) Collins of Eagle, MI; his mother-in-law, Helen Crisman of Lowell. Funeral Services were held Tuesday at the Roth-Gerst Chapel, Lowell, with Rev. Kenneth McGee of Alton Bible Church officiating. Interment Fallasburg Cemetery.

# Propane fuel supply not meeting residential demand

Propane fuel supply inventories in the Midwest and Northeastern parts of the United States are down. For many local residents that translates into higher energy prices.

"The propane wholesale level prices have tripled within the last couple of weeks," said Jonathan Getz, Manager of Ferrellgas. "Due to national product shortages and the unseasonably cold, early winter, prices on propane have increased rapidly during the past week or two."

The residential rate has increased about 30 cents a gallon. "One way Ferrellgas can help our customers through these difficult times is to make smaller drops until prices come down," Getz said. Because of the increased prices, Ferrellgas is also offering its customers flexible payment policies.

prices to increase overseas, and is precluding normal U.S. imports of fuel oil.

"The situation is difficult, the demand is high and inventory levels are low. Furthermore, pipelines are carrying more than just propane, thus we can't get as much as we would like," Hagen explains. "There's a big strain on getting the product to the retailers. Currently we are pulling supplies from California." The industry, however, is doing everything possible to procure propane from non-traditional sources.

She compared the scope of the current situation to that of the early 1970's. "The temperature reaching up into the 30's would make a big adjustment. Even the 20's would help," Hagen concludes.

the availability problems and force even more price increases.

According to Debbie Hagen, Director of Communication at Ferrellgas, the immediate future for energy is hard to foresee. Even though the companies serving consumer energy needs are doing what they can to ensure adequate fuel supplies. She adds continued cold weather may compound

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"All Michigan schools will have to provide written forms and plans that can be implemented."

# Propane tank explosion pictures....



The plastic window above the tanks was destroyed.



Aero Med was called in to fly DeGrote to the Blodgett Memorial Medical Center's burn unit.

# Mandate has school improvement here to stay

A catch phrase that many people have heard school administrators use within the last year is "Lowell Schools want to be pro-active and not reactive."

Well, that sounds good, but has that concept been put into motion? Funny, you should ask. As reported in the early part of this year, Lowell started a building improvement program. Instead of the improvement ideas originating and filtering from the top (administration) to the school building officials, teachers and parents, this program was constructed on the building based decision-making process. Improvement ideas were derived from within each individual building. The actual idea was first kicked

around two years ago under the title of "Standards and Practices."

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# MEAP, continued

Fourth-graders were at 94.5 percent, seventh-graders were at 83.1 percent and 10th-graders tested out at 89 percent in attaining objectives.

"Parents should be aware that in general Lowell Schools do a very good job

in all of the tested areas. They should also be aware that this test, while it is mandated by the State Board of Education,

is but one piece of information the Lowell Schools use," White said.

# BOWNE TOWNSHIP NOTICE

## PLANNING COMMISSION - PUBLIC HEARING

The Bowne Township Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on:

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1990 at 7:30 P.M.

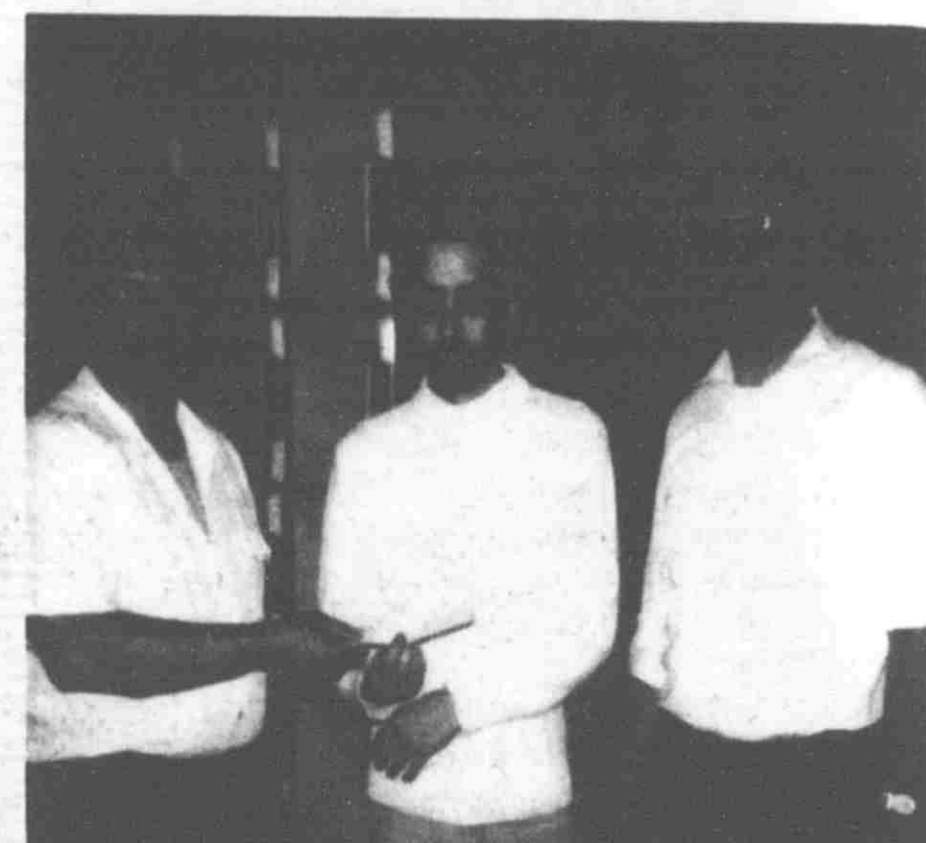
at the Township Office, 6059 Linfield SE., Alto, Michigan.

The purpose of the hearing will receive comments on the following rezoning request:

Eastbrook Companies (applicant) is requesting rezoning a parcel located in Section 6, Bowne Township 1320' North of 68th Street and 1320' East of Snow Avenue from A-2 to Rural Residential.

Jerry J. Poll Sr. Chairman

# Burial funds raised for Dickerson



Ray Saldivar (left) and Ray Jones of the Lowell Moose Lodge (right), presented a check for \$500 to Duane Dickerson (center) to help pay burial expenses for Dickerson's son, David.

"We recognize that many customers will receive higher than normal invoices for their propane in the month of December," said Getz.

Warren Gfeller, President of Ferrellgas, headquartered in Liberty, MO, added, "Our customers' December bills will arrive right after the holidays when some household budgets are already at their limit. We want to help deal with this tough situation."

The tough times come about because: \* Natural gas prices have increased, and demand levels are such that allocation and curtailment is likely for large natural gas users. \* Record cold weather in Europe is also causing energy

On Nov. 11 the Moose Lodge of Lowell and the Ray Saldivar family held a benefit to raise money to help defray burial expenses for 5 year old David Dickerson.

The Saldivar and the Moose lodge raised \$500 to help with those costs.



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# In The Service

Army National Guard Private Wayne K. Cole II has completed a wheeled-vehicle mechanic course at the U.S. Army Training Center, Fort Leonard Wood, MO.

During the course, students learned to perform organizational maintenance and assist in the repair of automotive vehicles and associated equipment. They became familiarized with the

functioning of automotive wheeled vehicle components, operating principles of internal combustion engines, fundamentals of fuel and electrical systems, and the use of test equipment.

He is the son of Faith A. Cole of Saranac. His wife, Karalet, is the daughter of Andrew Ludwick of Ionia.

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# Collins has met & exceeded the challenges at each bus stop



Dode Collins has worked for the Lowell Bus transportation Department for 24 years.

"My first day on the job, John Voss gave me a set of keys and said 'Your first stop is Lincoln Lake.' There was no training, or route list. You stopped where kids were waiting," smiles Dode Collins, Supervisor of Lowell Schools Transportation.

Her laugh and vivid recollection of such anecdotes make them as fresh as the morning news.

"When I started out as a

part-time bus driver there was no training. All a person needed was a chauffeur's license," Dode says. "How things have changed."

That mother of four, employed at a part-time job (making \$3.25 an hour) that would allow her to bring along her youngest child, is now a grandmother of seven and is in her 24th and final year with Lowell School's Transportation Department.

Collins spent the first five years as a bus driver and has spent the last 19 as a supervisor.

"Don Kelly, who the school dedicated this garage to, called and asked me if I would consider becoming supervisor," Collins explains. "I thought about it and then told him 'yes' if I didn't have to type. He said 'okay.'"

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## School, continued

plemented and measured," Korb said. "Anytime something is stamped by state control and taken away from local districts there is issue to be taken."

A similar five-percent state-aid loss mandate was made for schools that don't have a core curriculum.

"This isn't something that's going to last a couple years and then disappear. It's not a one shot deal," said Jim White, Lowell's Director of Curriculum and Special Education.

Lowell's Board of Education made a \$10,000 commitment to the school improve-

ment program for each of the buildings. Some of the money will be used for substitutes, workshops and meetings. Each school has a six-person team. The team attends Kent Intermediate School District training sessions once a month.

The first step on the school improvement agenda is developing a mission statement. "It must be a statement that everybody within the building can agree to," White says. "A consensus is a must."

Because of the change in the principals at both Alto and the Middle School, their

school improvement programs won't be started until next year. The Lowell High School, Runciman/Riverside and Bushnell have already started their programs.

"The building-based decision-making process goes hand-in-hand with the long-range Strategic Planning process," White said. "This is good and exciting stuff."

Korb concluded that long-range strategic planning deals more with looking at the future in a broader sense. "School improvement looks harder at the 'nitty gritty' day-to-day situations."

## Krause, continued

.08 percent for presumption of driving drunk and from .07 to .05 percent for impaired driving.

A direct and demonstrable link exists between a person's blood alcohol level and the ability to operate a motor vehicle. Lowering these levels sends a clear message that the combination of driving after drinking in unsafe quantities will not be tolerated.

Other task force recommendations include:

--mandating a six-month license suspension for individuals arrested with a blood

alcohol level of .05 percent --allowing enhanced charges to be brought if a person's driving record contains convictions for any drinking and driving offense within the previous 10 years.

--encouraging police agencies to videotape everyone arrested for drinking and driving offenses

--allowing the admission at trial of a defendant's refusal to take a breathalyzer or chemical test to show the tests were offered

--developing alternative detention and correction facilities for drunk drivers

and assessing them for the costs.

In Michigan last year 62,779 people were arrested for driving drunk or with an unlawfully high blood alcohol level, while nearly 800 people died in alcohol related accidents.

Every incident of drunk driving is a crime of violence waiting to happen. The public is rightfully demanding swiftness and certainty of punishment for drunk driving.

Along with my Republican colleagues, I will be working toward implementing the task force recommendations into legislation early next year.

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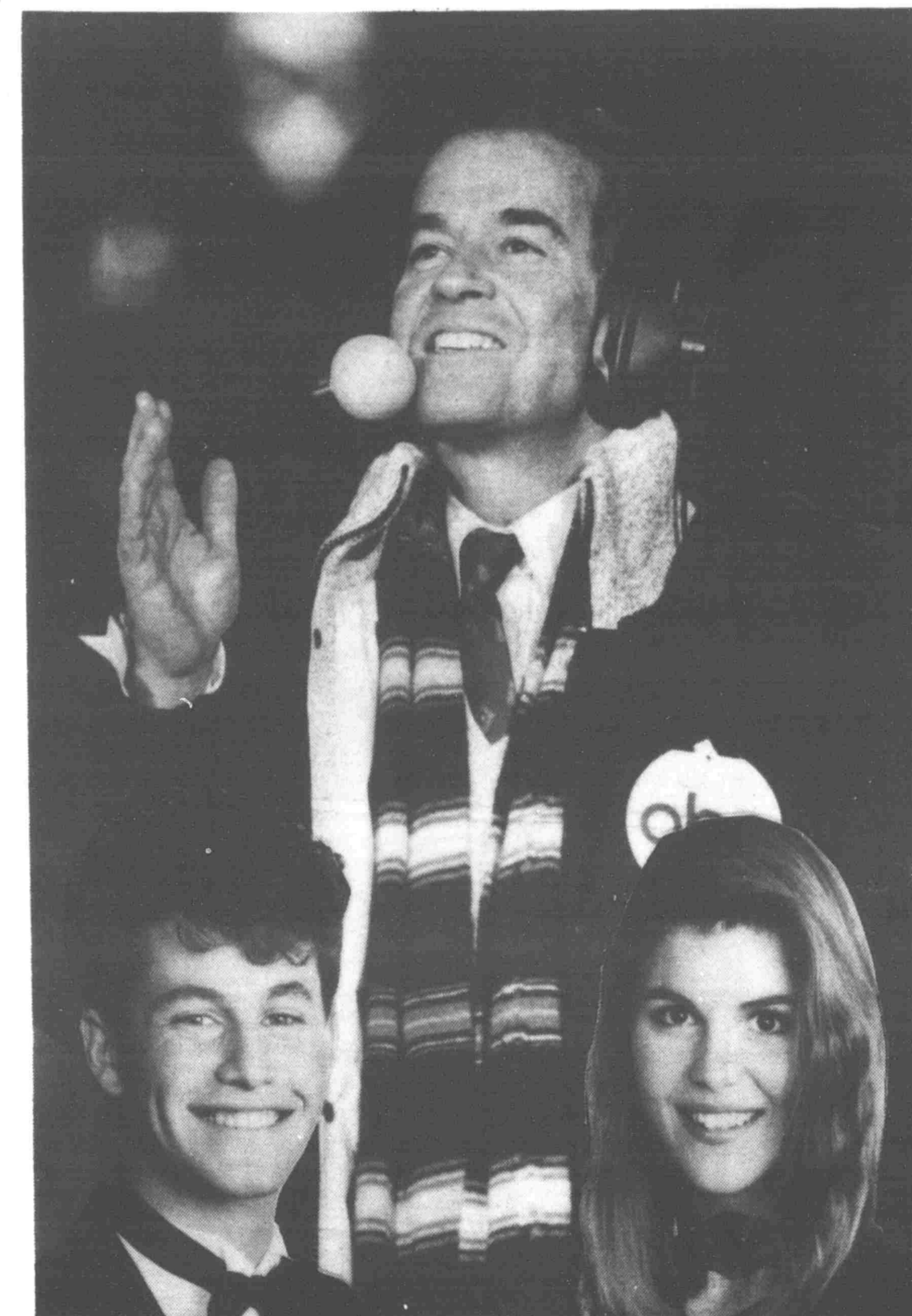
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6:30 SportsCenter
9:00 MOVIE: The Phantom
9:30 SportsCenter
10:00 MOVIE: Illegally Yours
11:00 Getting Fit
11:30 MOVIE: The Texas Rangers

AFTERNOON

12:00 MOVIE: Melody Trail
1:00 MOVIE: High Spirits
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- 12:10 [HBO] MOVIE: Die Hard
12:30 This Year In Country Music
12:30 Monsters
12:30 [MAX] MOVIE: Human Feelings
12:35 [MAX] MOVIE: People That Time Forgot
1:00 Headbangers Ball

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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Crossword puzzle grid with 30 numbered starting points for clues.

Crossword Quiz Who is the character actor who gained fame as radio's detective Sam Spade?

The answer to the Crossword Quiz is found within the answers in the puzzle.

- 1. Asner's insigne.
2. "Tangy" Florida bowl game.
3. Bluesman king.
7. Poet Eliot.
10. Actor Aames.
11. Disney captain.
12. Tampa, Fla. bowl game.

Crossword Quiz Solution

Solved crossword puzzle grid with answers filled in.

MONDAY

January 1

MORNING

- 5:00 Sports Review
5:30 Getting Fit
6:00 [HBO] MOVIE: Jack And The Beanstalk
6:30 [MAX] MOVIE: MacKenzie's Gold
7:00 1989 Heisman Trophy Award Special
7:30 NFL Theatre
8:05 MOVIE: How To Frame A Figg

AFTERNOON

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7:30 [MAX] MOVIE: A Man And A Woman
8:00 [HBO] MOVIE: Twins (Stereo)
8:30 SportsCenter
9:00 [HBO] MOVIE: The Story Of Robin Hood

AFTERNOON

- 12:30 BodyShaping
1:00 [MAX] MOVIE: The Bites Of
1:30 [HBO] MOVIE: The Yearling
2:00 Music Videos
2:30 [HBO] MOVIE: Where The Heart Is

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TUESDAY

January 2

MORNING

- 5:30 Getting Fit
6:00 [HBO] MOVIE: The Golden Treasure
6:30 [MAX] MOVIE: The Stugger's Wife
7:00 TNT Motorsports
7:30 NBA Today
7:55 Harness Racing

AFTERNOON

- 12:30 [HBO] MOVIE: Zelly & Me
1:00 [MAX] MOVIE: The Girl From Patuxent
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THURSDAY

January 4

MORNING

- 5:05 [MAX] MOVIE: Under The Cherry Moon
5:30 Getting Fit
7:00 [MAX] MOVIE: Clockwise
8:30 [HBO] MOVIE: The Monster Squad
8:50 SportsCenter
9:00 [HBO] MOVIE: Almost Angels

AFTERNOON

- 12:30 BodyShaping
1:00 [MAX] MOVIE: The Magic Snowman
1:30 [HBO] MOVIE: A Soldier's Story
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Dr. Kulan (Richard Chamberlain) deals with a disastrous diagnosis in Island Son, Thursday on CBS.





# Collins, continued

The biggest part of Collins' work is public relations. She has met and exceeded that challenge at every "bus stop."  
 "Kelly was a big influence for me. He supported me and helped me through a lot of the first few years," Collins said. "I'd call him all the time with questions. I finally started to make decisions on my own, which is what he wanted."  
 Dode's decision to retire in June of 1990 is one that would have saddened Kelly as it has Lowell School officials.  
 "Dode is a sharp lady. What she doesn't already know, she dig for until she finds an answer. I respect that," said Lowell School Board President, John Haggai. Collins is thorough. She is highly respected and acknowledged around the state."  
 Collins says she'll miss the challenge of running the system, keeping people receptive to what she is saying and

dealing with people. She won't miss the early 5 a.m. wake-up call or having to put buses out for athletic teams on Saturday morning.  
 "This job has given me self esteem and confidence in my ability," Collins says. She was recently asked to run for President of the Michigan Association of Pupil Transportation by other Supervisors around the state who also have confidence in her.  
 Since becoming Supervisor, Collins has seen to it



Collins will retire in June of 1990.

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# Closeness hasn't helped Lowell's win column

## Despite its competitive spirit & tightly contested games, Arrows fall to 0-5

Both the Red Arrows and the Pioneers went into Friday night's contest at East Grand Rapids looking for their first win of the season.  
 Following a 66-61 win, only EGR found relief in victory. Lowell, meanwhile, had to wrap itself in the hollow feeling of knowing once again that it was competitive, but still a few buckets short of that elusive first win in 1989.  
 "A slow start and then missed free throw opportunities in the second half cost us," Lowell Coach Mark Thomas said.  
 The Red Arrows posted just seven points in the first 10 1/2 minutes of play as the Pioneers opened up a 27-7 lead. Lowell rebounded in time to cut the deficit to 14 at halftime, 35-21. However, over a 32 minutes stretch it ultimately proved to be their demise.

The Arrows may have been left with a hollow feeling, following another close defeat, but when gut-check time came in the second half, Lowell showed a stomach-full of character.  
 Lowell's 18-10 advantageous third quarter kept the Arrows to within striking distance at 45-39.  
 A foul shot by Ryan Holtz cut the deficit to five, 45-40, to start the fourth quarter.  
 Then East Grand Rapids' 5-10 senior guard Brad Youngblood literally had a magical moment. He nailed a three-point shot from the right side, increasing the Pioneers' lead to eight. Following a Holtz missed foul shot the senior tallied another three. After a Lowell turnover

on its next possession it was Youngblood again, this time with a wonderful assist for an easy EGR layup.  
 "That's senior leadership. Youngblood stepped forward and rose to the occasion," Thomas said. Youngblood finished the game with seven points. "We're looking for one of our point guards to step forward and be an extension of a coach out on the floor," EGR Coach Rick Albro said.  
 "We have the capabilities of being a fine basketball team," Pioneers' Coach adds. "But we have to have five guys getting it done out on the floor."  
 Albro did not believe a let-down had anything to do with Lowell's second half comeback. "The only thing Lowell did different in the second half was it shot the ball better. Lowell's quickness also hurt us."  
 Brandon Tully led all Pioneer scorers with 19. Sam Middleton added 13.  
 Lowell was led by Holtz with 24 and Bob Adams netted 19. The Red Arrows now fall to 0-3 in the league and 0-5 overall.  
**BELDING 64 LOWELL 62**  
 Basketball is not horse-shoes. Closeness does not score a team any points. However, at this point in the season Lowell's boys' basketball team might be wishing it was.  
 So far in 1989 the Arrows have written the book on competitive and staying close. It has yet to write the chapter on winning a closely contested ballgame.  
 Against the Redskins, Lowell saw the game slip away with a second left in overtime as Belding's Pat Fox netted two free throws. The loss sunk the Arrows to 0-4 in overall.  
 The game was tied in regulation by Lowell's top scorer, Ryan Holtz. The senior hit a foul shot with 35 seconds remaining to send the contest into overtime.  
 Fox and Richard Meyers each scored 18 points apiece for the winning Redskins.  
 Holtz led Lowell with a game-high 22 points. Bob Adams netted 13.  
 Lowell's junior varsity earned its first win of the year against Belding with a 57-47 win.  
 Jason Dykhouse led the winning Arrows with 17 points. Jon Amundsen added 12 and Jon Hutzilz chipped in with eight.  
 "It was the best game we've played all year," said Lowell Coach Phil Beachler. Belding got a team-high 13 points from Matt Breimayer. Jim Tomkins and Ty Sutherland added 12 and 10 points apiece.  
 The JV wasn't as fortunate against East Grand Rapids, as it lost 59-45.  
 Hutzilz scored 11 while Brett Knoop added eight.  
 Travis Both, EGR, led all scorers with 22.  
 Lowell's freshman basketball team strung together two victories. It beat Belding 44-19 and East Grand Rapids 47-44.  
 Against the Redskins, James Manion led Arrow scorers with nine points. Dave Jones contributed with 12 rebounds.  
 Lowell's defense held Belding scoreless in the third quarter.  
 Jones led all Red Arrow scorers against the Pioneers with 16 points and 11 rebounds. Matt Craig scored eight.

# Lowell grapplers dump Rangers & Vikings

In the opening 2-1/2 weeks of the high school wrestling season the Lowell Red Arrows have grappled through five dual meets and two strong invitational.  
 "We knew the early schedule would be tough," Lowell Wrestling Coach Gary Rivers said.  
 What he didn't know is that his young, and somewhat untested 13-man squad would be 3-0 in the O-K White and 5-0 overall with a third and first-place finish in the invitational following that tough early schedule.  
 "The boys keep progressing. Weight classes that I labeled as question marks prior to the start of the year have been filled in nicely by some first-year varsity wrestlers."

Rivers said.  
**LOWELL 40 FH CENTRAL 22**  
 O-K White Conference coaches tabbed 1989 as a strong year for the Rangers of Forest Hills Central. Following its league loss to Lowell, FHC may still have a good year. One meet does not make a season. However, the Red Arrows wrestling program's strength proved superior on this day.  
 Lowell won five of the first seven matches and its lead was really never challenged.  
 Senior Scott Nagy was impressive at 112 with a stirring first-round pin at 1:53. Brad Whalen (119) followed the Arrow pin with a convincing 20-1 technical fall victory.  
 Nate Nauta, 125, worked 1:15 into the first period before recording a pin. An unknown before the season started, Dave Stouffer, is making everybody sit up and take notice as he continues to enjoy much success. Stouffer posted a 10-3 win at 135 pounds.

Jeff Hoffman wrestling at 140, earned a technical fall with a 16-1 onslaught.  
 Other pins were handed in by Rich Depew, 152; and Rob McGee at 189.  
 Depew posted his at 5:07 of the third period and McGee came off the mat with his pin at 1:42 of the first period.  
 John Rupp, 171, posted an 8-2 victory.  
 "Rich Depew and Dave Stouffer have been terrific," Rivers said. "They've filled in the question mark spots."  
**LOWELL 43 WYOM. PARK 25**  
 "We wrestled well against Wyoming Park, but the boys were not as eager or aggressive as they were against Central," Rivers explains.  
 Lowell recorded five pins and won eight of the 13 matches against a young Viking squad.  
 Lowell's strength has come from the lighter weight classes, 112-135, thus far this season.  
 "Nagy through Stouffer has really been a strong hold

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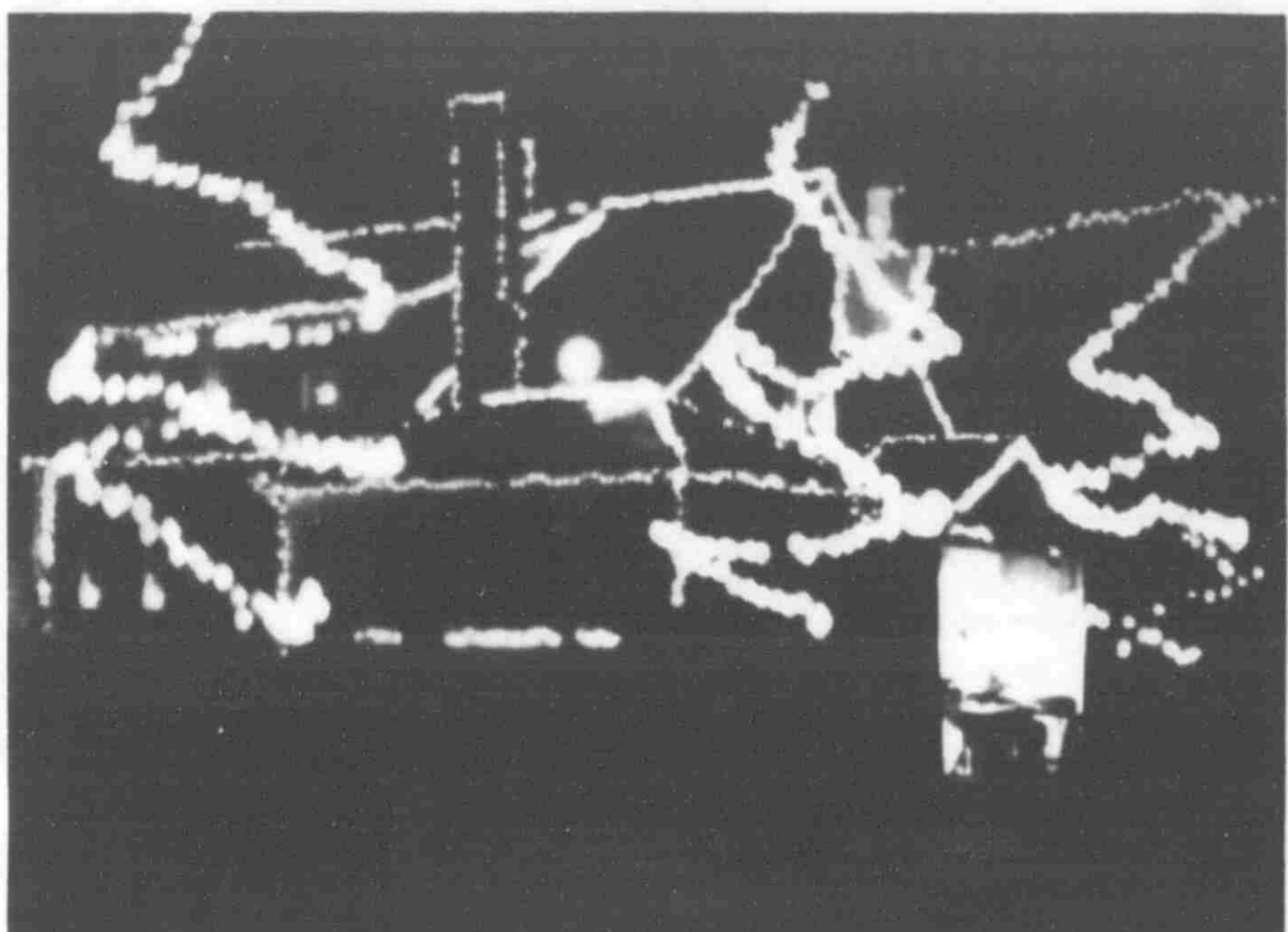
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### Erickson wins residential; Stuckey's top business decorator

Perry Beachum's home at 924 Riverside was decorated with a workshop of elves and an elf orchestra as well this year. Beachum won second place in this year's contest with a prize of \$50.

The annual Chamber of Commerce Lowell Christmas Light Decorating contest winners for both residential and business were announced by the Chamber's John Wilterink.

All houses within the City of Lowell were eligible. There were three judges. In the residential contest, first place received \$100 and second place got \$50. The winning business was given a trophy which will be passed on to the following year's winner.

"The Chamber of Commerce wants to thank everyone that decorated their house with lights," Wilterink said. "The judges enjoyed the

many different lighting sights." The 1989 residential winner was John Erickson of 517 Avery. Second place went to last year's winner Perry Beachum of 924 Riverside Dr.

The winning business decoration trophy was awarded to Stuckey's Amoco, 403 W. Main.

Murray Lake residents also held a Christmas house decorating contest. The top three residents received cash prizes. Richard and Sharon Wierczk were the 1989 winners. Terry and Marilyn Conley were second while Ed and Terry Nausieda placed third.

Earning honorable mention were Chris Kropf and Ken Hoogewind family.

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### IN MEMORIAM

**IN MEMORY OF Calvin D. Miller**, who passed away 1 year ago, December 29, 1988.

With tearful eyes we watched you suffer, And saw you fade away. Although I loved you dearly, I could not make you stay. To know your pain and suffering is gone, When God called you home and God gave us the strength to carry on. Nothing can ever take away the love a heart holds dear. The memories linger everyday keeping you forever near.

Sadly missed and always loved  
By Wife, Betty & Family  
P7

**IN LOVING MEMORY** - of my husband, Charles (Chuck) Shaw, who passed away suddenly two years ago, New Years Eve.  
Margaret Shaw  
P7

**WELCOME TO AMERICA**  
POP. 50,155,783

In the year 1880 the population of the United States was 50,155,783.

## this week's SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

### Lowell Area Schools Lunch Menu Week of Jan. 8, 1990

**MONDAY:**  
Ravioli or Burritos, cabbage slaw or vegetable, french bread w/honey butter, choice of fresh or canned fruit, milk

**TUESDAY:**  
Fruit Juice, pizza w/meat and cheese, salad or carrot sticks, assorted fruits or pudding, milk.

**WEDNESDAY:**  
Hot ham and cheese sandwich or barbecue beef on a bun, lettuce salad w/dressing, steamed corn or spinach, chilled fruits or jello, cookies or bars, milk.

**THURSDAY:**  
Oven baked chicken or fish nuggets, mashed potatoes or rice and gravy, seasoned green beans or beets, biscuits w/honey, jello w/whip or fruit, milk.

**FRIDAY:**  
Lowell Red Arrows sub or bologna sandwiches, tater tots w/catsup, soup or salad, fruit or jello, milk  
There is also a 3rd choice everyday of a chef salad for students in the middle and high schools.

Prices of lunches to students includes milk. Elementary \$1.00, Middle and Senior High \$1.05.

## CITY OF LOWELL

### PUBLIC NOTICE

The Lowell City Council will conduct a public hearing on:

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 2, 1990 at 7:30 P.M.**

for the purpose of receiving comments from the public on a proposed Junk Vehicle Ordinance. The proposed ordinance prohibits the keeping of dismantled, partially dismantled or inoperable motor vehicles, boats, machinery, equipment or parts on any parcel of property within the City except where it is allowed by the zoning ordinance or except as it may be kept entirely within an enclosed building.

Interested persons may submit written comments or appear in person at City Hall, 301 E. Main St., Lowell, Michigan.

Betty R. Morlock  
Deputy City Clerk

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