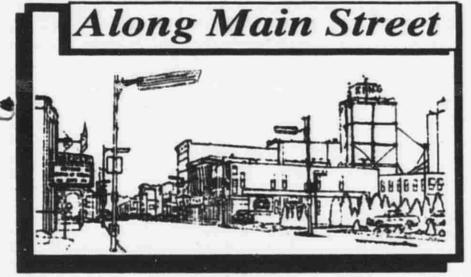
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COUPON BOOKS

Premier Marketing will be distributing Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce sponsored coupon books. The coupons will be from local businesses.

SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

The Lowell Jaycees will be sponsoring a softball tournament on August 14 and 15.

Class C double elimination tournament, 1st 16 teams to register at \$100 each.

All proceeds will be donated to the Creekside Park Playground fund. For details please contact Carl Stanford, 897-9788 or Dan Phillips, 897-8656.

TENNIS CAMP

Lowell School's tennis camp will run from Tuesday, July 27 through Monday, August 2. The sessions will be 9 to 11 a.m. for high school students and 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. for middle school students.

The cost is \$10 per participant. For information, call Wendy Ackermann, 455-5621.

COMMODITIES DISTRIBUTION

Commodities will be distributed Thursday, July 29, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Moose Recreational Building, 1320 E. Main.

Those who have to re-register, must have proof and source

YMCA SUMMER CLUB HOUSE SPLASH TRIP CHANGED

Due to a conflict with Splash Water Park, the field trip scheduled for Friday, July 30 will now be held on Thursday, July 29.

This one day trip is open to all ages three to 12. Call the YMCA for registration information at 897-8445.

Vandalism threatens play in the park

By Thad Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

The high cost of the work of a few at Stoney-Lakeside Park may jeopardize the immense enjoyment of the masses.

The month of July is roughly 1-1/2 weeks from being over and \$804 worth of vandalism has already been incurred at Stoney-Lakeside Park according to Parks, Street Supervisor Dan DesJarden.

"The vandalism I'm talking about includes tearing down the panels, ripping the urinals and sinks out of the wall, and ripping the toilet paper dispensers off the wall. The dispensers don't sound like a lot, but when you're replacing 18 in a week it begins to add up," DesJarden said.

mons and DesJarden reported the problem to the Council and asked what it wanted done.



Beach parties could be in jeopardy if vandalism continues at Stoney-Lakeside Park.

The Council motioned that the park be opened at dawn and closed at dusk. It also discussed looking into hidden cameras and possibly offer-Police Chief Barry Em- ing a \$100 reward leading to the arrest and conviction on the culprits.

"It's a shame a few don't

take more pride in their community. If the cost to keep the park open grows too great we will have to shut it down," Lowell Mayor James Maatman said. It's a shame a few willingly can destroy something so nice. It's incredible that this kind of mentality is

out there."

Emmons reminded the Council that vandalism has not just been a problem at Stoney-Lakeside Park. "The Showboat experienced it and one of the veteran's memorial monuments on Main Street

Vandalism, cont'd., pg. 8

Showboat floats date back to July

By Thad Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Heeding the call to move the Showboat to a month which is statistically drier, the Lowell Showboat Board voted Monday night to float the Showboat down the Flat River on the third weekend in July (14-15-16).

Over the past 3-5 years, the Showboat has fought mother nature's thunderous weather forecast.

This year's rainout of the Sandi Patti show provided the rain drops that floated the Showboat out of June and back into July.

"I think the Board grew tired of the yearly frustration the Showboat seemed to encounter with inclement weather on the third weekend in June and felt a change was necessary," Lowell Showboat President Thad Kraus said. "Each of the past three years I've been involved with the Showboat, inclement weather has made an impact on Show-

boat weekend. Most notably

with the Wayne Newton show and this year with Sandi Patti."

Kraus also noted that while there has been public sentiment each of the last three years for a change of date, this year the letters and telephone calls urging movement by the board in this direction

Showboat, cont'd., pg. 8

Fresh is the specialty at Lowell's new produce market

By Thad Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Its owner has built Cumberland Marketplace based upon what its customers have told him to buy.

"Every time a customer spends money here they are

we carry is better than someplace else," said Cumberland Marketplace owner, Jeff Roys. Roys describes Cumber-

voting "yes" that the produce

land Marketplace, 11250 E. Fulton (M-21), as a specialty produce shop bent on providing the best service.

"I built this place based upon what the people said they wanted," Roys said.

Beyond produce, the year round marketplace also provides its customers with a full line of dairy items, a full service garden center, and Roys said it is working toward a full service floral shop and bakery.

Roys's market is patterned after Westborn Market in Detroit. "Eventually we will sell fresh everything," he says.

The Ada resident wasn't even fresh out of middle school when he began working for a local grocery store at the age of 13. He stayed there working for 10 years, before starting his own financial se-

curities, investments and insurance business in 1984-85. "I knew after 2-1/2 years that it wasn't what I wanted to do," Roys remarks.

After a stay at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel as a beverage buyer, Roys went back to what he loved, he landed a job at Kingma Produce.

After five years, Roys outgrew his position, and decided at that time he needed to move

Next stop - Lowell.

Cumberland Marketplace, open Monday through Saturday 7 a.m. until 9 p.m. and Sunday, 11 a.m. until 7 p.m., first opened on April 30.

"I decided right then that we are going to be here 20 years," Roys smiles. "I look forward to coming to work every morning. "Sure there are frustrations of opening a business, but I love working each day."

The Ada resident remem-

bers as a youth going into a Ma and Pa Spartan grocery store. "It was a big deal to me that someday I get to press the stamper on the cans," he

The owner of that Ma and Pa grocery store was Ray Dumas, who advised Roys not to open his own business because he'd have to work too hard. "I told him I already do," Roys laughs.

The owner says Cumberland Marketplace will be open year-round. "I want this place to be 3-4 times larger a year from now," he explained. "In this business you can never be content. I'm going to stumble forward. Someone once said if you stumble forward 30 straight times in a football game. you'll score a touchdown."

Roys, hasn't scored a touchdown vet, but since April he's been marching forward.

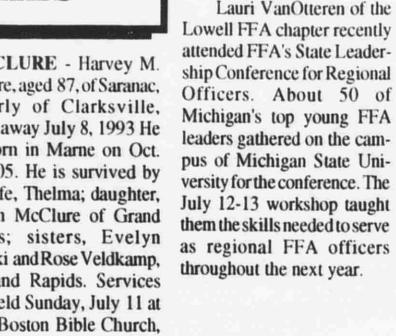


Juanita Baldwin and Jeff Roys, owner of Cumberland Marketplace, hold up some fresh fruit at Lowell's new produce store.

OBITUARIES

PITSCH - Grampa Ray MC CLURE - Harvey M Pitsch, aged 89, died Thursday, July 15, 1993. He is sur- formerly of Clarksville, vived by his brothers, Norman Pitsch of Alto, Charles Pitsch was born in Marne on Oct. of Ohio; sisters, Edna Heregge 24, 1905. He is survived by of Campau Lake, Louis Rich of Grand Rapids; grandchildren, Ray Murray of Lake Rapids; sisters, Evelyn Odessa, Patrick Murray of Rozenki and Rose Veldkamp, KY, Alice and Don Sleeman of Grand Rapids. Services of Sunfield, Pauline and Harold Evertte of Clarksville; South Boston Bible Church. 12 great-grandchildren. Fu- Rev. Ronald Tuinstra officineral services were held Monday at Roth-Gerst Chapel, Cemetery. Rev. Bruce Sabados officiat-

McClure, aged 87, of Saranac, passed away July 8, 1993 He his wife, Thelma; daughter, Ethelyn McClure of Grand were held Sunday, July 11 at ating. Burial was at Saranac





Lauri VanOtteren

Elected by their peers, daughter of Dave and Betti regional FFA officers are VanOtteren, of Lowell

ity of coordinating the activi-FFA is a national organities in each of Michigan's eight zation for students interested FFA regions. Officers from in agriculture. It encourages each region plan and direct personal, academic and leadtheir own yearly camp to teach ership development other FFA members leader-

Region 5 Reporter and is the

ship skills.

Scholarships provide Kaeb with 1/4 of her tuition at MSU

VanOtteren attends leadership conference

scholarships to attend Michi-

or approximately \$4,000 to-

tive 4-H'er for nine years, serving as president of one 4-H club for four years and vice president of another for three H activities.

"4-H has given me the opportunity to explore a wide variety of project areas and to learn more about myself and "Through 4-H, I have been able to put my ideas into ac-

awarded annually to Michi-

levels and proven leadership and citizenship abilities both inside and outside of their 4.

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

> > MONDAYS: Overeaters One, 7:30 p.m. at Saranac Anonymous New meeting. 7:30 p.m. at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. 10305 Bluewater Hwy.,

Lowell. Call 361-5463.

Come join us!

All are welcome.

"Coming Events" are free

organization in the Lowell

area. We prefer such no-

lices to be kept brief and to

be submitted by mail, but

SECOND MONDAY OF

at 897-9261.

EACH MONTH: Golden Ages meet 6 p.m. at Hale House (Senior Neighbors, 314 S. Hudson). Potluck.

EVERY MON .: Boy Scout children grow through the SATURDAYS & SUN-Troop 102, for boys 11 and up, or completing the 5th grade, will meet from 7 to year, in the Scout Cabin, at the end of North Washington Street. Enjoy activities like hiking and camping and 2ND WEDNESDAY: Men's lifetime. For more information call 897-8829.

SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH: The cal Society will hold its Alzheimers Support Group regular meetings at the Township Office, 6059 Linfield E., Alto. The meeting is at 7:30 p.m.

FOURTH MONDAY OF EVERY FIRST WEDNES-EACH MONTH: American Legion Clark-Ellis Post 152 at Lowell VFW Hall, 307 E. City Hall. New members Main St. at 8 p.m.

DAY: Lowell Lions Club community involvement.

MON .: 8 a.m. Walkers.

TUES .: 8 a.m. Walkers

WED .: 12:45 p.m. Shop-

THURS .: 9:30 a.m. Bingo.

FRI.: 8 a.m. Walkers.

ping assistance.

1 p.m. Euchre.

Notices in The Ledger's meets at 6:30 p.m. at Look THURSDAYS - Take Off Memorial Fire Station, of charge to any non-profit South Hudson, Lowell.

Ada, Alto, and Saranac EVERY 1 ST & 3RD TUES-**DAY** - V.F.W. Post 8303 meets at the V.F.W. Clubroom, 307 E. Main St., will accept notices by phone Lowell at 8:00 p.m.

TUESDAYS - Take Off SECOND MONDAY Pounds Sensibly Tops #M EACH MONTH: The South 1372 meets every Tuesday Kent 4-H group regular evening at the Lowell Congregational Church meetings at 7 p.m. in the Aito Elementary School basement. Corner of Spring and Hudson Sts. Weighins at 5:45 p.m.

EACH MONTH: The Lowell EVERY SECOND FOURTH TUES.: Qua-Ke-Area Schools Board of Education meets at 7:30 p.m. Zik Sportsmen's Club in the Board of Education meets at 8 p.m. at the Club office located in the Middle building at 1400 Foreman Road, Lowell School, 12675 Foreman

> SECOND TUES. OF **EVERY MONTH:** Lowell youth football meetings at 7 p.m. at the Lowell High School. Everyone wel-

> **EVERY TUES.:** Support Community Church.

WEDNESDAY: Rollaway Ltd. Senior Bowling, 1 p.m. 55 and over.

EVERY WED .: Royal SECOND MONDAY OF Rangers for the boys at 7 p.m. Sonshine Adventure Team for the girls for kids kindergarten and up. Christ Ambassadors for the youth (7 thru 12 grades) Chris- Showboat Network. tian Clubs to help our means of achievement programs, special activities, crafts, and basic moral learning. For more info, call Christian Life Center, 3050 Alden Nash S.E., 897-1100

> breakfast at Lowell Senior Center, 314 S. Hudson St. Call 897-5949 for reserva-

FIRST WEDNESDAY EACH MONTH: meets at 6:30 p.m. at Cumberland Retirement Village. Phone 897-4810 for information.

DAY: Lowell Area Jaycees meet at 7 p.m. at the Lowell welcomed. Membership 21-39 years of age. Lead-EVERY1ST&3RDTUES- ership training through LOWELL LIBRARY

> **LOWELL SENIOR NEIGHBORS CALENDAR** 897-5949

> > FRI., JULY 23: Seminar

on arthritis, 12:45 p.m.

Special Events

Make noon meal reservations three

working days in advance.

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

FIRST AND THIRD THURSDAY: The Alto Lions Club meets at Dari's at

SECOND **EVERY** THURSDAY: Lowell VFW Auxiliary No. 8303 meets July. at 3:30 p.m. at the VFW Post, 307 W. Main Street.

2ND THURSDAY EACH

MONTH: All Lowell area senior citizens are cordially invited to attend the Lowel Community Education lunch and learn at 12 p.m., at Lowell High School. The cost of lunch for 1992-93 school year is \$2.20. Call Marge at 897-8434 to make your reservation and learn about the program to be

presented.

SATURDAYS - Take Off Pounds Sensibly Tops #MI 1493 meets every Sat. at 9:00 a.m. in the Congregational Church basement in Lowell. Corner of Spring and Hudson Sts. weigh-ins from 8:30 a.m. to 8:50 a.m.

EVERY SAT. - Lowell In- "Buds To Bloom." dependent Amateur Radio Operators sponsor an information net on Frequency 147,420 Simplex - Lowell

DAYS: New hours at the Fallasburg Schoolhouse Museum, 2-6 p.m. "Across the Covered Bridge from Fallasburg Park."

EVERY THIRD SUN.: The Flat River Snowmobile Club meets at the clubhouse at, 18841 Potters Rd. Just east of Montcalm Ave. at 1 p.m. New members and quests are welcome.

WOMEN OF THE MOOSE: Business meeting is held the third Monday of each month, at 8 p.m.

LOWELL AREA ARTS COUNCIL: 149 S. Hudson St. Hours: Monday thru Friday, 1 to 5 p.m.; Saturdays and Sundays, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Closed holidays Phone 897-8545.

JULY 28:

Women's traveling break-

fast, 7:45 a.m.

COMINGEVENTS

HOURS: Open Mon. 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Wed., 12:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and Fri. & Sat., 12:30 to 5:30 VanderVeen, Priscilla Lussmyer, Esther Clemenz **ALTO LIBRARY HOURS:** & Connie O'Dell. Program Open Tues. 12 - 8 p.m.; Gerontology Network of Thurs. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; West Michigan; Susan

Marian Lee.

Marks, speaker. Sponsor,

SAT., AUG 14: LHS Class

of 1933 60 year reunion.

Classes of '32 & 34 are

invited. Call or write Dora

Lowell, MI 49331 or Orison

Mary Condon, 897-7092.

AUG. 28 & 29: Coin.

Stamp, Sportscard Show

at the North Kent Mall,

Plainfield and 5 Mile Rd.,

JULY: The Keenagers will not meet in the month of

Sat. 9a.m. to 12p.m. Phone

868-6038

SAT., JULY 24: Vacation Jane Cook, 676-0777. Bible School at Saranac 12160 Vergennes Road, Community Church from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for ages 4 -Weaver 676-2550, P.O. 6th-grade. Registration at Box 134 Ada, MI 49301.

SAT., JULY 24: Jim Northrup, former Tiger outfielder and current sports announcer on PASS T.V., will be at the Coin, Stam, Token & Baseball Card Show at Breton Village Mall, corner of Breton & Burton, Grand Rapids from 1 to 3 p.m. giving free autographs. The show will be from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. No admission charge.

Grand Rapids. Hours are TUES., JULY 27: Miriam Saturday from 10 a.m. to 9 Sanford will be the guest of p.m. and Sunday from 12 Steve Howard for Viewpoint on Ionia WION radio. Disscussion will focus on

JULY 30 & 31: Federated Garden Clubs of Michigan presents their second annual standard flower show at Belding Covered Village Mall. Open to public Friday from 3 to 8 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. 5 p.m. No admission charge. For more information call Miriam Sanford 794-3457 or Regina Mason 794-3252. Deadline for pre-entry is July 21, call Sylvia Phenix 794-1293.

TUES., AUG. 3: Grattan Township Historical Society meets at 7 p.m. at Grattan Museum, Old Belding Road. Attorney David L. Carrier will speak on Living Wills and Trusts. For more information call Regina Mason at 794-3252.

THURS., AUG. 5: Ver-No admission charge. gennes Cooperative Club meets at Schneider Manor at 1 p.m. Hostesses, Eunice

SAT., SEPT. 11: South High School Class of 1948 reunion at Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza, 5700 28th St. S.E., Grand Rapids. Contact person, Donna Veneklasen, 1661 Acacia Dr. N.W., Grand Rapids MI 49504, (616) 453-4642.

SEPT. 18-24: Senior Citizen Atlantic Seaboard trip. 7 days/6 nights. Tours, shows, and more. Cost is \$499. For more info call Mary Condon at 897-7092.

OCT. 5, 6 & 7: Mackinaw Island Senior Citizen Get-Together at the Grand AUG. 28 - SEPT. 3: 2nd Hotel. To make your reser-Annual Senior Citizen's vations send your name, Spectacular Holiday 7 address and \$25 deposit to days/6 nights. Myrtle Mary Crawford Condon. Beach, Carolina Opry, The 13297 3 Mile Rd, Lowell, Dixie Jubilee & Charleston. MI 49331 or call 897-7092. Tour cost, \$549. Deposit of Total package cost, \$325. \$25 due at registration. Call

> SAT., OCT. 16: Christmas "Under the Pines Bazaar' at Vergennes United Methodist Church, (corner of Bailey & Parnell), from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lunch, cookie walk and drawing for a hand knit afghan.

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VERGENNES TOWNSHIP **NOTICE OF CANCELLATION**

The public hearing scheduled by the Vergennes Township Planning Commission for Wednesday, August 4, 1993 is cancelled. The hearing was originally scheduled to consider a request for the rezoning of about 150 acres in the SW 1/ 4 of Section 34 from R-1, Low Density Residential to R-2, Medium Density Single Family Residen-

OF PUBLIC HEARING

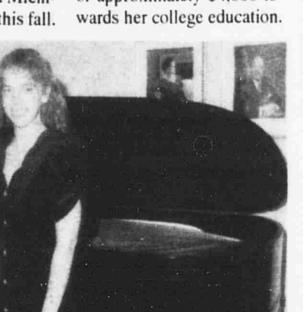
The owners of the subject parcel have withdrawn their request to rezone the property.

IMPROVEMENT

PROGRAMS

Chairman

Heidi M. Kaeb, of Lowell, The scholarships provide one is one of seven Michigan high fourth tuition for each of the school seniors awarded 4-H student's four years at MSU, gan State University this fall. wards her college education.



Heidi Kaeb, of Lowell, was awarded one of seven 4-H scholarships to Michigan State University. Heidi, pictured my interests", Heidi said. at 4-H Exploration Days at MSU, June 23-25, with William Turner, director of MSU Admissions, will major in agriculture and natural resources.

School. She has been an ac-

charged with the responsibil-

VanOtteren serves as the

She was a Michigan delgress as a state 4-H award winner and also represented in 4-Hat all levels," said Sandy the state at Citizenship Wash- Smith, Extension 4-H Youth ington Focus in 1991. She was Agent for Kent County. also part of the team of 4structed the 18 foot metal MSU. sculpture of a housefly for the Impression 5 Museum display Bug's Eye View."

4-H scholarships are and Family Programs.

Kaeb, daughter of Curt gan 4-H teens. Selection is and Luanne Kaeb, graduated based on academic achieveeighth in her class of 251 stu- ment; 4-H involvement and dents from Lowell High accomplishments at county regional, state and national

"There is never enough space to share the vast contri egate to National 4-H Con- butions this young lady has made and continues to make

She will major in agricul-H'ers who created and con- ture and natural resources at

> Michigan 4-H scholarship recipients are selected by a committee made out of MSU admissions and scholarships officials and state 4-H youth program staff members.

Michigan 4-H Youth Programs is a division of the Michigan State University Extension Children, Youth

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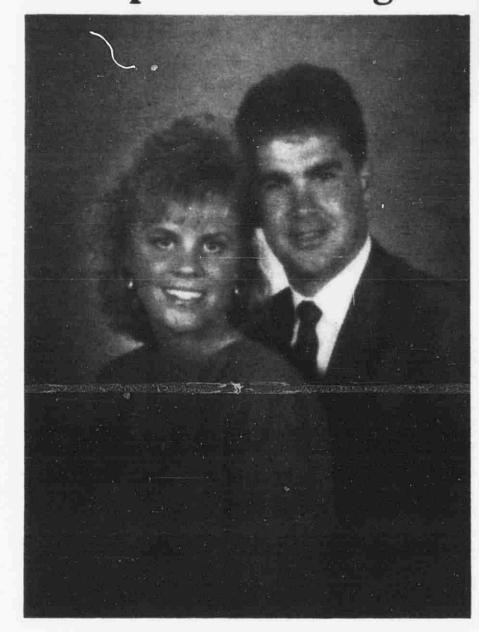
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Crawford & Bowling set for Sept. 10 wedding



Deborah Crawford and Richard Bowling

Mrs. and Mrs. Chris Crawford of Lowell are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Deborah Kay to Richard James Bowling, son of Mr. of Middleville.

The future bride is a Insurance. graduate of Lowell High

ior College. She is currently working for Amway.

The future groom is a graduate of Catholic Central High School and a graduate of Michigan State University. and Mrs. William Bowling. He is currently employed by North Western Mutual Life

A September 10, 1993 School and Grand Rapids Jun- wedding is planned.

Summer reading program nears close

County Library System are on Friday, July 30 at 2 p.m. sponsoring a summer reading For more information call club celebration to wind up 897-9596. the "Read Together - Share the Fun" summer reading program. Children of all ages are invited to a "Beverly Cleary film fest." featuring movies to register. and refreshments.

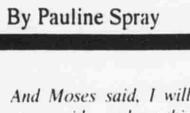
The free program lasts about an hour and registration is required.

The celebration will be reading club this year. held at the Lowell branch li-

Areabranches of the Kent brary, 325 West Main Street,

The celebration is scheduled at the Alto branch, 6059 Linfield, on Thursday, August 5 at 3 p.m. Call 868-6038

Summer readers have a good reason to celebrate. More than 13,000 children and adults participated in the



now turn aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt (Exodus 3:3).

Curiosity may have killed a cat, but without it life would be extremely dull. A child's natural curiosity enables him to learn that fire is hot, ice is cold, water is wet, and candy is pleasant to the taste. Curiosity causes the scientist to unravel the mysteries of nature and the inventor to produce new mechanisms for our use. Without curiosity, the student's thirst for knowledge

would not be satisfied. Moses exhibited natural curiosity while he was keeping the flock of his father-inlaw on the mountainside. At Mt. Horeb he encountered an amazing spectacle, a burning day. bush which was not consumed. Answering an inner

urge to investigate this phenomenon, Moses heard God speaking to him and assigning him a special service.

Homespun

Devotions

When we show an inquisitiveness toward the things of God, He is ready to reveal His mysteries to us. If we draw nigh to Him and listen carefully, we may hear Him speaking. God may give "a special assignment" to us, too.

Prayer: Dear God, hast Thou "a special assignment" for me? Reveal Thy will to me, and I'll gladly obey.

Whatever errand Thou hast,

Send me, and I'll obey. Use me in any way Thou wilt, And make me a blessing to-

J. H. ZELLEY

Church of Nazarene recognized for achievement

the Nazarene has been recognized by the International Church of the Nazarene, as congregation at the Michigan well as the Michigan District District Church of the Nazarenes in a recent cer- Nazarene's annual Assembly, emony. Under the leadership July 6, at Indian Lake of Pastor Gregory Freed, the Nazarene Camp and Confer-Elmdale Church has excelled ence Center, near Vicksburg, in five areas of church growth. MI.

The areas are: 1. at least a 3 percent increase in church membership; 2. at least a 5 percent increase in Sunday School attendance; 3. at least a 5 percent increase in morning worship attendance; 4. all district regional and general assessments paid in full; 5. giving at least 10 percent of all monies spent for world missionary evangelism.

General

The Elmdale Church of Superintendent's Great Commission Award, Gold, was presented to the pastor and

Dr. C. Neil Strait, superintendent of the 81 churches Michigan District of which the Elmdale church is a part, says: "The awards confirm spiritual leadership and a commitment to the Great Commission of Jesus.

> The church is located between Alto and Clarksville on Elmdale Road. It will celebrate its 75th anniversary May 1, 1994.

VOWS SPOKEN



Angela and Dennis Blough

Clarksville, were united in was Tiffany Venneman. marriage on May 22, 1993.

Church of Lowell.

Mandy Schneider, Amy Debbie Shepard were brides- Barnhart.

Angela Rae Sharpe and maids. Junior bridesmaid was Dennis Ray Blough of Cyndi Blough and flower girl Best man was W.J. Price

The wedding took place with Pat Schaeffer, Pat at First United Methodist Harkness, Chad Sayen, Jerry Bellah and Mike Shepard, Maid of honor was Nikki serving as groomsmen. Sharpe and Jenni Gnass, Ringbearer was Isaac Blough.

Ushers were Scott Gnass. Meyer, Ann Bellah and Tom McDonough, and Steve

TO MRS. POMPER'S 1ST GRADE CLASS We had our baby. Brynlee Jean Pomper.

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houghts

1893-1993. 100 years.

52 papers a year or 52,000 editions, minus some of the weeks that were combined into one or there wasn't a paper printed

This week's paper, as Ledger subscribers may have already taken note, has a special centennial edition inserted into it. The 100 page centennial edition highlights all the people, places and things that have helped form Lowell into what it is today.

The Lowell Ledger's first edition was published on July 1 of 1893, long before the days of rural free delivery. Saturday was its publication day because that was the day farmers came into town to do their weekly shopping. The automobile had not yet made its appearance; Dobbin furnished the motive power and the people rode in buggies and lumber wagons; horses

summer and knee deep with mud in the fall and spring seasons; people used cutters and bobsleighs in the winter; stores kept open every night until a late hour; street lighting came from business district; sidewalks were made of wooden planks; the Today there are automobiles of all shapes, sizes and colors,

Viewpoint...

horses are left for recreational riding and pulling buggies and racing. The Ledger is mailed out to its subscribers and can be allows two strangers to converse over coffee. It seeks out the purchased at any number of businesses in town. The paper cost \$10 a year if a person lives in Kent County and \$14 if they live outside of Kent County, or 25 cents a copy. Stores remain open until early evening, with the exception of the grocery stores, which remain open until 10-11 p.m. Street lights are now fueled by electricity.

While much has changed over the 100 years, there are the constants. People, as far back as the Ledger is old, have complained about taxes. They have been concerned about the decisions made by its town or city forefathers. School enrollment has been documented throughout, as have finances for educating the area youth. Whether it was before becoming a city or when it was a village, Lowell's people have always rallied behind a crisis and helped ailing or struggling neighbors.

According to a study done by the Michigan Press Associa-

were tied to hitching rails; the main thoroughfare was known tion, the Ledger is the 101st weekly newspaper to celebrate its as Bridge Street, later changed to Main Street; there were no centennial in the state of Michigan. Before this year ends, 104 pavements and people traveled on dirt roads, dusty in the Michigan weekly newspapers will be at least 100 years old.

So why has the Ledger endured? How has it remained a valued entity in the community?

Because it is a friend to anyone who has picked up the paper oil-burning lamps on top of posts at intersections in the once or 1,000 times. Its power is that it is able to arouse all the emotions. The Ledger informs. People have an endless desire paper cost \$1 for the year, a little less than two cents an issue. to learn, to know what's happening with its neighbor or someone on the other end of town. It is that fiber that keeps all who choose to look inside, interwoven, connected; it opinion and thought of, not just city dignitaries, but that of all. It nourishes community spirit and involvement. Maybe more so than any other medium, a weekly newspaper is assessible.

> From its founder Frank M. Johnson, right on through to its current publisher, Roger Brown, the Ledger has always always been a reflection of the town's people and events.

Work on the special centennial edition began six months ago. The work was long and ardous but very much rewarding and informative.

It is my hope that the historical perspective on Lowell, through the 100-year old eyes of the Ledger, is eye opening and most informative and entertaining.

For many, the information in the 100-page edition will stir up flashbacks, for others it will help link parts of this community's history together.

Priscilla

100 YEARS AGO IN THE JOURNAL - JULY 19, 1893 Directors vote to close the World's Fair on Sundays again; Many have changed their minds because appar-

ently people are boycotting the fair on Sundays, creating financial losses. The firemen, in need of money, will hold a series of of Lowell First United Meth-

dances during fair week in October. A song and prayer service and organization of a community:

Sunday School will be held at Foxes Corners schoolhouse next Sunday afternoon.

A long bright streak in the sky last Sunday night is attributed to the aftermath of a comet or the aurora A Paris paper worries that America, having less debt

and far fewer in the military than European countries, will rapidly gain a huge advantage in world commerce.

75 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - JULY 18, 1918 Red Cross benefit this Thursday at City Hall by the Grand Rapids East End Glee Club.

The Military Training organization of Kent District #2 is formed, to furnish before-draft practice in military drill for young men, keep contact and send packages during service and help secure employment for them after

Sugar cards will be issued next Monday to grocery customers; canners may apply for more than one. The food administrator's office will penalize those who apply at more than one store.

The Grand Rapids Citizens League says that saloon substitutes are not needed, that many saloons have converted to lunch/lounge/card games rooms and are enjoying the better quality of customers since the Prohibition Amendment took effect.

War Time, says Common Council. Businesses, farmers, the county and organizations have put on the pressure.

50 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - JULY 22, 1943

The University of Michigan promises a tuition scholarship to one outstanding Lowell student per year. Oklahoma Poet Laureate Jennie Harris Oliver, who recently was published in Woman's Day, was the daugh-

ter of former Lowellites Rev. and Mrs. Harris. Guy Monks brings in the first load of wheat this

Congressman Bartel Jonkman is the speaker for

Rotary; among other things he accuses the NRA brain trust of trying to take over the country through the OPA.

price administration). After three months of Eastern War Time, alone in Kent County, Lowell clocks will be turned back to Central 25 YEARS AGO IN THE LEDGER - JULY 18, 1968

> Protests about the city sign ordinance may result in some changes. Maintenance at the pool and fieldhouse also come up as a matter of concern. Also, the need for a sound system in the council chambers.

> (NRA: depression-fostored jobs program; OPA; office of

The city and Vergennes Township are dickering over the city's possible purchase from John Gerhart of 39 acres in the township for city cemetery, recreation and

Sidewalk Days rates a full-page ad plus several smaller ones and the Plymouth ad magnifies the front end of an already very large car.

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TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

I am writing with regard

to the recent decision made

by the Lowell City Council as

to how many dogs a resident

may have in his/her home. I

Dear Editor:

To the members and friends odist Church and the Lowell

After eleven wonderful am shocked that a law was years in the Lowell Commupassed that didn't include a nity, we're beginning to get "grandfather clause." Does the settled in Grand Ledge. Need-Council really expect the less to say, we feel rootless, Ericksons or other loving dog but we know that it won't be owners to give up any of their long and we'll be immersed in pets. Take care of the barking Grand Ledge as we were in dogs! Go after the people who Lowell. abuse their animals! Leave This open letter comes to these kind people and their

say "thank you" to each and to all of you who have accepted our friendship and leadership during our tenure in the City. in Lowell. We have appreciated warm and willing hearts during our ministry in Lowell as well as the community spirit which makes Lowell unique and adds so much to the community. May it continue in the years ahead. Thanks again!

> W. J. (Bill) Amundsen, Cathy, Jennifer & Jon

Health With Drs. Paul Gauthier, Jim Lang & Joyce deJong

INCREASING POTASSIUM INTAKE

Many patients have been told to increase their potassium intake, especially if they are taking a diuretic mediation for high blood pressure or other medical problems. Potassium is found in many different foods and some studies have even shown that eating foods high in potassium may help control blood pressure in some people. Diuretics act on the kidneys to decrease the total amount of water in the body, they also lower the blood pressure moderately. Certain diuretics can also loving animals alone. My deplete the body of potassium, an important electrolyte that heart goes out to the Ericksons plays a role in many vital functions.

and other pet owners who live Foods that are rich in potassium include bananas, cantaloupe, honey dew melons, watermelons, strawberries and the citrus fruits. Fruit juices like orange juice, tomato juice, apple juice and prune juice also are a good source for natural potassium supplementation Some vegetables high in potassium are potatoes, carrots, beets, celery, spinach and tomatoes. Proteins that are high in potassium are red beans, lean meat, chicken, turkey and tuna.

If you are not taking a diuretic medication you will probably get enough potassium by eating your usual diet. Some people taking certain medications for blood pressure called "ACE inhibitor" should probably avoid excessive potassium

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Also, besides a revocable liv-

swer to your first question is

Health, cont'd...

intake. Patients with a history of renal failure should also avoid extra potassium intake.

Sometimes your doctor will prescribe a potassium medication in order to maintain the proper electrolyte balance in the body. If you have been prescribed potassium to take along with other medications be sure to take it as directed because a low potassium level may lead to adverse affects from certain heart medications.

BOWNE **TOWNSHIP ALTO**

Downtown **Development Authority Monthly Report June 1993**

\$300.00

\$300.00

Hi Fi Account #40-51330

Beginning Balance:

\$193,247,37

Income:

Summer Taxes Winter Taxes Interest Earned

Rent Income-

Munger-May Total Income:

Disbursements: Transferred to

General Account

\$30,000.00

Total Disbursements:

Ending Balance:

\$163,547.37

General Checking Account #41-05686

Beginning Balance:

\$994.92

Income: Transferred from

\$30,000.00 Hi Fi Account

Disbursements Operating

Publishing Lowell Ledger \$204.36

Projects

Munger Store Maintenance-Snow Removal Munger Store

Repairs -Moss Builders \$15,000.00

Downtown Design Plan-Progressive Engineering \$110.42

Total Disbursements: \$15,314,78

Ending Balance-General Account \$15,680.14

Ending Balance - Hi Fi & General \$179,227.51

Connie Vaughan Treasurer

THE RESIDENCE OF THE PERSON OF

tate planning is an important process that everyone should undertake not only for their benefit, but for the benefit of their family. As a result, you strategies. Good luck. will want to make sure that you are advised properly and DEAR JONATHAN: 1 am that your estate planning documents are properly pre-

pared. Also from what I have seen, most of the "living trust" kits offered at seminars are much more expensive than a living trust drafted by an estate planning attorney.

As to your second question, it is hard to comment on what other types of estate planning documents you need without having more information. Generally speaking, however, you should also have a will. Even if you plan on transferring all of your assets into your trust at the time you execute the document, a will will protect you in the event you have any assets in your own name at the time of your death. If you do not have a will at the time of your death, then any assets owned by you outside of your trust will pass under the state's intestacy laws to those beneficiaries set forth

Also, your will allows you to name the personal representative of your estate and if you have minor children, i allows you to name who you would like to see act as guardian and conservator of your minor children.

under the state's distribution

formula. A living trust is not

one of the beneficiaries named

in that formula.

In addition to the will and trust, there are several other types of estate planning documents which can be implemented on your behalf, depending upon your circumstances and what you are trying to accomplish.

You should consult with a qualified estate planning attorney for the purpose of reviewing your estate planning objectives. At the initial conference, which is free in many cases, the attorney can explain to you the benefits of the

different estate planning documents and strategies and what costs are involved in implementing those documents and

involved in a small business with a friend of mine. My friend's brother, who is an attorney and who is the one who incorporated our business, keeps pestering us to enter into a document he calls a even went so far as to draft an prior history in the business. soon as possible. agreement hoping that would motivate us to sign it. friend is inclined to execute the document, but I am still not quite sure what it is or why we need it. I am also con-

cerned that my friend's brother will protect his interest at my expense. What should I do?

JONATHAN SAYS: Your by Marc Popiolek friend's brother is right in that Contributing Writer a buy and sell agreement probably makes sense in your cirshareholder's lifetime, his out of the system. ability to sell his stock. This type of provision will typically restrict a shareholder shareholders and/or the corporation pursuant to the same erms. In most cases, the remaining shareholders and/or the corporation will purchase the selling shareholder's stock rather than allow him to sell Wells. his stock to a third party

mine what is to happen in the \$23,109, a substantial increase event of a shareholder's death over last years figure of ordisability. Typically, either \$13,787. one of those events will trigshareholder's stock at a price pay to support the system. specified in the agreement. In the case of a shareholder's take some of the burden off death, both the beneficiaries

of the stock of the deceased

shareholder and the remain-

VERGENNES

TOWNSHIP

NOTICE

The Vergennes Township Board will hold a pub-

lic hearing on Monday, August 9, 1993 at the

Vergennes Township Hall, 10381 Bailey Drive, to

receive public comment on a proposed amend-

ment to Section 201.202 CC. of the Vergennes

Township Zoning Ordinance. Section 201.202

CC. concerns the definition of lot width and the

purpose of the proposed amendment is to clarify

This would be accomplished by adding the word

"continuous" to the present definition so that the

amended definition would read as follows (addi-

"Section 201.202 CC. Lot width: The continu-

ous horizontal distance between the side lot

lines measured at the building setback line

A copy of the proposed change can be reviewed

at the Vergennes Township Hall between 9:00

a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays

and Fridays. Written comments will also be con-

sidered if received by the Township Clerk prior to

Jean Hoffman

and at right angles to the lot depth."

7:00 p.m. on August 9, 1993

the measurement of lot width.

tion underlined):

also benefit because they can friend's interest. continue to run the business

ing shareholders would ben-

Since you do not trust your efit. The beneficiaries would friend's brother, I would sug, benefit by being paid for the gest you take the buy and sell deceased shareholder's stock, agreement he drafted to your which represents the deceased own attorney to have it reshareholder's interest in the viewed. This way you can corporation, in that amount make sure that before you sign required by the buy and sell it that it is not only properly agreement. As for the re- prepared but it protects your maining shareholders, they interests as well as your

In any event, you and your without the input or interfer- friend should work together ence of any new shareholders to have a fair buy and sell who have no background or agreement implemented as

Township asks for extension to ponder increased library costs

Lowell Township will ask cumstances. One of the pur- the Kent County Library sysposes of a buy and sell agree- tem for a 30 day extension ment is to restrict, during a before deciding if it will drop for the use of the library. If the

ter the township received con-reach \$64. firmation on the number of from selling his stock to a Lowell Township library us- extension is necessary because third party without first offerers. The library figured that he wants to see what action ing the stock to the remaining 2,425 Lowell residents par-other townships will take. ticipate in the use of the library over the past year.

and sell agreement is to deter- ceiving this years bill of then.

According to Township ger what is known as a "buy- Supervisor John Timpson the out" right which will require new figure was due in part to the other shareholders and/or re-calculating the amount each corporation to purchase that township in Kent County must

"The county wanted to

the city so it re-calculated the figures to have the townships pay a larger portion of the total cost," said Timpson.

Currently each family with a library card pays \$9.50 township drops out of the sys-The extension comes af- tem the cost per family could

Timpson feels the 30-day

"We don't want to just jump to a decision then change "After looking through the our minds when its too late," figures sent to us, the numbers said Timpson. "The supervicome out roughly the same," sors of other townships formed said Township Clerk Carol a committee and when that committee comes up with a The township asked for recommendation we will lis-Another purpose of the buy the confirmation list after re- ten and make our decision

> Without asking for the extension the township would have to either accept the cost of the bill or submit, in writing, its intention to drop out of the system by July 31.

"We want to avoid dropping out of the system, we feel it is a necessary part of Lowell Township," said Timpson.

The Lowell City Directories Are Now Available At The Lowell Ledger Office for 54.00 A Copy -105 N. Broadway, Lowell.

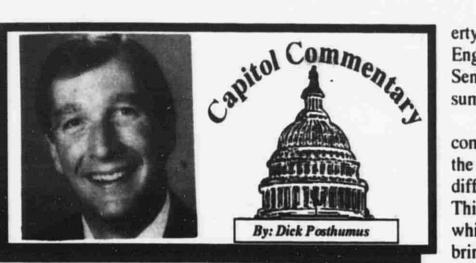
CITY OF LOWELL **PUBLIC NOTICE**

The City of Lowell Planning Commission-Citizen Advisory Committee will conduct a public hearing at their regularly scheduled meeting of Monday, July 26, 1993 at 7:30 p.m. in the City Hall for the purpose of receiving comments from the public on a rezoning request from Roll Away, Ltd., to rezone their east parcel at 825 E. Main Street, parcel #41-20-01-302-005 from R-2 (Residential) to C-2 (General Business).

Interested persons may submit written comments or appear in person at City Hall, 301 E. Main, Lowell, MI 49331.

> Betty R. Morlock **Deputy City Clerk**

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"PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION SUMMIT **JULY 19, 1993**

The defeat of Proposal A has temporarily derailed property tax cuts for Michigan property owners. However, the Legislature last week took a major step toward getting prop-

poured.

pleted.

- Block

erty tax relief for Michigan residents on track again. Governor Engler, Speaker Paul Hillegonds, Co-Speaker Curtis Hertel, Senate Democratic Leader Art Miller and myself held a summit on the whole property tax reform issue.

We agreed to send Senate Bill 146 to a conference committee, where four members of the House and three from the Senate are charged with hammering out the wide range of differences that legislators have had on property tax reform. This committee is charged with finding a common approach, which can pass the full legislature. This spirit of cooperation brings us closer to a solution than we have ever been. The task will not be easy, however, given the enormous differences of views the public holds on this issue. Those differences are clearly reflected by their representatives and senators in Lansing and that has led to defeat of ballot proposals as well as legislative difference in the past. But we need to keep trying to bring property tax cuts to fruition.

New school construction ahead of schedule

By Thad Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Things have been great on both fronts recently for Craig

The job superintendent for the new high school construction project says progress continues to be ahead of schedule.

On the homefront his wife gave birth to a baby boy. Sitework:

- Fencing has continued around the perimeter and stadium areas.

 Athletic equipment (i.e. football goal posts, pole vault pits, discus and shot put pits) have been completed. - Miscellaneous concrete

sidewalks around stadium have been poured. Asphalt paving around

events has been installed. - Topsoil has been spread around athletic areas and around Unit C. The work will continue just east of Unit A this week.

- Curb and gutters in parking lot #3 has been poured. Concrete: - All floor areas have been

poured except the gym and auditorium areas.

- Auditorium roof is rior walls are in progress. Locker building has been

-Painting

- Floors have been poured completed. for the locker building, press LPDA box and entrance building. Veneer plaster work con-

- Auditorium risers are be- tinues. g formed. Greenhouse installation

- Drywall ceiling grid and - Brickwork around the ceiling hangers have been high walls have been com-

- Exterior brickwork Block filler/primer has around dining area has been been applied in Units A and C. completed. -Finish coat classrooms in - The exterior wall at the Units A and C are complete.

media center was started last -Roofing -The last areas of roofing

have been started. Locker area interior walls, -The skylight is complete, gym interior walls and exte-

metal roofing has started.

baseball team completed its Pelon, Andy Tichelaar, Dustin summer season last Saturday, splitting two double-headers iams. with Pinery Park. Lowell finished in second place, just one the mound with a 5-1 record, game behind Pinery Park of the American League division with a 9-4-1 record.

The Lowell Big League Minier, Kevin Nugent, Paul Hudson led the team from

posting an ERA of .091 and struck out 66 batters in 38 innings. He also hit .371 and The 1993 boys of sum- led the team with 12 RBI's. mer include: Tim Bott, Mike First baseman, Minier led the Boruta, Ryan Barle, Jamie team with a batting average Compton, Andy Craig, Scott of .409. Other heavy hitters Denton, Brad Holtz, Jim include, Craig (.382), Pelon Hudson, Aaron Kennedy, Joe (.378) and Holtz (.375).

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But most importantly, reducing the property tax burden ultimately means more jobs and opportunities for Michigan. Job providers need incentives to settle here, and a lighter tax burden is an unbeatable carrot to wave. More jobs means fewer unemployed and more satisfied individuals and fami-

Unlike a conference committee in Washington D.C. currently debating the best methods to raise taxes on the American people, Republican and Democratic lawmakers in Lansing have joined forces to find a way to reduce the tax burden on Michigan taxpayers.

Congress and President Clinton obviously haven't learned this simple truth: Raising taxes does not reduce the deficit; rather, it results in more spending. Siphoning precious dollars from our communities via a tax increase does nothing but fatten Washington's wallet.

History has shown us that increases nearly always result in spending hikes and a jump in the deficit. In fact, revenues nearly doubled after former President Reagan's 1980 tax cut, from \$517 billion in fiscal year 1980 to \$1.04 trillion in fiscal year 1990, creating millions of new jobs.

Mechanical and Electri-This philosophy of raising taxes has been destructive in the past and Congress is not learning the lesson. Mechanical room equip-

But Michigan is.

A group of state lawmakers is hammering out a proposal to cut Michigan's property taxes and keep the dollars where they belong in the people's pockets. Let's hope this will meet more success then past efforts.



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LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION SCHOOL ELECTION

NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE ELECTORS OF LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS KENT AND IONIA COUNTIES, MICHIGAN

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please Take Notice that the Board of Education of Lowell Area Schools, Kent and Ionia Counties, Michigan, has called a special election to be held in the school district on Tuesday, August 24, 1993.

TAKE NOTICE that the following proposition will be submitted at the special election:

> APPROVAL TO LEVY **MAXIMUM AUTHORIZED MILLAGE**

Shall the maximum authorized millage rate of Lowell Area Schools, Kent and Ionia Counties, Michigan, be approved for levy in 1993 without the reduction required by Article IX, Section 31, of the State Constitution of 1963?

THE LAST DAY ON WHICH PERSONS MAY REGISTER WITH THE APPROPRIATE CITY OR TOWNSHIP CLERKS, IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE SPECIAL ELECTION CALLED TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 24, 1993, IS MONDAY, JULY 26, 1993. PERSONS REGISTERING AFTER 5 O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING ON MONDAY, JULY 26, 1993, ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTION.

Persons planning to register with the respective city or township clerks must ascertain the days and hours on which the clerks' offices are open for registration.

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

> Norman Byrne, Secretary, Board of Education

Main Street, continued

LOWELL COMMUNITY ED HAS AMUSEMENT PARK TICKETS AVAILABLE

Once again, as a community service, Lowell Community Ed is selling amusement park tickets at discount prices. They have tickets to Cedar Point, Sea World, Pleasure Island, Great America and Geauga Lake.

Call the Community Ed office at 897-8415.

MACKINAW ISLAND GET-TOGETHER

The 26th Annual Mackinaw Island Senior Citizen Get-Together will take place on Oct. 5, 6 and 7 at the Grand Hotel. The three day package includes two nights of lodging, two breakfasts, two dinners on site, tours and more. All for \$325.

To make reservations or for more information, call Mary Crawford Condon at 897-7092.

OZARK MOUNTAIN CHRISTMAS!

A trip to Branson, MO is available to all Senior Citizens. It will take place Nov. 15-20.

Tour includes transportation, 1 night accommodation St. Louis area, three nights Branson, 2 night enroute home, five breakfasts, five dinners and five music shows.

Cost of the trip is \$649. For more information, call Mary Condon at 897-7092.

ATLANTIC SEABOARD TRIP

A Senior Citizen Atlantic Seaboard trip has been scheduled

The seven days/6 nights trip cost \$499. The price includes transportation, accomodations, tours, a evening cruise and much, much more.

For reservations, contact Mary Condon at 897-7092.

CLASS OF 1978 PRE-REUNION PLANS

A casual pre-reunion gathering will be held beginning at noon on Saturday, July 24 in the lower area of Fallasburg Park. Come and get re-acquainted before evening festivities at the Radisson.

Non-graduates and LHS classes of 1977 and 1979 are welcome. Bring along whatever you need to enjoy the day. No reservations are necessary.

LITTLE LEAGUE PICNIC SET FOR JULY 27 The Lowell Little League picnic will be held Tuesday, July 27 at Fallasburg Park.

Hot dogs, chips and drink will be furnished. Please brine table service and a dish to pass. Awards will be given. For more information call Mary Ford at 897-7176.

OFF THE BLOTTER

Larry Lynn, 20, of Lowell, was involved in a property damage accident, July 15, when he pulled from a private drive. onto West Main near Valley Vista Drive, and struck a vehicle driven by Diane Gamache, 34, also of Lowell.

Cited into 63rd District for fishing without a license was Jean Goree, 28, of Grand Rapids, July 17.

Vandalism, continued

LEGAL NOTICES

was torched. A scar has been suggested that the City start a left that cannot be removed. A vigil watch in the neighbornew stone would have to be hood of Stoney-Lakeside Park purchased in order to remove similar to the one instilled in the damage from the Veter- the neighborhood of the Showans' Memorial Park.

The Lowell Police chief

NOTICE OF

FORECLOSURE

Notice is hereby given

that a certain mortgage

on the real property com-

monly known as 735

Cricklewood SW, Wyo-

ming, MI 49509 and more

fully described as fol-

Lot 50. Baker Huison

Plat, City of Wyoming.

County of Kent, State of

restitution. Maatman asked how the

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costs and costs of sale. including attorney's fees said Mortgage, the real property described

between BARBARA R **HAZLETT**, as Mortgagor and ROBERT WOOD PERSONAL REPRESEN-TATIVE OF THE FLAVOUS J. FLURRY ES-ALLEGAN COUNTY PROBATE COURT, FILE NUMBER 88-44756-SE, as Mortgagee, made the 22nd day of March, 1989, and was recorded on March 23, 1989, in Liber 2608, on page 37, Kent County Records, Michigan, is in default and there is now due and owing Seventeen Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-one and 41/ 100 Dollars (\$17,461.41) principal and interest as of the date of this notice. Compiled Laws.

No suit has been insti- Dated June 25, 1993 tuted to recover the debt or any part of the debt secured by the mortgage and the power of sale contained in the mortgage has become operative by reason of such default.

Notice is hereby given that on August 26, 1993 at 10:00 A.M. at the Front Lobby of the Hall of Justice in Grand Rapids, that being the place in which the Circuit Court of Kent

County is held, there will be offered for public sale and sold to the highest bidder, for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid upon said Mortgage and legal as provided by law and in

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Robert Wood, Personal Representative of the Flavous J. Flurry Estate, **Allegan County Probate Court, File** Number 88-44756-SE Mortgagee

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cases with the Veterans' Memorial Park and Showboat would be handled following a conviction. Both Emmons and Showboat President Thad Kraus said they would pursue

Emmons said the police department did make three arrests last week in regards to vandalism at the park.

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boats out and loosening up doesn't have the security that the safety ropes with the buoys is needed. They also sug-

Both DesJarden and Emmons stated that the park

to take away from the wonderful nature of such a facility like Stoney-Lakeside Park. gested that lifeguards be there Councilman Jim Hodges said. "It's a shame people have

to past Showboat President signing talent early on.

Showboat, continued

later than 5 p.m.

attached to them.

The change from July to Gordon Gould was threefold,

June was made after the five- to get a jump on the competi- to July will mean the Showyear layoff in the early 1980's. tion; so that the Showboat boat will have to be more

The thought process be- didn't tie up the entire sum- aware of the competition hind that decision according mer; and cutting costs by around it," Gould said.

IN THE SERVICE

six month deployment aboard the guided missile destroyer the aircraft carrier USS USS Arleigh Burke. Theodore Roosevelt, homeported in Norfolk, VA homeported in Norfolk, VA as part of the aircraft carrier

After more than 100 days Battle Group. at sea, the ship transited the Suez Canal from the Mediter- at sea, the ship transited the ranean Sea to the Red Sea Suez Canal from the Mediwhere Carlen is now particiterranean Sea to the Red Sea pating in Operation Southern where Hunter is now partic Watch, enforcing the United pating in Operation Southern Nations-imposed "no-fly" Watch, enforcing the United zone over Southern Iraq.

of the battle group have worked closely with North ments of the battle group have allies enforcing a United Na- Atlantic Treaty Organization over Bosnia-Herzegovina. tions imposed "no fly" zone While operating in the over Bosnia-Herzegovina. vide Promise, providing relief participated in Operation Pro-Yugoslavia.

is a Nimitz-class aircraft carrier that stretches 1,040 feet in missioned in 1991, is the first length and displaces 96,358 in its class of guided missile tons. It carries a crew and air destroyers. It is armed with wing of 5,500 men and 85 guns, missiles and torpedoes aircraft. After spending the and travels at speeds in exfirst 78 days at sea, Carlen cess of 30 knots. visited Rhodes, Greece, for a five day port visit.

Hudsonville High School joined the Navy in January

"Changing the date back

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Randall A. Hunter, son of Wesley H. and Joan V Navy Petty Officer 1st of Beryl J. and Ruth M. Hunter, of Lowell, recently Class Barry H. Carlen, nephew Delbridge of Alto, recently passed the midway point in a passed the midway point in a six month deployment aboard as lead ship in its battle group. USS Theodore Roosevelt

After more than 100 days Nations-imposed "no-fly While deployed, elements zone over Southern Iraq.

While deployed, ele-Atlantic Treaty Organization worked closely with North tions imposed "no fly" zone allies enforcing a United Na-Adriatic Sea, some units also While operating in the participated in Operation Pro- Adriatic Sea, some units also supplies to war-torn former vide Promise, providing relief supplies to war-torn USS Theodore Roosevelt former Yugoslavia.

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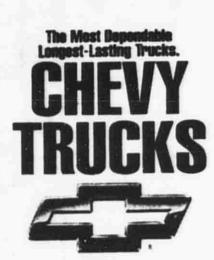
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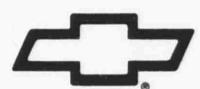
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Sportscenter (R) 7:30 @ Sportscenter (R) 8:00 @ Sportscenter (R) 8:30 Sportscenter (R) 9:00 [HBO] MOVIE: For Richer, for Poorer (CC) (S)

MOVIE: They Might Be Giants (1971) George C. Scott, Joanne Woodward. A retired judge becomes convinced he's Sherlock Holmes 9:30 @ [MAX] MOVIE: Lisa (S)

American Gladiators Sportscenter (R) Suzanne Somers, Steven Keats A once-popular singer helps a group of troubled beach teens. 10:30 @ [HBO] MOVIE: Buffy the ampire Slayer (CC) (S)

Sportscenter (R) 11:00 (47) MOVIE: Polly (1989) Keshia Knight Pulliam, Phylicia Rashad. Tuneful adaptation of Pollyanna, set in 1950s Ala @ [MAX] MOVIE: The Adven-

ture of Sherlock Holmes' Smarter Brother @ MOVIE: Jaws 2 (1978) Roy Scheider, Lorraine Gary, Another massive shark appears off the coast of Amity

AFTERNOON 12:00 @ LPGA Golf (Live)

12:30 @ [HBO] MOVIE: The Butcher's Wife (CC) (S) (I) [MAX] MOVIE: Burnt Offer MOVIE: The Desperado (1954) Wayne Morris, Beverly Garland. A wanted man helps lib-

erate Texas from poor leadership. 1:00 @ MOVIE: Tiger Town (1983) Roy Scheider, Justin Henry, A young boy's powers lead the De troit Tigers to the Series. (CC) 1:05 MOVIE: The Seniors (1977) Jeffrey Byron, Gary Imhot, Coliege seniors scheme to get rich

2:00 @ Inside the Senior PGA Tour MOVIE: Rebel Without a Cause (1955) James Dean, Na talie Wood. A disillusioned teen-

2:15 (| HBO | MOVIE: Immediate Stallions (1959) George Montgo mery, Diane Brewster, A stallion rescues a widow whose ranch is

ager drifts into a world of delin

2:30 @ [MAX] MOVIE: Bring Me he Head of Dobie Gillis Thoroughbred Digest (R 3:00 PRCA Rodeo (R)

 LPGA Golf (Live) MOVIE: The Super Cops (1974) Ron Leibman, David Selby A pair of New York City policemen battles crime in Brooklyn.

4:15 @ [MAX] MOVIE: The Power 4:30 @ [HBO] MOVIE: WarGames

MTV Blocks (47) Who's the Boss? (CC) 1 (1) (2) (13) (2) (3) (4) (4) (17) Wonder Years (CC) (35) America With Dennis

EVENING

(23) Asia Now MOVIE: The Challenger (1990) Gema Zamprogna, Eric Christmas. A girl poses as a boy to get into an all-male club. (I G.I. Joe Maniac Mansion (CC)

Saved by the Bell (CC) Motoworld (R) World Today Headline News What Would You Do? Rockford Files (CC) Program Guide
Profiles of Nature Bugs Bunny & Pals A Jeffersons (CC)

6:10 Off to the Races at Haze (47) Real Stories of the Highway Patrol

B B D NBC Nightly (17) Golden Girls (CC) 19 35 19 23 Nightly Business

(13) (19) (41) ABC World News Tonight (CC)

[HBO] MOVIE: Spacehunter: Adventures in the Forbidden Zone MAX] MOVIE: Dream lachine (CC) (In Stereo) Real Ghostbusters Big Brother Jake (CC)

Saved by the Bell (CC) Up Close Wild & Crazy Kids 3 6 CBS Evening Mildlife Chronicles Captain Planet and the Planeteers (CC) Andy Griffith

Coneheads Conquest (47) Roseanne (CC) (8) (6) Entertainment Tonight (CC)

(17) Cheers (CC) 35 @ 23 MacNeil/Lehrer 13 Cops (CC) MacGyver (CC)

That's My Dog Paradise Beach Sportscenter Moneyline D Looney Tunes In Search Of... Major League Baseball

(3) (10) Wheel of Fortune lighway Patrol In Wildness Migration of arcc nesting birds. (R) Jetsons

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13 (1) (41) Family Matters [HBO] MOVIE: Wayne's [MAX] MOVIE: The Van-MOVIE: Planet of the Apes 1968) Charlton Heston, Roddy

McDowall. Astronauts crash on a world ruled by intelligent simians Murder, She Wrote (CC) MOVIE: For Love or Money 1963) Kirk Douglas, Mitzi Gaynor A wealthy woman hires a lawyer to play matchmaker. Major League Baseball Chicago Cubs at Houston Astros

Primenews (CC)
Headline News Partridge Family 3 6 Golden Palace **Wildlife Chronicles**

MOVIE: The Sound and the Silence (1992) (Part 1 of 2) John Bach, Ian Bannen. Alexander Graham Bell works to aid the hearing 8:30 (35) (23) Wall \$treet Week (13) (61) Step by Step (CC) @ Get Smart

3 6 Brooklyn Bridge From Monkeys to Apes 9:00 R Nashville Now Jackie Jackie reassembles her life after the assassination of J.F.K.; Aristotle Onassis courts weds and later turns against her the thrill of her first grandchild. (R) (In Stereo) (Part 3 of 3) (CC) (III) (35) McLaughlin Group

(23) Off the Record 13 (13) (11) Dinosaurs (CC) MOVIE: Jaws 2 (1978) Roy Scheider, Lorraine Gary, Another massive shark appears off the coast of Amity. Larry King Live (CC) Dragnet Investigative Reports 3 6 Street Stories

Secret Weapons 9:30 (47) (17) Code 3 (CC) 35) West Michigan Week 23 Are You Being Served? (13) (8) (41) Perfect Strangers [HBO] Poetic Justice: First

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9:45 MOVIE: Legal Ten-Top 20 Video Countdown George Jones and Friends Hall of Fame Salute (47) Star Trek: Deep Space T Arsenio Hall (CC)

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3 Are You Being Served? becomes involved with a gem (CC) (17) All in the Family [HBO] MOVIE: Buffy the Vampire Slayer (CC) (in Stereo

Superman

Time Machine

Arsenio Hall (CC)

MOVIE: The Trouble With

ngels (1966) Rosalind Russell,

tayley Mills. A student and her

Secret Weapons

MOVIE: Hello, Dolly! (1969) Barbra Streisand, Walter Matthau. A matchmaker pairs herself up with a crusty merchant. (In 700 Club

Leonard Mann, Rachel Ward, A professor at a women's night school is suspected of murder. World News MOVIE: The Lady Eve B Headline News (1941) Barbara Stanwyck, Henry Mary Tyler Moore (CC) onda. A woman dupes the weal-Biography
Trackside at Ladbroke/ thy young man who loves her. MOVIE: Detour to Nowhere (1972) George Peppard, Christine (CC) Belford. An investigator finds police are involved in four murders. MOVIE: The Sound and the Crossfire Silence (1992) (Part 2 of 2) John

[HBO] MOVIE: Cyborg Cop

MOVIE: Night School (1981)

F-Troop Bach, Ian Bannen, Bell heads up Firepower the construction of Britain's first 12:31 (13) Married... With Children 23 America With Dennis (8) (8) (10) Late Night With David Letterman MOVIE: In the Custody of (41) That's Amore Strangers (1982) Martin Sheen. 12:45 (MAX) MOVIE: Romantic

Jane Alexander A high-strung teen-ager is arrested after a drun-(3) Kids in the Hall Major League Baseball Nashville Now (17) Comedy Spotlight Teams to Be Announced (Live) 35) Star Hustler Mary Tyler Moore (CC) Paid Program Arena Football Detroit Drive at Dallas Texans (Same-day Larry King Live Dobie Gillis Investigative Reports Club Dance Major League Baseball **(a) (a) (b) (b) (b) (c) (c) (d) (d) (d) (d) (d) (d) (d) (d)**

Kansas City Royals at Detroit Tig-10 6 News (6) Vicki! 17) Chee ** (**) (a) John (b) John One Great White (13) Night Court 23) America With Dennis 1:06 (41) In Concert 1:30 MOVIE: Firehouse (1987) Gianna Rains, Martha Peterson, A Scott Ross: Boomers & trio of female firefighters battles Busters sexism on the job.

News (CC) Sports Tonight Paid Program Sportscenter Lucy Show Wildlife Chronicles Patty Duke (CC) MAX1 MOVIE: China O'B-1:35 (8) Comedy Showcase (CC) 11:30 @ 47 Love Connection (41) Psychic Discoveries (17) Dear John (CC) (10) Friday Night Videos 35) Charlie Rose 1:45 (B) (3) Jerry Springer (23) Alive TV (CC)

2:00 Alternative Nation (13) Rush Limbaugh George Jones and Friends [HBO] Larry Sanders (CC) Hall of Fame Salute MOVIE: Fireballs (1987) (i) MOVIE: The Fighte (1983) Gregory Harrison, Glynnis Goran Kalezic, Mike Strapko Wacky firefighters try to save their O'Connor. An unemployed mill town from a fireball worker enters the world of ama-Uptown Comedy Club teur boxing. @ 700 Club

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ic nesting birds. (R) Crook and Chase 2:01 (B) (13) Emergency Call (CC) (47) Whoopi Goldberg 2:05 [HBO] MOVIE: The Terror 17 Studs 23 Club Date [MAX] MOVIE: Wild at 13 Nightline (CC)
15 [HBO] Def Comedy Jam Heart (In Stereo) MOVIE: Planet of the Apes (1968) Charlton Heston, Roddy Bonanza: The Lost Epi-McDowall Astronauts crash on a world ruled by intelligent simians. Wewsnight (In Stereo)

2:15 MOVIE: Killer Party (1986) Martin Hewitt, Ralph Seymour A sorority initiation in a haunted ouse turns terrifying. MOVIE: Where Angels Go. Trouble Follows (1968) Rosaling

Russell, Stella Stevens A nu locks horns with her superior on a cross-country trip. 47 9 to 5 Personal Power Sportscenter (R)
Sports Latenight
Get Smart 2:31 (B) (13) Sweating Bullets 2:35 (B) (B) Whoopi Goldberg a (10) NBC News Night Home Shopping Spree
 Beavis & Butt-Head

a Paid Program Outdoor Secrets Up Close (R) Showbiz Today Dick Van Dyke (8) Later With Bob Costas Week in Rock MOVIE: Hot Times at Mont clair High (1989) Troy Donohue Kim Valentine. Three high-school

misfits try to save a friend from Paid Program Bob Newhart
Pro Beach Volleyball Man Tour (R) News Mary Tyler Moore (CC. (13) Night Flight

3:35 (1) Infatuation [HBO] MOVIE: Risky Business (CC) (In Stereo) Future Watch Dreamtime MOVIE: The Challengers (1990) Gema Zamprogna. Christmas. A girl poses as a boy to get into an all-male club

 Paid Program MOVIE: Once Before | Die (1966) John Derek, Ursula Am dress. A cavalryman and his fiam cee are caught in a Japanese at Mews

Headline News Dragnet MOVIE: Rebel Without a Cause (1955) James Dean, Na talie Wood. A disillusioned teen ager drifts into a world of delin

4:05 (8) NBC News Nightside MAX] MOVIE: Blood Hook Three Stooges 4:25 MOVIE: The Singing Nur (1966) Debbie Reynolds, Ricardo Montalban. A Belgian nun's sono for a poor boy becomes a smast

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Mouse Tracks (CC)

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Hey, Vern, It's Ernest!

Minority Business Report

Big Story
Rugrats
Program Guide
3 (3 (6) Little Mermaid Power Pak Fishing

Backyard America

Tiny Toon Adventures Tom and Jarry Kids (CC) B (35) Barney & Friends (CC) (CC) (CC) (CC) [HBO] MOVIE: The Golder Child (In Stereo)

Adventures of the Gumm Paid Program
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restling Power Hour
Outdoorsman Sports (R) Exciting World of Speed and Beauty (In Stereo) 47) Taz-Mania (CC) Real News for Kids 7) Eek! the Cat (CC)

> 35) You Can Choose Computer Chronicles
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> (13 (6) (4) Addams Family Hollywood Insider
> Wishkid (CC) Outdoor Adventure Moneyweek (CC)
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Hydroplane Racing (Taped)
Newsday (CC) Headline News Dennis the Menace American Justice **Baseball Action** (41) New Adventures Winnie the Pooh (CC) Designing Women (CC)
 African Shark Safari MOVIE: Men at Work (1990 milio Estevez, Charlie Sheen Two fun-loving garbagemen sniff 12:30 Week in Rock

Zorro (CC)
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Sportscenter
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AFTERNOON

Fishing With Roland Martin

(R) (In Stereo)

MOVIE: Cousins (1989)

Ted Danson, Isabella Rossellini.

Two adults learn their spouses

are having an affair.

(i) (ii) (iii) Brains and Brawn

Michigan Magazine
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[HBO] Death on the Job

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9:40 Outdoors With Dean Dur-

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17) Tiny Toon Adventures

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(13) (41) Land of the Lost

[MAX] MOVIE: Wabash

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plorer (CC)

Big Picture

(47) X-Men (CC)

35 Joy of Painting

ana Cookin': At Home

Andy Griffith
[MAX] MOVIE: Journey to

he Center of the Earth (In

Under the Umbrella Tree

Paid Program

Motorcycle Racing (R)

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Outdoorsman

(13) U.S. Farm Report

Between the Lines Dumbo's Circus (CC)

(41) Wizard of Oz

47 Dog City (CC)

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Jewel in the Crown Soon at

er he replaces the best man at

Teddie Bingham's wedding, Mer-

rick is confronted by Count Bron-

B (41) Gulliver's Travels

Bonanza

8 Yo, Yogil

Fraggle Rock
Paid Program

Sports Close-up

10 Headline News

MOVIE: Rocky Mountain

(1950) Errol Flynn, Patrice Wy

more. The Confederacy plans to

stablish a California stronghold.

Top 20 Video Countdown

(47) Bobby's World (CC)

① Adventures of T-Rex

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(41) Conan the Adventure

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(CC) 47 Tom and Jerry Kids

8 Adventures of Don Coy-

Dog City (CC)
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(CC) (3) (4) Pup Named Scooby Doo (CC) (HBO) Babar (4) My Little Pony Tales (5) Paid Program (5) Legend of Prince Valiant

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Wildlife Mysteries
S (3) (6) Fievel's Ameri-

(10) Saturday Today (CC)

Toung Robin Hood
To Bobby's World (CC)

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47 Eek! the Cat (CC)

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Kids' Court

(17) ZooLife

D Littl' Bits

Beautiful (CC)

Bill Dance Outdoors (In (CC) 17 Hogan Family 35 Victory Garden (CC) 23 Frugal Gourmet (CC) (13) MOVIE: Johnny Dangerously (1984) Michael Keaton, Joe Piscopo. A lad turns to crime to pay his mother's hospital bills. MOVIE: Near Mrs.
MOVIE: Justin Case (1988) George Carlin, Molly Hagan. A private eye's ghost returns to solve his own murder. (CC) MOVIE: Treacherous Crossing (1992) Lindsay Wagner, Angie Dickinson. An hei-

ress's honeymoon cruise takes a dark turn. (In Stereo) (CC) Saved by the Bell (CC) Auto Racing (Taped) Mewsday (CC) Nick News: W/5 MOVIE: Woodstock (1970) Jimi Hendrix, The Who. An Oscarwinning account of the three-day music festival. Tennis (Live) (3) Not Just News Target Training
To Paid Program

6 Star Trek: The Next Generation (CC) Wings

MOVIE: Comanche Station 1960) Randolph Scott, Nancy Gates. A man searches for his wife who was captured by Com-

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S (CC) Firehawk/Supercar Series 7) Taz-Mania (CC) (35) Art of William Alexan-(T) ALF (CC) (CC) 1 23 Fit or Fat (CC) 🔞 🚯 📵 街 Bugs Bunny 8 MAX] MOVIE: The Ameri-Tweety (CC)

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Yogi Bear (41) Ronco Pasta Maker 10 To Be Announced 10 Saved by the Bell (CC) Auto Racing (In Stereo Live) Great Lakes Boating & Out-MOVIE: Betsy's Wed-1 In-Fisherman Television (In Kahn. The parents of a bride and

groom try to upstage one another. (47) American Gladiators (8) MOVIE: Lethal Games B Saved by the Bell (CC) (1980) Ted Danson, Mary Louise 17) X-Men (CC) Weller. A sexy secret agent lures **35** Sewing With Nancy a computer genius into service. 23 Michigan Magazine
MOVIE: The Brave Little 17 MOVIE: Spaced Invaders (1990) Douglas Barr, Royal oaster (1987) Voices of Jon Dano. Midwestern children aid a Lovitz, Tim Stack, Animated crew of pint-sized Martians Household appliances embark or 35 Good Thyme Cooking a dangerous search. (In Stereo) (23) New Yankee Workshop

MOVIE: The Gauntlet (1977 Big Valley
MOVIE: Tarzan in Manhat-Clint Eastwood, Sondra Locke, / cop escorts a prostitute to testify tan (1989) Joe Lara, Kim Crosby. gainst the mob. (In Stereo) The jungle lord tries to save Chee-Adventures of the Black tah from a research lab. Stallion (CC) Healthworks Golf Show Headline News Science and Technology

(41) Golf (Same-day Tape) leek (CC) Paid Program W You Can't Do That on Tele-Great White 2:05 MOVIE: Real Genius (1985) Investigative Reports
Investigative Reports Val Kilmer, Gabe Jarret. Science students go after their idea-35 Frugal Gourmet

(2) Hometime (2) [HBO] MOVIE: Any Which Way You Can (In Stereo) foreman involved in a range war. Cousteau's Rediscovery of the World Rock 'N' ToonTown (CC) Rodeo (Taped)
 Style
 Tirst of America Classic Off to the Races at Hazel 11:30 D Lip Service
Realtree Outdoors (In

MOVIE: Seminole Uprising (1955) George Montgomery, Karin Booth. An Indian-raised cavalry 17 Super Dave (CC)
35 Quilting for the '90s
23 To Be Announced
3 41 Darkwing Duck officer is torn between two worlds. (35) New Yankee Workshop 23 MotorWeek [MAX] MOVIE: Folks! (CC)

MAX] MOVIE: Race With the Devil Dinosaur! The surprising 1922 discovery of a nest of dinosaur eggs. Walter Cronkite hosts. MOVIE: Field of Dreams You Can't Do That on Tele-1989) Kevin Costner, Amy Madigan. A voice urges a farmer to (3) (6) Raw Toonage build a ballpark in his cornfield. (In Stereo) (CC)

Gunsmoke
On the Menu Secrets of the Muppets
Indo-Pacific Games (Taped)
(1) (1) Senior PGA Golf cisco Giants (Live) (CC) Great White

You Can't Do That on Tele-

 35 Hometime
 23 World of Collector Cars (I) [MAX] MOVIE: Where the Day Takes You (In Stereo) 13 (1) LPGA Golf (Live) MOVIE: Jaws 3 (1983) Den Your Money

Tifestyles of the Rich
and Famous

When It Was a Game giant great white shark terrorizes Florida marine park Young Riders (CC)
Auto Racing (Live) Primenews (CC)
Headline News Steve Martin, Daryl Hannah, A modern Cyrano helps a shy buddy MOVIE: Fandango (1985) (CC) MOVIE: Heidi (1993) (Part 1 prospective draftees go on one

of 2) Jason Robards, Noley 3 6 Dr. Quinn, Medi Thornton. Based on the classic story of the orphan of the Alps. Challenge
MOVIE: Where Eagles Dare wood. Elite commandos mount a Street Justice
Sports Close-up (R)
Headline News daring rescue behind enemy lines Week in Rock

(CC) 1 (B) (10) Nurses (CC) Straight Shooter: The Story of the Mamas and the Papas Shark -- The Silent Savage U.S. Olympic Festival (Live) MOVIE: The Last American Virgin (1982) Lawrence Monoson, Diane Franklin. Teen-age buddies try to cure their growing MHRA Today (In Stereo)

Signature Michigan Out-of-Doors

Treature Troat's Practical

47 © 17 Front Page (CC)
18 19 19 Empty Nest (CC)
19 Austin City Limits
19 Mills Brothers Story tragedy strikes the Cleary family after Dane's ordination in Rome

Coneheads

Grand Ole Opry Live

MAX] MOVIE: Thieves of Horse Racing (Live) Future Watch (CC)

5:00 Inside Winston Cup Racing (47) Star Search Seed Trost's Practical Sportsman (R)

(B) (3) Great Lakes Outdoors Gossip! Gossip! Gossip! Young Riders (CC) Highlander: The Series EarlyPrime Welcome Freshmen Comedy on the Road Golf (Same-day Tape) (3) Major League Baseball Philadelphia Phillies at San Francisco Giants (Live) (CC) (CC) Wonder Years

Hunt for Red Mercury 5:30 Exploring America: Side by (35) Rod and Reel 23 Wild America (CC) **Bosom Buddies Newsmaker Saturday** Salute Your Shorts (10) Wonder Years (CC) Disney Channel Salutes the American Teacher (CC)

Natural World

wood (CC) (In Stereo)

Country Beat

Child (In Stereo)

Beyond Reality
African Skies

Baywatch (CC)

Pinnacle

lews (CC)

Bugs Bunny & Pals
WCW Saturday Night

(B) (B) (10) NBC Nightly

35 Golfing the Great Lakes

13 3 41 ABC World News

Saturday (CC)

[HBO] MOVIE: The Golden

3 6 CBS Evening

(35) (32) Lawrence Welk

(CC)

Major League Baseball At-

lanta Braves at Pittsburgh Pirates

MOVIE: The Frog Prince

(1988) Aileen Quinn, Clive Revill, A

musical adaptation of the classic

Rin Tin Tin K-9 Cop (CC)

waukee Brewers at Chicago

Tennis (Live)

Star Trek: The

(1) Roggin's Heroes (10) Wheel of Fortune (CC)

Sharks on the Brink of Ex-

(13) New WKRP in Cincinnati

Speedweek
Sports Saturday
Rugrats
Home Again
Michigan Lottery Megabucks Giveaway

Next Generation (CC)

fairy tale. (In Stereo)

White Sox (Live)

Sportscenter Capital Gang

Doug

Home Again

7:30 Path to Stardom

Zorro (CC)

(CC)

Opry Backstage

(CC)

(35 (D) (23 Evening at Pops (B) (B) (F) Young Indiana Jones Chronicles (CC)

(HBO) MOVIE: Unlawful

Real World

@ Quantum Leap (CC)

(17) Mr. Belvedere (CC)

23 Club Connect

[HBO] Dream On (CC) MOVIE: Bad Boys (1982) EVENING Sean Penn, Ally Sheedy. A young hoodlum struggles to the top of a 6:00 Going Our Way reform school. 47) America's New Country (In [MAX] MOVIE: Hangfire **(3)** (3) (4) (4)

Silk Stalkings (CC) 17 Perfect Strangers (CC) News (CC) World News Quizbusters **Headline News** Walt Disney Presents Very Very Nick at Nite Swamp Thing (CC) Comedy on the Road Sharks of Pirate Island Lifestyles of the Rich and Beavis & Butt-Head Emergency Call (CC)
 [HBO] Tales From the Auto Racing (Live) World Today Headline News Family Double Dare Evening at the Improv

11:00 Countdown to the Ball Opry Backstage

(1) (1) Comic Strip Live 35 Are You Being Served? (MAX MOVIE: Doc Holly-23 MOVIE: The Loneliness of the Long Distance Runne (1962) Tom Courtenay, Michael Redgrave. A reform-school stu-

dent trains for an upcoming track (I) [HBO] MOVIE: One False flove (In Stereo) MOVIE: Hider in the House 1989) Gary Busey, Mimi Rogers A deranged man's obsession for a woman leads to violence (In Stereo) (CC) Bonanza: The Lost Epi-

Baseball Tonight Sports Tonight Caroline's Comedy Hour Trackside at Ladbroke

MOVIE: Ice Station Zebra Borgnine. An American sub races to retrieve a downed Soviet satel

(8) (8) (10) Saturday Night 35 Are You Being Served? (13) MOVIE: I Love You to Death (1990) Kevin Kline, Tracey

[MAX] MOVIE: Prototype MOVIE: A Winner Never Quits (1986) Keith Carradine. MOVIE: The Final Count fown (1980) Kirk Douglas, Martin Sheen. A Navy captain is given an opportunity to alter history.

Sportscenter
Capital Gang
Gill Grime Suspect
Arsenio Hall (CC) 3 Star Trek: The Next Generation (CC)
Headbanger's Ball
Statler Bros. (47) Star Trek: Deep Space 17 Kung Fu: The Legend

 Sneak Previews
 MOVIE: The Spell (1977) Lee Grant, James Olson. An obese teen-ager uses sorcery on her ad-CCM-TV Arena Football Teams to Be Announced (Same-day Tape) Mewsnight
Headline News Superman
MOVIE: Fandango (1985)
Kevin Costner, Judd Nelson. Five prospective draftees go on one

League -- Teams to Be An-

(III) Knights & Warriors

nounced (Taped)

Zola Levitt

Wings of the Luftwaffe
12:30 S Club Connect

MORNING 5:00 Some Fun Now Welcome Back, Kotter (CC) Paid Program
Wild, Wild West Auto Racing (R) Sports Latenight (R Superman (10 NBC News Nightsid

I Love Lucy (3) Headline News

Kids' Court

Whoopi Goldberg
Comedy Showcase (CC) 17 Untouchables (CC) MOVIE: Fertilize the Blas pheming Bombshell! (1990) Bo Hopkins, Sheila Cann, Devil worshippers single out a beauty to bear Satan's spawn. Paid Program

Travel Guide Patty Duke 9 41 Uptown Comedy Club 10 Rush Limbaugh 6 Highlander: The Series Sharks of Pirate Island Carol Burnett Special. Carol, Carl, Whoopi & Robin 1:15 @ [MAX] MOVIE: Dolly Dearest (In Stereo) Paid Program

Evans & Novak

B Designing Women (CC)
 Paid Program

[HBO] MOVIE: Final Em-

@ Dancin' at the Hot Spots

Dobie Gillis

(13) MOVIE: Superman (1980) Christopher Reeve, Margot Kidder. Criminals from Krypton take over the U.S.A. MOVIE: One Dark Night (1983) Meg Tilly, Adam West. A reanimated corpse stalks three new sorority sisters. Paid Program

Apollo Comedy Hour
Pinnscie F-Troop 10 Rush Limbaugh 3 Ed Sullivan (CC) Beavis & Butt-Head En Texas Connection 47 Knight Rider 3 3 69 10 NBC News Night-

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returns to Drogheda where, in a fit

of anger and grief, Meggie reveals the identity of Dane's father. From

MOVIE: 1941 (1979) John

Belushi, Dan Aykroyd, Rumors of

impending Japanese attack panic

MOVIE: The Barbarian and

Eiko Ando. A man fights to open

U.S. Olympic Festival (Live)

MOVIE: The Pres-

dent's Child (1992) Donna Mills

William Devane. Existence of a

And You Afraid of the Dark?

Beavis & Butt-Head
Dancin' at the Hot Spots

(47) On Scene: Emergency

10 Bob Hope and

Other Young Comedians (CC)

17 Untouchables (CC)

35 Country Connection

13 Shirley Horn, Here's to

candidate's illegitimate son is cov

ered up. (In Stereo) (CC)

Wings of the Luftwaffe

(3) (6) (10) Nurses (CC)

Reliable Sources

Response (CC)

Japan to the Western world.

1983. (Part 6 of 6) (CC)

WWII California.

Both Sides

Ren & Stimpy

(CC) Arsenio Hall MOVIE: Justin Case (1988) George Carlin, Molly Hagan, A private eye's ghost returns to solve his own murder. (CC) Paid Program Sportscenter International Correspon Headline News

Mork & Mindy Comedy on the Road (6) Current Affair Extra Hunt for Red Mercury [HBO] Def Comedy Jam 2:30 Beavis & Butt-Head Austin Encore! Paid Program

Hogan's Heroes
Speedweek (R) Sports Latenight Lucy Show MOVIE: Hell to Eternity (1960) Jeffrey Hunter, David Jans sen. A man raised by a Japanese family becomes a war hero. 2:45 (B) [HBO] MOVIE: Black

Magic Woman (In Stereo) (In [MAX] MOVIE: Guns (In 3:00 Thome Shopping Spread: (1985) Burt

ex-con is out for revenge when his friend is killed MOVIE: Beach Balls (1988 Phillip Paley, Heidi Helmer. A would-be rock star competes to the beauty of his dreams Praise the Lord Acne Statin

Motoworld (R)
Newsnight Update
Dick Van Dyke Caroline's Comedy Hour Home Shopping Spree Paid Program

MOVIE: Tarzan in Man-Crosby. The jungle lord tries to save Cheetah from a research lab MOVIE: Bad Ronald (1974) Kim Hunter, Scott Jacoby. A teen

uses a hidden room to spy or three young girls.

MOVIE: 1941 (1979) Joh impending Japanese attack pani WWII California. Runaway With the Rich and Drag Racing (R Future Watch
Mary Tyler Moore (CC)

9 Paid Program
4:00 9 Headbanger's Ball
9 Cross Training With the Drag Racing (R)
Larry King Weekend
Headline News Alfred Hitchcock Present MOVIE: Prince of the City (1981) Treat Williams, Jerry Or

bach. A police-corruption probe tests a New York cop's loyalties Paid Program
4:15 (HBO) MOVIE: Eye of the [MAX] MOVIE: Desert Pas

Dragnet
Paid Program Some Fun Now Welcome Back, Kotter (CC) Paid Program
Wild, Wild West Auto Racing (R) Sports Latenight (R)
Superman

SUNDAY

SUNDAY July 25

MoneyweekDobie Gillis All in the Family (3) Home Shopping Spree Active Learning ① Grip Master

World War II Shorts 17) It's Your Business (13) Night Court
(15) [MAX] MOVIE: White Light

Under the Umbrella Tree Calliope
Paid Program Tower

Baseball Tonight (R

Healthworks

Headline News (6) Issues Pink Panther Parade World Tomorrow

SUNDAY cont.

[HBO] Adventures of Tin-17 Bob Mann's Gol Wuzzles (CC) (13) Health Matters Dumbo's Circus (CC) Garner Ted Armstron James Robison Inside the PGA Tour (R) Winning Walk With Ed Evans & Novak 1 Inside the Senior PGA Tour (4) King Arthur & B Littl' Bits 3 @ Paid Program 41 Audible Crisp 6 AgDay Weekend Edi-6:35 B It Is Written 7:00 (47) Jimmy Swaggart **(B)** Kenneth Copeland (17) In Touch 35) You Can Choose (13) (3) James Kennedy MAX] MOVIE: Honeynoon Academy (CC) (In Stereo) Welcome to Pooh Corner Oral Roberts Sportscenter (R)
Daybreak (CC) Eureeka's Castle Wildlife Mysteries 3 Robert Schuller

41) Around the World i

Eighty Dreams

(10) (10) Paid Program

6 Dave Williams

35 Lamb Chop's Play-

7:05 Real News for Kids

Knights of Justice

(10) John Ankerberg Day of Discovery Paid Program
Yo, Yogil Auto Racing (Live) Sports (In Stereo) 47 People to People Sunday Today (CC)
Message From Calvary 35 (23) Sesame Street (13) Good Morning America/ Sunday (CC)

[HBO] Babar

My Little Pony Tales Smurts (CC)
Popeye
Charlando Daybreak (CC)
Headline News Count Duckula Home Again B 3 News (41) Ted Armstrone 10 James Kenner 6 Unity: The Best is Yet to Paid Program Bugs Bunny & Pals
Flintstones

8:30 Big Picture

 Destiny
 Paid Program [HBO] Pinocchio (CC)
[MAX] MOVIE: Short Cir-Mouse Tracks (CC) Smurts (CC) Buper Mario Bros. People to People Travel Guide Heathcliff Home Again
Program Guide
(1) John Ankerberg Captain Planet and the Planeteers (CC) 9:00 Coneheads Conquest Truckin' USA (R) (In Stereo) (47) Outreach Mass (8) Catholic Mass (17) Hidden Keys to a Loving (CC) Barney & Friends 23) Sesame Street (CC) 13 Day of Discovery [HBO] MOVIE: Don't Tell Mom the Babysitter's Dead (CC) (In Stereo) Adventures of the Gummi Denver, the Last Dinosaur Captain N
News (CC)
Morning News Dangermouse

Breakfast With the Arts (3) (6) Sunday Morning

Higher Dimension
 M Kenneth Copeland

9:30 Trucks and Tractor Power

For Over 50 Years

The World Has

Been Enchanted

by Disney.

Deaf Mosaic

Sports Nuts

9:10

Looney Tunes (41) Fit One Easy Does It Happy Days
Canadian Sportfishing Hard Rock Countdow Winners (R) (In Stereo) (47) To Be Announced (B) Meet the Press (CC) (17) DuckTales (CC) 23 Barney & Friends (CC) (13) Hour of Power MOVIE: Robin Hood (1973) Voices of Peter Ustinov, Andy De vine. Animated. Robin protects the animals of Sherwood Forest (In Stereo) (CC) Scooby Doo Inspector Gadget Star Search SportsWeekly
On the Menu Headline News Doug
Day to Care For the (10) Robert Schuller Homeworks MOVIE: Zapped! (1982) Scott Baic: Willie Aames, A lab ac cident gives a teen-ager telekinetic powers. 10:15 @ [MAX] MOVIE: My Darling MHRA Today (R) (In Stereo) 47 To Be Announced Tale Spin (CC) (CC) (SS) Reading Rainbow (CC)

17 Paid Program
18 35 Sesame Street (CC)

(13) Feed the Children

Quack Attack (CC)

Dinosaucers

Wishkid (CC)

Your Money

 Paid Program (B) (23) Long Ago & Far Away 200Life S Tony Brown's Journal
 Quizbusters Scooby Doo D Legend of Prince Valiant 13 (1) This Week With David Brinkley (CC) Newsmaker Sunday (CC) Railway Dragon (CC)
Real Ghostbusters Rugrats
(3) (6) Face the Nation Healthy Kids Sportscenter
Sports Week in Review
Roundhouse Pet Connection 10:35 MOVIE: Cheyenne Autumn Roundhouse
(10) Real Estate (1964) Richard Widmark, Carroll Baker. The Cheyenne face a tragic exodus from Oklahoma to Beakman's World Great Chefs: The New 10:40 Cole Outdoors (HBO] MOVIE: Big Man on Campus (In Stereo) **AFTERNOON**

(B) Inside Winston Cup Racing 1n-Fisherman Television (R) (47) Real Estate Preview (8) World Tomorrow (iii Steep (iii) MOVIE: Swiss Family Robinson (1960) John Mills, Dorothy McGuire. A ship-(17) Chip 'n Dale Rescue Rangers (CC)

(B) (35) To the Contrary wrecked family turns a desert is-(23) You Can Choose land into a paradise. (13) Real Estate B Better Homes and Gar-Real Ghostbuster American Baby Mature (CC) Lifestyles of the Rich and 23 To the Contrary MAX] MOVIE: Gentlema Sports Reporters Sports Today
Ren & Stimpy MOVIE: The Suspect (1944) Charles Laughton, Ella Raines. middle-aged married man is lured into murder by his lover. 3 Star Trek: The Next

10 Paid Program
10 Minority Viewpoint

11:30 Raceday (In Stereo)

47) Home Again

Kids Incorporated (CC) WWF All-American Wres MOVIE: Wee Willie Winkie (1937) Shirley Temple, Victor McLaglen. Based on Rudyard Kipling's story. Colorized version.

Andy Griffith (1) Real Estate Showcase Mewsday (CC)
Headline News
Clarissa Explains It All (CC) Low Cholesterol Gourmet Lighter Side of Sports Off to the Races at Hazel 3 News 10 To Be Announced Paid Program
In the Realm of the Shark MOVIE: Tommy (1975) Ann Margret, Roger Daltrey. A deaf. mute and blind boy becomes a modern-day messiah. 12:30 Bill Dance Outdoors (R) (In Designing Women (CC)
Wall Street Week (CC) (13) Siskel & Ebert the Cube (CC) (In Stereo) Mickey Mouse Club (CC) Andy Griffith

Outside the Lines (R)
Science and Technology Fifteen
Fitness Profile Extremists
 Fooitive Results Real World Bassmasters (R) (In Stereo)

ery of the World Nova (CC) Firing Line
 MOVIE: The Little Drumner Girl (1984) Diane Keaton Yorgo Voyagis. Israel recruits a pro-Palestinian American as a Danger Bay (CC)
MacGyver (CC)
Andy Griffith
Week in Review (CC) Welcome Freshmen
MOVIE: Dial M for Murder 1954) Ray Milland, Grace Kelly A noney-hungry man's plot to kill Golf Dynamics
S Tantasy Eighteen
M How to Get a Second

Hunt for Red Mercury
Week in Rock Buckmasters: Whitetai Magazine (In Stereo)

23 McLaughlin Group

Major League Baseball Atlanta Braves at Pittsburgh Pirates

ZorroThis Week in Baseball Wild Side Sports Forum
S (1) Bob Mann's Golf
S (3) Major League Baseball
Kansas City Royals at Detroit Tig-

MTV Jams Countdown

American Sports Cavalcade (R) (In Stereo)

MOVIE: Lt. Robin Crusoe, U.S.N. (1966) Dick Van Dyke, Nancy Kwan. A stranded into a paradise (MOVIE: Fun in Acapulco dress. A singer and part-time life guard romances two women. MOVIE: Tootsie (1982) Dustin Hoffman, Jessica Lange An unemployed actor poses as a (25) Evening at Pops (26) On the Issues Fred Gra sexual discrimination and harass ment, focusing on a corporation

(Part 2 of 4)

[MAX] MOVIE: China Syndrome (CC)

MOVIE: Rascals and Robbers: The Secret Adventures of Tom Sawyer and Huck Finn 1982) Patrick Creadon, Anthony Michael Hall. Tom Sawyer and Huck Finn overhear a plot to cheat

MOVIE: Jaws 3 (1983) Dennis Quaid, Bess Armstrong, A giant great white shark terrorizes a Florida marine park MOVIE: Send Me No Flow Day. A "dying" hypochondriad seeks a new husband for his wife Lead-Off Man

Tennis (Live) (3) First of America Classic (4) Golf (Same-day Tape) HMS Pandora: In Pursuit of 2:10 Major League Baseball Chi-

zis. (In Stereo) (CC) Rin Tin Tin K-9 Cop (CC) Baseball Tonight

inside Business

SUNDAY cont.

2:30 Auto Racing (Taped)
Earth Matters Looney Tunes Jewel in the Crown Merrick (3) (10) Senior PGA Golf and Bingham leave for the front while Lady Manners persuades the governor to review the evid CHIPs Hard Rock Countdown ence against Kumar. ATP Tour Magazine

(CC) 38 Coronation - George Marshall and the American Century Man Who Loves Sharks Ø Ø Danger Theatre Rodeo (Taped)
World Report African Skies MOVIE: Death Valley (1982) Sports Sunday Catherine Hicks, Stephen McHat-Looney Tunes

tie. A mother and son encounter homicidal maniac in the desert Real World Teeth of Death RaceDay Update (In Stereo)
Exciting World of Speed and Beauty (R) (In Stereo) Exciting World of Speed and Beauty (R) (In Stereo) (47) (17) In Living Color 13 (13) (11) LPGA Golf (Live) 9 35 (P 23 Nature (CC) 9 (3) (9 (4) America's Funni-3:50 Disney Channel Saluter the American Teacher (CC) est Home Videos (CC)

[HBO] MOVIE: Don't Tell

Mom the Babysitter's Dead (1) Inside Winston Cup Racing

3:30

(CC) (In Stereo) 47 Growing Pains MAX1 MOVIE: Mission o Auto Racing (Live) stice (In Stereo) (17) Star Search MOVIE: Caught in the Act (35) Outdoor Wisconsin (1993) Gregory Harrison, Leslie [HBO] Poetic Justice: First Hope. A struggling actor's whirlwind romance proves dangerous. [MAX] MOVIE: Explorer Adventures of the Black MOVIE: Heidi (1993) (Part 2 tallion (CC) of 2) Jason Robards, Noley Street Justice Thornton, Homesick Heidi longs Major League Baseball Toto be reunited with her grand

U.S. Olympic Festival (Live)

47) New WKRP in Cincinnati

35 Fred Trost's Practical

(I) [HBO] MOVIE: Talent for the Game (In Stereo)

Tom and Jerry's 50th Birth-

3 Cycling (Taped) (CC)

(10) To Be Announced

Auto Racing (Taped) (In

17 Lifestyles of the Rich

(35) American Vacations

Double Trouble

Running (Taped)

In Search Of...

Tenth Inning

My Sister Sam
Twilight Zone
America's Horse

EVENING

Golf (Same-day Tape)
Paid Program
Hunters in the Sky

Naturescene
 Hometime
 Captain Planet and the Planet

Fifteen

This Week in Baseball

(CC) (3) (3) (4) (5)

10 (5) News (17) Star Trek: Deep Space

(CC) (HBO) MOVIE: Footloose

WCW Main Event Wrestling

MAX1 MOVIE: Curly Sue

My Two Dads (CC)
Big Brother Jake (CC)

MOVIE: Johnny Danger ously (1984) Michael Keaton, Jo

Piscopo. A lad turns to crime t

Wings
Bugs Bunny & Pals
Shadetree Mechanic
Roggin's Heroes
M NBC Nightly

(CC) (S) (B) (B) (A) ABC World News

3 6 CBS Evening

Dad (1990) Bill Cosby, Kimberly

Russell. A new ghost is given

three days to see to his kids' se-

23) Austin City Limits

(CC)

MOVIE: Perry Mason: The Case of the Avenging Ace (1988) Raymond Burr, Barbara

MOVIE: The Rocketee

(1991) Bill Campbell, Jennife

Connelly. A pilot finds an experi

mental rocket pack wanted by Na-

7:00 Drag Racing (In Stereo Live)

47 (17) Parker Lewis (CC)

curity. (In Stereo) (CC)

Sunday (CC)

My Two Dads (CC)

That's My Dog

pay his mother's hospital bills

Headline News
Family Double Dare
Real West

Avonlea (CC)

Wild Side

23 This Old House (CC)

Just the Ten of Us

Crossover Sports

Paid Program

Sportsman (R)

(B)

(Chihuly

Arcade

Winners (R) (In Stereo)

ronto Blue Jays at Texas Rangers father. (CC) Gossip! Gossip! Gossip!
MOVIE: Strange Bedfel-Primenews (CC)
Headline News lows (1964) Rock Hudson, Gina Mick News: W/5 Lollobrigida. A divorce-minded ty MOVIE: Rio Bravo (1959) coon tries to reconcile with his John Wayne, Dean Martin, A powerful rancher seeks his brother's release from prison. You Can't Do That on Tele-3 6 Murder, She Irish Open Golf Highlight
 Sharks of Pirate Island

Wrote (CC) MOVIE: Nightwing (1979) Nick Mancuso, David Warner, Ra sidents of Arizona You Wrote It, You Watch It

Raceday (In Stereo)

(In Stereo) est People (CC) Maniac Mansion (CC) Mork & Mindy Pro Beach Volleyball

9:00 Week in Rock Fishin' With Orlando Wilson (R) (In Stereo) 47 1 Married... With (8) (9) (10) MOVIE: Darkman 1990) Liam Neeson, Frances

> McDormand. A scientist seeks revenge on those who immersed him in acid. (In Stereo) (CC) (35) Masterpiece Theatre (23) National Geograph

Farrah Fawcett, John Shea. A single mother stands trial for shootng her three children (In Stereo)

National Geographic Exolorer (CC)
Rolling Stones: Live In the Father Dowling Mysteries

Runaway With the Rich and Week in Review Lucy Show

3 6 MOVIE: In the Company of Darkness (1993) lelen Hunt, Jeff Fahey. A rookie Chicago cop inadvertently ex-

 Beyond Bizarre
 Sports (In Stereo)
 Fishing With Roland Martin ypse Now (In Stereo) Making of Sgt. Pepper (CC)

Designing Women (CC)
Dick Van Dyke (CC) (35) Fame in the 20th Cen tury During 1951-1959, television made stars of Lucille Ball and Liberace while Hollywood countered with Marilyn Monroe; Hugh Hefner launches 'Playboy''; Elvis Presley emerges. (In Stereo) (Part

(23) Masterp (HBO) MOVIE: BO (CC) (In Stereo) Counterstrik
In Touch

News (CC)
World News Mary Tyler Moore (CC)

Shark -- The Silent Savage MOVIE: Child's Play (1972 James Mason, Robert Preston Mysterious evil permeates a Catholic boys school. Rockumentary
Hank Parker's Outdoor Ma-

Donna Reed
Cycling (Taped)
Instant Replay Liquid Television
Road Test Magazine

47 Firefighters 5 6 13 5 3 5 41 5 10 6 News 17) Star Trek: Deep Space (35) Firing Line 23 Fred Trost's Practical portsman (R)

Network Earth Silk Stalkings (CC) Ben Haden Honeymooners
Sportscenter
Sports Tonight Dragnet D Caroline's Comedy Hour U.S. Olympic Same-day Tape) Man Who Loves Sharks

47 George Sports Machine Entertainment Tonight (35) Viewer's Choice Off the Record (13) Current Affair Extra Gift of Love This Was America 1968 John Ankerberg Kojak
 Inside Business
 Alfred Hitchcock Presents (B) (3) First of America golf highlights

(1) Oxygen Cocktail
(2) (1) Sweating Bullets

World Tomorrow

12:00

11:30 Speed Racer
Trucks and Tractor Power

(10) NBC News Nightside Beyond Bizarre
MOVIE: See No Evil (1971) Auto Racing (Taped) (CC) 3 Auto Racing (Taped) (CC) 120 Minutes cently blinded woman is stalked Truckin' USA (R) (In Stereo) by a killer. 47 Airwolf 17) Time Trax (CC) (I) [HBO] Poetic Justice: First (8) NBC News Nightside (HBO) MOVIE: Used Cars
Feed the Children Hollywood Inside **3 John Osteen** (CC) 📵 🚳 @ Paid Program Baseball Tonight (R) Designing Women (CC)
Sports Latenight
Personal Power World Report Final Edition

Best of American Muscle

1:50 @ [MAX] MOVIE: The Last

Boy Scout (CC) (In Stereo)

Going Our Way
MOVIE: Aurora (1984)

Sophia Loren, Daniel J. Travanti

A woman cons her ex-lovers to

(13) ABC World News Now

(CC) [HBO] Larry Sanders

Personal Power

Sportscenter
Headline News

Future Watch

🚳 🔞 🔞 Paid Program

fund her blind son's operation.

2:00 Dreamtime

Headline News @ @ Paid Program MOVIE: Rio Bravo (1959) John Wayne, Dean Martin. A pow-Auto Racing (R) erful rancher seeks his brother's Both Sides release from prison. Caroline's Comedy Hour (6) Entertainment Tonight @ Zorro MOVIE: Wicked Step-(3) CBS Sunday Night

mother (1989) Bette Davis, Barbara Carrera. A man's elderly Rolling Stone Music
MOVIE: The Rocketeer bride is replaced by a young (1991) Bill Campbell, Jennifer Connelly. A pilot finds an experi-8 Whoopi Goldberg mental rocket pack wanted by Na-American Gladiators zis (In Stereo) (CC) MOVIE: Maniac Cop 2 (In Stereo) 🔞 🥵 🔞 🔞 Paid Program

British Rock 3:35 (III) (MAX) MOVIE: Sharky's (10) Paid Program MOVIE: Tank (1983) James 3:45 @ Newsroom Garner, G.D. Spradlin. An Army Sterling Air & Water officer commandeers a Sherman Paid Program tank to rescue his son. Jane Whitney Dobie Gillis Big Story
Headline News 1:00 Drag Racing (R) (In Stereo)

(In Stereo) Alfred Hitchcock Presents

17 Psychic Phone Line MOVIE: Death Valley (1982) Hidden Keys to a Loving Catherine Hicks, Stephen McHattie. A mother and son encounter a Paid Program homicidal maniac in the desert. Mountain Biking (Taped) MOVIE: Torture Garden Patty Duke 1968) Jack Palance, Burgess Rugby World

(a) (1) Renegade

(b) Shark -- The Silent Savage Meredith. A carnival barker gives patrons a look at their future [HBO] MOVIE: Kickboxe

(B) It's Showtime at the (CC) (In Stereo) Filler (f) MOVIE: The Man With Paid Program One Red Shoe (1985) Tom Reliable Sources Hanks, Lori Singer. A musician Dragnet unwittingly gets mixed up with ri-I Love Lucy

5:00 Totally Different Pauly (B) (13) Night Court (B) Cher Presents Lori Davis (8) This Morning's Busi- Paid Program MOVIE: Rascals and Robbers: The Secret Adventures of Tom Sawyer and Huck Finn

 Jane Whitney
 Basic Training Workout Sports Latenight (R)
Superman

(MAX) MOVIE: Jezebel

3:30 Auto Racing (R)
4:00 [HBO] MOVIE: Buffy the

Vampire Stayer (CC) (S)

Max Out

Best of Scholastic Sports

MOVIE: Forbidden Planet

(1956) Walter Pidgeon, Anne

Francis. A professor and his

World Roller Hockey

League Express vs. Titans From Orlando, Fla. (Taped)

MAX] MOVIE: Nobody's

Wonder Years (CC)

So America With Dennis

MOVIE: The Care Bears

Rooney, Georgia Engel, Ani-

mated. Magical bears promote

kindness and compassion.

Saved by the Bell (CC)

Thoroughbred Digest
World Today
Headline News
What Would You Do?

Rockford Files (CC)

(47) Real Stories of the

35 @ 23 Nightly Business

(13) (41) ABC World News

Tenight (CC)

[MAX] MOVIE: Police Aca-

Real Ghostbusters

Up Close

Saved by the Bell (CC)

demy 4: Citizens on Patrol (CC)

Program Guide
Profiles of Nature

G.I. Joe Life Goes On (CC)

EVENING

MONDAY

July 26

(1982) Patrick Creadon, Anthony

Huck Finn overhear a plot to cheat

MORNING

Hair Care

5:00 Sports Latenight (R)
5:35 M [MAX] MOVIE: Cousin, 6:10 (B) [HBO] MOVIE: Desert 7:15 (MAX) MOVIE: Tempest

8:00 Sportscenter (R)
9:00 [HBO] MOVIE: WarGames (1954) Ray Milland, Grace Kelly. A 5:30 Max Out his wife goes awry.

[MAX] MOVIE: Snow White

Sportscenter (R)

10:05 MOVIE: Sin of Innocence (1986) Bill Bixby, Dee Wallace Stone. A boy falls in love with his new stepsister.

11:00 (HBO) MOVIE: Wayne's

MOVIE: Blind Vengeance (1990) Gerald McRaney, Marg Helgenberger. A father goes after the three racists who murdered (MAX) MOVIE: Happy New

AFTERNOON 12:00 @ MOVIE: The Sound and the ilence (1992) (Part 1 of 2) John

ham Bell works to aid the hearing 12:30 ([HBO] MOVIE: Man Trou-1:00 @ [MAX] MOVIE: Now, Voy-1946) Nelson Eddy, Dinah Shore.

Animated shorts are highlighted by pop and classical music. (CC) Tennis (Live) 1:05 MOVIE: Real Men (1987) James Belushi, John Ritter. Unlikely allies try to retrieve a crucial secret formula.

2:00 MOVIE: Company of Killers 1970) Van Johnson, Ray Milland A murder plot sends hit men and police after a paid killer. MOVIE: Paradise (1982) Wil ie Aames, Phoebe Cates, Two teens find love while stranded in the Arabian desert. (HBO) MOVIE: Spacehun

ter: Adventures in the Forbid-

Basil Hears a Noise Designing Women (CC) Best of American Muscle **D** Crossfire (CC) (41) Love Connection Hard Copy (CC) Bugs Bunny & Pals
Sanford and Son

News (CC)

neteers (CC)

7:00

Andy Griffith

Wildlife Chronicles

Beavis & Butt-Head

(47) Roseanne (CC)

Tonight (CC)
(II) (T) Cheers (CC)

Newshour (CC)

13 Cops (CC)

MacGyver (CC)
Waltons
Paradise Beach

Sportscenter Moneyline

Looney Tunes

In Search Of...

(8) (6) Entertain

35 🔞 23 MacNeil/Lehre

Major League Baseball

New York Yankees at Detroit Tig-

(3) (10) Wheel of Fortune

(41) Real Stories of the

Highway Patrol
Wonder of Western Aus-

tralia The golden orb weaver spi-

der; herding cattle by helicopter;

47 Golden Girls (CC)

(CC)

(13) Current Affair (CC)

17) Murphy Brown (CC)

Wolf Creek Crater. (R)

7:05 Beverly Hillbillies (CC)

7:30 Totally Different Pauly

Jetsons

Captain Planet and the Pla-

8:00 (B) Crook and Chase (47) (17) MOVIE: Downtown (1990) Anthony Edwards Forest Whitaker. A suburban cop is transferred to Philadelphia's ghettos. (In Stereo) (CC) (8) (8) (10) Fresh Prince of Bel-Air (CC) (35) Ask the Doctors 23) Fame in the 20th Century During the 1970s, corruption in the Nixon White House spurred

Hollywood to create anti-heroes like Clint Eastwood's Dirty Harry: also Pele, Biorn Borg and Bruce Lee. (In Stereo) (Part 7 of 8) (CC) (CC) (HBO) MOVIE: Toy Soltiers (CC) (In Stereo) MAX] MOVIE: I'm Gonna Git You Sucka (CC) (In Stereo) Avonlea (CC) Murder, She Wrote (CC) Young Riders (CC)

Major League Baseball San Diego Padres at Chicago Cubs Major League Basebal Teams to Be Announced (Live) Primenews (CC) Partridge Family

(1) (1) Evening Shade Natural World
MOVIE: 2001: A Space

Lockwood. Jupiter-bound astron auts "unplug" renegade compu-8:05 CHiPs 8:30 MTV Prime Texas Connection

(B) MOVIE: M*A*S*H (1970) Donald Sutherland, Elliott Gould Two unorthodox Korean War doo (4) That's Amore 3 (B) (6) Major Dad (CC) (10 Blossom (CC) 17) Fall Guy (CC) 13 Night Court

9:00 B Rockumentary Nashville Now

S S P 23 Nature of Ausand other animals in Australia's isolated location: a study of its varied marine life, including the inhabitants of the Great Barrier Reef. (R) (In Stereo) (Part 1 of 3) 6 Vickil

13 (B) (41) MOVIE: Small Sacrifices (1989) (Part 2 of 2) Farrah Fawcett, John Shea. As evidence mounts. Diane is formally charged with murder. (In Major League Baseball At-

lanta Braves at Colorado Rockies MOVIE: Can-Can (1960) Frank Sinatra, Shirley MacLaine A moralistic young judge closes WWF: Monday Night Raw
Father Dowling Mysteries

Larry King Live (CC) (10 MOVIE: Tremors (1989) Kevin Bacon, Fred Ward. Mon-

strous sandworms devour denizens of a Nevada desert town. (in Stereo) (CC) Living With the Bears of the MAX] MOVIE: The Toxic Avenger Part II

Dick Van Dyke 3 6 Love & War (CC)

(47) Comedy Spotlight 17 Arsenio Hall (CC) Bugs Bunny & Pals

Jeffersons (CC)

Australian Rules Football (I) [HBO] Multiple Personalities: The Search for Deadly Memories (CC) eams to Be Announced (Taped) 9 700 Club World News **Headline News**

Mary Tyler Moore (CC) U Lovejoy Mysteries
Talking Baseball
(3) (6) Northern Expo-America Coast to Coast

Mary Tyler Moore (CC) Trackside at Ladbroke 11:00 Beavis & Butt-Head

(1) (1) Studs (2) (3) (4) (4) (5) 10 10 News (17) Cheers (CC) (35) Michigan Business (23) Fame in the 20th Century During the 1970s, corruption in the Nixon White House spurred Hollywood to create anti-heroes like Clint Eastwood's Dirty Harry also Pele, Biorn Borg and Bruce Lee. (In Stereo) (Part 7 of 8) (CC) (3) [HBO] MOVIE: Buffy the Vampire Slayer (CC) (In Stereo) [MAX] MOVIE: In Too Deep (In Stereo) Eden Scarecrow and Mrs. King News (CC) Baseball Tonigh

Sports Tonight
Lucy Show Evening at the Improv American Adventurer Natural World MOVIE: Dr. Strangelove or: How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the Bomb (1964 Peter Sellers, George C. Scott Stanley Kubrick's classic Cold War satire about nuclear war. Comikaze (47) Love Connection 17) Dear John (CC) 35) Charlie Rose 🔞 😘 Rush Limbaugh Carole King: Going Home

(I) Hitchhiker Kojak Sportscenter
Moneyline Alfred Hitchcock Presents Sports Innerview **3** Sweating Bullets 11:35 Designing Women (CC)
11:35 Tonight Show (CC)
Alternative Nation Crook and Chase

(47) Whoopi Goldberg (17) Studs (23) Star Hustler Nightline (CC)
 National Geographic Explorer (CC) Quantum Leap (CC) Bonanza: The Lost Epi-Newsnight
Headline News David L. Wolper Presents Major League Baseball New York Yankees at Detroit Tig-6 Arsenio Hall (CC)

Living With the Bears of the **Great Lakes** (III) Paradise Beach Texas Connection 47 9 to 5 (17) Psychic Phone Line (35) Star Hustler (13) Married... With Children [HBO] MOVIE: Coming to America (CC) (In Stereo)

MOVIE: Conrack (1974) Jor Voight. Paul Winfield. A white schoolteacher helps underpriv leged black children. MOVIE: Race Against the Harvest (1987) Wayne Rogers Mariclare Costello. A whea farmer faces financial disaster. Auto Racing (Taped)

F-Troop 3 Scene of the Crime 3 9 10 Late Night With

Hollywood Inside Paid Program Auto Racing (Taped) Larry King Live
 Dobie Gillis
 Sherlock Holmes Myster

America Coast to Coast MOVIE: 2001: A Space Odyssey (1968) Keir Dullea, Gary Lockwood, Jupiter-bound astron (CC)

Dreamtime

47 MOVIE: The Karate Kid (1984) Ralph Macchio, Noriyuki "Pat" Morita. A Japanese handy man teaches a teen-ager to de (CC) Dog House
Paid Program Checkered Flag

Patty Duke

S Jerry Springer

Whoopi Goldberg (10) Later With Bob Costa 2:00 Chris LeDoux & Suzy Bog guss: Ropin' & Rockin'

3 ABC World News Nov

Paid Program 700 Club Sports Reporters (i Worldwide Update Headline News Donna Reed Lovejoy Mysteries

S S Home Shopping Spree
Wonder of Western Australia The golden orb weaver spider; herding cattle by helicopter Wolf Creek Crater. (R)

(8) Infatuation 0 (10) NBC News Nightsid Tribute to John Lennon 2:20 (MAX MOVIE: Mom (In

2:30 (I) [HBO] MOVIE: To Kill Fo Paid Program
Tower Time Buy Sportscenter

Sports Latenight Get Smart (3) Home Shopping Spre Beavis & Butt-Head MOVIE: Nowhere to Hide (1977) Lee Van Cleef, Tony Mi

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Thoroughbred Digest (R)
Worldwide Update

Brute Force: The History of

6 Home Shopping Spree

Wonder of Western Aus-

tralia Hang gliding and windsurf-

(8) Later With Bob Costas

(10) NBC News Nightside

MOVIE: 20 Million Miles to

Earth (1957) William Hopper

Joan Taylor. A giant alien ram-

pages through the Italian country-

MOVIE: Justin Case (1988)

George Carlin, Molly Hagan, Apri-

vate eye's ghost returns to solve

(3) Home Shopping Spree

MOVIE: The Outing (1987

Deborah Winters, James Huston

Teen-age museum visitors fall

prey to an ancient Iraqi genie. (In

ing: Australian tropics. (R)

B Headline News

Donna Reed

Veapons at War

2:30 Path to Stardom

his own murder. (CC)

Tower Time Buy

Sportscenter
Sports Latenight

2:40 @ [MAX] MOVIE: Afraid of

the Dark (In Stereo)

@ Paid Program

Twilight Zone

Showbiz Today

Dick Van Dyke

Paid Program

Pro Beach Volleyball Four

Bob Newhart

Evening at the Improve

Up Close (R)

3:00 Beavis & Butt-Head

@ Get Smart

2:35 (8) Infatuation

MONDAY cont.

sante. A mobster orders a former hit man killed before he testifies. @ @ Paid Program Twilight Zone Up Close (R) Showbiz Today Dick Van Dyke Evening at the Improv Paid Program MOVIE: Term of Trial (1962 Laurence Olivier, Simone Sig noret. A young student accuses a schoolmaster of assault

 Auto Racing (R) Mary Tyler Moore (CC) 3:45 Newsroom (CC) 3:50 IMAX MOVIE: Bod nemistry II: The Voice of a Stranger (CC) (In Stereo)

4:00 B Dreamtime MOVIE: Von Ryan's Express (1965) Frank Sinatra, Tre vor Howard, Escaped Allied pri soners take over a train to Switzerland.

@ @ Paid Program News B Headline News ter falls in love with a dance-hall

(CC) (B) (B) (Paid Program CNN & Co. Alfred Hitchcock Presents 4:35 (HBO) MOVIE: The Big I Love Lucy

@ @ Paid Program Sports Latenight (R) @ Lucy Show (6) Home Shopping Spre

Off to the Races at Hazel

Course (CC) (In Stereo)

(CC) (Golden Girls (CC)

Tenth Inning

lews (CC)

TUESDAY

MORNING 5:00 @ Sports Latenight (R) 5:15 MAX] MOVIE: Waxwork II: Lost in Time (S)

July 27

6:00 @ Power and the Glory (R) 6:30 (I) [HBO] MOVIE: The Last of His Tribe (CC) (S) 7:00 @ [MAX] MOVIE: A Night at he Opera 7:30 Sportscenter (R

8:00 @ Sportscenter (R) 8:30 @ [MAX] MOVIE: The Ex-Sportscenter (R) 9:00 (HBO) MOVIE: Star Trek V The Final Frontier (CC) (S) MOVIE: Company of Killers (1970) Van Johnson, Ray Milland. A murder plot sends hit men and police after a paid killer

10:00 @ [MAX] MOVIE: Prince Valant (CC) (S) American Gladiators Sportscenter (R) 10:05 MOVIE: Young Love, First Love (1979) Valerie Bertinelli. Timothy Hutton Young romance

forces teen-agers to make some hard choices. 10:30 @ Sportscenter (R) 47 MOVIE: Spring Bi (1983) David Knell, Perry Lang. Four college students cut loose in [HBO] MOVIE: The Last Dragon (CC) (S)

MOVIE: Silhouette (1990) Faye Dunaway, David Rasche, A stranded woman witnesses a murder in small-town Texas (S)

11:45 MAX] MOVIE: The Right

AFTERNOON 12:00 @ MOVIE: The Sound and the lence (1992) (Part 2 of 2) John Bach, Ian Bannen, Bell heads up

the construction of Britain's first 1:00 @ MOVIE: Back to Hannibal The Return of Tom Sawyer and Huckleberry Finn (1990) Raphael Sbarge, Mitchell Ander son. Now young adults. Huck and Tom help a chum accused of murder (S) (CC)

Tennis (Live) 1:05 MOVIE: Wise Guys (1986) Danny DeVito, Joe Piscopo, Two petty henchmen out their boss s cash on the wrong horse

1:30 @ [HBO] MOVIE: Tough Enough (CC)
2:00 MOVIE: You'll Like My Mother (1972) Patty Duke, Rose mary Murphy. A pregnant widow is victimized by her mother-in-law MOVIE: Black Gold (1947)

Anthony Quinn Katherine De Mille. An Indian strikes it rich with an oil well and a racehorse 3:00 @ [MAX] MOVIE: The Fly (S D Lead-Off Man

3:20 Major League Baseball San Diego Padres at Chicago Cubs From Wrigley Field (Live) 3:30 Thoroughbred Digest (R 4:00 Max Out

MOVIE: The Ice Pirates 1984) Robert Urich, Mar Crosby. Space pirates help a prin

4:30 (HBO) MOVIE: Lovesick (CC) World Roller Hockey League Aztecs vs. Express From

5:30 @ Max Out **EVENING** 6:00 (AT) Who's the Boss? (CC) B B B B B B B B B

Rockford Files (CC)

Program Guide
Profiles of Nature

MTV Prime 10 6 News 17 Wonder Years (CC) 35 America With Dennis 23 Adam Smith

[HBO] MOVIE: The Butcher's Wife (CC) (In Stereo) Mashville Now MOVIE: Alice in Wonder Gregory. Red Buttons. Alice follows a white rabbit through a strange passageway. G.I. Joe Life Goes On (CC) Running & Racing
World Today Stereo) (Part 2 of 3) (CC) Headline News What Would You Do'

Dragnet MOVIE: A Star is Borr (1937) Janet Gaynor, Fredric March. An idol's career hits the skids as his wife achieves star-MOVIE: Killer's Kiss (1955) Frank Silvera, Irene Kane. A figh-

 Totally Different Pauly This Morning's Business @ 700 Club

Mary Tyler Moore (CC) Delta Blues 911! PGA Today **D** Lifeforce MOVIE: Night of the Lepus (1972) Stuart Whitman, Janes Leigh. Innocent rabbits are turned into carnivorous super bunnies. 10:30 Rock Videos That Don't Major League Baseball

MAX MOVIE: Collision 6:30 @ 47 Real Stories of the Highway Patrol

B B D NBC Nightly Club Dance 10 6 News 35 (23) Nightly Business (17) Cheers (CC) 13 (13) (14) ABC World News 23) Nova (CC) Eden

Tonight (CC)

Real Ghostbusters Saved by the Bell (CC) News (CC) Up Close Wild & Crazy Kids Lucy Show 3 6 CBS Evening Wildlife Chronicles Terra X Captain Planet and the Pla-Comikaze neteers (CC) Andy Griffith

Beavis & Butt-Head 47 Roseanne (CC) 3 6 Entertainment Tonight (CC)

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(CC) 35) (B) (23) MacNeil/Lehrer ewshour (CC) (13) Cops (CC) MacGyver (CC) Paradise Beach Sportscenter Moneyline 1

In Search Of... Major League Baseball New York Yankees at Detroit Tig-(B) (1) Wheel of Fortune (41) Real Stories of the Highway Patrol

Wonder of Western Aus-

tralia The unusual animals and andscapes of western Australia Jetsons Beverly Hillbillies (CC) **1** Totally Different Pauly 47 Golden Girls (CC) 8 Inside Edition (GC) 17 Murphy Brown (CC) 13) Current Affair (CC)

Designing Women (CC)
Crossfire **Bullwinkle** 3 (B) 10 Jeopardy! (CC) B (41) Love Connection 6 Hard Copy (CC) Bugs Bunny & Pals Sanford and Son

Zorro (CC) (8) (8) (10) MOVIE: Maid for Each Other (1992) Dinah Manoff. Nell Carter. A maid and her boss find a dead man in the closet, (In Stereo) (CC) 35) (B) (23) Nova (CC)

12:30

13 (B) (41) Full House (CC) B [HBO] MOVIE: Unlawfu MAX] MOVIE: Harlem Walt Disney Presents Murder, She Wrote (CC) Young Riders (CC)
Major League Baseball

Water Skiing (Taped) Primenews (CC) Headline News Partridge Family Biography
Rescue 911 (CC) **В** Тегга X

MOVIE: The Howling (1981) Dee Wallace, Patrick Macnee, A reporter is hounded by were wolves at a psychiatric retreat. 8:05 CHiPs

47 (17) Martin (CC) 13 (B) (41) Hangin' With Mr. 5:00 Sports Latenight (R)
5:05 (B) [HBO] MOVIE: Unlawful Pro Beach Volleyball Four @ Get Smart

Treasure Hunters Disney Channel Salutes the American Teacher (CC) (47) (17) America's Most (B) 35 (B) 23 Nature of Austinent Australia's varied forests and the animals that make their homes there, the unique wildlife

Sportscenter (R) MOVIE: You'll Like My Mother (1972) Patty Duke, Rose that live in the arid outback. (R) (In mary Murphy. A pregnant widow is victimized by her mother-in-law. 13 (13) (41) Roseanne (CC) (MAX) MOVIE: Eddie and Major League Baseball A lanta Braves at Colorado Rockies 10:00 (HBO) MOVIE: For Richer, for Poorer (CC) (S) Bird's Eye View of America American Gladiators

(1991) Lynda Carter, Michele Greene. The behind-the-scenes stories of three Playboy models (In Stereo) (CC) (13) (1) Coach (CC) Surfing (Taped)
Dick Van Dyke Next Step Jon Stewart American Music Shor Wiseguy

(CC) 17 Arsenio Hall (CC) (13) (41) Switched at Birth: Kimberly's Story (CC) [HBO] MOVIE: Ruby (CC)

Father Dowling Mysteries

John Lee Hooker & Friends

(3) (6) MOVIE: Posing:

nspired by Three Real Storie

12:35

1:15

Dreamtime

house by pirates.

Paid Program

Patty Duke

Sportscenter

3 Jerry Springer8 Whoopi Goldberg

10 Later With Bob Costas

[HBO] Laurel Avenue Ro

landa, fearing Rushan may be in-

volved in drugs, finds a gun and

drugs in his room; Sheila's date

with Fletcher is a disaster. (R) (Ir

MOVIE: Encounter With the

Jnknown (1973) Rosie Holotik

Gene Ross. Three documented

supernatural occurrences are re-

(13) ABC World News Now

MOVIE: Making the Grade

(1984) Judd Nelson, Dana Olsen

A rich kid hires a ringer to finish

6 Home Shopping Spree

Wonder of Western Aus-

tralia The unusual animals and

landscapes of western Australia

(B) Later With Bob Costas

ers (1940) Bob Hope Paulette

Goddard. A high-strung man

helps an heiress rid her island of

3 Home Shopping Spree

M [MAX] MOVIE: Skin Deep

Evening at the Improv
 NBC News Nightside
 [HBO] MOVIE: Final Em-

Mary Tyler Moore (CC)

MOVIE: Beyond Belie

(1976) Reincarnation and myster

ies of the paranormal are studied

Bird's Eye View of America

Miami Vice
Paid Program
MOVIE: The History of Mr.

Polly (1949) John Mills, Sally Ann

Howes. A romantic soul is unable

Dragnet
MOVIE: Romanoff and Ju-

liet (1961) Peter Ustinov, Sandra

Dee. The Russian and American

ambassadors' children fall in love.

[MAX] MOVIE: Old Gringo

Alfred Hitchcock Presents

[HBO] Larry Sanders (CC) Totally Different Pauly

(8) This Morning's Busi-

to adjust to the realities of life.

News
Headline News

1 Love Lucy

CNN & Co.

Paid Program

All in the Family

My Sister Sam

Paid Program

Walt Disney Presents

Sports Latenight (R)

10:05 @ MOVIE: Silence of the

1:00 (47) MOVIE: National Lam-

ball sidetrips

double. (S) (CC)

11:10 (MAX) MOVIE: All Through

the Night
11:30 (B) [HBO] MOVIE: Footloose

AFTERNOON

12:00 MOVIE: The Spoilers (1942)

John Wayne, Marlene Dietrich. A

Heart (1984) Mariette Hartley.

Dana Hill. Academic and social

pressures drive a student to sui-

poon's Vacation (1983) Chevy

Chase, Beverly D'Angelo. A vaca-

ioning family detours into screw-

MOVIE: The Lookalike

1990) Melissa Gilbert-Brinkman.

30 Brinkman. A grieving mother

sees her dead daughter's exact

Lucy Show

Shopping Spree

Newsroom (CC)

2:30 MOVIE: The Ghost Break

Sportscenter (R)

Get Smart

3:00 Beavis & Butt-Head

Acne Statin

Up Close (R)

Showbiz Today
Dick Van Dyke

Sports (In Stereo)
Paid Program
Bob Newhart

Miami VicePaid Program

Sports Latenight

out his school year.

Running & Racing (R
Worldwide Update

Headline News

Donna Reed
Delta Blues 911!

700 Club

2:05

American Music Shop

Stereo) (ESP Part 1 of 2) (CC)

trapped alone in a desolate light

(13) Cosby Show (CC)

■ Larry King Live (CC)

[MAX] MOVIE: White iands (CC) (In Stereo) MOVIE: Carousel (1956) Gordon MacRae, Cameron Mitchell. A carnival worker resorts to theft to provide for his family. Baseball Tonight World News Headline News

Teams to Be Announced (Live) Mary Tyler Moore (CC)

Sports
Beavis & Butt-Head B (3) (23) (3) (41) (23) 35) Alive TV (CC) Scarecrow and Mrs. King

Sports Tonight Evening at the Improv Sportswriters on TV (47) Love Connectio 17) Dear John (CC) 35 Charlie Rose (13) Rush Limbaugh

Hitchhiker Kojak Alfred Hitchcock Presents 3 Forever Knight 6 Designing Women (CC) 11:35 📵 📵 📵 Tonight Show (CC) (A) Nightline 11:40 (MAX MOVIE: Def by Looney Tunes

(B) [HBO] MOVIE: One False Alternative Nation Crook and Chase 47) Whoopi Goldberg (17) Studs 23 Star Hustler MOVIE: Meatballs Part II (1984) Richard Mulligan, John

Mengatti The Camp Sasquatch kids face their rivals in a boxing @ Quantum Leap (CC) Bonanza: The Lost Epi-Mewsnight Headline News Superman
Biography
Major League Baseball New York Yankees at Detroit Tig-

6 Arsenio Hall (CC) Invention
 MOVIE: Slaughter (1976)
 David McCallum, George Wyner. A university professor tries to find out why a pack of dogs is terrorizing a small college town 4:15 Three Stooges (41) Paradise Beach (47) 9 to 5

(17) All in the Family 35 Star Hustler (13) Married... With Children MOVIE: Stella Dallas (1937) Barbara Stanwyck, John Boles, A woman sacrifices everything for the love of her daughter

MOVIE: Cool Hand Luke (1967) Paul Newman, George Kennedy. A gutsy chain gang pri soner makes repeated bids for Crossfire
F-Troop

July 28

MORNING

6:00 Power and the Glory (R)

Sportscenter (R)

7:30 Sportscenter (R) 8:00 M [MAX] MOVIE: The Out-

Sportscenter (R)

Chance of Maximilian

6:30 (MAX MOVIE: A Father's

WEDNESDAY

1:00 @ [MAX] MOVIE: The (3) Exile **Vorid's Greatest Lover** Next Step MOVIE: The Camel Boy (8) (10) Late Night With (1984) Voices of Barbara Frawley David Letterman Ron Haddrick, Animated, An Ara-(41) That's Amore bic boy and his granddad become Speed Racer Nashville Now camel drivers. Tennis (Live) (47) Infatuation

1:05 MOVIE: Gymkata (1985) (17) Fall Guy (CC) Kurt Thomas, Tetchie Agbayani, (13) Night Court An agent attempts to secure a mil-Boxing (R)
Paid Program itary site in Asia. 1:30 @ [HBO] MOVIE: The Naked Larry King Live
Dobie Gillis Gun 2 1/2: The Smell of Fear John Lee Hooker & Friends 2:00 @ Lead-Off Man (8) Vicki! MOVIE: Murphy's War Lifeforce (1971) Peter O'Toole, Sian Phil-(I) The Judge (CC) [MAX] MOVIE: The Assaslips. An Irishman seeks revenge

after a U-boat massacres his MOVIE: The Howling (1981) (47) MOVIE: The Light at the Dee Wallace, Patrick Macnee. A Edge of the World (1971) Kirk reporter is hounded by were-Douglas, Yul Brynner, A man is wolves at a psychiatric retreat. Major League Baseball San Diego Padres at Chicago Cubs From Wrigley Field. (Live) 2:30 @ [MAX] MOVIE: The Fifth 3:00 @ [HBO] MOVIE: Big Man on

Motorcycle Racing (Taped) Max Out (R) MOVIE: Battle in Outer Space (1960) Ryo Ikebe, Kyoko Anazi. Two spaceships intercept attackers before a battle in space MAX] MOVIE: Short Circuit (CC) (S World Roller Hockey League Fury vs. Turbos From Orlando, Fla. (Taped) 4:45 @ [HBO] MOVIE: Bless the sts and Children

5:20 @ Tenth Inning

5:30 @ Max Out

EVENING 6:00 (47) Who's the Boss? (CC) 6 B B B B B B B B B B B (10 (B) (6) News 17 Wonder Years (CC) 35 America With Dennis (23) Tony Brown's Journal [MAX] MOVIE: Beauty and MOVIE: Alice in Wonder land (1985) (Part 2 of 2) Natalie Gregory, Red Buttons. Alice meets a host of curious charac-

ters in Wonderland. G.I. Joe Life Goes On (CC) Saved by the Bell (CC) Inside the PGA Tour World Today A Headline News What Would You Do? Rockford Files (CC) Program Guide
Profiles of Nature Bugs Bunny & Pals Jeffersons (CC) Off to the Races at Hazel

6:30 (47) Real Stories of the Highway Patrol

(3) (8) (10) NBC Nightly (17) Golden Girls (CC) (35) (23) Nightly Business (13) (3) (41) ABC World News Tonight (CC)

[HBO] MOVIE: Near Mrs. Saved by the Bell (CC) Up Close

Wild & Crazy Kids B (3) (6) CBS Evening Wildlife Chronicles Captain Planet and the Planeteers (CC) 6:35 M Andy Griffith Beavis & Butt-Head (8) (6) Entertainment

(CC) (II) (35) (II) (23) MacNeil/Lehrer (13) Cops (CC) MacGyver (CC) Waltons Paradise Beach Sportscenter Moneyline

Looney Tunes
In Search Of... Horseworld (B) (3) (B) (10) Wheel of Fortune (41) Real Stories of the Highway Patrol
Wonder of Western Aus tralia Fighting Australia's annual

forest fires and dust storms; exploring an underwater cave. (R) 7:05 Beverly Hillbillies (CC) 7:30 Totally Different Pauly Golden Girls (CC)
Inside Edition (CC) Murphy Brown (CC) 13) Current Affair (CC) **Noah's Animals** Designing Women (CC)
Major League Baseball feams to Be Announced (Live) Crossfire

11:40 (MAX) MOVIE: My Cousin B 3 B 10 Jeopardy! (CC) (6) Hard Copy (CC) Bugs Bunny & Pals
Sanford and Son Crook and Chase (47) (17) Martin (CC) (8) (8) (10) Unsolved Myster (35) (23) National Geo graphic (CC)
(B) (13) (41) Home Improve-[HBO] MOVIE: Mortal Thoughts (CC) (In Stereo)

[MAX] MOVIE: Ricochet MOVIE: Davy Crockett King of the Wild Frontier (1955 Fess Parker, Buddy Ebsen. The adventures of the legendary frontiersman. (CC) Murder, She Wrote (CC)

Woung Riders (CC)
MOVIE: Cyborg (1989) Jean-Claude Van Damme. Deborah Ri-(17) Marty Price Wealth 35 Star Hustler (B) (13) Married... With Children ther. A nomadic adventurer MOVIE: The Ride to Hang safeguards an invaluable robot. Primenews (CC) man's Tree (1967) Jack Lord. Headline News James Farentino. Three outlaws

Our Century Press Row (CC) How'd They Do Atlantic Realm Using remote-controlled cameras, submersibles and diving bells to ex-

deep-sea creatures. (R) (Part 3 of U.S. Olympic Festival (Live) 8:05 MOVIE: The Blues Brothers 1980) John Belushi, Dan Aykroyd. Two musicians reassemble their blues band for a fundraiser 8:30 MTV Prime 47 (17) Martin (CC) (13) (1) Street Match (CC) **B** Get Smart

plore the ocean floor and observe

Nashville Now 90210 (CC) 📵 🔞 🧰 10 Brokaw Report (35) (23) Nature of Australia A Portrait of the Island Continent Northeastern Australia's wildlife survives the extremes of successive wet and dry seasons; attempts to recapture the Aborigines' ability to live harmoniously with nature. (R) (In Stereo) (Part 3 of 3) (CC)

(13) (B) (41) Home Improvement (CC) MOVIE: Psychic (1991) Zach alligan, Catherine Mary Stewart. A clairvoyant is termented by visions of his lover's murder. (In Stereo) (CC) Father Dowling Mysteries Larry King Live (CC)

@ 700 Club

News (CC)

World News

Our Century

Beyond 2000

On Stage
[HBO] Dream On (CC)
Baseball Tonight

10:50 MOVIE: Men at Work (1990)

Beavis & Butt-Head

17 Cheers (CC)

she becomes a model.

Sportscenter
Sports Tonight

Might Court

Lucy Show

11:30 D Comikaze

Club Dance

Mary Tyler Moore (CC)

milio Estevez, Charlie Sheer

Two fun-loving garbagemen sniff

35) Great Lakes Outdoors

23 National Geographic

[HBO] Tales From the

MOVIE: Cover Girl (1944)

Rita Hayworth, Gene Kelly. A cho-

rus girl achieves success when

Scarecrow and Mrs. King

D Evening at the Improv

Trackside at Ladbroke/

Atlantic Realm Using

remote-controlled cameras, sub-

mersibles and diving bells to ex-

plore the ocean floor and observe

deep-sea creatures. (R) (Part 3 of

[HBO] MOVIE: Kickboxer

Alfred Hitchcock Presents

National Cycle League

Designing Women (CC)
Tonight Show

47 Love Connection

17 Dear John (CC)

35) Charlie Rose

13 Rush Limbaugh

Hitchhiker

Renegade Moneyline

3 Johnny Bago

Alternative Nation

23 Star Hustler

(13) Nightline (CC)

Dream League (R)

Headline News

up to brewery bosses.

(41) Paradise Beach

6 Arsenio Hall (CC)

Wings
MOVIE: Take This Job and

shove It (1981) Robert Hays, Art

Carney. Blue-collar workers stand

Our Century

Crook and Chase

Whoopi Goldberg

Quantum Leap (CC)

Bonanza: The Lost Epi-

Dragnet **B** American Justice U.S. Olympic Festival Same-day Tape) (B) (6) In the Heat of the light (CC) Wings (13) (6) (41) Delta (CC)

Dick Van Dyke S Unplugged
Wiseguy
Law & Order (CC) 17 Arsenio Hall (CC) (13) (1) Sirens (CC) [HBO] Larry Sanders (CC)
[MAX] MOVIE: Over Her Dead Body (In Stereo)

Judy Collins: Going Home Miami Vice @ 700 Club (B) Inside the PGA Tour (R) Worldwide Update Headline News Headline News Paid Program Mary Tyler Moore (CC) Our Century 6 Home Shopping Spree 3 6 48 Hours (CC) Wonder of Western Australia Fighting Australia's annual MOVIE: An Eye for an Eye forest fires and dust storms; ex-1981) Chuck Norris, Christopher ploring an underwater cave. (R) Lee. A cop guits the force to av-MOVIE: Penitentiary enge the murder of his partner. (1982) Leon Issac Kennedy, Ernie

Hudson. An ex-con returns to pr son to avenge a girlfriend's mur-2:05 (8) Later With Bob Costas 10 NBC News Nightside 2:30 CD On Stage [HBO] Comedy Hour (CC)

One of "The Sons

this actor most

recently played a

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

6. Lou Grant's portrayer

9. Actor Everett

22. Tiny bit

34. Stratagem

42. In the past

11. Late actress Sharon

Hagman's monogram
 Jayne Brook's series

29. Baldwin or Guinness

31. Mayberry resident

6. Initials for John Boy

37. A-__ 40. Item in a rowboat

44. Tatum's dad's initials

46. __Time For Sergeants

Walton's portraye

14. Initials for Presley

7. Whopper 8. Rebecca of Full House (2)

19. Earhart, 1976 TV movie

24. Denise Huxtable's portrayer

15. Monogram for M*A*S*H's star

the answer, unscramble the letters noted with asterisks within the puzzle

_; series for Marlo

Stockbroker's advice

Harriet's hubby on Little

Nincompoop

16. Are backwards

18. Estelle Getty's role

Takes a Thief

3. Orléans miss: abbr.

" ... a farm, E-I-

8. Baton Rouge sch.

9. Rachins of L. A. Law

Shakespearean villain

2. One short of a full deck

Engine strength: abbr.
 Self-esteem

43. Flashy one from Spain

Popular serial (2)

Taxing agcy.

42. Ms. MacGraw

Soleil __ Frye

Dickinson

47. Donahue

10

33. In the Heat of the Night setting

41. Word in the title of Letterman's

Commercial

21. Half of MVI

25. Conjunction

12. __ Mistress; 1984

Baseball pitcher's pride

Robert Urich TV movie

House on the Prairie

of Katie Elder,

TV barkeep.

THURSDAY

July 29 MORNING 5:00 @ [MAX] MOVIE: Lonely Hearts (CC) (S)

MOVIE: Murphy's War

(1971) Peter O'Toole, Sian Phil

lips. An Irishman seeks revenge

after a U-boat massacres his

MOVIE: The Survival of

Dana (1979) Melissa Sue Ander-

son Robert Carradine A teen-

ager encounters mindless hostil-

Sportscenter (R)

10:15 M [MAX] MOVIE: The Power

takes his family to Florida.

AFTERNOON

12:00 @ [HBO] MOVIE: Harley

a missing inventor.

Tennis (Live)

fierce warrior women.

12:30 @ [MAX] MOVIE: Mr. Skef-

1:00 MOVIE: The Challengers

trophic 1989 San Francisco earth-

MOVIE: The Thin Man

(1934) William Powell, Myrna Loy.

Nick and Nora Charles search for

(1990) Gema Zamprogna, Eric

Christmas. A girl poses as a boy

MOVIE: Mysterious Island

Steven Keats, Jamie Lyn Bauer.

Six male castaways face a tribe of

Beautiful Women (1979)

to get into an all-male club. (S)

the Game (S)

quake. (S) (CC)

lia Brian Kerwin Two families to Sports Latenight (R) to identify their children's birth 6:00 @ Power and the Glory (R) 7:00 @ [MAX] MOVIE: Return of 2:37 (3) Home Shopping Spree 2:50 MOVIE: Cry Rape! (1973) Sportscenter (R) Andrea Marcovicci, Peter Coffield 7:30 @ Sportscenter (R) A rape victim mistakenly accuses 8:00 Sportscenter (R)
8:30 ME [MAX] MOVIE: You're a Big Boy Now

3:00 Beavis & Butt-Head MOVIE: Final Notice (1989) 9:00 Sportscenter (R)
9:00 MOVIE: Wayne's Gil Gerard, Melody Anderson. A private eye stalks a killer in the avant-garde art world. (In Stereo) @ Paid Program Up Close (R) Showbiz Today Dick Van Dyke 10:00 @ American Gladiators

Paid Program Evening at the Improve Larry King Live (8) NBC News Nightside Speed Racer American Justice Summer Cooler: Red MAX] MOVIE: Blink of an Wings Hockey St. Louis Blues at Eve (In Stereo) Detroit Red Wings (Taped) Paid Program MOVIE: Shalako (1968) Sean Beyond 2000 Connery, Brigitte Bardot, A Euro-(A1) The Judge (CC) pean hunting party has a run-in with Apaches. 1:10 (IHBO] Laurel Avenue Ro-B Auto Racing (R) landa falls back into her former drug habit, using the drugs she

WEDNESDAY cont.

Joan Rivers

Get Smart

parents. (CC)

an innocent man

(8) Infatuation

Sportscenter

Sports Latenight

MOVIE: Switched at Birth

(1991) (Part 2 of 2) Bonnie Bede-

Pro Beach Volleyball Four-

(8) (10) Late Night With

1977) Brooke Shields, Tom Sig-

narelli. A devout family is victim-

MOVIE: Switched at Birth

(1991) (Part 1 of 2) Bonnie Bede-

lia. Brian Kerwin. Two girls are

raised for over a decade by the

found in Rushan's room; Marcus

spends an evening with Anthony

trying to pull off a deal. (R) (In

(47) MOVIE: Psycho III (1986)

Anthony Perkins, Diana Scarwid

Norman Bates takes in a woman

[MAX] MOVIE: The Fury

(10) Later With Bob Costas

who says she's his real mother.

(CC)

Paid Program

Patty Duke

Jet Skiing (Taped)

(8) Whoopi Goldberg

Stereo) (ESP Part 2 of 2) (CC)

zed by a psychotic murderer

Man Tour (Taped)

B Crossfire

F-Troop

PGA Today

David Letterman

(41) That's Amore

12:50 MOVIE: Alice, Sweet Alice

(1) (3) Fly by Night

Speed Racer

Nashville Now

(47) Infatuation

(17) Fall Guy (CC)

13 Night Court

wrong parents. (CC)

Dobie Gillis

(6) Vickit

Dreamtime

Matrix

Mary Tyler Moore (CC) [HBO] MOVIE: The Godather, Part II (CC) Mewsroom (CC) Dreamtime Paid Program Hydroplane Racing (R)
News Headline News

 Dragnet MOVIE: Heading Home (1990) Joely Richardson, Gary Oldman, A woman is torn between two diverse men in post-WWII MOVIE: San Quentin (1937) Humphrey Bogart, Ann Sheridan. A tough convict's sister falls for a

reformist prison guard. Some Fun Now 1 Love Lucy 4:30 MOVIE: Davy Crockett: King of the Wild Frontier (1955) Fess Parker, Buddy Ebsen. The adventures of the legendary frontiersman. (CC) @ Paid Program CNN & Co. Alfred Hitchcock Presents

MOVIE: The Thin Man Goes Home (1944) William Powell, Totally Different Pauly Myrna Loy. The Charleses sus-(B) This Morning's Busipect spies are behind an artist's All in the Family 2:00 @ [HBO] MOVIE: Without a MAX] MOVIE: Lonely My Sister Sam Paid Program Basic Training Workout

MOVIE: Written on the Wind (1957) Rock Hudson. Lauren Bacall. A newlywed gets entangled in her rich husband's Sports Latenight (R) 4 Lucy Show 3:00 @ [MAX] MOVIE: Dirty Mary (6) Home Shopping Spree Crazy Larry 4:00 MOVIE: Immediate TV CROSSWORD

Max Out (R) MOVIE: The Green Slim 1969) Robert Horton, Richard Jaeckel. A space station is invaded by a flesh-craving alien. 4:30 (I) [MAX] MOVIE: The Karate (id Part III (CC) (S)

World Roller Hockey League Typhoon vs. Wave From Orlando, Fla. (Taped) 5:45 @ [HBO] MOVIE: A Christ-

EVENING

(0) (6) News 17) Wonder Years (CC) 35) America With Dennis (23) European Journal MOVIE: Justin Case (1988) George Carlin, Molly Hagan. A private eye's ghost returns to solve his own murder. (CC)

G.I. Joe Life Goes On (CC) Saved by the Bell (CC) Inside the Senior PGA Tour
World Today Headline News What Would You Do? Rockford Files (CC) Program Guide Profiles of Nature Bugs Bunny & Pals

6:30 (47) Real Stories of the Highway Patrol

B (B) (10) NBC Nightly (17) Golden Girls (CC) 35 (23) Nightly Business (13) (41) ABC World News Tonight (CC)

[MAX] MOVIE: Deadly Real Ghostbusters Saved by the Bell (CC)

Up Close Wild & Crazy Kids Mildlife Chronicles Captain Planet and the Pla-6:35 Andy Griffith 7:00 Beavis & Butt-Head (47) Roseanne (CC) 1 (1) (1) Entertainment Tonight (CC)
(II) Cheers (CC)

Newshour (CC)

(13) Cops (CC)

9 Waltons

MacGyver (CC)

Paradise Beach

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ng: Australian tropics. (R) Jetsons Beverly Hillbillies (CC) Totally Different Pauly (47) Golden Girls (CC) (8) Inside Edition (CC) Murphy Brown (CC) 13 Current Affair (CC) [HBO] MOVIE: Wayne's Vorid (In Stereo) King of the Beasts

Designing Women (CC)
PBA Bowling (Live) Crossfire Bullwinkle This Week on DIRT 3 6 Major League laseball Detroit Tigers at ronto Blue Jays (Live) (41) Love Connection

10 Jeopardy! (CC) Bugs Bunny & Pals B Sanford and Son Crook and Chase (CC) (8) (8) (10) Mad About You 35 @ 23 Fred Trost's

Practical Sportsman
(1) (1) (1) Matlock (CC) 10:30 (HBO) MOVIE: Talent for Major League Baseball At-Sportscenter (R)
11:00 (47) MOVIE: Summer Rental lanta Braves at Houston Astros (1985) John Candy, Richard M [MAX] MOVIE: Rich Girl (In Crenna. An air-traffic controller MOVIE: After the Shock (1990) Scott Valentine, Rue McClanahan. Based on the catas-

 Dinosaur! Using fossil history to explore the possibility that birds descended from dinosaurs. Walter Cronkite hosts. (R) (CC) Murder, She Wrote (CC) Young Riders (CC)
MOVIE: Maniac Cop (1988) Tom Atkins, Bruce Campbell, A psychopathic patrolman stalks New York City. Primenews (CC)

Headline News Partridge Family Real West Cycle World MOVIE: Jason and the Ar gonauts (1963) Todd Armstrong. Nancy Koyack, Special effects highlight this account of the **B** Equalizer hero's quest.

MTV Prime 47 (1) (17) Martin (CC) (3) (8) (19) Mad About You (35) This Old House (CC) (CC) Wild America **Get Smart**

Disney Channel Salutes he American Teacher (CC) Mashville Now 47 (19 (17) In Living Color (CC) 35) Mysteryl (CC) (CC)

Bands (CC) [HBO] MOVIE: Beyond the Glenn Frey: Strange MOVIE: Amazing Stories:

The Movie IV (1991) Sam Waterston, Gregory Hines, A death-row inmate has the power to heal. (In Father Dowling Mysteries

Boxing (Live) Larry King Live (CC) Dragnet
 Wildlife Mysteries **1** U.S. Olympic Festival (Live) (47) (10) (17) Down the Shore

(CC) 23 Frugal Gourmet (CC) [MAX] MOVIE: After Mid-Dick Van Dyke Real World Wiseguy

(CC) (17) Arsenio Hall (CC) (35) MOVIE: Berkeley in the Sixties (1990) A study of the cam

pus's role during that turbulent decade. (CC) (D) (23) Mystery! (CC) (B) (B) (A1) Primetime Live @ 700 Club Mews (CC)
World News Headline News Mary Tyler Moore (CC)
Brute Force: The History of leapons at War Cronkite Report

MOVIE: The Valley ture a prehistoric monster for a Path to Stardom
[HBO] Def Comedy Jam Ready Steady Go: The Sounds of Motown Mary Tyler Moore (CC) (3) Who's the Boss? (CC) 6 Hard Copy (CC)

Beavis & Butt-Head 0000000000 (6) News Theers (CC) 23 Fred Trost's Practical Sportsman (R)

(HBO) MOVIE: Boomerang MOVIE: The Octagon (1980) ental killers force an ex-kung fu champ out of retirement [MAX] MOVIE: Evil Clutch Eden Scarecrow and Mrs. King

Night CourtBaseball Tonight Sports Tonight Lucy Show **B** Evening at the Improv This Week in NASCAR 11:30 Comikaze

Crenna. An American expatriate's (B) (41) Real Stories of the Highway Patrol
Wonder of Western Aus Highlander: The Series
Sportscenter tralia Hang gliding and windsurf-

> (GC)
> 11:35 (B) (CC)
> 10 Tonight Show (41) Nightline (CC) 12:00 Alternative Nation Crook and Chase (47) Whoopi Goldberg 17 Studs (35) Charlie Rose (23) Star Hustler 13) Nightline (CC) Quantum Leap (CC) Bonanza: The Lost Epi-

(CC) Wild America

MOVIE: The Sand Pebbles

1966) Steve McQueen, Richard

Alfred Hitchcock Presents

(3) Silk Stalkings

junboat is held under siege.

Hitchhiker

Moneyline

(13) Rush Limbaugh

Newsnight Headline News Superman **Real West** Trackside at Ladbroke (6) Arsenio Hall (CC) Portrait of a People (41) Paradise Beach 12:30

Dreamtime

(13) Cosby Show (CC)

3 Jerry Springer6 Whoopi Goldberg

2:00 (13) ABC World News Now

(10) Later With Bob Costas

Paid Program

Motoworld

Patty Duke
On Pit Road

Equalizer

(HBO] MOVIE: Cyborg Cop

(47) 9 to 5 (17) Psychic Phone Line (13) Married... With Children [MAX] MOVIE: Mandingo MOVIE: Men at Work (1990) Emilio Estevez, Charlie Sheen Two fun-loving garbagemen sniff out a toxic waste coverup.

(8) NBC News Nightsid [HBO] MOVIE: The Bi Motorcycle Racing (Taped) CHiPs Liquid Television Crossfire 3:30 F-Troop Auto Racing (Taped) 3 Scene of the Crime MOVIE: Earth vs. the Flying Women Tour (R) Saucers (1956) Hugh Marlowe. Joan Taylor. Earth is invaded by

Mews Mary Tyler Moore (CC) the survivors of a doomed solar Mewsroom (CC) Dreamtime (8) (9) (10) Late Night With Dinosaur! Using fossil history David Letterman to explore the possibility that (41) That's Amore birds descended from dinosaurs Speed Racer Walter Cronkite hosts. (R) (CC) Mashville Now @ Paid Program MOVIE: Viva Knievel! (1977 (47) Infatuation (17) Fall Guy (CC) Evel Knievel, Lauren Hutton. A famous daredevil figures in a plot to (35) Star Hustler smuggle cocaine. (13) Night Court [HBO] Dream On (CC) Mews

Headline News Dragnet Mary, Queen of Paid Program Larry King Live Dobie Gillis Scots (1972) Vanessa Redgrave. Glenda Jackson. Catholic Mary Wildlife Mysteries defies her cousin, the Queen of (6) Vicki! Fnoland. Cronkite Report MOVIE: Mighty Joe Young (41) People Across America (1949) Terry Moore, Robert Arms MOVIE: Buck and the trong. A giant gorilla becomes a Preacher (1972) Sidney Poitier

nightclub sensation. Colorized. Harry Belafonte. A trail guide pro-4:10 (MAX MOVIE: Bloodfight tects former slaves seeking to 4:15 Three Stooges I Love Lucy MOVIE: The Double Paid Program McGuffin (1979) Ernest Borg Jet Skiing (R) nine. George Kennedy. A politica CNN & Co. assassination rocks a small Virgi

Alfred Hitchcock Presents 1 Totally Different Pauly (8) This Morning's Busi (HBO) MOVIE: The Terror All in the Family Ready Steady Go: The Sounds of Motown Welcome Back, Kotter (CC) Paid Program Basic Training Workout Sports Latenight (R)

Lucy Show

6 Home Shopping Spree

Fill in the missing letters in the "TV words" below.

WORD LINK

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SIMO

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Now rearrange the letters you filled in to spell the name of

A COMEDY:

raldo, Magnum, P.I. Answer: Designing Women. TV Words: Simon and Simon, Another World, Ge-

DAYTIME 5:00 Totally Different Pauly

(i) This Morning's Busi (M) Wind in the Willows (TU) Fair Game (F, W-TH) All in the Family (F. W) Walt Disney Pre-(TH) Thinking Big In Search Of... Paid Program Gilligan's Island
Tale Spin (F) Welcome Back, Kotter M-TU) Paid Program 17 Merrie Melodies (W-TH) My Sister Sam (35) Mister Rogers (19) 23) Barney & Friends Paid Program
(M) Jane Whitney (F-M, TH) Basic Training Sports Latenight (F, TU-TH) Lucy Show (M) Superman (B) (F, TU-TH) Home Shop Real Ghostbusters ping Spree 5:05 (B) [HBO] (F) Movie (ESP) Popeye Bozo (F, TU-TH) Sportscente (TU) Paper Camera (M-TU) All in the Family MAX] (TU) Movie 8) NBC News at Sunrise Bewitched Small Wonder Music Videos 5 Hooked on Aerobics 9:00 13 ABC World News This (F-M, TH) 9 to 5 MAX] (F) Movie (M) Danger Bay Paid Program Maury Povich Getting Fit
Daybreak
Cable in the Classroom 17 Tom and Jerry 35 Barney & Friends 23 Sesame Street 3 Faith Twenty Kathie Lee 10 This Morning's Busi (B) (AgDay (C) (TU) My Favorite Martian MAX] (M) Movie (W) Ripley's Believe It or Rude Awakening Body by Jake
Morning News
Eureeka's Castle (47) Charles in Charge 3 6 13 6 News 17 Kenneth Copeland Movie
Sally Jessy Raphae 35 Casebook of Sherlock Holmes
Three Stooges People's Court 6 Jenny Jones (F-M) Videotrips (TU, TH) World Away (F-M, W) Paid Program (TU, TH) Premium Dollar (W) America Coast Today With Marilyn Adventure Quest Bodies in Motion (10) Headline News 9:30 (47) Paradise Beach Mr. Wizard's World Power and the Glory 17 Small Wonder 3 CBS Morning News (41) ABC World News This Paid Program MAX] (F, W) Movie Dumbo's Circus Pink Panther Parade (M) Movie B Dinosaucers (TU) Hulk Hogan (W) C.O.P.S. 35 (F-M) Color of Money (TH) Three Stooges 35 (TU) Venturing 35 (W) Black Entrepreneur 35 (TH) Start Your Own (TH) Wally's Wok [MAX] (M) Movie (ESP) (B) [HBO] (TU) Movie (ESP) (B) [MAX] (W) Movie Music Box
First Business (3) (8) Jenny Jones (10) (17) Hogan Family (11) (35) Reading Rainbow James Robison S Kenneth Copeland Fitness Pros Along
(13) Geraldo Business Morning A&E Preview Mouse Tracks **American Gladiators** 29 700 Club Morning

6 CBS Morning News Perry Mason Sportscenter Headline News Tom & Jerry's Funhouse (23) A.M. Weather 3 Jeopardy! 41 Vicki! [HBO] (F) Mr. Bean (a) (A) Darkwing Duck 10 Matlock 8 6 10 Today 6 Designing Women (17) Stunt Dawgs 35 To Life! Yoga With Pris-Charlie's Angels 23 Sesame Street (IMAX] (TH) Movie (ESP)
(IMAX) (TH) Movie (ESP)
(IMAX) (TH) Movie (ESP) America

[HBO] (W) Cirque du Soleil
II: A New Experience 17 Perfect Strangers 35) Sit and Be Fit [HBO] (TH) Story of the Dancing Frog
[MAX] (F, TU, TH) Movie (F. TU-TH) Sportscente Real Ghostbusters Augie Doggie & Friends 6 Cosby Show (F) Jack Van Impe (M) In Touch (TU) Cornerstone (W) Old Time Gospel Hou (TH) There's Hope Sportscenter 3 6 This Morning MTV Jams (F, TU-TH) Movie Paid Program Bugs Bunny & Pals 35 A.M. Weather 17 I Love Lucy @ [MAX] (M) Movie 35 Body Electric 17 Chip 'n Dale Rescue 23 Reading Rainbow Rangers

35 Sesame Street 13 @ Joan Rivers D [MAX] (F) Movie [HBO] (TH) Shakespeare G.I. Joe Movie
Flashback P Flintstone Kids Fitness Pros (F) Key of David (TH) John Osteen (F, TU-TH) Sportscente Business Day Fugitive

3 6 Price Is Right **Looney Tunes** Paid Program (47) Chip 'n Dale Rescue Rangers

17 DuckTales Charlie's Angels (MBO) Babar (W) Movie [MAX] (W) Movie (ESP) 11:30 (17) All in the Family Fraggle Rock 35 Frugal Gourmet 23 Hooked on Aerobics Scooby Doo

[HBO] (W) Movie (ESP)

MAX] (M) Movie

B Lunch Box

Cross-Wits

Getting Fit

Inspector Gadge

Flintstones

Sportscenter

Daybreak
Headline News

D CNN & Co. D Cappelli & Company D Graham Kerr ① ① Tale Spin ② ② (F) Eating Well ② ③ (M) Quilt in a Day MAX] (TU) Movie (ESP) (TU) Art of Sewing (W) Gift of Painting AFTERNOON (F) Great Cheese Conspi (F) Gift of Painting (F-M, W) Country Kitcher (TU, TH) Aleene's Crafts (W) Daddy I'm Their 0 6 News Montel Williams
Where in the World Is (2) Psychology: The Study of Human Behavior
(3) [HBO] (F) Poetic Justice: First Look
(4) [HBO] (TH) Movie
(5) Walt Disney Presents
(6) [HBO] (TH) Interest [HBO] Pinocchio [MAX] (F) Crazy About the (TH) Movie (ESP) Trivial Pursuit: The Interac-Flipper
Graham Kerr Geraldo Welcome to Pooh Corner F) LPGA Golf (M-TH) Bodies in Motion (F-M) Ton of Fun Totally Different Pauly
Cookin' U.S.A. Headline News (F-TU, TH) Fred Penner's (47) Merrie Melodies (F) City of Angels Wicki! (TU) Ellery Queen (W) O"thara, U.S. Treasury (47) (TU) Food Dehydrato (W) Animated Bible Sto-Easy Does It (F) Rounders (TU) Movie (Part 1 of 2) (TU) Movie (Part 2 of 2) (W-TH) Movie D Littles Women
(TU) Lead-Off Man CHiPs Take Note 13 (13) (10) Live -- Regis F) PRCA Rodeo (B) Cookin' U.S.A. Designing Women
 So Square One Television (ESP) (F, TU, TH) Movie (M) Movie

[HBO] (W) World Entertainment News Report

Under the Umbrella Tree

Denver, the Last Dinosaur

Waltons 23 American Governmen Survey

(13) (24) Loving
(15) [HBO] (F) Movie (ESP)
(M) Movie International Hour [MAX] (F, TH) Movie Trivial Pursuit (M-TH) Bodyshap (F) Lullabyes (M) Just So Stories (TU) Coat of Many Colors (W) Rooster's Hamlet (TH) Four Skillful Brothers 3 6 Young and the (10) Rush Limbaugh Homeworks (F) Movie Beach MTV Little House on the Prairie Crook and Chase 47 700 Club (8) (10) Days of Our Lives 35) (F-M, W) Lamb Chop's Play-Along

(TU, TH) Shining Time (F-M) Three Stooges 35 (F) Today's Gourme 35 (M) Communicating 35 (TU) Herbal Harves 35 (W) Doctor is in 35 (TH) Country Baske-Looney Tunes (F) Cooky's Cartoon Club Grind Club Dance 23 (TU) Cooking at the 47 (1) Tiny Toon Adven-B Bodyshaping
(F-M, W) People's Court Designing Women
 S Is In the Heat of the Night 23 (TH) Nova (TU) Personal Power (B) [HBO] (F) Mr. Bean (B) [HBO] (M, TH) Movie (ESP) (B) Care Bears (13) (41) All My Children (HBO) (TU) Poetic Justice: (47) Best of Love Connec (W) Movie (ESP) 325,000 Pyramid Popeye
(F-M) C.O.P.S. (M-TH) Talkabout (F) LPGA Golf (M-TH) Max Out \$100,000 Name That Tune 23 Lamb Chop's Play Headline News (M-TH) Tennis Sonya Live Muppet Babies [HBO] (W) Movie (ESP) Fugitive
3 Oprah Winfrey **Rockford Files** Pasquale's Kitchen Ex-(41) Inspector Gadg 10 Full House **M**ovie 6 Maury Povich (TU) Texas Connection (F-M) Videotrips 35 (F) Health Smart Gour (TU, TH) World Away (W) America Coast to (M) No Excuse: A Philo sophy for Success

(B) (35) (TU) New Garden Jetsons [MAX] (F) Movie (ESP) Pasquale's Kitchen Ex- The Transport of the Highway Patrol
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confessions of a Hitler Youth [HBO] (F, TU) Movie (ESP) [MAX] (TU, TH) Movie Sale of the Century (B) (B) Mister Rogers (B) (B) (F, TH) Movie (ESP) Let's Make a Deal Quack Attack World of David the Gnome Jump, Rattle and Roll \$100,000 Pyramid
Inspector Gadget 3 6 Bold and the (F-M, TH) Flintstones
(M-TH) World Roller
Hockey League
Inside Politics
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S John & Leeza From Hol- News (17) Goof Troop (35) (23) Where in the World Is Carmen Sandiego? 35 (W) Welcome to My Stu-(13) Roseanne 35) (TH) Ciao Italia Kids Incorporated My Two Dads (23) (M) Sewing Connection Rin Tin Tin K-9 Cop (23) (TU) Sit and Be Fit (F-M, TH) Captain N and (23) (W) Quilting for the '90s 23 (TH) Quilt in a Day EarlyPrime 13 69 41) One Life to Live Hey Dude | [HBO] (TH) Movie (ESP) | Joker's Wild (F) Delvecchio Daywatch
Sharon, Lois & Bram's Ele-(M) Ellery Queen (TU) O'Hara, U.S. Treasury (F-TU, TH) Joan Rivers (W) Mrs. Columbo (W) Lead-Off Man (TH) City of Angels (F) Inside the Senior PGA 3 Donahue 41 Camp Candy Newsday 10 In the Heat of the Night 10 Cheers Headline News 6 Current Affair B Low Cholesterol Gourme Dennis the Menace Beyond 2000 Saved by the Bell (W) Tenth Inning (F) Real World **B** Low Cholesterol Gourmet (M-TH) MTV Blocks (M-W) Movie

(TH) Graham Kerr's (M) Fun With Waterco (TU) Joy of Painting (B) (23) (W) Welcome to My Stu-(TH) Magic of Oil Paint (M) [HBO] (M) Movie (MAX) (F) Movie (ESP) (F, W) Famous Adventures of Mister Magoo
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(New Tic Tac Dough My Three Sons
(F) Thoroughbred Digest (TU) My Little Pony Tales 17 Darkwing Duck 18 35 89 23 Mister Rogers 18 13 89 41 General Hospital (MAX) (M-TU, TH) Movie (MAX) (M-TU, TH) Movie (Max) Press Your Luck (F-M, TH) Designing (M) Best of Scholastic Sports America
(TU) Running
(W) Motorcycle Racing
(TH) America's Horse Yogi Bear

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G 19 John & Leeza From Hol-Easy Does It
Tom & Jerry's Funhouse (TU) Major League Base-On Stage
Tom and Jerry (35) (23) Sesame Street (35) (HBO) (TU) Broadcast Tapes of Dr. Peter Adventures in Wonderland (F-M, W) Super Mario Bros. (TU, TH) Super Mario (TH) Treasure Island 20,000 Leagues Under the Sea (M) Auto Racing (TU) Thoroughbred Digest

 (M) Adventures in Scale Modeling
 (TU) Computer Chroni-(35) (W) American Wood-(TH) Ask the Doctor Square One Television [HBO] (M) Life Stories: Families in Crisis Mickey Mouse Club Just the Ten of Us Zorro
(F-M, W-TH) Charles in Charge
(M-TH) Max Out
Showbiz Today
Salute Your Shorts (41) Saved by the Bell (10) Married... With Children 5:35 Saved by the Bell 5:45 S [HBO] (TH) Movie **EVENING**

(F) MTV Blocks 47 Who's the Boss? 3 (B) (B) (B) (B) (B) (B) (B) 17 Wonder Years

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(M) Thoroughbred Digest
(TU) Running & Racing (W) Inside the PGA Tou

(TH) Inside the Senior PGA World Today Headline News
What Would You Do? Rockford Files Program Guide
Profiles of Nature
Bugs Bunny & Pals

HOROSCOPE

By C. C. Clark

Aries (March 21 - April 19)

Perhaps it would be wiser to think things through carefully before making a decision. An appointment or a journey may be postponed.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20) One of your goals is within reach. You will need to learn to control spending and set up a budget. There is a possibility of travel in the near future.

Gemini (May 2 - June 20)

Use your intuition when dealing with unusual circumstances. It would be best to keep your ideas and intentions to yourself for now. Be yourself in all situations.

Cancer (June 21 - July 20) There could be a loss of balance in a close relationship. Remember that pride can destroy love. Getting upset will not help matters.

Leo (July 21 - Aug. 21) There will be much happiness and material gain. Worries will begin to disappear, and new opportunities will appear. A

health problem will improve. Virgo (Aug. 22 - Sept. 22) The right person could help you succeed with a project. Cooperation with loved ones could bring about necessary changes

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

on the domestic front.

Protect your own affairs, but do not be obstinate. Use discretion when dealing with a tricky financial matter. You have the strength to see things through.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 22)

If you remove all the obstacles, you will have the vision to go ahead. You must use your energy and talent wisely. Think before you speak.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 20)

You will be blessed. The foundation has been laid for a successful venture. You are very close to getting something you have always wanted.

Capricorn (Dec. 21-Jan. 19) You will reap a harvest from seeds you planted in the past. The results and gains will be much better than you ever antici-

pated. Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Investigate all aspects of a project before becoming involved. Future plans may need to be canceled. A disagreement or misunderstanding could get out of hand.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) Do not be overly anxious when negotiating financial matters; things will go well if you proceed carefully. A cycle of positive change is on the way.

☑ VideoPM

47 Night Court

1 8 13 6 News

[HBO] (F) Movie (ESP)

:10 Seconds

47 Goof Troop

(W) Major League Baseball

Calvary Christian Reformed Church celebrates its beginning

nizes the need to fight drugs other than Lowell include,

The funds were awarded ecuting drug cases (\$79,989).

through the 1993 Anti-Drug and the 61st District Court for

Fund, both of which are ad- straight year that Lowell has

ministered by the Office of received money for its

Drug Drug Control Policy. D.A.R.E. program. The funds

The money was awarded to are used to finance the cost of

organizations focused on edu- having an officer (Jim Valen-

cational programs (such as the tine) in the D.A.R.E. program.

D.A.R.E. program), as well as Lowell has just one more

apprehend and prosecute drug ity. The funds rewarded in

on those whose job it is to year of grant money eligibil-

Recipients of grant money proportionately smaller.

EXHIBIT B

Governor's Discretionary

by Marc Popiolek Contributing Writer

Twenty five years of sertime for most organizations, but for the Calvary Christian Reformed Church in Lowell, it's just a beginning

The church will be celof service to Lowell with special services July 18 and 25 and a picnic in the park July

In 1953 the church operated out of the Lowell City Hall as a mission project, with part-time volunteers from Ada and the East Paris Christian Reformed Churches.

By 1958 the Eastern Avenue Christian Reformed Church of Grand Rapids assumed the responsibility to sponsor the mission and promised to build a new church with a full-time pastor. A new church, located on M-21 was dedicated on April 19, 1960, with Mr. Henry Buikema as its full time evangelist. He would remain with the mission until 1968, when it became a organized church.

The church has had four pastors in its history, Rev. Bernard Fynaardt, Rev. Richard VandeKieft, Rev Stephen M. Arrick and the current pastor, Rev. Carl Reitsma. All of the past and current pastors vices on July 18 and 25, with the exception of Buikema, who passed away recently.

The congregation has grown from 31 families with 121 members in 1968, to its current membership of 65 families embracing 275 people.

STATE OF MICHIGAN

PROBATE COURT

COUNTY OF KENT

CLAIMS NOTICE

INDEPENDENT

PROBATE

FILE NO. 93-156,291-IE

Estate of DELBERT R

TO ALL INTERESTED

PERSONS: including

Jerry Callen, Samuel W.

Callen, Roy D. Manbeck,

Jr., Robert L. Manbeck,

Carole A. Manbeck

Karen M. Manbeck, Vera

Your interest in the es-

tate may be barred or af-

fected by the following:

The decedent, whose last

known address was 917

Lincoln Lake Road,

Lowell, MI 49331 died 6/

An instrument dated

June 7, 1971 has been

admitted as the will of

Creditors of the de-

ceased are notified that

tate will be barred unless

all claims against the es- P.O. Box 123

presented within four (616) 527-0020

the deceased.

/. Manbeck.

CALLEN, deceased

LEGAL NOTICES

months of the date of

publication of this notice,

or four months after the

claim becomes due,

whichever is later. Claims

must be presented to the

independent personal

representative

NORMAN McKENDRY

2288 Bellamy Road, lo-

Notice is further given

that the estate will be

thereafter assigned and

distributed to the per-

This estate is not being

supervised by the Pro-

bate Court. Any inter-

ested party may file a writ-

ten Petition with the Kent

County Probate Court

located at 320 Ottawa

Ave., N.W., Grand Rap-

ids, MI 49503, and with

the independent per-

sonal representative ob-

jecting to the appoint-

ment and to the admis-

sion of decedent's will to

DOIUGLAS R. WELCH

220 West Main Street,

Attorney-At-Law

Ionia, MI 48846

probate.

(P-22160)

sons entitled to it.

nia, MI 48846.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING KENT COUNTY, MICHIGAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of Lowell, Kent County, Michigan, having resolved its intention to make certain public improvements consisting of the construction of new public sidewalk and the replacement of existing defective public sidewalk along certain parcels of property on Hudson Street from Main Street north to the City imits (the "Improvements") in the City, has made its final determination of the special assessment district known as the Hudson Street Sidewalk Improvements Special Assessment District 93SA ("SAD 93SA") to consist of the following described lots and parcels of land and against which all or a portion of the cost of said Improvements shall be specially

Permanent Parcel Number Street Address 41-20-02-126-049 1064 Lincoln Lake 41-20-02-126-025 1046 N. Hudson 41-20-02-126-007 1042 N. Hudson 41-20-02-126-008 1028 N. Hudson 41-20-02-126-009 1014 N. Hudson 41-20-02-126-039 1067 N. Hudson 41-20-02-126-040 1061 N. Hudson 41-20-02-126-041 1055 N. Hudson 41-20-02-126-045 1043 N. Hudson 41-20-02-126-029 1017 N. Hudson 41-20-02-126-031 1011 N. Hudson 41-20-02-126-018 325 Hunt 41-20-02-127-016 950 N. Hudson 41-20-02-127-009 934 N. Hudson 41-20-02-127-017 928 N. Hudson 41-20-02-127-018 924 N. Hudson 41-20-02-127-011 920 N. Hudson 937 N. Hudson 41-20-02-128-003 923 N. Hudson 41-20-02-128-015 41-20-02-128-006 903 N. Hudson 815 N. Hudson 41-20-02-179-001 41-20-02-179-003 805 N. Hudson 704 N. Hudson 41-20-02-182-007

To accommodate the rooms and needed office sage should be followed," said congregation as an example, we believe God must be put in Current pastor Rev. According to Rev. front of the congregation to

the church celebrated the dedi- Reitsma sees his congregation Reitsma the church is differcation of a enlarged church at steeped in the tradition of ent than many other churches said Rev. Reitsma. the cost of \$160,000. How- teaching the beliefs of the because it doesn't just serve the communit, rather it helps staged at Fallasburg Park, invited patrons and others in the "We see the Bible as a the community serve God.

community to participate in "Most of today's churches from the church to accommo- understand that not all is to be just serve the community and games, slides, prizes, surdate ten to twelve new class- taken literally, but the mes- don't put God in front of its prises, and food, as well as the

distribution of a special anniversary souvenir.

The final celebration will take place this Sunday with Rev. Vandekieft preaching in the morning and Rev. Arrick preaching in the evening

port from the three elemen-

Teachers Organizations, the

Kent Optimist Club, Family

Fare and Lowell Rotary," Val-

erated enough funds from our

41-20-02-191-001

41-20-02-192-001

City doesn't D.A.R.E. say "no" to state funds

Kent County for aid in pros-

This year marked the third

each of the four years gets

the ajudication (\$245,036).

By Thad Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

growth the, church has seen a space.

ever, it did not stop to grow Bible.

added a second building across reliable historical book, we

face-lift over the years. In 1978

and by 1988 the congregation

The City of Lowell was one of three recipients of state grant funds for its D.A. R.E.

The City of Lowell received \$6,975 for its anti-drug program and enforcement. Senate Majority leader

Dick Posthumus announced that the fight against drug abuse in West Michigan would be enhanced by \$325,720 in state grant dol-"The Michigan Office of

Drug Control Policy has awarded these grants to aid in the continuing battle against drug abuse," Posthumus said. Not only do these grants target an educational program. but they also lend help to prosecution and the court system. am pleased the Office of Drug Control Policy recog-

In America, there are two classes of travel-first class and with

-Robert Benchley

724 N. Hudson 41-20-02-182-005

funds to support the program Lowell Police Chief Barry will have to come from the Emmons said the City is very general fund. Valentine added appreciative of all the support that public support for the pro-it has received for the D.A.R.E. gram has been tremendous. 724 Riverside 41-20-02-183-001 718 Riverside 41-20-02-183-002 706 Riverside 41-20-02-183-003 612 N. Hudson 41-20-02-186-005 624 Riverside 41-20-02-187-001

in receiving grant money for gram has received major sup-

progress in being able to fund tary schools' Parents and

In its first year Lowell re- entine said. "We've been for-

Once the City is no longer major sponsors that we haven't

ceived \$12,800. Last year it tunate enough that we've gen-

eligible for grant money the had to tap local reserves."

"Part of the understanding

the program is, that we show

the program locally each

year," Lowell D.A.R.E. offi-

was granted \$8,800.

525 N. Hudson

423 N. Hudson

parcel of land in SAD 93SA.

41-20-02-192-003 418 Riverside 41-20-02-192-004 315 Spring NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the City Manager of the City of Lowell has made and certified a special assessment roll for said SAD 93SA which roll sets forth the relative portion of the cost of the said Improvements which is to be levied in the form of

TAKE NOTICE that the City Council of the City of Lowell will hold a public hearing on the 2nd day of August, 1993, at 7:30 p.m., local time, at the City Hall located at 301 East Main Street in said City to review the special assessment roll and to hear and consider any objections thereto.

special assessments against each benefitted lot and

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Hudson Street Sidewalk Improvements Special Assessment District Roll No. 93SA as prepared has been submitted to the City Council and is on file with the City Clerk for public examination.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a person must either appear and object at the public hearing or submit a letter of appearance and objection to the City prior to the public hearing in order to protect hes his right to appeal the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. In order to appeal a special assessment the record owner of land must file a written appeal with the Michigan Tax Tribunal within thirty (30) days after written confirmation of the special assessment roll.

This notice was authorized by the City Council of the City of Lowell.

> FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT

David M. Pasquale, City Manager 301 East Main Street Lowell, Michigan 49331 Telephone: (616) 897-8457

Dated: July 19, 1993

David M. Pasquale City Clerk

Township prepares defense against invasion of ant colonies -

by Marc Popiolek Contributing Writer

Lowell Township's Hall is facing an invasion of unthinkable proportion, but help is on its way.

The township reached an

cricket infestation.

findings to the board this week

the hall of its ant, spider and hills surrounding the hall. Each Andree. colony can have up to 500,000 John Andree, an Orkin ants and unless something is into a one year agreement with

representative, reported his done, the number could grow. Orkin and then assess the value pest control company, will set one weekend in the near fu-"With the ant population of their services after that up a perimeter defense on the ture. and the number of ants was being that large it is natural time. The township has used hall. That includes spraying for other bugs to be in the area the firm in the past but it has four feet up the walls and up to

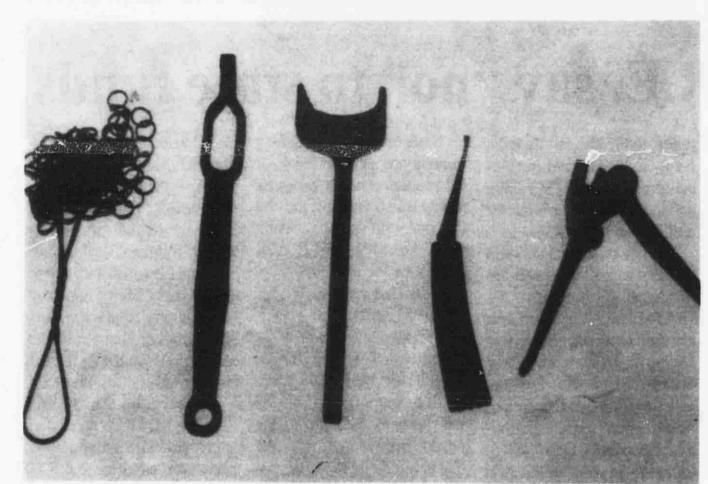
> The first treatment will windows. cost the township \$105 and monthly follow up service will officials that the chemicals

agreement with the pest con- According to Andree the because they provide an ex- run \$25 per month. Since the used today are non-poisonous The township will enter for being a repeat customer.

Andree assured township Wieland.

trol specialist, Orkin, to rid hall has four rather large ant cellent food source," said township has used the com- and low odor, so as not to pany before it will save \$150 disturb workers. The township hopes to set Orkin, the nations largest up a date to begin treatment

> "This is a quality investbeen four years since they've 8 inches out on the ground as ment for the township so it well as all of the doors and should be treated as such," said board member Carol



Fallasburg Historical Society hopes to identify these antiquated tools.

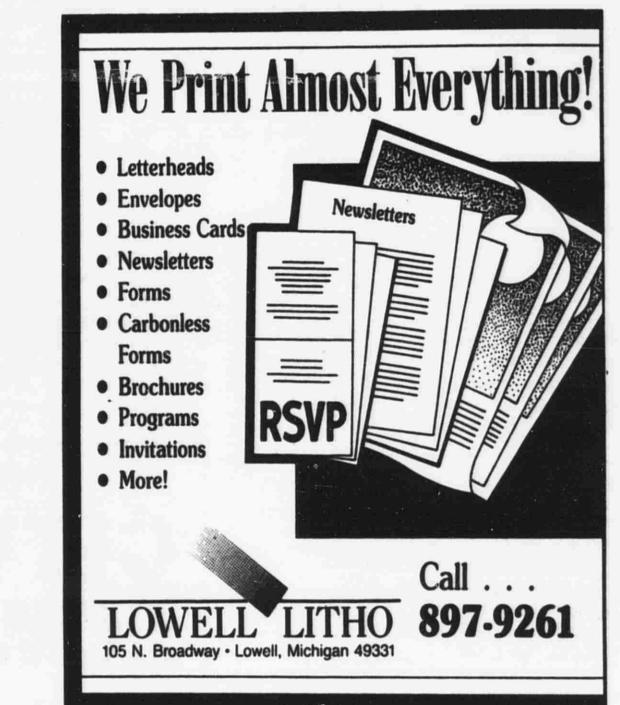
Society looks to give tools names

By Thad Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Priscilla Lussmyer, Presi-

dent of the Fallasburg Histori- the society at one time or an- tify tools or other items. cal Society, is in search of - other. Their identity remains some unidentified tools on a mystery," Lussmyer said.

display in the back room of The Fallasburg Historical the Fallasburg School House Society president said that from time to time visitors of "The tools were given to the museum are able to iden-



CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOWELL

For the Regular Meeting of Tuesday, July 6, 1993. The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Maatman and the Clerk called the Roll. Present: Councilmembers Green, Hodges, Thompson, Fonger and Mayor Maatman. Absent: None.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by FONGER that the minutes of the June 21, 1993 meeting be approved as written.

YEA: 5. NAY: 0. ABSENT: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

IT WAS MOVED BY HODGES and seconded by THOMPSON that the bills and accounts payable be allowed and the warrants issued. YEA: Councilmembers Green, Hodges, Thompson, Fonger and Mayor Maatman. NAY: 0.

ABSENT: 0. MOTION CARRIED

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (7/6/93)

CENEDAL FUND	£ 05 700 5
GENERAL FUND	
MAJOR STREET FUND	223.10
LOCAL STREET FUND	454.18
SEWER FUND	22,354.63
WATER FUND	12,162.75
AIRPORT FUND	343.59
DATA PROCESSING FUND	353.54
EQUIPMENT FUND	1,162.2
CURRENT TAX FUND	

Item #1. PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT -LIMITING NUMBER OF DOGS - PUBLIC HEARING. A Public hearing was held to consider an ordinance limiting the number of dogs a person may possess to three. Lucille Erickson, 517 Avery, stated that she owns four dogs. These were taken in when her husband was the dog warden for the City. She indicated that all the dogs have had their shots and are not a nuisance to the neighborhood. City Manager Pasquale said there have follows: been instances in the City where persons have many dogs which cause nuisances.

Herbert Holcomb, 529 Avery, questioned how many dogs are required to have a kennel license. Pasquale responded that a kennel license is required when more than three dogs are housed. Mayor Maatman added that a kennel license stipulates additional controls over a homeowner to insure the care of dogs.

IT WAS MOVED BY HODGES and seconded by GREEN to adopt the ordinance limiting the number of dogs a person may possess to three. YEA: 5.

ABSENT: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

Item #2. 1992-95 MDOT MAINTENANCE CONTRACT.

A contract prepared by the Michigan Department of Transportation outlines the responsibilities of the State and the City involving maintenance of M-21 was presented to Council. Pasquale added that the contract is similar to the previous one currently in effect between the City and State.

IT WAS MOVED BY THOMPSON and seconded by GREEN to approve the contract prepared by the Michigan Department of Transportation outlining the responsibilities of the State and the City involving maintenance of M-21.

YEA: 5. NAY: 0 ABSENT: 0. 20 MOTION CARRIED.

Item #3. N. HUDSON SIDEWALK - STATUS AND SCHEDULE. In providing an update, City Manager Pasquale said there are three interested contractors in the proposed Hudson St. sidewalk project. However, during the bidding process numerous questions were raised relative to the project specifications. In order to better inform the contractors, a pre-bid meeting has been scheduled for July 7, 1993. The schedule will be as

July 7 - pre bid meeting with contractors July 15 - bids due July 19 - Council to receive bids and set hearing for assessment roll. August 2 - hearing on assessment roll

Councilmember Hodges questioned if this schedule included the Monroe St. sidewalk project. Pasquale said that the City is only concentrating on Hudson St. at this time. Monroe will be scheduled later. Herbert Holcomb, 529 Avery, asked if the County Road Commission has any input regarding the proposed project since Hudson is a County road. Pasquale mentioned that the Road Commission has input.

Item #4. GORDON HILL - REQUEST TO READ AR-TICLE REGARDING PROPERTY TAXES. Gordon Hill, owner of Hill's Shoe Store (218 W. Main), read an article which appeared in the Detroit News. The article stated that tax rates are determined locally and local governments have the authority to lower them. However, the article did state that localities are reluctant to do so because it means cutting spending involving the laying off of employees or cutting services. Mayor Maatman responded the City takes a small percentage of the total tax bill. Persons living in the City require certain services including police protection and parks.

Additionally, Hill criticized the 4% salary increase of City Manager Pasquale. Councilmember Thompson said that Pasquale is well deserving of his salary increase. He mentioned that there are very few labor related problems in the City and much trust among the employees. Thompson added the City of Lowell is financially stable because of the efforts of the City Manager, Council and employ-

LELL TOWN TALK—

What is your favorite summer flower and/or plant?



The tiger lillie. It's wild and easy to grow.

The Lowell Township re-

count on July 12 was an

affirmation of the June 2 pas-

sage of Proposition I and of

the new Optec II voting sys-

"I thought the system was

good to start with, but this has

just increased my faith," said

Lowell Township clerk Carol

The recount was on the

tem used to tally the votes.

By Thad Kraus

Lowell Ledger Editor



Hezzie Stauffer I like the wild Michigan flowers that grow-around faces on them. trees. They are just beautiful. I also like irises and tulips.

million industrial site is being

developed by Robert D.

nology Corp., and ITM Cor-

poration here in Lowell.

Township recount bears identical results

to that of June 2. The \$30-\$40 \$2,000 election cost.

Grooters Development of \$500-\$800.

Roger Penske's Diesel Tech- noon.



Laura Wheeler Pansies. I love the little

industrial site referendum vot- a separate Proposition on the ing will take place.

Among those interested in a.mon Monday morning (July foot corporate machining fa-

Because the Township had Grooters Development is hop- to create a 400-job expansion

locating at the site includes 12) and concluded around cility in the new industrial



Township anywhere from machining for an interim

The recount began about 9 plans include a 100,000 square

Early fall, late spring Roger Penske's Diesel

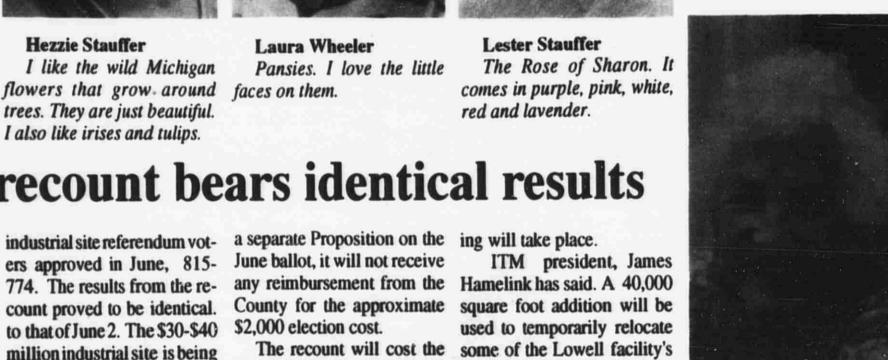
groundbreaking is what Technology Corp., would like

Lester Stauffer The Rose of Sharon. It comes in purple, pink, white, red and lavender.

three-year period. Future

beyond its Wyoming plant.

development site.





Fern Lamb The red rose. They are so beautiful and they smell good



The lupine. They are so lush

in the Upper Peninsula this

time of the year. They are lavender, pink, and white in color.

They grow wild.

Ida Litschewski Daisies, they are pretty.



Sara Clemence I never fail to stop and smell a rose. Red roses are my favorite. I received red roses for my new born babies.

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

ees ensuring that money is spent appropriately. Hill further mentioned that Recreation Park is not utilized as often as it should. Additionally, he felt that Water St. should be repaired by the City. Councilmember Thompson said the City considers the best use of the budget, noting that there are other roads in a lot worse condition than Water Street.

Item #5. WATER IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS - DIS-CUSSION OF STATUS AND PROGRESS. Tim McNamara of Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr and Huber, discussed with the City Council progress on the northeast booster pumping station as well as status of the west side projects. McNamara said the northeast booster station is progressing well with minimal cost changes. He added currently Lowell Township is concentrating on installing the sewer from the new high school site.

Additionally, Pasquale said the City is planning to bring the 16" water main from the Water Treatment Plant on Bowes past the drainage ditch by the Valley Vista Trailer Park north to M-21. This will serve the Quick Oil Lube Change Center expected to begin construction this year. The City is in the midst of securing an easement to service this business as well as properties to the west. McNamara said the selection of the ground storage tank type to be located near Gee Drive is remaining. These include steel, vaulted and concrete tanks. McNamara said it is his firm's recommendation that the pre-stressed concrete tank are preferred. This has a longer useful life, will long outlast the bond issue and requires little or no maintenance. Additionally, the concrete tank does not have the potential for leaking, has a pleasant appearance, is less susceptible to icing and vandalism problems. In addition, all the labor and materials can be procured locally. Also, McNamara said that Gary Voogt, of Moore and Bruggink and township project engineer, endorsed the prestressed concrete tank.

Councilmember Fonger questioned whether the township had any input as to the selection of the tank. McNamara responded as a wholesale customer, the township has a vested interest in how much capital costs are involved in the facilities.

George Regan, Water Superintendentt felt that pre-

stressed concrete is in the best interest of the City. He said the City currently has a steel tank which needs to be painted in the interior and will have to come out of service. By purchasing an additional steel tank, it may present major problems in the future when providing water to the community as well as to the township and school.

Public Works Director Siciliano felt uncomfortable viewing the condition of other municipalities' steel during a short period of time. He added that the life of the concrete tanks exceeds those other tank types.

It was the consensus of the Council to select the prestressed concrete tank for the west side ground storage tank. City Manager Pasquale said that engineering design costs for the westside water improvements will be brought to the next Council meeting.

Item #6. CITIZENS COMMENTS. Gordon Hill, 218 W. Main, questioned the City's authorizing construction work to a city building near the Showboat. He felt when soliciting bids, the City should solicit local contractors. Siciliano noted the work done to the Cable TV building (the city structure nearest to the Showboat) was done by City employees for storage of their equipment. The Council was unaware of any other work completed to city buildings in that area.

Item #7. COUNCIL COMMENTS. Councilmember Fonger questioned if the City had sold bonds to finance the water system improvements. City Manager Pasquale responded bonds were sold for the northeast side water improvements. Also, Councilmember Fonger asked what the hours of the lifeguards were at Stoney Lakeside Park. Pasquale responded that the hours are 12 noon -5 p.m. every day.

Councilmember Hodges questioned if the widening of the intersection of Bowes and S. Hudson would possibly interfere with the 4-H Fair week. Pasquale said he will ensure that construction will not conflict with the 4-H Fair.

Item #8. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT. City Manager Pasquale reported on the following:

A. At the June 28 meeting of the Planning Commis-

sion, the site plan for the Quick Lube Oil Center was approved. It was noted that one curb cut will be installed covering the entire frontage owned by the developer along West Main Street (290 feet). Also, the facility will hook up to water and

Also, the minutes of the May 24 meeting were

B. A letter was presented from Roger LaWarre, Pastor of the First Congregational Church, expressing his thanks for City cooperation regarding the donation drive for the homeless at Hudson and Main on June 26. The drive was very suc-

In following up with Council concerns, MDOT prohibited use of M-21 with the church project workers being restricted to Hudson. A letter from the Church holding the City harmless involving liability was received.

C. A tree removal request was received for 424 Elm. In response to this and other requests, Pasquale said he and Paul Christman would meet with Jim Poortenga next week to provide an expert opinion on

D. The following petitions have been received for City Council: Jim Maatman, Jim Hodges, Jeanne Shores and Chuck Myers.

E. The May Light and Power and Cable TV Boards agendas were presented and the minutes of the May Cable TV board.

Item #9. APPOINTMENTS. The following board position needs to be reappointed or filled (expires June 30):

Board of Review

IT WAS MOVED BY HODGES to adjourn at 8:19 p.m. DATE APPROVED: July 19, 1993

> James D. Maatman, Mayor David M. Pasquale, City Clerk

Phone: 897-9261

North Bell/South Bell Schools Reunion



The committee for the North Bell/South Bell Schools 1953-1954 Reunion have been working diligently to find all those who attend the schools to inform them about the second union at Fallashurg Park in Lowell this summer. The reunion will be July 24 beginning at noon in section C-1 by the covered bridge. Everyone should bring a dish or two to nass. The committee for the North Bell/South Bell Schools 1953-1954 Reunion have been working diligently to find all those who attend the schools to inform them about the second reunion at Fallasburg Park in Lowell this summer. The reunion will be July 24 beginning at noon in section C-1 by the covered bridge. Everyone should bring a dish or two to pass, table service and a beverage (no alcohol please): and all the old pictures and memories you have.

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If you know of any classmates that have moved from the area please get in touch and tell them that there will be a reunion. More information can be found if you give Pat (Kyser)

Siller a call at 807-0060. table service and a beverage (no alcohol please); and all the old pictures and memories you have. The universe is full of magical things patiently waiting for our wits to grow

Lowell's Shores has a difficult Miller a call at 897-9060. time with proposed assessment

By Thad Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Jeanne Shores, 315 Spring, did a little property cleaning before an anticipated vaca-

tion in Colorado. Hudson if the assessment roll the school that don't have side *** is passed following the Aug. 2 public hearing.

"I want sidewalk specifications from the City so if this is passed I have an opportunity to get my own private contractor," Shores says. "I don't want the City digging up my yard while I'm gone."

Monday night, Van Laan Concrete Construction, Dutton, was awarded the bid. The company will charge \$15 per lineal foot for replacement sidewalk; \$14.30 per lineal foot for new sidewalk; \$490 each for a double handicap ramp; and \$375 each for a single handicap ramp.

Pasquale told the questioning Shores that the City would incur the entire cost of handicap ramps and it would not be figured in on the property owners costs.

The resolution will provide walks on either side. So, I quesa 10-year payback for land tion why the Council started owners at a seven percent in- with North Hudson." Councilman Jim Hodges

Shores told the Council she stated that it was the most viswas opposed to the project ibly used street. and she thought it was poor "I think the Council is drivtiming. "I can afford it, but I ing people out of town and the have neighbors up the street planning commission keeps that I'm afraid this assessment making it harder for business time table for construction of the new cidewalls on Narch

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There will be community forum meetings with the Lowell Board of Education

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Community forum meeting dates and locations are as follows:

Monday, July 26, at 7:00 p.m. Location: Bushnell Elementary Media Center 700 Elizabeth St., Lowell

Monday, August 9, at 6:00 p.m. Location: Bushnell Elementary Media Center 700 Elizabeth St., Lowell

(prior to the regular Board meeting beginning at 7:30 p.m.) Monday, August 16, at 7:00 p.m. Location: Alto Elementary School

6150 Bancroft, Alto Monday, August 23, at 7:00 p.m. Location: Vergennes United Methodist Church 10411 Bailey Dr., Lowell

Council concludes search for new DPW director

By Thad Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

number of city projects, Lowell's City Council announced that a five month search for a new director of

public works has been com- Works. Lowell City Manager Dave ciliano, who has held that po- with a Bachelor's Degree in Since then, Gall has been

Pasquale said that, after an sition since Sept. 19 of 1967. Civil Engineering. He has employed as Director of Pub- a Council goal to have a civil extensive search and review Siciliano will be assigned vari- worked with the city of New- lic Works for approximately engineer in the public works over 35 resumes, Art Gall of ous duties within the D.P.W. port News, VA for over 13 three years with the City of director's position along with Glen Ellyn, IL was selected as through Dec. 31, 1995, when years as Building Official and Wood Dale, IL. He is expected an experienced administrathe New Director of Public he plans to retire.

Gall, 49, is a 1971 graduate Assistant Director of Engi- to start his job in Lowell on Gall will replace Tony Si- of the University of Illinois neering.

Home development re-zoning request withdrawn

by Marc Popiolek Contributing Writer

74 acres of property at mission, that the "request erty, but residents felt the pro-Cumberland Ave. and Fore- wasn't worth the turmoil it posed development would ordinance the land requires a man Ave. was withdrawn by caused in the area.' the developer last week.

quest to re-zone the land from residential one (low-density changed his mind. residential) to residential two (medium-density residential),

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Thomas Karp, of 10800 to build a 44 home develop- ation.

ment, but opposition from

Karp stated in a letter, ad- stated that his intention was to A request for re-zoning dressed to the planning com- maximize the use of the prop- by Karp.

> neighbors at a public hearing would be another Eastgate square feet, which is less than comes in part because of the one acre. Approximately 35 people water and sewer problems the

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mainly because of opposition ing held on July 23 to dispute cently. Many residents felt the his request. The developer land could not accommodate the number of homes proposed

ruin their current life-style or developer use at least two-The intention was for Karp turn into another Eastgate situacres for each home. The rezoning would have dropped Concern that the site the land needed to 40,000

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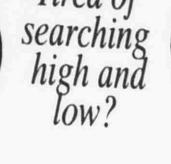
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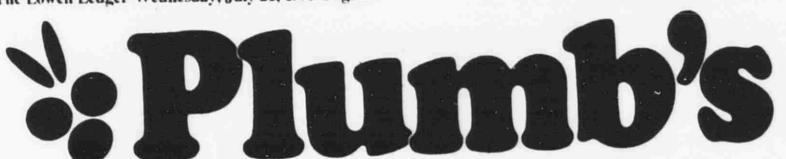
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Frank M. Johnson 1893 - 1930 By Thad Kraus

Lowell Ledger Editor

In 100 years of the Lowell Ledger publication, it has had just five

It's even more remarkable when one notes that the publication's third publisher held that title for

less than three years. All of them, Frank M. Johnson, R.G. Jefferies, Harold Jefferies, Fran Smith and Roger Brown, have all brought with them various levels of newspaper experience.

With each publisher and the changing of times, the paper has taken on different looks, whether that be in size, print or layout. But one constant that has remained through the work and dedication of the five publishers, has been the Lowell Ledgers' ability ,over the past 100 years, to act as a nourisher of community spirit.

Francis Smith was quoted in the story of his purchase of the Ledger from Harold Jefferies, as saying that "It is the goal of practically every newspaperman to have his own publication and the opportunity enabled him to realize a lifelong ambition."

Through their (publishers) collective ambition, the Ledger has been a mirror of the Lowell community's public mind, a voice of its people, a chronicler of facts, a promoter of civic welfare and pride and a reporter of the new and remembrance of the old and tired.

The Ledger was founded in 1893 by Frank M. Johnson. He remained its publisher for 37 years and/or until June of 1930 when it was purchased by R.G. Jefferies, who remained publisher until his death in 1953 when his son Harold took over ownership. The younger Jefferies had served as managing editor since 1948.

Harold Jefferies sold the Ledger to Francis Smith in July of 1968. Smith remained its publisher for a little less than three years, when he sold it back to Harold lefferies.

With Carol Sebastian as his managing editor, Jefferies re-



R.G. Jefferies 1930 - 1953

mained the publisher until 1975 when he sold the Ledger to Roger Brown. The Saranac graduate has been the paper's publisher for the past 18 years.

Johnson was in the newspaper business for 50 years. He graduated from Almont High School and later became the editor of the Almont Herald in 1881.

In 1884 he established the Mayville Monitor and edited that paper for seven years. He worked on the Grand Rapids newspapers for two years before coming to Lowell to start the Ledger.

Johnson may be most highly noted for his Cozy Corner column, which he used to fearlessly champion the cause(s) of what he believed in. Forever etched in his readers' memories is the picture of him sitting in the window at his desk with a baseball bat by his side.

"Johnson was a strict prohibitionist," said Don MacNaughton, a printer for the Lowell Ledger for 39 years. "His editorializing made people mad. That is why he kept the bat next to his desk. He was just a small little guy."

Poor health forced Johnson to sell the Ledger in 1930 to a seasoned newspaper man, from St. Johns, R.G. Jefferies.

Jefferies had ample experience in the newspaper and printing business in both city and smaller town fields. He established the Sentinel at Clare and published the same for several years before going to St. Johns, where he worked for the publisher of the Clinton County Republican. He would later move on to the State Journal, and the Michigan Education Company

From 1930 until 1953, when his son, Harold took over managing control, the Ledger improved and enlarged during his years of guid-

Jefferies was one of three men who conceived the idea of the Showboat. He was also instrumental in organizing the Lowell Rotary Club

Jefferies oversaw the Ledger operation without the aid of sight.



Harold Jefferies 1953 - 1968 1970 - 1975

of ladies from Lowell who came in and read to him and took dictation

"I went down to the Ledger every Friday and read to R.G.," said read from all the round-a-bout papers in the area. Jefferies liked the St. John's paper."

His editorial ability gave him a statewide reputation as outstanding in his chosen profession Jefferies' column entitled "Jokes, jests, jabs and jibes just by Jeff, brought him favorable comment throughout the years from the Lowell community

"R.G. was always very thorough and got to the truth of the matter," Rivette said. "He was very active in the city. Jefferies was interested in promoting Lowell. He was a good newspaperman.'

His son, Harold Jefferies, took over much of the business management in 1946 and then in 1953, following R.G. Jefferies death, became publisher of the Lowell

The younger Jefferies graduated from Lowell High School in 1934. He studied journalism at Grand Rapids Junior College and served with the Army Press Corps in Japan in 1945 as a correspondent for the "Stars and Stripes."

He became managing editor of the Ledger in 1948 and then took ownership in '53.

During his tenure, Harold help modernize the Ledger. "The biggest change Harold brought to the paper was the use of more pictures," said MacNaughton. "Harold was on the ball. He kept a closer watch over things. He tightened things up and kept up to date on newspaper issues and trends."

Also, during his tenure, the Ledger was printed on the Goss Comet Press. This press was purchased in

Jefferies founded the Suburban Life in 1954 to serve the Ada-Cascade-Forest Hills area, serving as editor and publisher to both papers until 1968.

Besides his work, Jefferies served his community in many



Francis Smith 1968 - 1970

capacities. He served on the City Council from 1968-1977; served as Mayor from 1970-71; served on the planning commission from 1970-75; and was president of the Board of Trade in 1955.

In January of 1968, he sold his two weekly publications to Detroit-area newspaperman, Fran

Smith started his career as editor of the Cuyahoga Falls Weekly News in 1947 and was named Sports Editor of the Mount Clemens Daily Monitor Leader and weekly South Macomb News.

In 1952, Smith joined the sports staff of the Detroit Times as a writer and a deskman. He left the Times in 1957 to become Director of Public Relations for the Detroit Pistons Basketball Club of the National Basketball Association. He continued in public relations late in 1965 as Director of Public Relations for Windsor Raceway in Canada in 1967, before purchasing

the Lowell Ledger.

Smith said there were two major factors that entered into his decision to purchase the Ledger and Suburban Life. "It is the goal of practically every newspaper man to have his own publication. But, more importantly, extensive studies indicated great potential for growth in the area," he said.

The look of the Ledger changed most dramatically under Smith. The Ledger had its most modern and up-to-date newspaper look. It went from the all news on the front page with the rest of the paper filled by feature type stories to the look of the modern daily paper.

During Smith's tenure, the Ledger began using the photo-offset method of printing, shirking the cumbersome and slow letterpress

In 1968, ownership of the Ledger reverted back to Jefferies, but the paper was operated by Carol Sebastian until November of 1975 when it was purchased by Roger

With Sebastian managing the paper, Jefferies continued his County Road Commission job and



Roger Brown 1975 - ?

sought out another buyer for the

"Harold Jefferies had sold the Ledger years prior and taken a less stressful job," Brown remembers. "Having grown up with the Ledge and eventually publishing it for many years, he had no interest in getting back into the grind when the purchaser defaulted on the con-

Brown, during this time, was working for his father, Dwight Brown, who was publishing a small weekly paper and later a Shopper's

Guide in neighboring Saranac. "I was 25 years old, married for just three years, father of two young children and was working for my father when le heard of Jefferies interest in selling the Ledger," Brown said. "With both of my younger brothers involved in my

father's business, we were cutting the pie too many ways."

Eager to try his wings, Brown pursued and purchased the Ledger from Jefferies.

"His deal was very attractive. He virtually signed the business over to me with nothing down, (which is exactly what I had to put down), and banked on me making a go of it based on my experience, Brown said.

Brown with assistance from his wife, Terese, ran the "Ma and Pa" weekly newspaper operation for 4 years. At that time, Terese Brown left the Ledger to work at Attwood.

"Roger was great to work for and I'd work for him again in a second," Sebastian said.

It is now 18 years later, and Brown has successfully managed the paper from its struggling times when he purchased it, to a successful weekly community paper that has chronicled the growth of Low-

continued to run a successful print shop and in 1987 purchased the long-time community shopper, the "Buyers Guide."

The father-like son, has also

MR. E. N. HARRISON LOSES A THUMB. Field and Fence Fires--Close Call

IN MEMORY OF SETH T. ROBINSON.

A SNAKE STORY. On the afternoon of August 11 when the train men of the L. & H railroad took the locomotive across the river to turn around, the engine was run upon the turn table. Brakeman McLane started to go to the other end when he stepped over something he supposed was an old piece of black fire hose. He looked again and there under his feet lay a snake fully fifteen feet long and at least five inches in diameter. Engineer Moffet saw him jump, and looking out from the engine could get a good view of the reptile; and he will swear that the snake was large enough to swallow a good sized dog. This is probably the same snake that was seen several years ago three or four miles south. Both men declare the snake was so large that they would not attempt to kill him if they had guns, as one false move would certainly result in death to the the hunters, the snake being so large it could easily crush a man in its foils. The people in the neighborhood are talking of getting up an army of hunters as they are now afraid to venture out of doors alone. There is a boiling spring near by which will be left to his snakeship hereafter .- [A

A LEAD MINE. W. R. Huston, who lives on what is known as the Walker farm, in the western part of the village, has been boring for a well. At a depth of twenty-seven feet the drill struck what proved to be a vein of lead The drill passed through three feet of the ore, and at the present depth of thirty-five feet there is still plenty of the mineral. Mr. Huston will investigate the find more completely and determine whether the lead exists in sufficient quantity to pay to work. The outcome will be awaited with considerable interest.

contributor.

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July 15, 1893

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LOWELL'S BEAUTIFUL ISLAND PARK. The Marriage of Mrs. Lizzie White ABOUT PEOPLE AND PLACES WE KNOW A Singular Accident to a Load

AN AGREEABLE SURPRISE Last Monday evening twelve o

Lowell's Fellowcrafts, in search of a

good time, drove out into the neighboring town of Vergennes, to the home of George Crosby and wife. The party was composed of the following, all of whom were in possession of grips and signs and passwords; Chas. McCarty, M. C. Griswold, A. B. Hunter, C. G. Stone, Jas. McPherson. Marks Rubens, A. B. Boylan, H. A. Howk, John McNaughton, Will Clark, Geo. Winegar and Chas. Althen, On the way over Peter McPherson gave the grand hailing sign of distress, and was taken to the west, where all approached the house of brother Crosby in due and ancient form. Mr. Crosby had retired, and when the brethren walked in upon him he was not attired according to the ritual-did not even have his apron on. He soon rallied from the surprise; and the party spent a pleasant evening playing cards. At the proper time Dame Crosby served a bountiful and royal repast to which

the party did ample justice, after which in a feeling speech Brother C. G. Stone reminded Mr. Crosby that he was fifty-five years old that day, and that his brother Masons had not forgotten it, concluding by presenting t the host an elegant upholstered chair that had been kept in the background up to that time. Mr. and Mrs. Cros by appreciated the visit and gift of their friends; and the party came home feeling well repaid for their trip, and wishing the good couple many happy returns of the day.

"LOWELL." "Lowell" is a book of over two hundred original photographs of our town. made and published by Milan D. Wilson. It contains pictures of ninety of our business men and wemen, all the business blocks, thirty of our finest residences, our ministers, all the mills, factories, hotels, glee club, schoo'-

houses, churches, L. & H. railroad bridge, upper and lower bridges, musicians, Lowell light and power company, new electric power plant, depots, banks, park, village officers, clerks and bookkeepers, base ball club, of ficers of the Lowell lodge F. & A. M. the Chapter, G. A. R., fra department, W. C. T. U., A. O. U. W., R. A., Medern Woodmen, Maccabees, Eastern Star, Forresters, I. O. O. F., United Friends, with names of full membership of each, etc. These were engraved by the Moss Engraving company, of New York city, are printed on enameled paper and bound in leather. It is a valuable and beautiful book of 100 pages. It is now in the hands of the printer and will be completed in a short time. It is sold at a low figure and for cash only.

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Sept. 16, 1893

THE WATER AND LIGHT COMPANY Are pushing their numerous improvements. Work is progressing on their big twenty-four feet in diameter well, after a preliminary test well had been sunk and the water analyzed. Analysis proved the water first class in every respect, and Lowell will be supplied with water second to none in the state. A great deal of solid work has been done on the dam and a ponderous mason work base crected for the electrical machinery and next year it is proposed to put up a brick

building in place of the present wooden

structure. About twenty men have been employed all summer.

Following is the analytical report from the University of Michigan of the sanitary condition of water sent by Lowell Water and Light company: PHYSICAL PROPERTIES.

Reaction, neutral.

CREMICAL ANALYSIS-Parts per million. Total residue obtained by evaporation at Residue after ignition, or inorganic mat

er in residue, 23. Organic residue, or loss on ignition, 5.

Amount of earthy bases, calculated as Amount of chlorine calculated as sodium Amount of sulphates calculated as

Shoe on

Parts of potassium permagnate reduced by the organic matter in the water, 1.5. Amount of free amonia, trace. Amount of albuminoid amonia, 0.4.
Amount of nitrates, calculated as N2O5 Amount of nitrates calculated as N2N3

tory of Hygiene.
ANN ARBOR, July 17th, 1893. ADAM VAN DUSEN'S WILL. The Grand Rapids Democrat has

Conclusions-This water in its presen

condition is certainly a safe drinking water

[Signed] V: C. VAUGHN, Director of the Michigan State Labora-

the following: The will of Adam Van Dusen, one of the oldest farmers in the vicinity of Lowell, was filed for probate yesterday afternoon. He leaves his real estate to his wife, and to his daughter Clarissa and to his son Austin he leaves \$1,000 each. To his son Arthur, daughter Margaret and daughter Christie he leaves \$5 each He also directs that each of his grand children be presented with a copy of the Holy Bible, to cost not less than \$3 each.





We will Sell This Entire Lot at the Uniform Price of \$2.50 PR PAIR

Work

Earth for \$2.00

WINEGAR'S

Grain or Veal Calf: Lace or Congress.

CLEARANCE SALE ; SHOES

Sixty Pairs, broken sizes, Ladies' Kid Shoes,

Worth \$5.00, \$4.50 and \$3.50.

If we Have Your Size You are Lucky.

50 Pairs Ladies' Kid Button Worth \$3.00 @ \$2.00. \$2.00 @ \$1.50 SPECIAL BARGAINS IN BOYS', MISSES

This is Your Opportunity. Remember, we Always Do Just as we Advertise.

AND CHILDREN'S SHOES.

Jan. 27, 1894

Geo. Winegar.



The Gold Coin Coal Stove

comes out with a new dress this season, and together with other improvements makes it far superior to all others both in beauty and economy of fuel.

Please Call and Examine

the merits of these stoves before placing your orders. Respectfully yours,

R. B. Boylan.

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Dealers in Lumber, Lath & Shingles

AND MANUFACTURERS OF Sash, Doors, Blinds, Door and Window Frames and Screens, Moulding, Exhibition and Shipping Coops, Dried Apple Boxes, Etc., Matching, Resa ing and Job Work. Wooden Eavetroughs.

Lowell,

Michigan.

Jan. 27, 1894

FIRE AT IONIA.

Our Easterly Neighber Gets the Worst Scorching of Years.

SUGGESTION RECARTING A SCHOOL RULL

in Memoriam--An Elegant Monument--Local News.

BAD FIRE AT IONIA. Ionia was visited Saturday night by one of the most disastrous fires known since the burning of the American Hotel some ten years ago.

who are prepared to furnish music for

excursion parties etc." J. S. Hooker

is their prompter, and has acquainted

himself with all the latest styles of

dancing, and will on every occasion

introduce some new feature in the

terpsichorean art." Other adver-

Boots and shoes, I. N. White; gro-

ceries and produce, J. D. Carpenter

and U. B. Williams; drugs, A. C.

Vanderburgh and Cyrus Clark; jew-

elry, J. A. Taylor and C. II. Dunks;

dry goods, Chapin & Booth, and J.

Houseman & Co's. Grand Rapids

branch store; hardware, Daniels and

Young; millinery, Misses Chadwick

and Miss M: Carpenter; dentistry, J.

B. Balcom M. D.; photography, May

nard; steam engine works, Anderson

& Brewer; saloon, Joseph Sarilei

Jacob Snell, counselor at law: A:

Peck, M. D. physician and surgeon;

select school, Sarah Jennings, teacher.

The hotels were the Franklin House.

west side, A. H. King proprietor;

Lowell House, east side, J. B. Chad-

wick proprietor; and Garrison House,

The D. & M. R. R. time table

states that there were but two trains a.

day each way, where now there are

trains at all times a day -- And so as

years come and go there are many

changes all around us. New faces.

old ones passing away, and new enter-

prises springing up, and who can tell

what the next thirty years may bring

Those enterprising manufacturers

and worthy citizens, A H Peckham

and R J Flanagan, have quietly made

a move that will redound to the ben-

efit of Lowell and we hope and be-

They have purchased the planing

mill and factory plant of Goodrich

Kopf, and will take possession of the

same about the beginning of the new

year, placing therein a large amount

of the latest improved machinery for

the manufacture of wood rims for bi-

cycles, under the name and style of

The Michigan Wood Rim Company

They expect to employ from fifteen

to twenty men; and we believe the

business will soon demand the em-

All hail, The Michigan Wood Rim

Company. Make room for more men

ployment of many more.

like Peckham and Fianagan.

lieve, to its promoters.

Garrison and Gilman proprietors.

tisements show names as follows:

March 31, 1894

LOWELL'S PIONEER NEWSPAPER.

We were handed the other day, a

copy of the first paper ever printed in

Lowell. The Weekly Star, Vol. 1 No.

10, published by Geo. S. Spafford,

and dated November 14, 1860. The

sheet is yellow with age and is quite

a curiosity at this day. It is a seven

column folio and was printed as will

be seen by the date, just after Lin-

coln's election to his first term and

shortly before the war broke out, and

contains an editorial on the result of

the election which was to make Lin-

coln President. Let us glanc: over

its columns and notice a few names

which are familiar to Lowell, people

to day. The first aggertisement

Blaisdell, advertising his large stock

before offered in the valley.

which meets our gaze is that of W. R.

of hardware at lower prices than ever

The next familiar name is that of

John Kopf, advertising his cabinet

and chair factory and "choice stock of

At the head of one advertisement

we see the names of Hooker, Hunt &

Co. These gentlemen have long

since passed to their rest, and others

have taken their places. Robert-

general store. His ad appears twice

N. P. Husted advertises his great

In another column is the announce-

ment of the "Wolverine String Band,"

Dec. 12, 1895

GOOD NEWS.

Purchase of G. Kopf's Mill

and Factory

BY MESSRS. PECKHAM AND FLANACAN

For the Manufacture of Bi-

cycle Rims.

THE MICHICAN WOOD RIM COMPANY.

Kopf Brothers Have Sold to

McConnell & Co.

ORE ABOUT THAT BASKET FACTORY.

What an Editor Found in

Hades.

A CUNTACION-NO FREE ADS, PLEASE.

Hunter Jr. was the proprietor of a.

in the same paper.

variety of nursery trees.

About nine o'clock those in the vicinity of N. Kenyon's hardware store were startled by several explosions in quick succession, and immediately the whole interior of the building was a mass of flames.

The store was full of powder, gasoline ammunition and oils, which made the fire difficult for the firemen to handle and for an hour or more it was hard to tell which had the best of it, one explosion following another, and driving the firemen out.

The flames were confined mainly to the one store, however. N. Kenyon's

loss is about \$25,000 on stock and building. E. C. Green & Co.'s clothing stock, W. S. Bank's harness shop and Col. J. H. Mitchell's law office were damaged by smoke and water. The origin is unknown, but supposed to be from exploding gasoline. A MINTARE.

The LEDGER wishes to call attention to what it regards as a bad rule now in force in the Lowell schools, namely, that requiring pupils no leaving the room at recess to remain in their seats. This may be all right in pleasant weather, or in the higher departments but it seems to us that in severe weather the rule should I waived in the case of the tender little chicks in the primary and intermediate lepartments. They should not b made to wade in the deep snow this biting weather, and yet they need few moments to straighten their legs and get the kinks out of their backs We do not recommend turning the school room into a playhouse or gymnasium, but that permission to move quietly about the rooms be gran ted the little folks in rough weather. All of which is respectfully submitted

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Nov. 29, 1895

Progress of the Lowell Water and Light Company's

NEW LINE TO CRAND RAPIDS-PUBLIC Interest in Long Distance Transmission.

ACTIVITY OF THE VILLAGE LICHTING Committee. Expert Information on Cost.

INTERESTING EXPERIMENT.

The following article from the Monday issue of the Grand Rapids Democrat will be read with interest by Lowell people:

The Lowell Water and Light Company has nearly completed the construction of its lines from its electric plant on Flat river to this city, and in a short time will be ready to switch on the power equal to that of 300 horses, providing the scheme proves feasible. The plant is one mile north of Lowell and about twenty-one miles from this city. Since the first use of electricity, as a motive power, it has never been demonstrated that the current can be conveyed and retain its force so long a distance. This pratical test, however, will soon be made here, and the eves of the electrical world are expected to turn this way and watch closely the result of the experiment.

Along the winding course of Flat river are many heavy falls, which, if this attempt proves successful, will be utilized to generate power for distribution among other near-by cities. The full capacity of the full now in use by the company is 1,500 horse power. To obtain the full capacity of this paticular fall would require the expenditure of nearly \$200,000. The average price obtained per horse power is \$120 per annum, so that if the entire 1,500 horse power was used, the income on the investment would be \$170,000 annually, while the cost of generating the power would be nominal. The same company owns another waterfall on Flat river, and both are within two miles of Lowell. The capacity of the second fall is 800 horse power, and whether this will be developed, or the full capacity of the first one, depends on the success attending, the present venture. Flat river is fed by nearly

100 lakes and the volume of water is not affected to any extent by dry ar wet seasons, which makes it better adapted, it is claimed, to the use proposed, than any other river in the

"Our object," said a member of the company vesterday, "is to supply small concerns-those using from three to fifteen horse power. Such plants cannot afford an engine and by getting their power in this way, they pay for just exactly what they use. We have no doubt of the feasibility of the scheme; we know we can generate the power, and we know it will follow the wires. There will be some loss of course, but it will not be very great. It is not our intention to make any cut in rates; we are going into this for business and propose to make a little money. We expect to be ready to make connections with Grand Rapids factories before the end of this year. No, we have not entered

yet; we will make none until we are ready for business.' THE LIGHTING PLANT.

The committee appointed by the

common council at its last meeting to obtain estimates of the cost of a light ing plant at the site procured by the committee on options, has been act ively engaged in its work this week Experts in the various departments of work and supplies have been in consultation with the committee, and the members of the same are confident that the cost will not exceed the limit made by the village charter for bonding purposes.

If such proves to be the case, the tax-payers will have an opportunity of voting on the question of bonding the village for the purpose of building a municipal plant.

If the final estimate of cost proves favorable, we believe the people can make no mistake in voting for a pub lie plant.

WAR TO THE KNIFE

In distracted Cuba is still going on; and we extend our earnest sympathy to the patriots who are doing their level best to secure all that is near and dear to men. It may interest the readers of the LEDGER to know that we have

Declared War

into any contracts with local parties

On high prices and it will be fought to the bitter end. We have sharpened our knife and slashed old rates in two, and the result is

Enormous Price Reductions in Every Department,

Affording everybody the most favorable opportunity of the year to secure their fall and winter needs.

Ladies' Underwear.

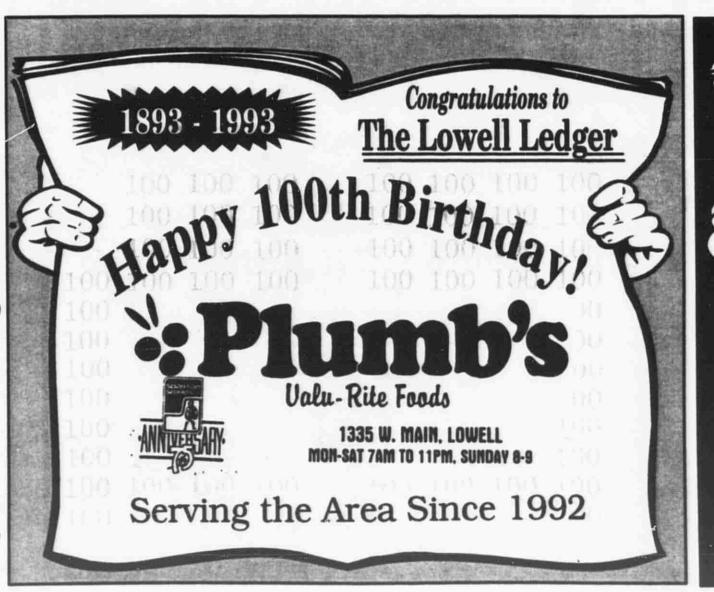
We have the best goods at the least money to be had in Kent county, as examination will prove.

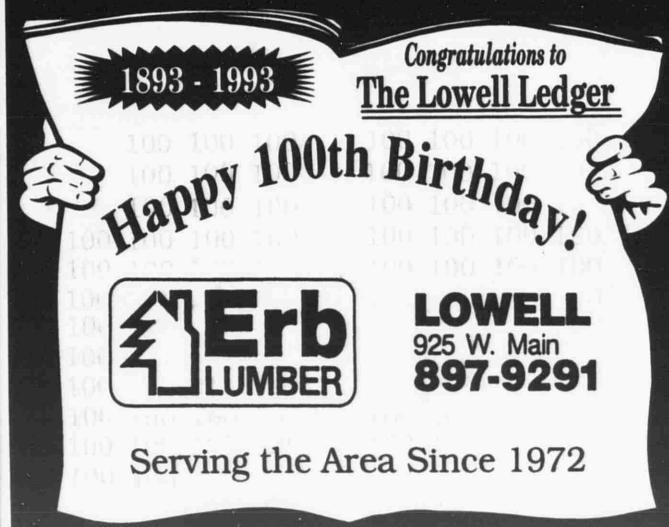
FALL AND WINTER WRAPS.

Our line of these goods is full and complete and the styles are the rage of the season. Call and examine.

Oct. 18, 1895

A. W. WEEKES.





Former Lowell School Teacher Writes of

TERRIBLE SCENES IN TURKEY

What is Coing on in Earth's Darkest Place-Sensations of an Eye

The people of Lowell will be interested in the following letter, e-misd from the Clarksville R cord, written by Miss Me la Hess, a former teacher were poweriess to do anything, but greater number were drawn up in line had no fear for our personal saf-ty around the city to see that no resistuntil the 18th when we saw all the ance should be made, and the Arab different parts of the city where Arsoldiers let loose on the people. Now menians are in flames. The sound of have seen some pretty bad faces guns continually, and the sight of since I came here but those Arabs in the mots told us that a massacre had their barbaric dress looked more like begun. We told the girls and randevils incarnate than anything I ever quickly over to Lee's yard and were saw pictured as fiends. I can give not a minute too soon, I think I have you no idea of them. Our seminary told you the situation of our premises vard was full and they were carrying before, we are the last in the city, to away everything from the professor's the north. There are mountains back iouse-I mean everything without the If us and the city is on land, sloping exception of a pin. We were peepaway to the south so we can look ing through a shutter and saw them down over it: Everybody here has a seize a woman and hold a sword over wall of some kind around the yard. her. She palled away and pointed to Ours is of the better class, o' course, a cave in another part of the vard, of mull, brick and stone from eight to and then ran from them. They twelve feet high. However, it would rushed to the cave, dragged out two not keep anyone out who wanted to theological students shot them over get in for it is not built to stand much. and over again and backed them Well, our college varia is at the west, with a sword, but left them, and went then a lane and the theological seminto help carry away plunder. There ary yard, as large as from your house were several native houses overlook to the road, then the Lee's vard. There ing the walls and we could see the are high, strong doors in the wall and soldiers in all of them. The people a beam of wood to draw across and had fled to us so that in the two houses in the Lee's yard there were 200, mostly women. The affray became wilder, they set fire to the sem-Clothes Don't Make mary and we then had no more hope

But they certainly do make a

great difference in their appear-

nince, as in the case of these two

coats are made from goods of

your own selection from hun-

freds of the best and latest styles

of goods on the market. The

goods, fit and workmanship are

that guarantees.

guaranteed with a guarantee

men. My suits, pants and over-

in Lowell schools, an eve witness to

The cight outh of this month-ten

days and—the Ar.J. soldiers were let

lause on the cay to burn, rob and mas-

sacre and well have they performed

their work. For four weeks we have

been having a reign of terror. Ar-

memans were snot down at sight in

the streets. Snops and houses were

pundered, children disemboweled (1

know of two) mens' heads put on

poles, or used as halls in the streets,

and every other horrible thing We

the scenes narrated:

I prayed to be soured. seemed so sure that we were not to be-I dared not ask anything more than that His will might be done. thought of all the dear friends who had done so much to make my life happy, and I thought of things I had left undone, and had done amiss. Oh! how trivial things look when one is facing eternity, that seem so very important at other times. It was as much my "last hour" as any I shall

of living, it seemed madness to think

of hope. We knew that they would

leave no foreigner alive to testify of

that day's work.

lock. When we got over to the last

yard they broke into the one we had

ust crossed and plundered two of our

buildings there. They were occupied

ov a native professor and his family,

who took care of a number of b vs

here. Now in this country they don't

have places where you can buy wheat

flour and other provisions any time in

the year, so the people have to store

it away in their houses for the whole

winter. The city was filled with

soldiers, 10,000 they were going to

send for but perhaps only two thirds

of that number were here. The

ever face. The seminary was flaming near us, the smoke came up from the city, and with coming darkness closed over us like a funeral. I had said, They will send a larger detachment here because they may think we will resist," and just as the last had left the seminary vard, as if by magic, the street was full of Arabs, each armal with his gun ready to fire. My compenion turned from the window quietly and said, "They have come." also turned to go down stairs and be with my dear girls at the last. There was loud knocking and the sound of friendly voices - what did it all mean. Some one opened the gate and women and our native professor came in. Some one called out, "It's a guard." I did not faint, but I will not answer for what would have happened if I had not seen them bringing in the wounded of our students, whose wounds I hastened to attend. They brought one in the kitchen and another in another room. The native mattress is thick and they put it on the floor, there are no bedsteads here but ours and the room filled to overflowing with men mourning in a truly oriental fashion. It was no use to tell

them to get out. I had to use physical force to put them out. Just below us and in plain sight was a large house, the home of Miss Muritza, one of our teachers who was with us at the time, but her mother, grandmother, grandfather, uncle and family were in the house. Every one of the above were killed except the sunt, who escaped with her little daughter. The house was plundered and burned with the bodies in it. out there are hundreds and hun-The government has had experience

burning American property in Turkey before, and they invariably have to pay, so when our building was burning they made up their minds not to have any more damage

done to our property. They seemed to be so intent after plunder they did not make killing their principle business toward the last. They report 4,700 killed, but we think it is too many. There seems to have been some order not to kill the women, but many were burned in the church, and others shot. We have every reason to think the order came from the capitol.

Feb. 14, 1896

ABDUCTED

Serious Charge Against John Bozung.

ABDUCTION OF A LITTLE GIRL.

The office of Squire Hicks was packed with an eager crowd vesterday drinking in the case of The People vs. John Bozung, in which the defendant is charged with the abduct on of the little daughter of Theodore N. Him

It seems that Mr. Hines and his wife who lived in Keene township, near Fallasburg, parted on January 15, and it is intimated that John Bozung was the cause of the separation-The mother took the little son and the seven-year old daughter remained with the father.

On January 29, Bessie was excused from school at Failasburg and started for home. On the way, it is alleged,

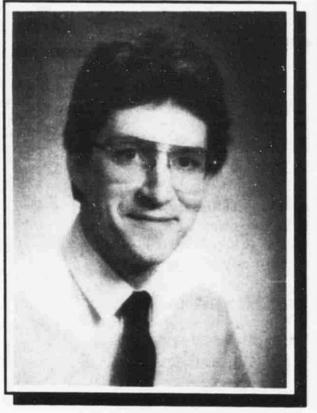
she was accosted by John Bozung, who tried to induce the girl to go with him, urging it repeatedly.

The little girl refused, and meeting her father, told him what Bozung had said. Mr. Hines passed the matter over lightly, but started back over the road with the child, at length turning off at the road side and sending the child on alone. She had gone about twenty rods when Bozung appeared from behind some bushes and grasping the child's arm told her she must go with him. She refused, and it is charged, that he said she must or he would kill her. She screamed and her father hearing her, gan to the place and Bozung took to his heels. The supposition is that it was proposed to take the girl to her

Complaint was first made at Jonia but it was found that the alleged offense was committed in Kent county and the examination was held as aforesaid before Justice Hicks, the prosecuting attorney being present.



Connie Reedy, GRI **Associate Broker**



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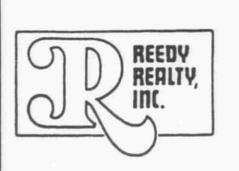
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Dec. 23, 1897

ACTION OF LOWELL PRESS.

Refuses to Print Articles on Lighting and Tomperance.

The Grand Rapids Herald of Tuesday publishes under the above heading a communication from J. C. English of Vergennes, writing under a Lowell date line. We reproduce the same here sandwiched with such remarks as seemed to be demanded.

Lowell, Mich, Dec. 20.-The refusal of the Pressof Lowell to receive any more articles on municipal lighting and the temperance questions from the friend of the former, and the Anti-Saloon league, should prove a boomerang to themselves.

The press of Lowell has never refused to receive "any more articles on the temperance and lighting questions," but on the contrary, has devoted column after column of space freely and willingly to these and a host of other questions, which as taxpayers and public spirited and moral men, they felt in duty bound to do, Not later than December 9, the LED-GER corrected and published an orticle for Mr. English on the light question, which occupied a column and a third of valuable space at a time when we were obliged to turn away advertising matter, and at a cost to us for composition of not less than \$1.50, and after the Journal had very sensibly objected to its publication on the ground that Mr. English had meddled with the affairs of the village of Lowell, long enough.

Municipal lighting is of vital importance to the town financially and the latter is the same nor-

Then allow the people of Lowell the privilege of attending to them, Mr. English, unless you imagine that ati the brains in the country are lodged in your alleged head-piece.

the five saloons of the town are of so much importance to the Press that they propose to gag the Anti-Saloon rague and the general public, then it shows conclusively that Lowell is in sore need of an independent press, which dares to stand up and be count

Here is a slanderous insult so palpable as to require no defense for the

May 19, 1898

Yours truly,

J. C. English,

Bert Fenning.

LOWELL'S VOLUNTEERS STARTED MONDAY.

to Their Country's Aid Lowell patriotism bubbled over

Fourteen Brave Boys Have Gone

Monday noon, and all ages and conditions of life were represented in the vast throng that gathered at the Lowell & Hastings depot to see our brave boys off to the war.

The following are the names of the Lowell boys who went with the Sons of Veterans organization to Island Lake to be mustered in and drilled for active service: Clarence E, Long, Will E. McCarty, Walter Gibson, Sherman Reynolds, Ulman Hawk Charles Dickerson, Hayes Rolf and

The following went to Ionia to go with a company from that place to join the 34th regiment: John Clark, Harvey Gibson, Myron Rice, Jay Gibbs, Onie Wingate.

The volunteers were met at G. A.

R. hall by the Lowell Military band, the pupils of the village schools and many veterans and citizens, and escorted to the depot to the inspiring strains of "Hail Columbia". Here the band played "The Star Spangled Banner." accompanied by the voices of the school children. Three cheers were given for the Stars and Stripes and three more for the boys who were going to war; there were tearful hand shakings, sad adieus and expressions of good will and hope, then the conductor called "All aboard," and the Lowell boys were off to the war.

Nov. 18, 1897

BOUGHT IT. THE TOWNSHIP BOARD BUYS A STONE CRUSHER.

A Machine That Grinds Stoffes As a Hog Chews Corn.

The township board at a meeting

satisfaction of our readers. Our at

titude on the temperance question is

known to all. Only two weeks ago

we printed a temperance editorial

which last week called forth Super-

visor White's letter of commendation

and was favorably commented upon

by the Grand Rapids Herald. That

has been our position through four-

teen years of newspaper publishing,

in every one of which we have done

more for the cause of temperance

morally and financially than J. C.

English will accomplish it he lives to

be as old as Methuselah. As for "in-

dependence," the LEDGER has just

enough of it to say "Hands off" to

any man who presumes to dictate

what its attitude shall be on any

ensional temperance article into the

Press, no doubt it would have saved

the arrest of two of the liquor dealers

Lora save us! What a brilliant

old crank it is. If he could only

have got an occasional article into the

press, Eve wouldn't have had that

little conversation with the snake, the

Lord wouldn't have repented that he

had made man; and only to think

what a world of trouble would have

few of his brainy articles into the

failed in this for months and the

washy course of the municipal officers

seemed evidence to them that they

had the field. They accordingly

sailed in every day of the weel

Had the Press been outspoken these

liquor dealers would not have been

Mr. English's implied lie that tle

Lowell press has not been outspok n

on the temperance question, is more

than refuted by Mr White's letters

of commendation in the papers of last

It is for the saloon men's interest

as well as the people that we have an open, untrammeled, truthful press,

which voices the whole truth and

nothing but the truth instead of the

Member of Press Com. of Lowell

Lowell, Mich., Dec. 17, 1897.

Anti-saloon League

The fact that we

been saved it Jude could have got

If we could have gotten an oc-

question.

and their fines also.

Eden Press.

held Saturday last, voted to buy the s one crusher that has been in operation during the week in Walker's woods. The work of the machine is truly marvelous, great loads of bard heads being chewed up into splendid road material in a few brief moments. Some of our citizens were opposed to the purchase at first, but upon witness ing its work, and driving over places where the material was used, they

road work in this village and township; and even a careful man like Fred Yeiter has been heard to say that if the vil'a ze would use the machine to put its roads in good condition, he would cheerfully pay his share of the tax. The new outfit costs \$800, payable \$200 on January 1, 1889, and \$200

have changed their m. ds. There is

certainly need enough for permanent

annually until paid, with interest at 6 per cent. The debt is thus distributed so that the additional tax will not be felt; and in the meantime, those who have occasion to use our roads will be reaping a substantial benefit. Death of a Former Lowell Teacher

Louisa A. Knapp Crowther died at Aberdeen, Wash, Nov. 11, 1897.

Life is a battle, and the strife Ends only with our earthly life The bugle call is in the air. The rush, the conflict, everywhere,

In vain we seek to turn aside

That none but cowards fail to share.

That bears us to our destiny,

For those who fall to do their best

Peace only comes to those who see

For all our life our sense of being

Lies in the fullness of our seeing; Not the fleeting things we borrow

Or the phantoms of to-morrow,

But the splendon and the play

Why should we wish or care to know Why outward life should ebb and flow

And like our dreams should pass away

Of that rich life that's here to-day.

-E. A. Brackett in Boston Transcript

Spread of .Temperance Ideas.

of "total abstinence" seriously sug-

gested. And teetotalism was gener

ally recognized as an end not until

1836, at the second meeting of the Na-

tional Temperance Convention. Still

converts were permitted in "signing

the pledge" to write "o. p." or "old

piedge" after their names if they in-

tended to desist only from stronger

liquors. If they proposed to give up

after their names a big, big "T."

They spelled the word "Ttotalism" at

The great "Washingtonian move-

ment," beginning in 1840, was the

of the hearts of a large number of

the people. That movement spread

like wildfire from East to West. In

Illinois a lank young lawyer named

Abraham Lincoln made a speech for

it. The Washingtonians, who in three

habit, accepted either "old" or "tee-

years greatly decreased the drink

otal" pledges. The movement was

ollowed by the foundation of the

raternal temperance orders, like the

Good Templars, that have lasted to

The labors of Father Matthew and

Neal Dow occupied the middle of the

century, and it was due to the work

of the latter that in 1859 Maine pass-

ed the first prohibition law. Massc.-

chusetts, Vermont, Michigan, Kan-

sas, Minnesota (Territory), Rhode

Island, New Hampshire, Delaware,

Nebraska (Territory), Indiana, within

a few years passed prohibition laws.

So did New York, but the act was

declared unconstitutional. New Jer-

sey, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, nearly

did the same, and Iowa passed a pro-

hibitory law which lasted for thirt;

he present day.

first awakening that really laid hold

Not until about 1828 was the idea

There is no hope, there is no res

That they keep step in harmony With all that is or yet may be

TEMPERANCE TOPICS

Addie Knapp was born in Commerce, Oakland county, Mich., July 10, 1842. In 1861 she married Edwin Sprague who shortly afterward went to the war and died in the following year at Fortress Monroe.

In 1864, Mrs. Sprague came to Lowell and afterward was a teacher in the high school for a term of years. From here she went to Grand Rapids where she taught for several years; then resigning her position, she went to Aberdeen with C. T. Wooding and her sister, his wife, in 1887. There she engaged in the furniture business and married Ira Crowther, who survives her. She leaves eight brothers and sisters and a host of friends to mourn her departure. She was converted in her girlhood and has lived a faithful Christian and has now gone

able to get drunk; and the drink con-

sumption of the United States, meas-

ured in the quantity of alcohol taken

per inhabitant, is small compared

with that of England or Germany-

a fact which in both those countries

has been taken to explain in part our

Liquor and Labor.

of boots and shoes, he buys \$20.71 of

If a laboring man buys \$100 worth

In buying \$100 worth of furniture

In every \$100 worth of hardware he

In every \$100 worth of clothing he

In every \$100 worth of cotton goods

In every \$100 worth of men's fur-

In every \$100 worth of worsted

In every \$100 worth of woollen

In every \$100 worth of liquors he

If eight laboring men spend \$800 for

furniture, hardware, clothing, cotton

furnishing goods, they contribute

\$147.43 to labor and at the same time

that they bring valuable supplies to

their families they stimulate business

If the \$800 is spent in the saloon

only \$9.84 goes for labor, the families

are made wretched, and the men

themselves are made worse physical-

ly, financially and morally, their jobs

are imperiled and they have wasted

their money. Liquor is labor's worst

Intemperance and Insanity.

sommittee on lunacy in 1859, ex-

pressed his opinion that 50 per cent.

of the cases admitted into England's

asylums were due to drink. Many

superintendents of both our own and

foreign asylums have estimated the

admissions from intemperance at 25

per cent. or higher, including not only

the proximate, but remote causes of

the disease. This percentage will be

largely increased if we take into ac-

count the great number of cases in

eased, nervous systems, and will in-

evitably in time become insane, dis-

eased or idiots. In view of these

facts, it can readily be inferred that

the saloon, which is the advocate of

the drink habit, is productive of evils

Lord Shaftesbury, speaking before a

and add to the demand for labor.

nishing goods he buys \$18.34 of labor.

goods he buys \$13.55 of labor.

goods he buys \$12.86 of labor.

amazing industrial progress.

he buys \$23.77 of labor.

buys \$24.17 of labor.

buys \$17.42 of labor.

buys \$1.23 of labor.

he buys \$16.91 of labor.

to receive her reward -[Contributed. An Imposter

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The people of Lowell were imposed upon last week by one, John Eaton, an old man of 82 years, who goes from door to door, pleading poverty and asking for help! This same John Eaton has \$300 in the Lowell State Bank, money in the Grand Rapids Bank, and owns valuable real estate in Grand Rapids, also draws a pension of \$12.00 per month. While I would not say a word against anvone helping the needy, I am opposed to impositions of this kind. Resp. yours.

FRANK N. WHITE.

plete extermination would be of inestimable benefit to civilization.

A Source of Disease. Prof. Christison, of the University of Edinburgh, in his work on "Granular Disease of the Kidney," says: "Of all predisposing causes, none has appeared to play so important a part in the disease which has presented itself in this day as intemperance. A large proportion of cases has occurred in the persons of habitual drunkards. It is not necessary, however, that the vice of intemperance should be carried to so great an excess, for a still larger proportion, perhaps, is composed of those who, without deserving the designation of habitual drunkards, are in the constant practice of using ardent spirits several times in the course of the day, and of occasionally indulging to intoxication. I am not prepared to state the exact proportion of cases thus referable to one variety or another of intemperance; but I am certainly within the mark in stating it at three-fourths, or even four-fifths of the whole. We can be at no loss to understand this connection; since the effect of ardent spirits in stimulating the kidney to augmented secretion is one of the most familiar facts of physiology; and in pathology no principle is better established than that the secreting organs cannot be habitually excited to over-secretion for a length of time without the risk of chronic derangement of structure being induced."

Alcohol Is a Drug. In certain bodily conditions and when carefully administered, alcoh is a valuable drug, but it is at present used much too freely, and with distinctly harmful results. Its use as a daily beverage in any form is dangerous, physically and morally. As an illustration of its medicinal abuse, Sir Samuel Wilkes cites the follow-

"A young lady for many years the subject of heart disease had finally been forced to take to her bed, and Dr. Wilkes was called in consulta tion. It was a matter of formality, as she was thought to be dying.

"She was lying in bed gasping with a fluttering heart and an almost im perceptible, irregular pulse, and semi conscious; she was being plied with brandy in order to keep her alive The two medical men who were pres ent did not perceive that they were poisoning her, but nevertheless as sented to my strong wish to stop the spirit. I met her a short time after

ward walking in the street.' As to the daily drinking of some form of alcohol, while the weight of opinion was against it, several of the physicians had observed no ill effects from its use in moderation in themselves or their patients. Dr. J. Simms Woodhead, however, calls attention to the significant fact that when the body is being trained for any unusual exertion the use of alcohol is strictly prohibited.

Temperance has looked after itself too numerous to mention, and its compretty well. It is no longer respect-Congratulations to The Lowell Ledger Happy 100th Birtha JAMES E. REAGAN, D.D.S. ROBERT E. REAGAN D.D.S. 207 W. Main, Lowell 897-7179 Serving The Area Since 1953

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Special Sale. Our bargains for this week are bright and cheery. If you are one of the lucky ones, we can fit you, and save you

a whole lot of money. Just -127 - Pairs

of Ladies fine shoes in all sizes and widths, button or lace. Not a pair of shoes in this lot worth less than \$2.00 up to \$2.50. Now figure what you'll save if we fit you at

\$1.49****

SPECIAL SALE AND BARGAINS every day this year up to December 24, '97 GENTLEMEN: Now is the time to buy your felts, socks and rubbers. There has never been a time when you would buy them as cheap as we will sell them to you now. DON'T WAIT and say you didn't hear anything about it. SPECIAL BARGAIN PRICES on every article in the store. We have got the crowd started our way this fall, and with an additional salesman, we hope to serve you it a satisfactory manner.

Read Some of Our Prices.

Men's Veal Kip, former price 2, 50, now Men's Oil Grain Tap Sole, former price 4,00, now 3 00 Men's Genuine Veal Kip, former price 3,75 3 00 Men's Heavy Kip 3 Sole, former price 3.00, now 2 50 Rubber Boots, former price 3.00, now 2.50 Rubber Boots, Snag Proof, former price 3.75, now 3 00 Boy's Rubber Boots, former price 2.50, now All Rubbers 5c to 50c per pair less than last year.

> The Old Reliable Shoe House, A. J. HOWK & SON.

In the Midst of Wild Storm and Darkness

Fire broke out in the rear of J. E. Lee's meat market last evening at about 9:30 o'clock, and before could be quenched the entire block was in ruins or badly damaged.

The other occupants besides Mr. Lee were J. Tinkler, parber shop, B. E. Quick & Co., shoe store, Rae Malcom, phototograph gallery, Village Council headquarters, R. Heffron, saloon.

Owing to the sheet iron which covered the entire block the fire was slow to break through and the firemen experienced great difficulty in getting

A portion of Lee's stock was removed and this morning he is getting the remnants into the Fox building. B. E. Quick & Co.'s stock was partially saved and they carried \$2,000 insurance.

The barber equipment was badly damaged but the boys have moved into the rear of the Church bank.

Heffron's place was badly soaked, but he is still doing business at the old stand.

Miss Malcom's photograph outfit was ruined. An effort was made to save it but the dense smoke drove the willing men back.

The electric wire endangered the lives of the workers and it was found necessary to cut the wires and leave the town in darkness.

In the midst of the excitement a a terriffic thunder storm broke and dashing rain helped the firemen in their work, though the combination of fire, smoke, thunder, lightning, rain and the vells of the firemen made a wild time.

Some of the firemen were overcome by the fumes of the tar roof on enterthe barber shop and had to be dragged out by the fire hose.

Considering the disadvantages under which they worked the firemen are entitled to much credit for their work. At one time it seemed as if the entire block and Hotel Central adjoining would have to go.

At this hour Thursday morning it is impossible to give a detailed statement of losses.

Looking Back.. through the years 1893-1902

by Marc Popiolek Contributing Writer

In 1893 the Lowell Jour nal was renamed the Lowell Ledger, this would be the first year of a paper that now has spanned 100 years.

The paper that most people are accustomed to was quite different in the late 1800's.

June 16, 1898

highway Robbery

MES L. HART ASSAULTED AND

ROBBED

Of \$36. While Driving Home Tues-

While driving home from this vil-

lage last Tuesday evening about 9

o'clock, James L. Hart was set upon

by two men one of whom stopped his

horse while the other pulled him from

his baggy and choking him into in-

sensibility, robbed him of \$36 and his

pension voucher. The deed done, the

Mr. Hart, who lives about three

miles south of this village, is an old

man, just recovering from a broken

rib, which was badly hurt again by

the robber's knee; and his throat is

sore from the choking he received.

As the night was dark, he can give

no description of the racals, and there

seems to be no clue to their identity.

June 16, 1898

Abe in Norway.

HIS DELIGHTFUL TRIP UP THE

Sights and Scenes in Norway and

Customs of the People.

I have not forgotten my promise to

write, but thought you would not care

to hear about my travels over old ter-

ritory, but would enjoy better what

I found in new countries visited. One

week ago this Monday morning I left

Kiel, Germany, by steamer for Copen-

hagen, the capitol of Denmark. Our

trip through the Baltic was very

pleasant. Land was in sight nearly

Copenhagen is a fine old city,

traversed by canals. It has many

fine buildings and its court entertain-

ings are notable all over Europe.

Although a small country, with only

about two million inhabitants its

sented in nearly every court in

Europe by marriage. The Kindom

seems properous although they have

no coar or iron. Their principal in-

dustry with other countries is the

shipping of cattle, butter, etc. While

Congratulations to

The Lowell Ledger

Royal Family are related and repre-

Christiania d. 29th, May, 1898

Aktieselskabet Grand Hotel

Dear Editor and Friends:

robbers escaped into the bushes.

News consisted of maybe one or two paragraphs unless

ing held and who has died. Advertising and story serials of the times most popular authors dominated the con-

My impressions of the country are

very good although formed in the

most unfavorable weather, it having

it was a big story then it might

different. There were no bold

headlines regarding national

news. Most stories during this

period were written by local

residents and would cover

such topics as who was get-

ting married, where the social

event of the evening was be-

The news itself was much

be one column in length.

the century that the paper began to expand its news coverage. In prior years the paper had news from across the state but it was short and not very informative.

It wasn't until the turn of

Our County Neighbors and Around Michigan began providing information to local readers around 1898 and well into the future.

To learn about other countries and cultures in the

world the people relied on letters from Lowell residents traveling around the country and the world. These letters were printed on the front page and told of wars, catastrophes and other cultural rituals.

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At this time the Ledger sponsored contest to see who was the towns most popular women and children. Subscribers would vote with coupons and the winners received prizes such as sewing machines or bicycles.

one complete. Then you go strolling

around the table helping yourself to

whatever you fancy. There is a fork

or spoon for every dish. At the end

of your stroll you find a capteen of

silver with several faucets and clean

fine glasses from which if you desire

you can have a drink of "azuavit," a

liquor usually drank here before a

meal, excepting on Sunday

After this appetizer you take any va

cant seat at any of the numerous tab

les and proceed with the regular

course dinner of soup, fish, meat, fowl.

pudding, ices and fruits. By this time

one is ready to step into the cafe and

enjoy a good cup of coffee and a cigar.

(This latter not obligatory Mr. Edit

or) sometimes quite soothing. We

visited, Saturday, the old Viking ship.

discovered and taken out in 1880, in a

wonderful state of preservation, when

one considers its having been buried

in blue clay for a period of about one

thousand years. This hoat it about

60 ft. long by 15 ft. broad in the cen-

ter. It is built entirely of oak: it is

clinker built, the boards being fasten-

ed with large iron nails. I have a

short history of it which my friends

may read when I return, which I

I have not rec'd any papers as yet:

but am looking forward to getting

some in a few days. I shall be pleas-

ed to get them as then I here from all

hope to do early in the fall.

there I had the pleasure of witnessing the b. 'ne coming of Crown Prince's son with his bride. The city was finely decorated which showed the loyalty of the people to one several times removed from the throne as yet.

rained nearly all the time I was there. Thursday we took the steamer C. P. A. Koch for here. The trip takes about 24 hours and is a continuation of beautiful scenery. The whole trip through the Christiana fjord is grand. From the bow of the boat, where spent a good share of the daylight interval it is most entertaining. On looking ahead you can many times see only land and speculate on where the boat is going to find a place to ficat. On nearer approach you find you find you are passing an island or point, with the same feature to sie it-

late on again. This whole trip very fine but not to be compared with one we took yesterday in a small steamer called the Tourist. The principal owner of the boat is James Gordon Bennett, and while small is a very neat little excursion boat. In this we went for about three hours in and our between the islands of the fjord. These islands are composed most entirely of rocks, but mostly covered with small spruce and other varieties of pine trees, none of which grow large. All along the coast of these islands are summer residences. On arrival here the first thing to attract my attention was the peculiar way they attach the buggy, cab or wagon to the horse or horses. They use both hame and breast collars but no tugs; from the collar a he avy piece extends back from 6 to 10 inches, on the ends of this a sort of staple which goes through a slot in the thills near the outer end and is fastened with a plug or key; thus you see the load or vehicle is drawn by the thills; where two horses are used they have two set of thills and the arrangement looks very awkward. I do not mean to say that all have this style as I see many English carriages here, but all of these are private property. Another odd custom is that regulating Sunday, Sunday as regards spirit drinking commences Sacurday at noon after which hour you cannot buy any so called spirits, alcohol, whiskey, gin, rum, etc., but you can get all the beer and wine you can pay

for. This Sunday spirit law extends

until Monday morning at 8 a. m., but

as to day is also a holiday it extends

until tomorrow at 8 a. m. The

theatres are closed Saturday and Sun-

day nights also. In fact, Sunday ex-

noticed, however, that more people

"boozed" Saturday night than I had

had noticed Friday night. This

tends over a period of 44 hours.

der first soda water and when brought, take a bottle from their pocket and have a brandy soda, in spite of the law prohibiting them from buying spirits. Of course you are allowed to drink spirits if you cannot purchase during these certain hours. have as vet not been able to find any solution why this is so; on inquiry the reply has been: "It is the law

Dinner in this hotel is served every lay from 2 to 5. By the way, this is a fine hotel inside and is well named It was sold recently to a company for one and a half millions of kroner. equal to about five hundred thousand dollars: of course, it is smail, having less than one hundred rooms; but is fornished fine, and the decorations alone in the banqueting hall cost many thousand kroner. There is a fine o -

chestra that plays during the hours of dinner, but what I particularly wish to mention is the course preced ing dinner, translated the word is butter bread or bread and butter Explained: There is a large round table in the center of the dining room. which is covered with plates holding many different kinds of tempting and appetizing viands such as all kinds of bread with several plates heaped with small rolls of butter and cavia, sardines, salads, pickles, radishes, bits of cold tongue and other meats. fine old cheese, etc. One on entering the dining room goes first to this table where these stacks of plates, knives and forks of which you secure

at home. A. L. PECK.

April 20, 1899

THE STOCK OF THE LOWELI WATER AND LIGHT.

west Michigan and Peninsula Com-

As ann unced last week in THE LEDGER a gang of surveyors are at work at the West Michigan Electric Company, accompained by a number of laborers. Chief among these are R. J. M. Danely, W. O. Segell and

It is said that the holdings of the Lowell Water and Light, the West Michigan and Peninsula companie-, which include the completed electric and water plant, the big enterprise begun and the Grand Rapids line and franchise have been sold to J. G. White & Co. of New York; and that the new company will proceed at once to develop it's property to it's fullest extent.

Work on the Railroad Begins soon

W II. Clark informs us that it is proposed to begin work on the exten

read about the first of next month and it is proposed to have the work finished in four months. It is not yet decided whether the road will go to Smyrna or not. The people along both routes are working for it, a deputation from Smyrna being in town las: Saturday. The route that looks most promising to the railroad company will be the one elected.

The Teachers' Meeting.

The meeting of the Kent county tenchers at the M E, church in this place last Friday and Saturday called to town about thirty teachers from. outside, and the sessions were well attended by Lowe i teachers and patrons

The program rendered was an interesting and instructive one. Prof. Ferris of Big Rapids Industrial school delivered several addresses and was the star attraction of the occas n. Other participants were Supt. Marvin of Sparta, Prof. McClu e of Lansing and Prof. Ludwig of Lowell.

On account of an unusual demand f r space this week the LEDGER is unable to publish the minutes of the sess ons so kindly provided by the

morning at breakfast we noticed people come into the dining room and orsion of the Lowell & Hastings rail-1893 - 1993 Hours: Closed Sun. & Mon. Tue. - Fri. 8-6 • Sat. 8-5

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April 26, 1900

HORSES OUT OF A JOB

Lowell Man Builds a Horseless

Our popular and progressive electrician, Mr. Carl English, was out riding last evening with several friends in an elegant horseless carriage of his own manufacture.

About a year ago, Mr. English drew plans for this machine and although a very busy man in his capacity of Superintendent of the Lowell light and power plant, has in odd moments since that time completed this work of art and science with his own brain and dextrous hands

We congratulate Mr. English upon the triumph of his skill and the village of Towell upon having so enterprising and useful a citizen.

May 10, 1900

FOR LOWELL PEOPLE. SCHOOL MASTER TURNS MERCHANT.

Prof. J. B. Nicholson Buys the

Levitt Stock.

Prof J B Nicholson, who has so ably and satisfactorily superintended the Lowell schools for the past year, has purchased the stock and good will of the Levitt stock, and will continue business at the old stand.

The Ledger's

Printing Facilities

A NEW CAMPBELL CYLINDER

The printing office of the Lowell

Ledger has added to its equipment

since its last issue a Campbell cyl-

inder press from the American

Type Founders Company of Chi-

splendid paper cutter faithfully represented by this cut.

Feb. 8, 1900

Cemple Dedicated

MASONIC EVENT A GRAND SUC

CESS EVERYWAY.

Six Hundred People Served to an

Despite the very stormy and disa

greeable evening, a large and interes-

ted company gathered at the new

Masonic temple last evening to wit-

ness the dedication exercises. Many

Masons with their wives were present

from all surrounding towns and before

the exercises began the capacious

hall was crowded until there was not

The brotherhood have reason to be

proud of the result of the work they

und rtook of making themselves an

June 7, 1900

F. KINSEY HAS PUR

CHASED THE

Lowell Woolen Mill Property for

The deal between C. E. Clark

owner of the Lowell Woolen Mills.

and S. F. Kinsey, the Grand Rap-

ids shirt manufacturer, mentioned

in our last issue, was closed up by

\$1,600 being the consideration re-

Mr. Kinsey has not definitely de

Mr. Nicholson will continue his

school duties during the remainder

of the school year as before, leaving

the new business in sole charge of

efficient clerks until completing his

engagement with the Lowell schools,

surprise to the patrons of the school

and while all will regret that we are

to lose an A. No. 1 superintendent

and promising business man,

decided upon the change.

we gain a permanent good citizen

The Board of Education offered

Mr. Nicholson \$1000 to continue

another year; but considering the

business opening excellent and

thinking to benefit his health, he

This announcement will be a big

cided as to what disposition he will

the passing of papers on Tuesday.

ceived by Mr. Clark.

standing room.

Elegent Banquet

The purchase of the new cylinder press has necessitated a large expenditure; and those indebted to us cannot find a more opportune time to pay up than the present. Our friends who know themselves to be in arrears for subcription or other accounts will help us greatly by squaring their accounts at once

The machine arrived in the "knock-down" Friday morning and by 5 p. m., had been carried up the narrow stairway and landed in our

composing room. James Piggot, the gentlemanly expert machinist, employed by the American Type Founders Company began setting the machine up Saturday morning, with several local assistants, and when he left Mouday afternoon had seen a half-sheet bill printed on same and pronounced it in perfect shape.

To any of our contemporaries needing new printing machinery. we cordially commend the American Type Founders Company and its representative, Mr. Piggot, as most excellent people to do business

We have made many additions to our equipment, among them we prize none more highly than the

Frequent visitors to this office will recognise the accompanying cut as a picture of our Job Press.



RELIANCE PAPER CUTTER.

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Salada, Cabbage, Beets, Cucumber Olives, Celery, Banana Cake, Marble Cake,

Angel Food, Bananas, Malaga Grapes. Oranges,

couples at a time were served to a sumptuous banquet. The Masonic At Train's opera house a grand ladies deserve great credit for the ball followed, where several bunmanner in which they carried out dred people "tripped the light, fan tastic toe" until morning.

this part of the program. Nearly 600 persons partook of the following It is estimated that over 300 per ple were present from out of town New York Counts, Long Island Wafers, Grand Rapids, Middleville, Saranac Lyons and Ionia, being largely rep-Boiled Ham Sliced. Cranberry Sauce and Jellies,

Cold Turkey,

White Bread,

GOOD BYE TO MUSIC HALL. The Lowell Masons Have Leased It

for Twenty Years.

a masterly effort never to be forgot-

ten. Lack of time and space for-

From the hall, the company pro-

ceeded to Hotel Brace, where fifty

Cream of Chicken,

bids our making any extracts.

elegant, beautiful temple, consisting

of a commodious suite of apartments

where they can hold their future gath

After a long delay caused by the

shutting of the lighte, due to the

burning out or the fuse box in a trans

tormer, and waiting for the arrival of

the Grand Lodge, the dedicatory ex-

ercises were duly performed; after

which came the program, as twice

published in this paper, with the ex-

ception of the speeches of Hon. J. B

Chaddock and W. H. Thomas of

Ionia, who were unable to be present.

Worshipful Master Greene and Mas-

ter of Ceremonies Hicks in their us-

The addresses of Warren Waite of

Grattan, Judge F. H. Williams of

Allegan and Prof. F. R. Hathaway

of Grand Rapids, are especially wor-

thy of note, that of the latter being

make of the property.
Village President Weeks in-

forms us that Mr. Kinsey would be

willing to move his factory here

If the citizens will pay Mr. Kin-

sey the purchase price of the prop-

erty and give him the use of the

latter for five years, Mr. Kinsey

will agree to employ sixty-five

people for five years. Says he

would probably employ one hun-

dred, but will bind himself to em-

ploy sixty-five. At the end of five

years, if he has lived up to his cou-

tract, Mr. Kinsey is to receive a

free deed of the property in ques-

Mr. Weekes considers it a very

fair proposition, and the LEDGER is

of the same opinion and also be-

lieves that the opportunity is one

that our citizens cannot afford to

What is \$1,600 to pay for an in-

stitution that will pay out that

amount in wages in a few weeks?

Money that will be brought in from

abroad and not taken from our im-

mediate territory. Money that

will be spent here in all lines of

trade and to the benefit of every

business man and owner of property

If any one has any kicking to do

let him go off into the woods and

practice on a mule. If a person

can't say a good word for au enter-

prise, he will do well to keep shut.

under the following conditions:

ual happy and proficient manner.

The exercises were conducted by

erings in "solid comfort."

The Epworth League lecture course entertainments will not be held in Music hall this year nor for many years to come. Chandler Johnson, proprietor, has leased it for a term of twenty years to the Lowell Masonic fraternity at \$100 per year, with the privilege of twenty years more.

The Lowell fraternity which numbers about two hundred members of good material has outgrown its present quarters, and will find plent v of room in its new home.

The services of a competent architect have been secured and it is proposed to lay out a sum large enough to give the finest and most convenient lodge rooms of any town of its size in

Besides the large lodge room proper there will be a banquet hall, reception room, ante rooms and modern conven iences of every sort and description.

July 26, 1900

WHAT A RELIABLE ELEC TRIC RAILROAD BUILDER

Says Such a Road Would be for Lowell.

The following letter has been handed us by its receiver, with request that the name of the writer be withheld for private reasons,

He is is wealthy builder of electric railroads in a large Michigan city and what he says is worth con-Here is the letter:

- Mich., July 21, 1900. Chas. McCarty,

Dear Sir: I notice your village is importuned to grant franchises for electric lines. While I much doubt one

ever being constructed, (as I doubt

if promoter can prove to capital that it will pay.) I do believe it would be a good thing for your town and help build up. But I would say to you go slow in granting to any company a franchise; and not do so only as they can make a showing that they are pecuniarily able to build, and then reserve for others that one first demonstrating they are able, etc. I have had considerable experience in this as a promoter and if I can give you any points call me. Do not be in too much haste take time to submitt requests and be posted on what your people re-

quire, as well as promoter, I would encourage any one, only know what you are granting and what the effect. It takes a pot of money to build railroads and not every chump has it and whoever comes will ask for a bonus. Fix it so it will not be wasted.

Kindly yours

LOWELL SCHOOLS OPEN NEXT MONDAY.

MORE FOREIGN PUPILS WILL ATTEND THAN EVER BEFORE IN THE HISTORY OF THE SCHOOLS

Flattering Prospects for a Highly Successful Year's Work. Splendid Educational Advantages Afforded.

The Lowell schools open for the season of 1900-1901 on Monday, Sept. 3, with bright prospects for a most successful and prosperous

If one may judge by the steadily increasing attendance of non-resident pupils in the recent past and the fact that more have already announced their intention of taking advantage of Lowell's superior educational facilities than ever before attended any one term, we must certainly conclude that our schools are rapidly advancing in public favor.

Prof. J. B. Nicholson, under whose superintendence the schools did such effective work last year, has retired from the rostrum on account of failing health, and will be succeeded by Prof. J. F. Thomas, a grad nate of the Michigan University and an experienced and highly success-

The popular and successful assistant teachers in last year's high school work, Misses Abbey and Hamilton, have been re engaged in the same capacity. The former is an Ann Arbor graduate and the latter

holds a first grade certificate and has a record as a successful teacher in some of Michigan's best schools. The other departments in the Central and ward buildings are in

charge of tried and true educators who may be trusted to do the best It is the purpose of the Board of Education to keep our school on

such a basis that graduates will be admitted without examination to the freshman class of the colleges and to the Michigan State Normal school, The school is determined to be an inspiration and an aid to its students.

Aug. 30, 1900



THE CENTRAL BUILDING.

The school library, consisting of over 3,000 volumes, contains some of the best works of reference, comprising encyclopedias, classical dictionaries, as well as excellent works in history, literature, science, etc. This very valuable aid in school work is free to the pupils of the school and the citizens, is in charge of a competent librarian, is open on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, and is constantly being added to by the purchase of new books.

Work in the sciences is facilitated by a good supply of apparatus and provision has been made for individual laboratory work by the pupils in physics. Chemistry has been introduced as a required study in both classical and scientific courses, and a chemical laboratory affording abundant means for experimental work in chemistry has been provided.

Rates of tuition are moderate and board and rooms may be obtained

Young people who have completed the courses in their district schools cannot do better than to continue their work in Lowell, where advantages are unexcelled and expenses low.

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LOWELL JOURNAL SOLD

A bargain has been made between Rev. D. B. Davidson, pastor of the Baptist church, and Editor Charles Quick of the Lowell Journal, whereby the former will become proprietor of that paper. At noon today the papers are not completed but both parties say they are in the deal to stay and it will probably go through as planned.

Mr. Davidson's engagement with the Baptist church expired Sunday and early action will probably be taken regarding the continuance or otherwise of his services or providing for a successor.

Mr. Quick will now be able to give his undivided service to the Lowell postoffice and an improved service will doubtless result.

The retiring editor has our best wishes for future success and hap piness; and to the incoming scribe we extend the right hand of fellowship, expressing the hope that when the forms "pi," the ink pulls and the devil "raises Cain," he may be able to exercise Christian forbearance and charity and 'practice what he has preached.

Mar. 14, 1901

IONIA TO HAVEN

ELECTRIC ROAD WILL BE BUILT VIA THIS CITY.

Money Will be Secured Within Three Weeks

The electric railroad from Ionia Grand Haven, through this city, 70 miles in length, will be built this summer. A portion of the money will be in hand within three weeks, so the officials announce, contracts will be let, and the moving of dirt will then begin.

The officials of the road, of which Justin R. Whiting of St. Clair, is president; S. L. Merriman, Detroit vice president; G. W. Carman, Marine City, treasurer; and I. J Ciley of this city, secretary. With the representative of a New York financial house, with the result that that it was decided to float a boud issue for \$4,000,000 for construction of the road. The headquarters of the company will be in Grand Rap-

Brace hotel and the M. E. church. Rubber boots and boats were in The money is guaranteed by two great demand. Some people who of the largest endowed life insurance had left their homes were unable to companies in New York. Bonds return except by boat, stove wood, sidewalks and debis of every desare payable in 30 years. Not a dollar of stock goes to the bondcription were afloat everywhere exholders. The interest pays the cept on high ground and many streets and yards were converted the principal, the bonds simply securing payment of interest. It is a new, and it is claimed, a most into rivers and lakes. After the water had gone down 12 or 18 inches advantageous way to secure the we saw a boat in the street in John wherewithal for building electric McCall's vicinity, laden with passengers. The oars were used in push-There has been a merging of ining and when lifted showed at least

terests by local companies promoting the road to Ionia and the one to Grand Haven so that right of way between the two cities is now complete. The Ionia division will pass through East Grand Rapids. Cascade, Lowell, Saranac and Ionia, and the Grand Haven division through Lamont, Eastmanville, Spring Lake, and Grand Haven to Highland Park. The distance from this city to Ionia is 34 miles and Grand Haven 36 miles. In winter time when cars do not run to Highland Park, Grand Rapids will be exactly mid way.

It is possible that the water power at Lowell will be utilized. The best of cars and equipment will be ordered and not less than 70 pound rails will be laid. It will cost about \$1,500,000 to build and equip the

Secretary Cilley has been working on the plans for the road to Grand Haven for the past five years,

'LECTRIC LINE COMING

LOWELL WATER POWER TO BE UTILIZED.

Nov. 13, 1900

Eastern Capitalist Has Approved of the Plaus.

An electric interburbanrail road is to be built from Grand Rapids to Ionia, via Ada, Lowell and Saranac. The project to build the road has been carefully canvissed and has reached a definite stage.

On the face of it, the project starts out under more favorable circumstances than any similar road yet announced. The unique feature of the project and the one which is recommending it most highly to the capitalists is the fact that the pro-

Mar. 28, 1901

Yesterday was a day of much

excitement and anxiety in Lowell

on account of the high water in

Flat river. Both the Flat and

Grand had been rising for several

days and the climax as far as Lowell

was concerned came with the tele-

phone message from the Lowell

Municipal lighting plant at Smyrna

that the dam was wrecked. It was

greatly feared that the pressure

would destroy the dam of the Low-

ell Water & Light company and

some of the business people on the

bridge began a hasty move to places

of safety. H. S. Schreiner, harness,

Mrs. Carr, millinery, Mrs. Moffit

photography, U. B. Williams.

jeweler, Miss Bosworth, millinery,

and W. B. Rickert, confectionery

moved their goods, and A. O

Heydlauff of the Grand Trunk

system looked to the safety of im-

Men and teams were hurried to

the Lowell Water and Light dam

to strengthen it and keep the rubbish

from accumulating and with the in-

telligence that it was hoped to save

the dam, people began to breath

The water continued to rise un-

til the house of D. E. Rogers near-

est the bank had 22 inches of water

on the floor. Pullen's store and

Smith's bakery had five inches on

the floor and water in basements of

other business places rose to with-

Sidewalks and streets on Monroe

between the school house and Main

were under water and Grand and

Flat rivers met in the road between

in a few inches of the floor.

portant papers, records, etc.

moters have secured an option on the water power at Lowell, which is expected to run the dynamos of the new company sithout the expense of fuel, and in addition, to supply enough electrical fluid to run the lighting plant of the town of

GONE OUT

King Milling company and the

water ways of the Lowell Cutter

and Lowell Manufacturing com-

panies. All of them have suffered

but at this writing with the water

still very high the extent of the

Horse Drowned.

ceived an urgent message from

Superintendent English at the

Municipal plant to hurry there.

With a double team from Jones'

livery accompanied by President

VanDyke he started. Arrived in

vicinity of White's bridge, they

saw that the dam had broken. Be-

yond the bridge is a low piece of

road through which a raging torrent

Mr. VanDyke urged turning

back but Scott said he had been

eent for and was going. Mr. Van-

Dyke got out and Scott drove on

but was soon obliged to get out and

unhitch the horses. He separated

them and mounting one tried to proceed but the lead horse broke

away and went down stream, lodg-

ing in some brush from which he

could not be loosened and was

was rushing.

In the morning Scott Fox re-

damage cannot be told.

Flat River Breaks Record For High Water.

Streets Turned into Rivers.

SCOTT FOX DROWNS A HORSE AND NARROW-

LY ESCAPES HIMSELF.

Business Places on Bridge Vacated Hastily and

Houses Submerged.

Attorney N. J. Brown, both of this city, is to build a completely The water power which it is pro equipped line to Ionia through the posed to use has been half developpopulous region which lies be ed by a company organized some tween here and the terminal point, time ago, just at the beginning of the The largest towns on the route are Ada, Lowell and Saranac, but aside hard times and which collapsed during that period of financial from these are numerous villages stringency. This plant and power and hamlets and all along is a prosowned by the Church company, as perous, rich and well settled farmit was known, is now controlled by ing country as in any direction out the Michigan Trust company of of the city. In fact, the promoters this city. It is asserted by water power experts who have examined into the water power in question that enough power could be debe able to do. veloped to supply this city as well The principal power house of the comas Lowell with a lighting equipgany will be located at Lowell and will be

expect that the greater part of the revenue will be received from the freight business which the road will

the company which secured the

water rights and began the develop-

The plan as outlined by its pro-

moters, Louis C. Howard and

ment of the power.

1993 Special Centennial Issue — Page 8 of sufficient size to furnish power for lightment. In fact this was the plan of

ing the town as well as to run the railway. The promoters are now busily engaged in securing the options on a right of way and preparing to ask for franchises from the various towns through which the road

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Jan. 15, 1903

OUR BUSINESS MEN.

THIRD OF A SERIES OF

ILLUSTRATED ARTICLES.

W. Hakes and his Handsome

The handsome, new, three story

Oct. 22, 1903

at the Council meeting Monday eve-

ning, and at noon Tuesday announ-

ced that the deal had been closed by

which an electric road will be built

negotiations have been in progress

and franchises have been granted in

Lowell, Saranac and Ada, but Mr.

Hopkins says the road was not as-

sured until Tuesday. He says that

a large, force of men will be set at

work as soon as possible getting the

right of way leveled so as to be

ly in the Spring. He states that ev-

ery part of the road will be built in

with the finest of equipment in every

stock will be the best made

Standard railway construction,

way so as to be able to stand the

The track will be standard gauge,

roads. It has not been decided

whether trolley or the third rail will

\$10 worth of the best 10-inch Records.

ery Saturday. Come and see and hear.

same plan will be followed as in previous contests.

ready for the construction crewsear-

ELECTRIC R. R. A SURE THING

SO SAYS PRESIDENT E. M.

HOPKINS.

LOWELL, SARANAC AND ADA HAVE

GRANTED FRANCHISES, IONIA

WILL FOLLOW SUIT.

GRAND RAPIDS & IONIA R. R. WILL BUILD

LOWELL MAIN STREET BRIDGES.

E. M. Hopkins of New York, the be used outside of the cities and trol-

well-known financier, railroad pro-moter and president of the Dayton & The cars will enter Grand Rapids

Kenton and Grand Rapids & Ionia Railway companies, was in Lowell lines connecting with the Wealthy

from Grand Rapids through Lowell At Ada it will cross Grand river, go-

"HIS MASTER'S VOICE"

tests, the prize offered this time being a \$50 Victor Talking Machine and

you think the singers, players and speakers are right before you. So we

expect this contest to be a record breaker. This time it is open to ev-

erybody, men, women, children, societies, schools and churches. The

printed in each LEDGER. For every dollar paid on subscription we

give a 52-vote coupon, for 50c 26 votes and for 25c 13 votes. Those

who have already paid can get vote coupons for the amount paid ahead.

or whoever you like, and vote early and often. Good commissions paid

to subscription getters and collectors. You get commissions and votes

and the person, school, society or church reciving the most votes wins

the above \$60 outfit. Ballot box will be at foot of LEDGER stairway

Free exhibition concert at LEDGER office from 3 to 4, p. m., ev

THE LEDGER will conduct another of its successful voting con

This is not a Cheap John affair, but the best made, one that makes

Beginning with January 21, a coupon good for one vote will be

Now vote for yourself, your friend, your school, society or church,

A large eastern capitalist spent the past two days in the city and after going over the company's plans announced that he was very well satisfied with the showing made, which he described as exceptional The fact that a water power sufficiently large to run the line is located on the road and is in a partially prepared state was the feature which made the proposal most attractive. As fast as possible the preliminary work on the right of way and franchises will be closed up and surveys made. When these are accomplished a company will be organized and capitalized to push the work to completion. The question of capital, it is asserted, is already practically cared for .- [Grand Rapids Herald, Sept. 13.

The coffer dam at the village light

that no disease may be bred by the

The Pere Marquette and Grand

Trunk railroads were greatly dam-

aged. The P. M. line between Elm-

dale and Lowell and Mosely and

Belding had many washouts, one of

which was said to be over 500 feet

long and of considerable depth.

The Kidd branch had a washout

At Ionia, streets and sidewalks

blown over. The deluge gutted the

streets, washed out wood pavement

and growing fruit and crops were

greatly damaged and in some cases

At Saranac, Huhn's mill dam on

Lake creek went out and the rush

of water carried away three wagon

bridges on that creek and greatly

were totally destroyed.

were blockaded by the shade trees

filth deposited.

150 feet long.

July 11, 1901

AGAIN

Streets and Yards Under Water,

GREAT DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY AT

Damage to Railroads.

The terriffic rainstorm of last Thursday afternoon was followed Friday morning before day break by a cloud burst, vessels standing in the open indicating a fall of 8 inches on the level. By 8 o'clock March 27th.

As usual the King Milling Co succeeded in doing so, notwith continued to rise until about and vehicles had to be suspended.

Unfortunate D. E. Rogers got 15 inches of muddy water on his down stair carpets, the water coming so quickly and unexpectedly as to give no opportunity for their removal. S. Brower's fine garden was covered and probably ruined and much other damage done in the residence district affected.

finally drowned. Scott himself escaped with considerable difficulty. Notes of the Flood. When the alarm of the breaking of the dam was given the schools were dismissed as it was feared the bridges would be carried away and to the ordinary observer. children unable to get home.

The hurried movers are moving back or getting ready to re-occupy their places of business this morn-June 5, 1902

LOWELL'S WISE MAN Stove wood, wreckage and rubbish scattered everywhere this morning "MET IN REGULAR SESSION" and lots of water yet. Many sidewalks will have to be

located and ownership decided. Several users of power will hitch to the "old plant" this week to tide them over until the city plant is ready for business again.

No arc lights now until the city

Oct. 2, 1902

SHIPPING PEACHES

two feet of water. One can imagine

the condition of cellars in that part

For the best part of two days

and nights gangs of men had been

working to save the dams of the

IN CARLOAD LOTS FROM LOWELL CANNING FACTORY.

Seventy People Employed at Good

The Lowell Canning Company in experiencing no difficulty in dispos of its stock. Yesterday two carloads of canned peaches were shipped to Philadelphia and one carload was sent to Birmingham, Alabama

Other carload lote have been sent to Chicago, Kansas City and Jackson. Seventy hands were busy when we went through the factory yesterday, and Manager Husted informed us that the maximum day wages of the women is \$1.30 and the minimum, 75c. Last Saturday a 14-yearold girl made 90c. Last week's pay roll amounted to \$364, which money is distributed in trade among our business men. Those who ot posed the establishment of the factory needn't have any of it unless they want it.

Filled, Bridges Destroyed.

SARANAC, BRIDGES AND BUILDINGS.

Belding and Smyrna Suffer With Us. Great

and power plant was carried out and a quantity of timber and a number of wheel barrows some of which property will be recovered. The damage to the village at that point Flat river had risen four or five is thought will be from \$250 to feet and water was pouring over \$500. The damage within the corthe down town district which was porate limits consists mostly in the submerged by the spring flood submerged cellars and deluged lawns and gardens. It is hoped

was on the alert to save its dam and standing the torrent of water that m., when its depth exceeded that of the March flood. In the meantime basements of the stores on East bridge street were flooded and travel on numerous streets except by horses

The foot bridges at Island Park were either carried away by the flood or torn to pieces by the railroad hands who seemed to think the spile bridge was in danger, though the danger was not apparent

damaged the Grand Trunk railway bridge, putting it out of use until al man was informed that it had been, after closing hours, on Sun-days and holidays. Evidently the reply was not satisfactory; for the

Suggested as a Good Man for Salous

It is suggested that this village

might save a lot of good money by dispensing with all elections. There

is one man in town who knows more

than all the offiers and all the peo-

ple who cleeted them. Let the

president, council, clerk, treasurer,

assessor and police officers be dis-charged at once and let Bre'r Davy

of the Journal be the whole thing

He knows it all! He knows it all!

And then again, by giving taffy to the saloon keepers and hard drink-

ers with one face and saying sweet

words to temperance people with the

other face, Bre'r Davy keeps up the

Good Lord and good devil racket

Bie'r Davy has interrupted the

proceedings of the Village Council

with his wise (?) addresses until the

patience of that body in exhausted

Monday night he wanted to know if

the law relative to the removal of

screens in saloon windows had

been enforced. The matter being

referred to Marshal Hand the Journ

without stirring a hair.

AND WAS

"Godfrey in the "swim." Read MONEY SAVING SCHEMES "For The Tax Payers."

plant gets to doing business again. The Columbian laundry has water in its fire-box.

Old inhabitants are astonished at the Flat. Never knew her to get her back up so high before.

eloquence continued to gush forth, until the officer suggested the employment of a "good, cheap man to watch the saloons on Sunday," and added "I would recommend Brother Davidson." And the way that red moustache suffered was something MORE "SYAP SHOTS" AND

A few weeks ago the Journal shricked frantically of the liquor business, "Kill it! Stop it!" Now it is hawling itself hourse at the Council for enforcing the laws. Some time ago it advocated better sidewalks. Now, the matter is in hand, this same Journal in crazy, unintelligible atterances is doing its little biggest to kick it all over. To-day, the Journal thinks it is in favor of adopting the metre system of electric lighting. What it may think it thinks to-morrow, the good Lord only knows.

Perhaps Bre'r Davy hires his thinking done by the same syndicate that writes his editorials.

furniture and undertaking establish

ment of H. W. Hakes is justly a matter of pride to the proprietor. With over 7,000 feet of floor space and additional room in the City Bank building, over 7,500 feet in all, its electric elevator, brilliant illumination, 164-foot show window



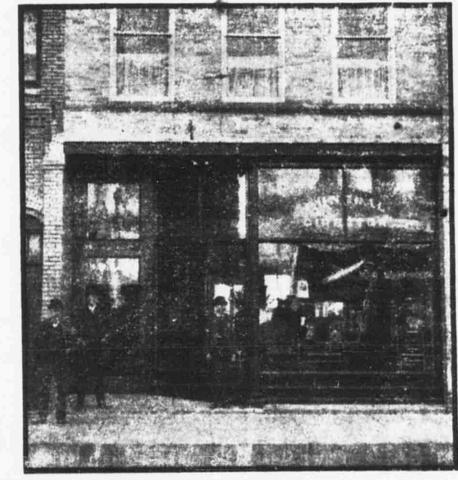
and platform 111 feet deep, and

above all with its elegant stock of

H. W. HAKES

up-to-date house furnishing, it is truly a thing of beauty and a joy forever. November 15 was open

mg day, made memorable by the large number of pleased visitors. was born at West Butler, N. Y.,



H. W. HAKES' NEW FURNITURE STORE, WEST SIDE, LOWELL.

April, 1903

VERY BAD BREAK! HOLE IN DAM 96 FEET LONG

AND 20 FEET DEEP. Repairs Will Cost \$4,000 to \$5,000

for First Class Job. T. W. Orbison, engineer and expert dam builder, of Appleton,

Wis., met with the Council at the Village dam, Monday. They found 16 feet of the dam and 80 feet of the embankment gone and a hole some 20 feet deep in their stead.

Mr. Obison recommends the putting in of two stone cribs, each 60 feet long, 8 feet wide and 30 feet deep, and the use of the umbrella flood gate now used and approved by the U.S. government. The rebuilding is expected to cost \$4,000 Mr. Orbison went home to pre-

pare plans and specifications. Last Thursday Superintendent English and Trustee Lee visited the dam at Newaygo which was built by Mr. Orbison, as was that at Allegan; and they and the Council are assured that if the dam is rebuilt as now planned it

will be a permanent job.

company, composed of our towns

men, S. Finch, J. W. Phillips, A. M.

Carver, Geo. Montague, F. Tarleton

and Wm. Ennis, occupied the build

ing and they lose about \$2,000 on

manufactured stock, lumber, hard

ware, tools, etc., with \$1,000 insur

loss of \$50 on tools.

incendiary origin.

ance. Mr. Carver suffers a personal

The fire is believed to have been of

The Michigan Cutter and Buggy

LOWELL FURNITURE FACTORY BURNED TO ASHES.

1903

Michigan Cutter and Buggy Com-

The factory building of the old Lowell Furniture company was totally destroyed by fire last Seturday night at 12:30. Loss on the building and machinery of the Furniture company

Sept. 29, 1904 center of the city. The stockholders of the company NEW MACHINE ROOM are as published exclusively in THE LEDGER last week and the officers are as follows: E. M. Hopkins, president; ex-Governor Rich, vice president; Frank Westcott, secretary;

highest possible speed. The rolling Chas. H. Pomeroy, treasurer. The company will build new bridge es over Flat river on Bridge street with 70-lb steel T rails, stone culverts Lowell, the section of the franchise and the same solid ballast as steam covering that provision having been roads. It has not been decided drafted by Mr. Hopkins himself.

avenue and Cherry street lines just

beside the baseball park at the lake

direct into Ada on the lake road.

From Reed's Lake the line will run

\$5.500 FIRE.

pany's Heavy Loss.

to Ionia. For the past two months ing directly east, entering Lowell on Main street, going through the center of the village and directly to Saranac, where the river is crossed again. The run along the river is \$3,500 with no insurance. made for four miles and a half and the river is crossed again to enter Ionia by the main street through the

LOWELL SPECIALTY COM-

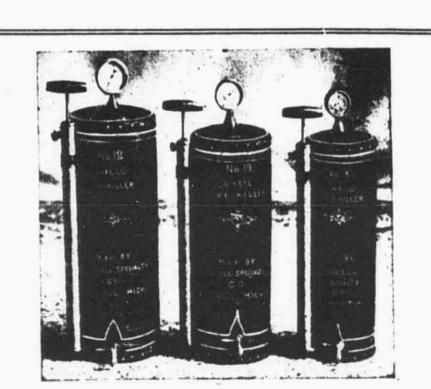
rders Received Last Week from India and New Zealand.

PANY BRANCHING OUT.

The Lowell Specialty company is nstalling a large equipment of up-tolate metal working machinery at its factory in this village, and when completed expects to have the best equipped metal machine room in

these parts. This, in the manufac ture of their sprayers, cream separators, fire extinguishers and other specialties, will render them independent of all outside concerns; and all the labor on same will be employed and paid here.

Of the large output of sprayers made by the Lowell Speciality company in the season just closed but a dozen or so remain unsold; and as an indication of how its product has advertised Lowell throughout the world, it maybe mentioned that last week inquiries were received from New Zealand and India from prospective buyers who also want to secure agencies.



THE LOWELL FIRE EXTINGUISHER-THREE SIZES-Recently added to the lines manufactured by the Lowell Specialty Company, and claimed to be the best on the market.

\$250,000 ELECTRIC PLANT TO BE BUILT IN

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March 24, 1858. Worked six years

on a farm there and came to Lowell

in 1874, where he clerked in a dry

goods store and spent one winter in

the pine woods. He returned to

New York in '76, but came again to

Lowell two years later and this has

been his home ever since. March

4, 1884, he married Nellie R. Look,

who died in March 1886. Mr.

Hakes spent ix years in the employ

of Charles McCarty, imbibing a

deal of that gentleman's vim and

hustle. Dec. 2, 1890 he married

Frankie Harrison of Kalamazoo.

They have one son, Harry W.,

For nearly twenty years, Mr.

Hakes was a traveling salesman,

changing firms only twice in all

He bought the McCounell furui

ture and undertaking business April

28; attended the United States

school of embalming and passed ex-

amination before the State Board

of Health, Sept. 13. He has

abundant faith in Lowell and its

future; and as for him and his house

Jan. 29, 1903

they will here abide.

aged 11 years.

those years.

FLAT RIVER AT LOWELL This Year. Work Will Begin at

The Grand Rapids Edison com pany, owners of the Lowell Water & Light plant and of the rights of he West Michigan Electric company, have decided to build a \$250,000 d m and electric plant on its Flat river property, just north of this village. It is proposed to raise a plant that will generate 10 0 horse power. Work will be commenced at once and it will probably

take about a year to complete it. This is the project conceived and started by Church & McDannell in the early nineties, work on which was stopped on account of the panic

The Edison company proposes to generate electricity for transmission to Grand Rupids, which will greatly increase its facilities for taking cire of the growing dem nds for electric light and power in that city, At the annual meeting of the shove named company the following lirectors were elected for the commy year: Daniel McCoy, Thomas F Bechtel and George Bundy of Grand Rupids, Daniel McCool, B. I'. Becker and Wm. Wright of Newaygo, Gordon Bigelow of Milwaukee, H. N. Higinbothan and II. D. Higinbothan of Chicago, K. K. McLaren of Jersey City, N. J., and E R. Coffin of Schenectady, N. Y At the director's meeting held Saturday the following officers were

elected: President, Daniel McCoy; vice president, Daniel McCool; secretary and treasurer, Thomas F. Bechtel. A. F. Walker was elected general superintendent.

April 2, 1903

THE X-RAY HAS COME

WONDERFUL MACHINE AT DR. MCDANNELL'S OFFICE

Which Enables a Person to See His Own Bones

The wonderful X-Ray machine has come to Lowell and any of our read ers who have a desire to see how they would look when divested of clothes and flesh can be accommodated at the office of Dr. McDannell.

By the aid of this scientific, electrical device the bones of the human body are piainly seen through the flesh and foreign mineral substances are easily located. In this way those who are so unfortunate as to receive bullets in a forcible manner can have then located without probing. A silver dollar held in the closed hand or behind a board, thick book or man's body is easily identified.

If you can catch the doctor when he is at leisure, he will doubtless exhibit his pet machine, and give you a view of your inner man.

The rapid progress made by the use of the X-Ray in medicine in the last three years has induced Dr. McDannell to install in his office an up to-date electrical equipment, including the above machine and a standard galvanic and a fradic outfit. These are used in the diagnosis of diseases and injuries and in treatment of caucers, rheumatism facial blemishes.

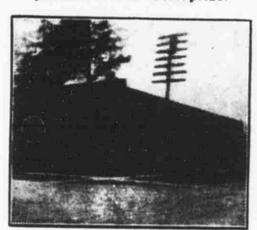
Lest you think this a patent medicine advertisment we will close by advising you to see the new machine

Nov. 24, 1904

PARKS CO. AT HOME

IN ITS NEWLY BUILT FAC

The Building, Its Purpose and Projectors of the Enterprise.



The above shows the new home of the Parks Manufacturing company of Lowell, on the corner of Main and Hudson streets It is a two story frame building 30 x 100 feet in dimensions covered with steel and presents a neat appearance. Cement walks run the entire length of the lot on both streets; and

the factory is near the Pere Marquette sidetracks. The first floor has pleasant business offices in front and a bench room with accommodations for twenty-four men in the rear. The second floor is used for storage, painting and the mounting of woodwork. The entire building is well illu-

minated by ample windows by day and electric lights by night. The small building on the lot will be used for metal finishing and storage; and there is room on the lot for another factory building of equal capacity to the first, and with ample room between for light.

The company has three men on the road and is making cream separa-tors, sprayers, hand trucks and Mr. Parks' latest production, the Cyclone plaster distributor and in-sect killer, which has practically a clear market and finds ready sale. These are the stock holders and officers; C. W. Parks, president; F W. Hinyon, vice president; D. R. Whitney, secretary; D. H. Owen,

treasurer: R. B. Loveland, trustee.

RECORD BREAKING FLOOD

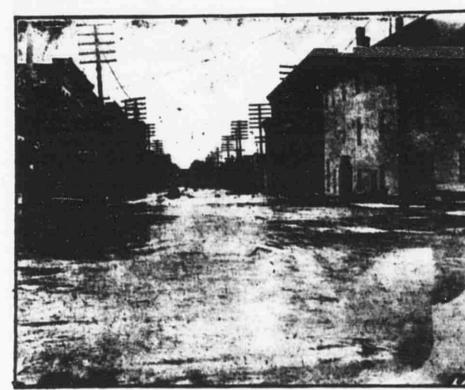
LOSSES REACH FAR INTO THE THOUSANDS.

RALPH NORMAN DROWNED ON HUSTON FARM.

SCORES OF FAMILIES DRIVEN FROM HOME. NARROW ESCAPES. HURSE DROWNED.

INDIVIDUAL LOSERS-NAMES OF THE EXILES-SIGHTS-INCIDENTS-DRIFTWOOD NOTES.

Mar. 31, 1904



Main Street, Looking East From Flat River Bridge.

The worst flood in the history of Lowell has been experienced since our last issue; all former highwater records having been edlipsed by at least two feet, and scores of families driven from their homes with water, in many cases reaching the middle window sash, or half-way to the ceiling of the ground-floor rooms. Business men have been driven from their factories, shops and stores, after placing movable prop-

erty above what was supposed to be high-water mark, while others have emained on guard for from twenty four to thirty six hours at a stretch. shoving valuables higher and higher as the greedy waters rose hour by hour and inch by inch.

Drowning of Reiph Norman. On Monday occurred the drowning of Ralph Norman of West Lalayette,

1993 Special Centennial Issue — Page 10 the horse escaped serious injury; and Tuesday we learned that all were Ohio, who has been employed in the construction gang on the new Pere Marquette steel bridge. Norman was in a boat with Fred Jacobi and James Elliott, when all three were ecovering from the shock. John Howard, who drove over the same road later was not so

thrown into the water on the flats

north of lower Grand River bridge,

and clinging to the boat were drifted over the W. R. Huston farm. Nor-

man lost his hold and sank in seven

or eight feet of water. His body

was recovered Tuesday morning. A

coroner's inquest over the body was

held before Justice Perry Tuesday afternoon at H. W. Hakes' under-

ing rooms. The jurors were: Isaac Wood, Lewis Morse, Wallace Lang,

Ransom Vaughan, Orren Ford, Ches-

ter Leary. The verdict was that

Said Ralph Norman came to his

death on the afternoon of Monday

March 28, 1904, at about three o'clock

p. m., of said day, in Grand river

overflow within the township of Lowell, by drowning, by and from the accidental upsetting of a row-boat in which said Ralph Norman

with Jas, Elliot was rowed by Fred

Norman was a single man, about 21 years old. His father; Thomas J. Norman, and cousin, Henry O. Norman, came from West Lafayette yesterday to take the body back home where funcral will be held Friday. The relatives are grateful to the people of Lowell for kind attentions.

Three Narrow Escapes.

eo nea D.G. Look's residence Friday afternoon. James Green and Mrs. Geo. Batey were driving south in a

single buggy, when the horse became

inmanagable, the buggy overturned

and the occupants thrown into the

deep and powerful current. Mrs.

Batey clung to the fence and was

Two nearly fatal accidents occurr-

same locality, where he was overturned and his horse thrown into the water. Howard made desperate but tunavailing efforts to hold the animal's head above water; but was nimself nearly overcome when rescued by citizen volunteers.

fortunate, as he lost his horse in the

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Will Pullen had a narrow squeak while trying to save a cow. He got into the icy water to his shoulders, in the vicinity of C. G. Stone's house; and when nearly overcome with the cold and feeling his senses going, called for help. Boatmen helped

The wooden section of the Pere Marquette bridge carried away lodged against lower Grand river bridge at 5 o'clock Saturday night. Since that time a about fifteen men have been trying to pull the old bridge apart to relieve the strain upon the steel bridge. Though they have succeeded in removing a portion of it and reducing the pressure some-what, we are informed this (Wednesday) morning that the middle pier has been considerably damaged and that the whole bridge is out of true. No teams are permitted to cross. This bridge cost Lowell township about \$22,000.

Estimates of the total damage to private individuals vary from \$25,000 \$75,000. At this writing, no lefinite information is obtainable: but probably the real loss will be [Continued on Page 8. More Flood News on Page 5 and Supplement.



Main Street, Looking West From the Methodist Church.

Looking Back.. through the years 1903-1912

by Marc Popiolek Contributing Writer

The second decade of the Ledger, 1903-1912 showed improved news coverage both locally and nationally. The articles were more detailed and up to date, this period also introduced pictures on the front page.

Many of today's devices we take for granted were introduced to Lowellites at this

Advertisements for the

phonograph, typewriter, camera, gasoline engine and automobiles began to pop up.

This decade also showed to be prosperous for the city. Factories, a new high school and city hall and an electrical company all began to operate. Although many of the factories closed over the years the city hall and electrical building have survived over the

Natural disasters proved costly for Lowell residents during the decade. Two floods

and a cyclone caused much damage to the growing community. The worst of it being the flood of 1904, the damage of this flood would be the worst

coming years. Social awareness began to pervade the minds of residents. In 1904 the paper started printing articles discussing the benefits of a temperance society. A column called Temperance Topics appeared weekly persuading residents

to outlaw alcohol.

Lowell would face in the

By 1909 the paper printed a story claiming Lowell was to go dry and by 1910 a map detailing the counties in Michigan which were considered dry and Lowell was among those counties.

A national issue of much importance to local women was equality for women. Articles asking for women to attend meetings and support national issues became a weekly occurrence.

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A BATTLE WITH FLAMES

LOWELL SUFFERS GREAT LOSS BY FIRE.

WILL AGGREGATE \$100,000, TIALLY INSURED.

NINE BUSINESS HOUSES BURNED OUT, BE-SIDES PROFESSIONALS AND FAMILIES

THE LOSERS, LOSSES, INSURANCE, PROSPECTS, BRANDS FROM THE BURNING



The ruins Wednesday morning at 5:30. The walls in the foreground are those of the Sherman and Ruben stores. In the distance is the Smith building where the fire was stopped.

Fire broke out in the wooden oil room at the rear of Boylan's hardware store at 6 o'clock Tuesday evening and was quickly followed by a

terrific explosion of gasoline or dy as mite, or both, and the rear ends of the Boylan store and the five adjoining store buildings, all two-story

direction was stopped; but Mr. Oliver's valuables had been taken out and scattered along the street for a block with the inevitable damage

> Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Godfrey, and Thos. Donovan's family, whose

quette bridge, where it soon went to

pieces. Mr. Schreiner got a wrist

cut and was severely injured in the

chest. He figures his loss at about

\$3,000, which will be lessened some-

Mrs Jack Crawford, dressmaker,

bricks, were almost instantly envel-

oped in flames. When the firemen

and their volunteer assistants had

the fire under control at 8:30, \$100,000

worth of property had been wiped

before them, with eight or ten differ-

ent buildings in flames at once, and

at one time it looked as if the entire

east end of the town including the

Wisner mill and the Cutter factory

would be destroyed. The mill was

scorched and the factory on fire sev-

eral times. This concern, which is

Lowell's largest employing industry,

would have been burned out but for

it's own fire-fighting appliances and

The two story brick buildings

occupied by R. B. Boylan-hard-

ware, A. D. Sturgis-drugs, J. B.

Nicholson-dry goods, Marks Ruben

-clothier, and Harrison Sherman-

bazaar and Bell telephone exchange,

were totally destroyed, in one hour

from the time of the first alarm

nothing but a few blackened and

ruined walls remaining. The two-

story brick next to Sherman's ba-

zaar, occupied by Tom Donovan's

saloon was gutted, the roof tumbled

in and only the bare walls remain.

So swift was the destruction of these

buildings that the occupants could

only escape with their lives. The

smoke was so dense that the mer-

chants had to close their doors and

watch from a distance the destruc-

Next to Donovan's is the three story

brick, the ground floor of which

was occupied by A. D Oliver, with

his large stock of jewelry, watches,

clocks, fancy china, etc. The high

wall made good fighting ground

and the progress of the fire in that

tion of their property.

volunteer firemen.

nomes were in the aparments above the store, had short warning of the danger. Mrs. Crawford and her daughtersaved practically nothing but the clothing they wore. Mr. Godfrey's kitchen was burning in out and \$75,000 stricken from the ten minutes after the alarm was given, and they hadn't time to save The firemen found a fearful task

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any of their goods. In the meantime, the large cooper age building of the King Milling company had been totally destroyed and fire catching in the rear of Good rich Kopf's wooden building drove

out Maynard brothers and threatened the wooden row clear to the post office. A. L. Weyrick's new steel-covered meat market went next, a small portion of the contents being saved. F. Spagnuola lost his household goods and most of his

Now the Wisner mill was smoking and scorehing and a hard fight was on, in front and on the roof. Had that gone nothing could have saved the woolen mill, cutter factory, the seven brick buildings on the south side of the street-all three stories but the bank building-and the wooden row and residences to the

Another good fight and a winning one was made at B. C. Smith's tailor shop and residence. This had been recently steel-covered; and after a long and fierce battle the fire was stopped there. Mr. Smith's stock of cloths had been removed in safety; but his household goods and building were nearly ruined by fire and water. He was fairly well insured.

At this junction an engine and firemen from Grand Rapids arrived. They had been delayed at Ada, an other train having the right of way They showed their good will, how

A good word should be said for the Lowell Water & Light company which connected with Flat river and pumped "to beat the band;" and also had steam on in its Grand river plant and was pumping there in twenty minutes after the alarm.

nery were removed with comparatively small loss. Mr. Wright was

in Grand Rapids. Hearing of the dis

aster and being unable to get a train,

he walked the entire distance. The

east and west sides were separated

by a raging torrent all day Tuesday

and Wednesday. Last evening how-

ever, architect Rush with able local

assistance succeeded in swinging a

temporary foot bridge across from

June 8, 1905

Aug. 24, 1905

Postponed!

The giving away of

my Sewing Machine

bas been postpoued

Saturday, September 2nd

at 8 o'clock, when

it will positively

R. D. STOCKING.

take place.

until the evening of

MAIN STREET BRIDGE AND WALKS SWEPT AWAY

TWO BUSINESS BUILDINGS CAR-RIED DOWN AND DASHED TO PIECES

TWO OTHERS WRECKED. H. S. SCHREINER NARROWLY ESCAPED DEATH. SNAP SHOTS.

Two Lowell business buildings were carried away and destroyed by a Flat river flood at an early hour Tuesday morning. The downtown office of the Grand Trunk railway and Western Union Telegraph office and the harness store of H. S. Schreiner were swept down stream and broken to pieces on the Pere Marquette bridge below. Mrs. M. A. Carr's store building occupied by Mrs. E. S. White as a millinery store has gone down so that the roof is on a level with the street, a total wreck, and the contents greatly damaged.

The Merritt Wright building occupied by Dan Ringler as a harness shop, by Mrs. Wright as a dwelling and Miss C. R. Bosworth as a milinery store is also tottering to ruin. The contents of this building were mostly saved.

A terriffic thunderstorm raged most of Monday afternoon and all night and early Tuesday morning Flat river was raging and carried out the west side dam of the King Milling Company on Main street, where the destroyed buildings were located, and swept away that secloss of thousands of dollars to the Mr. Schreiner was in his building

section of the roadway, inflicting a

when it collapsed and narrowly escaped with his life. He was jamme into a small space and felt his feet entangled in the wreckage, when Frank Pickard managed to reach him with his friendly hand. At the same time Mr. Schreiner says, he felt his feet released, and he was lifted to safety, just as the ruined building started on its trip to the Pere Mar-

what by the small amount of stock that was saved. later to arouse the people from their slumbers. Men and teams responded and bags of gravel and stones were thrown into the breach to save the

The foundation of F. T. King's new

block was being rapidly undermined;

further damage.

and all possible was done to prevent

Mrs. Wright's household goods,

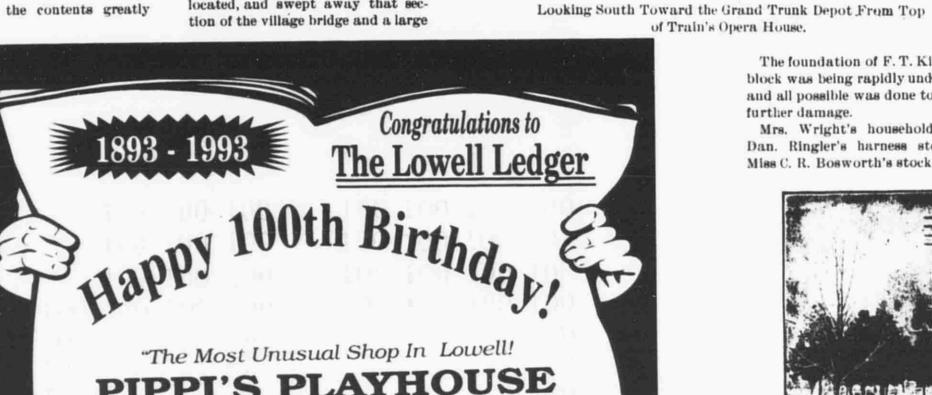
Dan. Ringler's harness stock and

Miss C. R. Bosworth's stock of milli-

the Moffit building to the Lee block, so that local traffic could be resumed roadway from further destruction. When the excitement was at its height yesterday and crowds on either bank were watching the progress of the foot bridge, the people were horrified to see what was apparently the body of a man come rushing down stream. A cry went up "Save that man!" and several boats started in a wild and dangerous chase and young Snyder was about to plunge in to the rescue when it was discovered that the

> supposed man was a dummy, fixed and placed in the current above for the purpose of having some fun, by some very thoughtless persons There were some very indignant men when the hoax was discovered and it is well for the hoaxers that their indentity was unknown, or excusable violence might have been

Following are, as far known, the families whose houses were surrounded by water so that they were compelled to move out or upstairs, though the water did not in every case reach the floor: Dr. E. A. Hodg es, F. R. Ecker, Miss Mary Ecker, L.



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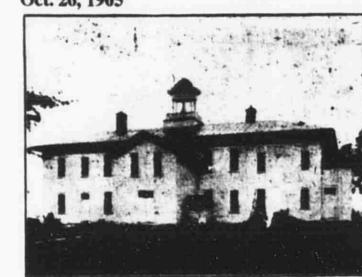


Main Street Looking West from Methodist Church

OLD CENTRAL SCHOOL BUILDING IN FINE REPAIR

Built in 1360, Has Been Well Cared For and is Now in Better Condition Than Ever Before.

Oct. 26, 1905



Lowell Central School.

front like a park, green and velvety and bright with flowers.

> ing was erected in 1860, the little red schoolhouse previ ously used having

ing picture of the

Lowell Central

photograph taken

last August, when

and the grounds

were looking better

than ever before

under the care o

Janitor Chauncey

l'ownsend, who dur-

ng the summer, has

kept the yard in

VIEWS OF THE FLOOD AT LOWELL TUESDAY A. M.

June 6, 1905, Showing Destruction of Buildings, Bridges and Roadway on Main Street by Flat River Torrent.

Showing the condition of Main street "on the bridge" after the destruction and sweeping away of F. T. King's building, occupied by the Grand Trunk as down town office. Schreiner's building has collapsed the first one on the right with front at angle) and Mr. Schreiner has just been rescued from the wreck. Mrs. Carr's building occupied by Mrs. White as a millinery store has par-

tially settled into the water, where it afterward became a total ruin, and Wright's building was being un-

swept away.

are piling up bags of sand to prevent further destruction of street. Wright's building is now a "lean to." First building on the right is street level where the men in the

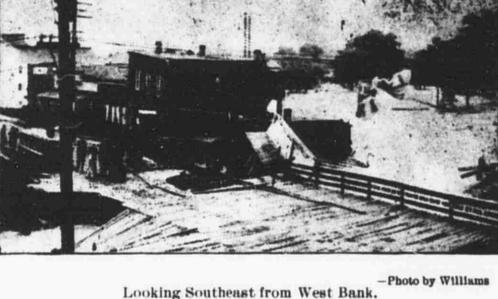
Aug. 24, 1905

THE TOWN TALK

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You Know Where.

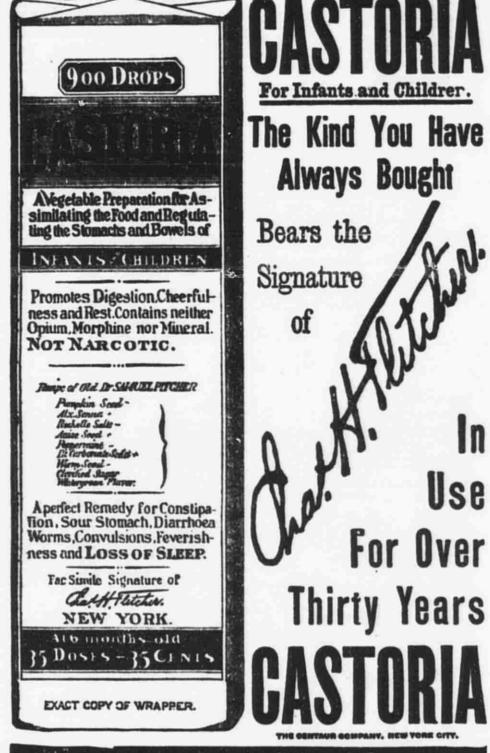


a temporary foot bridge had been hung across the chasm and passage of teams was impossible until Tuesday of this week and then only by going two miles around by Grand river and crossing its two steel bridges. A permanent bridge must be built here; but some temporary structure

for immediate use will be provided.

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become too small for the increasing attendance. Since then several wings have been added at various times, as the growing enrollment required, and at present it has in the first floor three class rooms, and in the second, one large session room and two recitation departments, besides two large halls. During the past two or three years a number of repairs and improvements have been made, such as the building of a new fire-escape, painting, papering and re-seating inside, the fitting-up of a laboratory, re-roofing and repainting outside. The lighting by electricity, the addition of new reference books and several other new conveniences, due in part to the interest taken by Supt. J. F. Thomas, have added much to the comfort of the pupils. A spacious playground behind the schoolhouse has been provided by the recent purchase of the lot running back to Flat river.





The accompany-

ing picture shows

the new building re-

cently completed

and occupied as a

transforming sta-

tion by the Lowell

Municipal Electric

to right the gentle-

men in the picture

are Village Trustees

R. B. Loveland, and

W. S. Winegar, Sup-

erintendent F.

McMahon, Assist

ant Clyde Foreman and Trustee, C. Guy

The building is of

cement blocks and

is 58x20 feet and 18

feet high on a solid

cement foundation

three feet in thick-

ness: It has a neat

and cosy office, a

large work and stor-

age room, and a

hose cart room in

the west end, with

the fire bell over-

head. The trans-

formers and various

electrical appliances

are conveniently

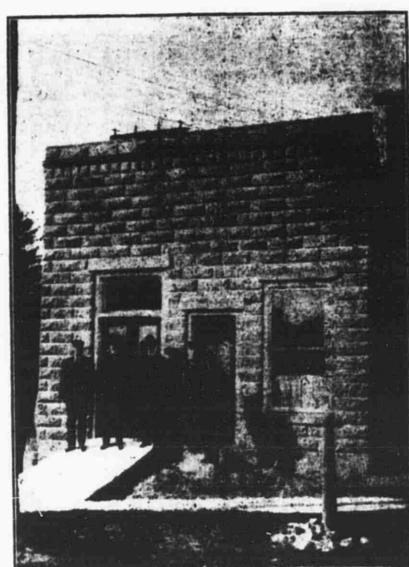
placed and arranged

Reading from left

Plant.

LOWELL CITY ELECTRIC TRANSFORMING STATION

formers and Electrical Apparatus. Convenient Work Rooms and West Side Fire Department.



Lowell's New Transforming Station.

with a flue regard for the safety of the employees. When the Chase Construction company placed the original apparatus in the old building just vacated, their experts were a week in doing the work. Superintendent F. J. McMahon and Clyde Foreman, assisted in the moving by I. A. Wood, got the new and larger plant in working order by laboring steadily without sleep from Saturday morning until 5:30 Monday morning: and they certainly deserve credit for their efforts to promote the public service. When everything is in readiness it is proposed to give a continuous service, including Sundays.

Mar. 1, 1906

NEW M. E. PARSONAGE

Description of the Occasion for the Methodist Jubilee Next Sunday

The new Methodist parsonage erected on the lot just west of the church, is a handsome modern house, built on the colonial style, and com-

the door, of beveled plate glass, opens into a pleasant reception hall containing an open oak stairway. All the rooms on the ground floor, with the exception of the kitchen, are finished in oak. The living-room opens off the hall on the left, and is a room seventeen square, well lighted by two deep windows, on the south and west sides. It is furnished with a beautiful mahogany mantel and

pletes a very pretty church corner.

At the front is a broad porch, and



METHODIST PARSONAGE, PASTOR AND CHURCH.

April 5, 1906

AN OLD RESIDENT GONE

Vergennes Township Loses One More of Her Old Land Marks.

John C. Woodcock, an old and respected resident of Vergennes, died March 28, after an illness of several months, at the goodly age of 75

FALLASBURG.

her daughter, Mrs Bert Lillie, and

Messrs Garfield and White were in

Otis White of Alton called on Mrs.

Mrs. Frank Chapman was taken

seriously ill last Wednesday and is

Mr. and Mrs. J. Mast of Battle

Creek are guests of her parents, Mr.

Mrs. Geo. Copeland went to New-

aygo last Friday to visit ber daughter

Mrs. Mary Ostrom and accompany

to their home her two little grand-

sons who have spent some time here.

Pottruff were among the class of

eight candidates who were admitted

Omer Scott of Grand Rapids has

Mrs. Bert Lillie and mother, Mrs

Emerson Davenport and wife of

Mrs. Ina Pottruff has returned

Frank Sears of Grattan and Lloyd

David Gartield and wife, and Dell

Marr visited at the home of Thomas

Miss Lottle Parker attended ser.

Word has been received here that

vices at the Keene church Sunday

Will Laux of West Lowell met with

down, leaving a gash in his head and

rendering him unconscious for a

David Garfield has purchased a

Arthur Parker was at Saranae

Mrs. Wilbur Moonentertained Rev.

Harley Hunter moved his family

Frank Raymond and wife visited

Miss Myrtle Raymond is spending

Sturgis of Cannonsburg Saturday

with her sister, Mrs. Laux.

home in Muskegon.

here last week

Keene visited at James Stanton's

Messrs. White, Jones, Parker, and

Grand Rapids last Wednesday.

still under the doctor's care.

and Mrs. Sid Beckwith.

Mrs. Johnson of Beulah visited

Mar., 1906

Cannonsburg.

Apr. 7th., for the benefit of the Con-

A number from this vicinity attend-

ded the auction sale held at the farm

of the late John Randall at Grattan

Roy Langford has a position in

Lyne Hutchins has recovered from

Mrs. White, who has improved in

health, is now with her daughter,

Mrs. H Johnson, of Cascade. She

will visit friends at Ionia and from

there she will go to Detroit, her form-

Proceeds from the dinner served by

Playford Beach returned Saturday

Justice of the Peace (to fill vacancy),

Kidney And Liver Trouble.

"I suffered for five years with kid-

severe pains across the back and a

blinding headache. I had dyspepsia and was so constipated that I could

not move my bowels without a

cathartic. I was cured by Chamber-

NORTH BOSTON

was spent with cards and music.

one night last week. The evening

Jared Spring, Leslie Burch.

the Ladies' Mite society April 2nd.,

the shoe factory at Belding.

an filness with pneumonia.

maple sugar social will be held

at the Grange hall Saturday evening | family the past week

Our Country Cousins

Glen Terry has returned from a as members to the M. W. A. at Low-

Mr. and Mrs. Floto and children There are several in this neighbor

Miss Ruth Miller, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Miller, has returned to Mar-

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, spent Monday at the home

Arthur Baker, who has been ill for of Warren Lillie at Lowell. Mrs.

some time with a complication of dis- Johnson returned to her home

The republican ticket was elected from West Lowell, where she has

as follows: Supervisor, Willis Young: | been with her daughter, Mrs. Will

clerk, Gaylord Young (Democratic); Laux, for some time.
treasurer, Wilbur Moffitt; Justice of Miss Lottle Pottruff has gone to

the Peace (full term), Thos. Clark; West Lowell to spend the summer

W. Demetrius Beach; highway commissioner, Jesse Tuxbury; school inspector, Clyde Weller; board of and are moving this week.

review, Bert Randell; constables, Nora Burnett, who has been visit-Charles E. Haines, Wilbur Moffitt, ing Mrs. Bovee, left Monday for her

Suffered For Five Years With Scott o. Big Rapids visited relatives

lain's Stomach and Liver Tablets an accident a few days since. While

and have been well now for six cutting wood near a clothes-line the

months," says Mr. Arthur S. Strick- ax caught on the line throwing it

land, of Chattanoga, Tenn. For back with such force as to knock him

About forty of John Hoover's team and will work the farm recent

Wm. Thompson and family spent Ed. and Abe Vos of South Boston Sunday at the home of Thos. Russell were in the burg Sunday.

Saturday

friends gave him a pleasant surprise by owned by A. and E. Vos.

nev and liver trouble, which caused Russel in Keene last Thursday.

several weeks' trip through the West. ell last Monday night.

spent Sunday and Monday in Grand | hood on the sick list.

eases, underwent an operation last at Beulah Tuesday.

from a visit with relatives at Cedar last Saturday.

Mar. 1, 1906

THE FACTORY AGAIN.

To Be Operated by Edwin Fallas if Fruit

Growers want Market.

be opened again this season, provided

growers will offer sufficient en-

couragement in the way of furnish-

ing tomatoes and other stock. Ed-

win Fallas of Grand Rapids, a

practical canner well known through

out this region, will rent the factory;

and will doubtless operate it for

years to come if all goes well. It is

proposed to operate on peaches.

tomatoes and apples mainly. There

is no question about the supply of

the fruits; but Mr. Fallas wants to be

assured of a sufficient supply of

tomatoes, and is prepared to give

growers a good proposition to get

all interested in the project at Hotel

Waverly Saturday, March 3, at 2

p. m. Turn out.

There will be a public meeting of

The Lowell Canning factory will

years. Funeral services were held Saturday, March 31, conducted by Rev. Fr. Mulvey, and the burial was at St. Mary's cemetery, Fox's corners, the four sons acting as bearers.

JOHN C. WOODCOCK.

Mr. Woodcock was born to Norfolk, England, July 30, 1830, and came to America when 21 years of age, first residing three years at Oswego. N V., where he married Catherine Onele of that place in the Spring of 1851, when they moved to Grand Rapids. After a five years' residence in that city they moved to Vergennes where they located on the old homestead, which has since been their home, and where the good wife now mourns for her lifelong companton.

Seven children were born: James, of Vergennes, Catherine Harriet, who died when 8 months old, Robt B., of this place, Mary Carr of Leal, N. D., John G., of Rogers, N. D., and Charles of Lowell.

and wife of Lake Odessa.

Those from a distance attending the funeral were: John Woodcock of Leal, N. D., Will Woodcock and wife of Grand Rapids and Fred Charlie

fire place The dining-room is thir teen feet square and is lighted by three windows of modern diningroom style, and has an oak plate-

rail. At the east of this room is a good sized bed-room, lighted with electricity and heated as are all the rooms. The pantry, equipped with all conveniences, connects the dining room and the kitchen, which is a cheerful, airy room finished in Georgia pine and having a porcelain sink with hot and cold water. A tollet room opens from the kitchen on the east, and also a back stairway to the second floor.

At the head of the hall stairway, extending across the front of the house, is the pastor's study, which is especially well lighted and arranged so perfectly that it will be a delight to all the ministers who come here. A hall runs the whole length of the second floor, and three bed-rooms, each one heated and fitted with bronzed copper electric light fixtures, open from it. A bath room with walls of imitation tiling is situated at the end of the hall. From the kitchen a short stairway leads down into the basement, and from this stairway a sash-door opens outdoors towards the church. The first part

cellar, separated by a door from the furnace-room, which is fitted with a Welcome furnace, the largest house furnace there is, made in Syracuse At the right of the furnace door is a coal-bin, and at the left an ash-pit which will save a great deal of running out into the cold. There is a nickel register in every room, hot and cold water on both floors, and everything is arranged in the most modern and convenient way through out the house. It is a parsonage which the church and the whole vil lage may be proud and to which they may gladly welcome their ministers; and the pastor, Rev.

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of the basement forms a vegetable

such a successful enterprise. The photograph from which the cut was taken may be ordered through the pastor, and Mr. Rhodes has offered the church five cents on each one that is sold, for the parsonage fund.

Bready, is to be congratulated for

his carnest work in carrying forward

As THE LEDGER goes to press, Pastor Bready informs us that the remaining debt is nearly provided for and that if there are a few more responses no appeal will be made on

dered them to halt. They whipped

up and drove on and be fired two

shots at them with a revolver. As

they reached Winegar's drug store

he fired three more shots. A hole

in the plate glass front of that store

shows where one ball went. Two

men jumped from the buggy and ran-

down the road. The third was

thrown out on his head and shoulders

but was instantly on his feet and

disappearing in the direction of the

Pere Marquette track Wood fol-

lowed the two towards the post

office. Night Watch Hiram Lane,

coming from the east on his regular

beat, heard two men running toward

him across the bridge and started

down the street on a run, meeting

the first man in front of B. C. Smith's

shop. He jumped into the road and

commanded the man to halt. The

the order and dashed into the open

shed of Brown, Sehler & McKay, fol

up on them and called to Kennedy

and Taylor, who had just come up

from the west, to watch out. Ken

acidy stepped up close to the barber

drop, ordered the men to come out,

and then shot into the shed twice

The younger man came out, Taylor

searched him for fire arms, and Ken-

nedy snapped hand-cutts outo him.

Then Lane went in and brought out

the other, and Wood band-cuffed

him. Lane discovered a revolver

which the man had slid under one of

the machines, but this was the only

weapon found, Armstrong, who

had been stationed down at the Ada

road, had run up as fast as possible

after bearing the first shot and ar-

lowed by the first man. Lane closed

older man, who was behind, heard

April 26, 1906

MAN HUNT IN LOWELL

Sand Lake Burglars Captured on Bridge

Street. One Badly Shot. Two men, James Reynolds aged 53 of Chiladelphia, and Patrick Collins aged 63 of New York, supposed to have attempted robbery of the Sand Lake post office Wednesday night, were captured on Eridge street,

Lowell, last Triday night after a sharp pistol finalade on the part of the officers; and a third man, desperately wounded, got away and is still at liberty.

After the failure of their attempt to blow open the Sand Lake post office safe, the thickes stole a horse and beggy and started down this way. They were tracked as far as Cannonsburg, there the trail was lost for a time then found and followed to Egypt. There the chase was ag on abandoned, but the men were supposed to be making in this direction. Deputy Sheriff Armstrong came down from Cannonsburg Thursday night, and, with Constable George Taylor and Deputy Sheriff Kennedy of Grand Rapids planned to catch the robbers should they drive in here that might. The Wood and Newell Hand were stationed at the upper Grand river bridge, and Armstrong, Isomedy and Taylor on the west side, at the corner of Hudson and budge streets, Menwere already watching at Ada and at Saranac

rived just as the men were caught. Shortly after midnight the three They were jailed for the rest of the men heard a rig coming from the night and Armstrong was left to north. If stopped within about watch them until morning, when half a block of them, and as the they were taken to Grand Rapids. officers moved into the shade to look The officers put the horse and buginto it, the occupants of the buggy gy into the Watters barn and found saw them and suddenly wheeled and in it a fine kit of burglars' tools. drove north about two blocks, then They searched the Pere Marquette turned west. The officers followed freight going north and the buildings them to the corner, and then, think around the track, but found no trace ing the fellows would make for the of the fugitive and gave it up till Ada road and try to come up around daylight. In the morning they found them, they turned and ran south a trail of blood which they followed down to the place where the Ada down the track toward Elmdale, road joins Hudson. After listening from there to Alto, and towards for several minutes Kennedy and Freeport, not giving up the hunt un-Faylor left Armstrong there to til night. Since then they have fol watch, and they hurried back to towed up several reports of a Bridge street, waited a moment, and wounded man crawling along the then went north again, thinking to follow the tracks of their men. As they reached the Parker corner they heard a sound in the direction of the Giles house, and made a dash tor Bridge street, reaching the corner a short distance behind the men, who had whipped up and driven rapidly down the street. Just then they heard firing. Ike Wood, who, with Hand had been watching at the up-

track, or limping by means of a stick, but have not found him. The horse and buggy with which they drove into Lowell was identified and claimed the next morning by Jerome Crampton, of Ada, and the rig which they stole at Sand Lake was found between that place and this.

A reward of \$100 has been offered by the government for the capture of each of the burgiars, a share of which should certainly go to the Lowell men, without whom the capture would not have been made.

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per bridge since ten o'clock and had

heard no sound, started back toward

the village soon after twelve. As he

reached the Giles grocery corner he

heard the rig coming from the west.

then it stopped and be turned back,

thinking they would go around the

block and he could head them off.

Soon he heard it coming on and ran-

across the road to the Waverly hotel

just as the men drove up there.

Wood stepped into the road and or

The original build

dermined and began leaning to the west. The north half of the bridge has gone and huge pieces of the roadway begin to crumble away. This picture was taken about five o'clock Tuesday morning from top of Lee Nearly the same view as the first

after the wreck of Schreiner's building bridges and roadway had been The men on the edge of the chasm

rear of the King flouring mill, whose dam was carried out, involving a loss of several thousand dollars. In the back ground is the Pere Marquette railroad bridge which was afterward buried completely out of sight in water which rose nearly to the

last picture were standing. Flat river flows south through the village to its junction with the Grand nearly a mile below, dividing the village business and residence portions into two nearly equal parts. It was late Wednesday evening before

-Photo by Rhodes

Looking South from Gallery Door.

Vinol

Never was there a remedy sold in Lowell that gave

as universal satisfaction or was "talked about" more

than Vinol. After having sold drugs, and all kinds

and makes of medicines for so many years, the public

must give us credit for knowing something about them,

their value and power to cure. We have never sold in

our store a more valuable remedy for run-down, tired,

debiliated people; weak, puny, ailing children; flesh for

thin people; nervousness, irritability, sleeplessness and

Try It On Our Guarantee

over 500 bottles sold from this store only 6 bottles have

failed to give satisfaction. Doesn't this speak well for

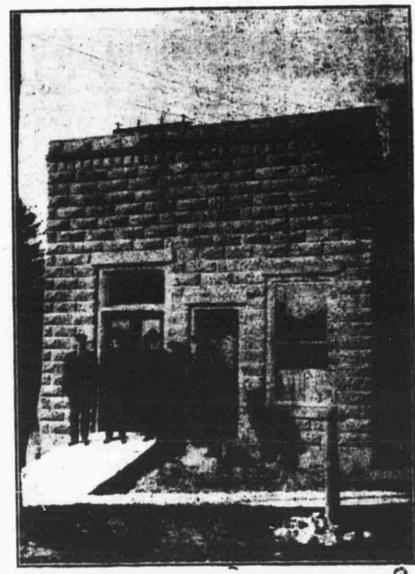
LOOK'S

Drug and Book Store

Every bottle is sold on our guarantee and out of

Oct. 19, 1905

Handsome New Cement Block Building, Permanent Home for the Municipal Trans-



Frank Hoover was home over Sun-Wm. Thompson is ill. Mr. Newman had an operation on to Ionia Tuesday. his eyes last Wednesday.

sale by M. N. Henry.

Floyd Lang lost a horse last week. his brother, Fred and family of Keene Measles are prevalent in this vic- Sunday.

Mr. Quay has lost one of his horses. a few days with her sister at lonia.

on track of the murderer.

Justice M. M. Perry came and im-

Hunter, C McCarty, Phil Reutelster,

panelled the following jury: Earl

A. L. Coons, A. C. Kingsbury, G. W.

Bangs; and the body was turned

over to H. W. Hakes who removed

The dead man was about 21 years

old, single, and lived with his

The murderer lived at Grand Rap

ids, where he had severa! times been

under arrest for carrying concealed

weapons. Said to be 45 years old

The cause of the quarrel was a joke

played upon the Italian by Stone

several days ago, the former threat-

ening at the time to get even. Last

night before the murder. DeBartello

The coroner's jury convened at 10,

this morning, adjourned till 2, p. m.

and when THE LEDGER goes to press

Just as we go to press we learn

that De Bartello has been captured

at Elmdale by the sheriff of Saginaw

had been down town drinking.

has not rendered a verdict.

widowed mother at Saginaw.

and married.

it to his undertaking establishment.

Aug. 16, 1906

A NEW BEAN ELEVATOR.

King Milling Co. and C. McCarty Will In-

Lowell is to have another elevator, of the most completely equipped sort, backed by ample capital. The ising Milling company and Charles Metarty are the promoters of the new enterprise, with the latter in active management. The Wisner mill property will be the scene of operations and machinery for handle ing cleaning and hand picking beans will be installed. The new concern will prepare to buy all the beans that are offered, thus greatly improving Lowell's already excellent

In addition to this, F T King and C. McCarty have bought the Lovely potato warehouse and are negotiating with a responsible produce buyer to buy all sorts of farm produce. charles McCarty has sold his gioreix store to his sons Will E. and Leon J., who will continue that business at the old stand. McCarty Senior will continue to buy wool at his old warehouse.

Thus we see, the old town is aleady getting a move on. These men can do things independently of the Board of Trade, for themselves and the town as well.

Mar. 28, 1907

CHEESE FACTORY SURE.

Contract Closed With Doyle Cheese Co. to begin operations may 1.

The Lowell Board of Trade has closed a contract with Boyd W Doyle of Elsie and Henry P. Fitz patrick of Carson City for the build-ing and operating of an up-to-date cheese factory in this village, active operation of the new concern to begin May first.

By the terms of the contract the Board of Trade is to furnish suitable ouilding rent and tax free for a period of five years. The Doyle Cheese Company is to operate a cheese factory and at the expiration of the period is buy the property at 75 per cent of its first cost.

Mr. Doyle is the manager and chief owner of the M. S. Doyle Cheese company, said to be the largest manufacturers of cheese in the United States, and now operating factories at Elsie, Ovid, Bannister and Carland with an a anual output of nearly two millior pounds.

Mr. Fitzpatrick has managed a cheese factory at Carson City for the past 17 years and in the fact that he will have charge of the Lowell factory is an assurance of unqualified success and of a quality of output

MURDERED STONE

BY TONY DEBARTELLO IN LOWELL LAST NIGHT

WORK TRAIN SAGINAW STABBED BY GRAND RAPIDS **ITALIAN**

MURDERER CAPTURED. OFFICERS ON TRACK. JURY IMPANELLED.

Lowell Industries With Camera and Pencil.

THE LOWELL CUITER FACTORY

The above engraving from a photograph by F. B. Rhodes of a pen

ketch, represents the home of the Lowell Cutter company, Lowell's larg-

est industry. The business was established in 1885 by R. J. Flanagan and

. H. Peckham. In 1899 H. A. Peckham was admitted to the partnership

which was continued to January 15 of the present year, when the concern

vas incorporated with R. J. Flanagan president, A. H. Peckham vice pres

The Lowell outer company began the manufacture of swell-body cutter

woods and was at once the largest manufacturer of sleighwoods in the

ountry, a position it has since maintained by making Portland cutters

chicle bedies and seats, for which it has a growing demand from all parts

of the Middle West and East From 75 to 100 men are employed the year

ound, many of whom own their homes and have been with the company

or many years. In addition to buildings shown in picture the company

has two substantial warehouses, one each on the Grand Trunk and Pere

Marquette railroads. The factory has an annual capacity of 25,000 jobs.

and other styles. The company also builds each year several thousand

ident and H. A. Peckham secretary and treasurer.

Conductor "Bud" Stone of the Pere Marquette work train was stabbed to death in the way car near Ecker's mill in this village at ten o'clock last evening by Tony DeBartello, interprefer and foreman of a gang of Italian track laborers.

Sept. 6, 1906

The deed was witnessed by Samuel Hannon of Saginaw who says that Stone sat on his bunk at one end of the car taking off his shoes and talk with Hannon, when DeBartello opened the other door saying: "You s-o-a-b!" Stone jumped up and

Aug. 23, 1906

have been saved.

CANNING FACTORY BURNED TO BE REBUILT

fire Destroyed Edwin Fallas' Property at 1.30 Wednesday Mornina. \$7,000 Loss with \$3,000 Insurance. On Same Morning Mr. Fallas Contracted with

BOARD OF TRADE TO CONTINUE BUSINESS AND RE-BUILD. WORK ON TEMPORARY QUARTERS BEGAN SAME DAY AS FIRE.

nesday morning at 1 39, less \$7,000 of this contract. buildings were uninjured.

they met about the middle of thecar,

exchanging blows. Stone striking

first. They clinched, Stone having

the best of the struggle, till the

Italian struck toward the other's

abdomen and Stone said: "He has

cut me." They separated, Stone go

ing out the front door towards town

and De Bartello out of the rear to

ward Grand river and a Pere Mar-

switching near by.

quette freight train which was

Stone made his way bleeding fear-

fully to the Carr-Maynard work shop

where he fell. Here Hannon who

had been unnerved by the devilish

deed overtook him and assisted him

a rod further, when Stone fell in the

road in front of McCarty's ware-

Dr. Towsley responded and gave

him a powerful injection, but Stone

had already bled to death. The left

femoral artery had been severed, one

of the largest in the body, and if

surgical aid had been at hand at

the first, it is doubtful if the life could

Deputy Sheriff Jacobi was sum-

moned by telephone and was soon

house and Hannon called for help.

The executive committee of the Lowell Board of Trade convened at an early hour of the same day and [before noon, while the fire was yet the fire-a large gang of men and smoking, had secured the following teams set to work on the large, nearcontract with Mr. Fallas. CONTRACT

Entered into the 22nd day of August, 1906, between Edwin Fallas of Lowell, Michigan, party of the first part, and the Lowell Board of Trade. party of the second part. Whereas the said Edwin Fallas

party of the first part suffered loss although it did by fire of his canning factory, Aug | Fallas that he had ation of the sum of five hundred dol- ing the fire the workers had increased

Lowell for the present senson, and as stated than the one lost by ffre.

The Lowell Canning factory, re- | And the said Edwin Fallas does cently purchased by Edwin Failas, hereby bind himself, his executors was totally destroyed by fir Wed and heirs to the falthful performance insured for \$3 000. The new cement | In witness whereof the parties herestorage and wooden evaparator unto have signed their respective EDWIN FALLAS.

LOWELL BOARD OF TRADE Yesterday afternoon-same day as by barn and premises of the Train estate cleaning and fitting it for temorary quarters for the canning factory and it is expected that operations may be resumed in two weeks. This is swift work and shows what organization will do

The original plant of the Lowell Canning Company cost \$8 300- and 33, 1906, and the party of the second \$1,000 in equipment from his part is auxlous to have the industry Grand Rapids factory. Work had begun on the season's output the The said Fallas agrees in consider- week before and on the day preced lars paid him by the second party to a good number and 1100 gallon hereto, receipt of which is hereby ack- cans were filled. Mr. Fallas had con nowledged, to provide temporary tracted with large consumers to fur quarters to enable him to continue hish a number of carloads of his prohis canning business for the present | ducts and with many farmers for the season and to carry out the con raw material. His "Betwixt the tracts entered into with the local devil and deep sea" situation appeal produce growers in the vicinity of ed to the Board of Trade with result

agrees further that he will evel and The fire department arrived too equip before the season of 1907 a mod- late to be of much service except in ern, up-to-late canning factors in the the protection of adjacent property. Village of Lowell, of Targer capacity Mrs. Train's house got pretty hotand that's all.

Nov. 1, 1907

ance of occupants:

ANOTHER LOWELL FIRE

Ruins Lee Block With Its Five Business

J. E. Lee's frame block, valued at \$3500 or \$4000, and insured for \$2000, was almost entirely destroyed by fire Sunday night between eight and ten. Following were the losses and insur-

A. L. Weyrick, meat market, loss \$1500, insurance \$900; may resume

J. E. Tinkler, barber shop, partial loss, about \$200, insurance \$200; will resume. John Andrews, restaurant and living rooms, partial loss of both, no insurance on either; will resume.

T. F. Shiels, partial loss, \$500, total insurance on stock and fixtures \$2000;

M. Scott, photograph gallery.

Messrs. Tinkler and Shiels have gone into business in Hotel Central building The origin of the fire is uncertain, one

theory being that it may have been start-

ed by defective wire, and it is not known just where it began. The fire department had some trouble getting out the hose, and, though they worked desperately. they were hindered by being unable to get at the buildings from the river behind. An explosion, probably caused by escape of hot air, blew out the front and back of the block. After a long, hard fight the firemen dispersed

believing that the flames were quenched. and they burst out again about midnight. The sheet-iron covering of the building kept the fire down, and fortunately the strong wind that had been blowing from the northwest earlier in the evening had subsided. Otherwise it would have been impossible to prevent

further spread of the flames.



Nov., 1908

HOTEL CENTRAL **BURNED DOWN**

FIRE LADDIES' HARD FIGHT TO SAVE LEE BLOCK.

Hotel Building Vacant, Fire Believed to be Incendiary. Loss Practically Complete to Owner Hayward.

Fire destroyed Hotel Central Monday evening but the Lowell firemen made a hard and successful fight to save adjoining property, the adjacent Lee block be ing in great danger but through good work getting offunharmed

The alarm was sounded shortly after nine o'clock, and the fire which is believed to have been set had already gained great headway when discovered. The firemen soon had several streams playing on the flames in the old barn which stood just north of the hotel and in the hotel building itself. The fire was in the rear of the buildings which projected out over Flat river and the fighting had all to be done from the front and sides. Under the circumstances the job of confining the flames to the doomed hotel building was a good one.

Hotel Central had been vacant several weeks except that Geo. Wheaton occupied a room. It was owned by Walter J. Hayward of Middleville. Loss from \$1500 to \$2000, insured for \$500. Loss on barn nothing—good rid-

1908

POWDERED MILK

MICH., MILK & FOOD PRODUCTS CO. CONTEMPLATES CHANGE.

Means More Building, More Labor Employed, Bigger Milk Market and Better Prices.

Boyd W. Doyle of Elsie and a Mr. Mick of New York, stockholders in the Michigan Milk & Food Products Co., were in town Monday looking after the interests of the Lowell cheese factory, which is one of their several prop-

They made some investigations regarding building sites adjacent to the Lowell factory, with a view to more extensive buildings which will be needed if a plant for the production of powdered milk is installed as is now contemplated.

The cheese factory has been closed for the winter, the long drouth killing the pasture and cutting the season short. Business will be resumed March first, but whether as a cheese factory or as a powdered milk concern

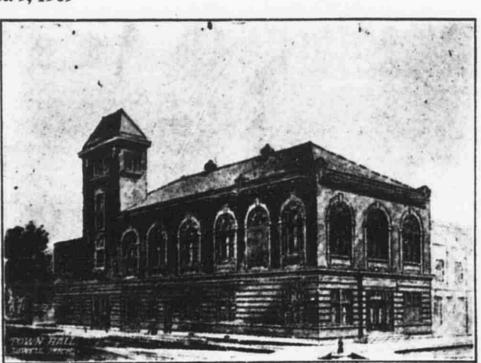
ANOTHER NEW FACTORY

Metal Works Company Buys Hoffman's Machine Shop, Starts Manufacturing.

George Willard, R. E. Springett and T. G. Springett have bought the machine shop of F. G. Hoffman and will start a new factory occupying the whole building for that ; urpose. Additional machinery has been bought and will be installed immed lately. The line of manufacture will be metal specialty; and work will begin at once on orders already in. The new force starts in a modest way but hopes to grow.

Mr. Willard will be here from Grand Rapids this week and his famfly will join him as soon as their residence is available. Mr. Springett desires it to be understood that his legal business will

not be neglected on account of the side venture; but will be taken care of as usual.



WORK ON CITY HALL BEGINS AT ONCE.

Wright & Prall of Ionia Secure the Contract at \$13,000. Highest Bid Was \$16,347. Result of Hard Work by Council.

Wright & Prall of Ionia building contractors will erect Lowell's handsome new city hall, a cut of which is shown herewith. The figure at which the job is taken is \$13,000, which is \$3,344 less than the highest bid

The decision was reached at an informal meeting of the Council last night with all present but one. The agreement will have to be ratified at a regular formal meeting, but the contractors will proceed with the work, beginning the last of this week or the first of next.

Wright & Prall's first bid was \$14,464.57.

Other bids were: George Hoekzenk, Grand Rapids, \$14,724; Ellson Construction Co., Muskegon, \$15,350; A. W. Morgan. Grand Rapids, \$16,347.

The above simple statement represents weeks of hard work by our Village President and Council. Since the election July 16, meetings have been held almost daily and nightly and on Sundays as well. The trouble was that the architect gave us too good a plan for our money. However, the job has been let a big saving from higher bids without sacrificing a single essential and the thanks of the public are due our faithful officers. It should be added that the Council has decided to use Saginaw

red paving brick, while the specifications called for a lime and sand brick. The paving brick cost \$300 more than the other but will last forever, while the cheaper brick is perishable.

Workmen at Lowell Electric Dam Buried by Falling Earth.

Last Thursday afternoon, just before time to quit work, a gang of men who were working for the Lowell Electric Light Co., at the dam south of Smyrna, were caught by a bank of earth caving in onto them. The heavy mass of stones and frozen earth imprisoned four: Mort. Short, Fred Geiger, Jr., Frank Loomis and Aden Covert. They were working below the bank in the early evening darkness, when the sound of loosening earth was heard above them and Frank exclaimed: "Look out, it's coming!" The words had barely left his lips when the bank of earth was upon them. Fred was completely buried expect a lock of hair on the top of his head that remained uncovered to serve as a guide to where the poor fellow was located. Mort. and Frank were buried to their hips, while Alden, who had stepped upon his wheelbarrow just as the bank started, was thrown forward and although partially buried, managed to scramble out unaided. Henry Gardner, another of the workmen at that place, had just wheeled out a load of dirt and thus escaped injury. The shouts of those who were able to shout, brought help speedily, and in the darkness of the night that was fast closing about them, the rescuers worked fast to save their fellow laborers. "Get Fred out first" said Mort and so he was left until the last only to find that when released his right leg was broken near the hip, and the bone not only protruded through the flesh but through his undergarments as

"I'm not hurt and can wait. well, also his left ankle was sprained and his back injured How severely Fred was hurt, has not yet been determined. No bones were broken but his back seems to have been seriously' injured. Except for severe bruises and muscular strain, Frank was uninjured. The young men were carried to their homes here in Smyrna where the two who are seriously hurt are being cared for. It was Mort. Short's first day's work at the dam, and Fred Geiger had only worked there two days.—[Smyrna Cor. Beld-

News, Dec. 24.

CHEESE FACTORY

WILL BUY WHOLE MILK AND CREAM BOTH

May 27, 1909

Start Out With 26 Cents per Pound For Butter Fat. Milk Tested Free Undoubte llv it will interest the milk producers of this section to know the cheese factory at Lowell will open its doors for business June 1, 1909, at which time they will be in a position to receive whole milk or separated cream, and be in a position to meet competition in either line.

The whole mille will be manufactured into cheese at the local plant and will be purchased strictly upon the Babcock test, thereby paying the patron identically what his milk is worth. which is generally conceded to be the most advantageous to the patron as well as to the factory. For the month of June this factory will pay 26 cents per pound for butter fat in the whole milk. in addition, the patron will receive whey free of charge which is worth at least 12 cents as a food product. While this price today is only a line with butter, in a week or ten days the price of butter will unquestionably be lower so the company will be paying a fair compensation for the skim milk besides doing

away with the tiresome effort of operating a separator. All milk will be tested in their laboratory at Elsie by a skilled operator. There will also be

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located in the factory a small tester, which will enable the farmers to bring a sample of milk from each cow where the same may be tested and determined which are the most valuable cows to keep.

Messrs. Doyle and Hankins, the managers of the several plants of the Michigan Milk & Food Products company, state that they will also pay the highest quotations for separated cream, delivered at the local plant at Lowell, at which place cans will be washed and returned the patron the same day, from there hipped to Elsie, Mich., where the official test will be made at the concen-

trating plant. The price for cream will be given out by our local managers or through the columns of the press weekly, while the payment for the whole milk will be made the twentieth of each month for

the month preceding. In view of the fact that this is a local company and is an asset to every man's farm, it should have the loyal support of all the milk producers, and the company will endeavor to merit the same by their actions and prices.—[Com.

DAM IMPROVEMENTS

Now Under Way on Lowell Light and Power Plant.

Work has begun on the repairs and extensions of the Lowell Municipal Light and Power plant a work that will take until November and possibly longer to complete.

A little scare spread among the power users last week when it was learned that the Gd. Rap. Muskegon Electric company which had contracted to take on the load during our shut-down had said that owing to low water they would be unable to keep its bargain.

However President Look went

SAGINAW, Mich., Nov. 12-

There was no question as to the

spirit of the people of Saginaw.

Bay City and other points along

the eastern portion of the propos-

ed route of the Grand-Saginaw

to Grand Rapids Monday and fixed the thing up, agreeing for our people that we would use as little current as possible. In accordance with this agreement house customers are requested not to use more than two incandescents at a time until heavy rains have filled the river.

Tuesday night at 10 o'clock the Municipal plant closed down and Superintendent McMahon and his assistants began the work of transferring the load to the neighboring plant, property of the Grand Rapids-Muskegon.

At ten o'clock yesterday the change had been made and Lowell people began their temporary patronage of the outside concern. It is hoped that all patrons will comply with the needful condi-

WHAT DO YOU

SCHENTIST SAYS THERE'S GOLD IN GRAND RIVER ATLOWELL.

Over Flow Meeting of Cross State Canal Boomers at Saginaw Meeting Great Possibilities.

Another big and entlasiastic meeting of the Grand-Sagmaw Valley Waterway association was held at Saginaw last week and there were some developments of special interest to Lowell people. falk of gold in and along Grand river in the Lowell section reminds old residents of the time when a little gold mining was done on the Carr farm and of a time more recent when W. B. Huston, now deceased, claimed that there was gold in the little creek that runs across the flats owned by him.

The Grand Rapids Herald has the following account

Feb. 10, 1910

Valley Deep Wateway, at the meeting of the association here today. A plan was promulgated for informing the people of Michigan as to the feasibility of the contemplated public improvement and as to its great value to the entire commonwealth. Messis, E. A. Stowe, C. Gall-

meyer, G. W. Bunker, J. W. Spooner, A. L. Holmes, C. R. Vandenpool, John Schler, J. F. Nellist, William Logie, Jr. and C. S. Hathaway were the representatives by proxies. A delegation was present from

Bay City, hended by H. E. Buck. vice president of the board of trade of that city, as were generous delegations from Chesaning. Ashley, Maple Rapids and Hubbardston. Thirty-eight members of the Saginaw board of trade were also present.

The meeting was called to

ECKER'S PLANING MILL BURNED DOWN. Midnight Fire Destroys \$10,000 Property---Little Insurance, Loss Almost Total --- Surrounding Property Saved by Hard Work.

manufactured and in process, was totally destroyed last night by fire which was discovered about 12.30. Loss over \$10,000 with but small insurance, the rate being prohibitive.

Ecker's planing mill with all contents, machinery, tools, stock,

When discovered and the alarm was given the building was a mass of flames and already doomed.

The fire department responded and with volunteer assistants did heroic service in saving adjacent lumber sheds with their contents and many other buildings including much residence property in the immediate neighborhood, the loss aside from scorching and cracking of windows being confined to the mill and its contents, snow on the roofs and a still night contributing to the saving

The orgin of the fire is a mystery. The fire under the boilers was allowed to die out at 4.30 that afternoon and at the closing hour the engineer followed his usual custom of sprinkling the engine room. At 9.30 Mr. Ecker made his usual round of inspection and found everything all right. He thinks the fire must be attributed to some one bunking in the mill or to the electric wiring.

The mill and its contents represented a life work. The loss is total and the blow a heavy one to Mr. Ecker, who has the sympathy of his fellow townsmen in his misfortune.

order in the rooms of the board of trade, and the secretary read the minutes of the last preceding meeting and by this time it became evident that the room was not large enough to accomodate the audience, so the meeting adjourned to one of the lecture rooms of Saginaw's new Auditor-

ium building Dr. Altred C. Lane of Lansing. state geologist, addressed the meeting in an interesting manner on the subject of "Economic Geology-the Science of Raw Materials," for half an hour. He showed that from this standpoint the proposed route of the waterway is rich in undeveloped resources, and that the state would gain large profit from such sources when developed as they may be by the construction

of the canal. The first matter of business was the adoption of a constitution and by-laws-practically as they were presented at the meeting in Grand Rapids two or three weeks ago. The election of permanent

officers resulted in the choice of B. G. Corvell of Chesaning as president for one year, and U.S. Hathaway of Grand Rapids as secretary for one year. The election of directors was deferred until the next-meeting which, upon the invitation of Mr. Buck, will be held in Bay City on Thursday. December 3.

After the election of officers, 38, gentleman were elected to membership, much enthusiasm being shown over the profile map exhibited, showing that a slack water canal, having but four locks is entirely feasible.

Mr Lane, in his address, spoke hopefully of a possible discovery of gold and said:

At Lowelland along the Grand River there is gold in a certain channel that crosses the river near that place. The gravel is composed of different kinds of pebbles from the gravel found in the high banks along the river. which rise in some places 200 or 300 feet above.

Through the enterprise of Ed-

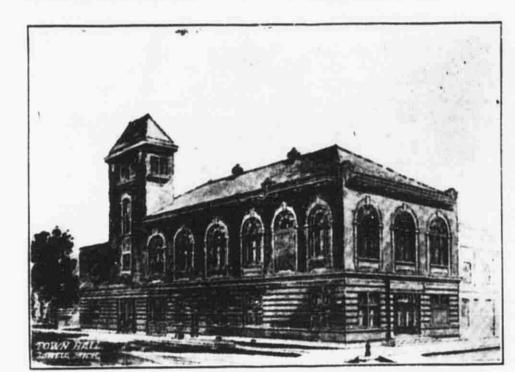
win Fallas another new and prosperous industry has been launched in Lowell, the manufacture of tin cans; and a large number of hands are now busily engaged with a fine equipment of up-to-date machinery and tools turning out six thousand and upward gallon cans per day, not alone providing for the Lowell factory's canning season but for outside canning factories as well. Carload lots have already been sent to Ludington and other points.

Another new and rising concern, the Smith-Cornell Co., is benefited by this enterprise by filling a contract for crates. The latter occupy the Young plant on the South side.

This industry and employment of labor at what would natural ly be a closed season for the canning factory amounts to as good as another factory for Lowell; and Mr. Fallas is entitled to the good will of his townsmen. There is always "something doing" when he is around.

NEW CITY HALL OPENED AND DEDICATED

Inclement Weather No Damper to Public Enthusiasm---Big Crowds Gather to Celebrate Banner Event.



Dedication and Opening day came at last; and Thursday June 2, 1910, will ever be memorable in the history of Lowell as the day when the magnificent new City hall was turned over to

its owners-the people. The accompanying cut, which was made from the architect's sketch, gives but a faint idea of the fine proportions, beauty and utility of the new building. The several purposes it is to serve have often been mentioned in this paper and are given again briefly in the editorial columns of

The several Dedication day committees covered themselves with glory and the building with a mantle of beauty.

There were refreshment booths, etc., which were liberally patronized, and there were decorations galore of ferns, palms and potted plants, while the beautiful flag given by the Cutter company covered the table on the stage in

In spite of an all-day cold rain, a crowd of happy people gathered that filled the comfortable chairs of the main hall and gallery and overflowed to all parts

of the building. At about 3 o'clock p. m., the members of the Council, with Chairman VanDyke, the Clergy Architect Stone and Builder Wright, occupied seats on the stage, which was set with a handsome parlor scene, and Stocking's orchestra opened the program with an overture. R. Van-Dyke as chairman protem presented in turn the several speakers and those giving the musical,

numbers of the program. Rev. W. D. Ogg invoked the Divine blessing and the High School chorus sang a slumber song, showing the effect of the excellent training given by Miss

H. J. Taylor, chairman of the Building committee, made a report covering the year's work, expressing in a feeling manner appreciation of the consideration that had been given the officers in their task and telling some-thing of the time, wort and study that had been freely given to the splendid enterprise, con-

1993 Special Centennial Issue — Page 16 Dec. 29, 1910

Board of Trade Banquet to be Graced by Their Presence.

Thanks to the accommodations of the City hall, the ladies of the Board of Trade members may attend the annual banquet of the Lowell Bourd of Trade this year. Heretofore this has not been practicable owing to lack of suitable quarters for so large an

attendance as would result. Members desiring to take their wives or sweethearts can do so by paying the price of the extra plates, these not being included n the annual dues. This decision was made by the Board of

The date selected is Tuesday evening, January 24, and the

Directors held last evening. following committees have been appointed to have the affair in

Banquet-J. H. Payne, C. G. Perry, D. H. Owen. Speaker—S. P. Hicks, F.

Music+8, P. Hicks, R. D. Stocking, E. S. White, Program-O, C. McDannell, A W. Weekes, D. G. Look. Decorations-F. J. McMahon

C. Townsend, H. J. Coons. These names and the new de. parture are a guarantee that the coming banquet will be the most brilliant event in the history of the Lowell Board of Trade.

Oct. 24, 1912

PURE GOLD A WINNER

King Milling Co's Product at Success Grange Fair.

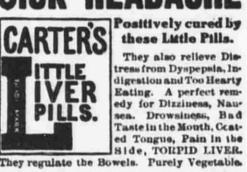
Pure Gold flour, the pet product of the King Milling company of Lowell carried off the honors in its department at Sucess Grange fair last Friday evening. W. V. Burras, master of the Grange, had offered a prize of \$1.00 for the best loaf of bread made from any flour, and the King Milling company had offered a prize of 50 lbs of flour for the best loaf of bread made from Pure Gold flour. Mrs. Charlie Reynolds had the best loaf of bread of all and won the Master's prize and as it was made of Pure Gold flour she won the King Milling company's prize

Mrs. Sylvester Seeley won the second prize on a loaf of bread made from Fanchon flour, a Kansan product.

Other prize winners were: Miss Pearl Quiggle, chocolate cake; Miss Mildred Hesche, layer cake; Mrs. Robert Ferrall, pumpkin cluding by presenting the buildpie, first; Mrs. Charlie Quiggle. ing to the people.

second. There was also a fine display of choice farm products. including fruit, grain and vege-

This was the second annual fair given by Success Grange at the Seeley Corners hall and was a public event. A fine supper was served by the Grange and a literary and musical program, including several numbers by the Cascade band, was enjoyed by the large company in attendance.



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Lowell, Michigan 49331 Established 1890



King Milling Company is proud to welcome the Lowell Ledger to the Lowell Centennial Club.

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Post Office Box 99

Sept. 4, 1913

High school with 152, as against 130 last year, nearly every grade shows an increase, making the total some 480, as against an

LOWELL SCHOOLS CROWD-ED BEYOND CAPACITY.

Total Enrollment will Crowd 500 Mark-New Commercial Course a Factor.

Surpassing the expectations of everyone, the enrollment in the Lowell schools Tuesday exceeded that of any year in the history of the village. Beginning in the

initial enrollment last year of 441. No doubt the total will reach the 500 mark during the Nor were the board of education prepared to meet such a test of capacity. In the fifth

grade, where crowded conditions

in the Central building last year

this problem was to transfer

forced that grade to occupy a ery subject must be taught in small room in the East ward that will accommodate only two or more sections. twenty-six, the enrollment was forty-five. The East ward was filled; and the only solution to

Jan. 8, 1914

The ball game between Belding and Lowell was a great contest of thirteen innings, and resulted in a victory for Belding by a The supposedly impregnable score of 7 to 5. Jim McMahontrusty old Jim-was in the box

EVENT A GRAND SUCCESS The balloon ascension was successfully pulled off, the aeronaut **BIG CROWDS GATHER** making a swift ascent and a safe parachute drop in view of a large Reception a Brilliant Affair.

for Lowell.

crowd of witnesses. The reception at the City hall drew a splendid crowd of people and will, without doubt, rank as the finest feature of the Home-Coming. After the reception and greeting of guests, an informal program was given, S. P. Hicks

having it in charge. D. G. Look gave a brief address of welcome and Rev. D. B. Davidson of Lyons responded. Harley Maynard and Mrs. E. A. Anderson sang a beautiful old-time duet, with "Dee" Stocking at the

Geo. M. Winegar followed with one of his best vocal solos, accompanied by Mrs. Winegar.

Brief impromptu talks were given by J. D. Williamson of Grand Rapids and Will Schneider of Albion and Paul McCarty brought the program to a bril liant close with a number of characteristic vocal and instrumental selections.

The program was followed by a splendid round of greetings among old-time friends, numbers of whom met for the first time in many years. This was worth the whole cost of the Home-

Looking Back.. through the years 1913-1922

by Marc Popiolek Contributing Writer

Aug. 7, 1913

Band Music, Vaudeville, Base

Ball and Other Amusements.

Lowell's third Home-Coming

celebration is a great success.

Opening under cloudy skies Wed-

nesday morning, the entire day

passed without rain; the crowds

came from East and West and

North and South, and the pro-

The forenoon was spent in

"make-ready" in arrival and

greeting of guests; and by r.oon

the streets were thronged with

Home-Comers, sight-seers and

fakers of all sorts and sizes, from

the pop corn, peanut, lemonade

and ice cream cone venders thro'

a line-up of wheels of mis-fortune

and other games of chance to

that child's delight, the merry-

The Saranac band was on hand

and made merry music through-

out the day, and at noon many

availed themselves of the basket

the bridge, Main street, opening

at 1:30, was a good one, and

drew immense crowds at evening

and afternoon events.

The vaudeville attraction on

picnie privilege at Island park.

gram of events passed off accord-

ing to schedule.

go-round.

Issues that surfaced in the prior decade became focal points for citizens during the period of 1913-1922.

The thought of outlawing alcohol became a reality and the paper was filled with warning to local bootleggers to cease and desist or the law would catch up with them.

Equal rights for women also became a reality with voting rights being passed nationally.

The Ledger itself received a face lift with a new banner and title. The Lowell Ledger became the Lowell Ledger and Alto Solo to accommodate the growth of surrounding coun-

At the beginning of this decade talk of the United States participating in the War in Europe came true. Citizens were asked to support the war effort by purchasing bonds and cutting back on materials needed by our troops. The

Ledger printed weekly updates on the draft and encouraged the registration of every able bodied male. By 1918 World War I, "the war to end all wars", was declared over.

By the twenties prohibition was in full force and news of arrest in illegal trade of alcohol appeared frequently.

Tire and car ads dominated the advertising in the Ledger. An ad for a car called the Maxwell could be found in every issue of the paper for at least a year. Of course with the increased car ads it was inevitable to have tire ads to follow.

Two national diseases cause quite a stir in the area. Typhoid and Whooping Cough epidemics were published with Whooping Cough hitting this area hard.

Also during the twenties the towns began to show signs of progress with factories being built and the first paved road being talked about. Radio made its first appearance in the area by 1922.

barrier of Z-Rays hemming in the United Republics of America has been pene-

trated! The European fleets of aerodromones are approaching, the foreign powers having solved the problem of our isolation. Napoleon Edison, who alone is capable of restoring the Z-Ray wall, has disappeared. Where is he? The integrity of the Western Hemisphere and the peace of the world depend upon his immediate return.

The above is from the Hourly Stylograph, A. D. 1970, the news-

paper of the future as described in the new serial we are about to

We Will Print the First Chapter Soon! Don't Miss It

RURAL DELIVERY VILLAGE MAIL

ROUTE LINES SERVED.

an order from the Department in Washington giving residents of Lowell living on the exit lines tem to those who will put up reg.

Said village lines beginning at post-office are designated by streets as follows:

Route 46-West on Main to Hudson, to Cong. church, west one block, north to Blaisdell cor-

Route 47-West on Main to Hudson, south on west side of street to Ada road.

Route 51-West on Main to Hudson, south on east side of Route 52-West on Main to

those coming the greatest distances, to the Central building. Here they were placed in Miss Svenson's room, giving that teacher the fifth and sixth.

In the High school the problem was not so easily solved. Here the assembly room was taxed to the limit, and recitation seats had to be removed to make way for desks. As a result all recitations must be held in recitation-rooms; and these are entirely inadequate. Nearly ev-

Her Home,

No doubt the new Commercial department has been a large factor in stimulating enrollment

this year. In typewriting and commercial arithmtic some forty are enrolled, or about twentyfive per cent of the High school; and as many of these as are eligitle are taking short-hand and book-keeping. The order was increased from five to six new

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typewriters. The foreign patronage this year is corresdondingly great. Some eighty students are paying tuition, giving us a non-resident percentage of fifty-four, or one of the largest in the state. . And this despite the fact that the tuition was raised five dollars last

Jan. 9, 1913

Device Seen Recently Permits the

Use of Candles Which Do Not Re-

quire to Be Constantly Watched

-The Color Scheme.

Artificial lighting for the table that

meets all the requirements is some-

obstruct a clear view across the ta-

Silk, With Deep Fringe of the

Same Tone.

grease dripping on the table. These

are hollow white tubes, in which the

As a general thing mahogany fur-

lect pieces that are dignified and

rather conservative in design, rather

looks like wax.

MATTER ALWAYS WORTHY OF CAREFUL CONSIDERATION.

It is only a wild dream of the future by Guido von Horvath and Dean Hoard, but it's a highly interesting and entertaining story.

Jan. 22, 1914

LOWELL RESIDENTS ON

Postmaster Perry Receives Order Extending Rural Route Mail Delivery Service. Postmaster Perry has received

of the rural route mail carriers the benefits of that delivery sysulation boxes and request such delivery.

candle is put. A spring arranged under it pushes it up as fast as it burns away. So the candle requires no watching. With the shade over it. this artificial candle, which is made of a rather translucent composition.

Route 48-East on south side Main street to Baptist church. south to limits. Route 49-East on north side

Main to Baptist church, northeast thro gravel pit to limits Route 50-A. M., west to River, north tollimits. P. M., limits to Blaisdell corners.

street to limits.

end of street, south to Ada road

TABLE idly being overcome by the more genchairs. This honor has always been accorded to the head and foot of the table. It seems to be the inclination allow comfort for the rest of the The size and style of furniture must

depend on the shape and dimensions of the room it is bought for; if one is likely to move about much, that should also be a consideration Among the best reproductions are the lar in general character, and have times hard to arrange. The light probably retained their popularity should be shaded to a point below the largely because of the attractiveness it should not be so placed that it will Sheraton chairs and tables are also ble. The low, dome-like electroliers are, many of them, very good looking in the newer apartments and houses also, though they may lack some of meet these requirements very satis- the elegance of design found in the

factorily. Probably the easiest and older types. The lighting and coloring are the least expensive way of solving the important features. The color scheme lighting question in a room where a high chandelier has to be depended and artificial lighting must be worked upon is the use of candles. Four clear glass candlesticks of Colonial pattern vantage, according to the case in hand. will serve the purpose; silver ones Keeping things simplified is merely a are also effective. There are holders matter of selecting the best of what for candles that relieve one of the is available and discarding the rest. worry of watching them, and that It is safe to adopt the plan of not guard against the dangers of candle using everything you have just because you happen to have it .-- New

EWELS ON DANCING SHOES

York Tribune.

atest Idea is About as Far as the Present Day Extravagance Can Go.

The whole gamut of brilliance and nagnificence has been rung so far as dresses themselves are concerned, and smart women have been forced to set up a rivalry in dancing shoes, which are studded all over with jewels, even to the heels. The stockings must be embroidered to match the design on the shoes. Perhaps the stockings themselves, before long, will be emproidered with diamonds and pearls

fashion it may be interesting to point out that it is not absolutely necessary to have the jewels embroidered direct used. So long as the value of the shoes and stockings is unmistakably high the necessary result has been achieved.

But, of course, it is one degree more lavish to have the stones actually embroidered into the slippers. This method carries with it a very desirable suggestion that, of course, when the niture is best suited for dining room shoes are thrown away the jewels will use. Dark oak and other finishes are be thrown with them. good also. The main thing is to se-

Revival of Braid.

firmly built, without being bulky or frocks. Not only does it add a desir and leave it with a backache is rap- the three-pieced costume.

hard to move. Especial care should able note of solidity and smartness so be exercised in selecting the chairs, essential to winter clothes, but, fur most of the chairs designed for the ther, it is strongly suggestive of hard dining room being torturously uncom- wearing properties. Braid, again-in fortable. Fortunately, the foolish idea a very fine, silky make-is admirable that one must sit primly erect at table as a trimming for the ninon bodice of Long a Lowell Resident.

Volunteer Soldier



DANIEL E. PRATT Son of Macy and Sarah Pratt, was born on a farm at Eagle Harbor, Orleans county, N. Y., Jan. 25, 1835 and lived there until the death of his parents when Daniel was about 17 or 18 vears old.

September 1, 1862, he enlisted in Co. D. 151st Regiment, New York Volunteer Infantry, camping at Lockport, and ordered to Baltimore the last of the month. He was made orderly sergeant and performed duties as such during the entire time of his service. Drilling and guard duties were done at Baltimore and in the following March the regiment was ordered to West Virginia, returning later to Harpers Ferry, doing picket duty on the Potomac. Joined army of Potomac after Gettysburg and lay in the battle line for three days.

When General Lee crossed the Potomac into Virginia, Sergeant Pratt was with the pursuing army. On the march he was stricken with typhoid fever and was sent to the hospital at Wash ington where he remained two months when he rejoined his regiment and was with it in engagements at Brandy Station, Me Lean's Ford, Kelley's Ford and Locust Grove, all in Virginia.

After his discharge at Brandy Station Jan. 21, 1864, Mr. Pratt worked at milling five years in his old home town and December 22, 1869, married Anna Horten in the Methodist church at Eagle Harbor.

About forty years ago they came to Lowell, where they have lived ever since. They are members of the G. A. R. Post and Relief Corps and of the Methodist church and take pleasure in all their activities.

Long may they enjoy the peace and comfort of their home and the love and respect of their fellow citizens.

ON WAR SUPPLIES

ARMS TO ALLIES IS ENDED.

Embargo on Munitions Would Force Nations to Store Arms in Times of Peace.

as in all others to European governments on the war issues, takes his stand firmly upon the principles involved and upon the usage of nations, he introduces another feature which by many is regarded as the most

bases his refusal to consider the Austrian suggestion on the principal grounds of its effect upon the ability

This government tells Austria that

The following are pertinent paragraphs of the communication:

"In this connection it is pertinent to direct the attention of the imperial and royal government to the fact that Austria-Hungary and Germany, particulary the latter, have during the years preceding the present European war produced a surplus of arms ammunition which they sold throughout the world and especially to belligerents. Never during that period did either of them suggest or apply the principle now advocated by the imperial and royal government."

belligerent during the progress of a thority, Paul Ieinicke, who states that, war would inevitably give the advant- at the beginning of a war, belligerents age to the belligerent which encour- have never remonstrated against the aged the manufacture of munitions in enactment of prohibitions on trade in time of peace and which had laid in contraband but adds 'but such prohivast stores of arms and ammunition bitions may be considered as violain anticipation of war, the government tions of neutrality or at least as unof the United States is convinced that friendly acts, if they are enacted durthe adoption of the theory would force ing a war with the purpose to close militarism on the world and work unexpectedly the sources of supply to against that universal peace which is a party which heretofore had relied

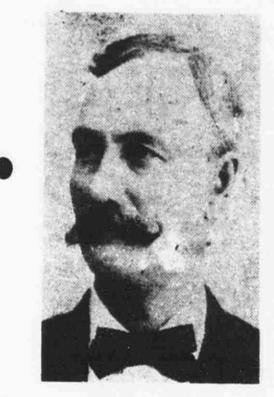
tion of contraband being unneutral, national safety of the United States examination of the principal authoritary and naval establishments, the ties on international laws to be made. prevention of increased armies and As a result of this examination it has navies, the adoption of peaceful methperial and royal government has been al differences and finally, neutrality misled and has inadvertently made itself are opposed to the prohibition one-fifth of the authorities advocate tion of arms, ammunitions, or other unreservedly the prohibition of the munitions of war to belligerent powexport o fcontraband. Several of ers during the progress of the, war,

"LANSING."

Jan. 4, 1917

MONTHLY SUPPER

Light & Power and Water System Matters Discussed.



J. EDWIN LEE, DECEASED.

Father" of the Lowell Light Power plant, feelingly referred to by President Winegar.

The monthly supper of the Lowand coal bin are built outside the main building, adjacent on the ell Board of Trade was held at Brezina's restaurant last evenhas four grade rooms, third, fourth, fifth and sixth, domestic art ing. President Archart presided over the talkfest.

Village President Winegar spoke at some length of the problems confronting the village concerning the water system and the light and power plant and promised that everybody would have a chance to express their wishes in the matter before final action is taken. He said that no one could say that he had ever been that had paid for itself. The last of the bonds would have been retired this year but for the wrecking of the power house. As for the water system, the chance to buy for \$25,000 is at least \$10,-000 less than had been expected and he had yet to hear any opposition to purchase. It could be acquired and operated in such a manner that it will pay for itself and something more. He referred feelingly to J. Edwin Lee. deceased, "daddy" of the L. & P. plant, and expressed the opinion and hope that his services to Low-ell will never be forgotten.

Other speakers were Mr. Arehart, M.N. Henry, E. A. Anderson, C. P. Neff, F. J. McMahon, Superintendent Mitchell, II. J. Coons and C. H. Merrifield.

Considerable time was given to discussion of the athletics projects of the Business Men's association and the utilization of the High school gymnasium.

The date of the annual banquet is January 23. Committees are busy on final arrangements. Further announcements next

The Ledger is indebted to Supe rintendent A. F. Frazee with two dressing rooms with showers, and balcony for spectators for the accompanying description of Lowell's new school buildabove. On the main floor is located the Junior high school and ing and hereby expresses its appreciation of the courtesy shown Superintendent's office, and class rooms in Mathematics, English and of the service rendered. As he has had supervision of the and Music and Art. The Junior high assembly room is 36 x 72 work from first to last, he is best able to describe the plans feet and can seat 200 pupils. On the top floor is the Commercial department, Physical and Chemical laboraties with stock room and dark room, main Senior high assembly room, teachers' rest room Now that Lowell's new school plant is in operation, it would and Latin and History recitation rooms. The Senior high assemseem timely for a discussion of the details of the architecture, its bly is 54 x 73 feet and will seat 300 students, or 450 when the prespurpose, equipment and other features of interest that pertain to ent seats are supplemented with opera chairs. It has a stage and the new structure. That the building is well received was certified is exceptionally well lighted with light over the left shoulder and to by the five or six hundred tax payers and patrons who visited

Lowell's Handsome New School Building.

the south and north end of the halls respectively on every floor. In operation the third and sixth grades occupy the larger rooms on the west side of the hall in the basement and the fourth and fifth occupy the smaller rooms on the east side. The gymnasium entrances are so arranged that people may enter through the engine room and still not have access to the rest of the building. The Junior high opens with 110 enrolled and the Senior high has 112. The two large recitation rooms, 36 x 24 on either side of the Junior high will accomodate an entire 7th or 8th grade even though the class number 60. Thus the building has a capacity of from five to six hundred students under the present curriculum, whereas only 350 are now occupying the building, leaving plenty of room for growth or the introduction of manual arts. The facility and precision with which the new plant meets the needs of our school sys-

by magnificent sky lights. Toilets for girls and boys are found on

There are some special architectural features about the building which make it unique and which attract special attention among school builders.

tem is a marvel to those even most closely in touch with the details.

Feb. 10, 1916

L. & P. PLANT WRECKED

it last Sunday, and who were generous in their praise of the Board

of Education in its efforts to secure a plant that would be second

to none in architecture and equipment for towns of 5,000 in lower

Michigan. Since many were unable to visit the building Sunday.

the Board announces that it will be open again Sunday, Feb. 13.

with fire proof basement and corridors. The mottled effect of the

kiln-run rustic or mission brick laid in a half inch bed of black mor-

tar and trimmed with Bedford lime stone is very handsome. It is

designed to follow the contour of the landscape, having two stories

and a basement. Three story structures are no longer deemed ad-

visable by State officials for school purposes. The engine room

west side. This gives additional fire protection. The basement

and lunch room, janitor's room and fan room. A special alcove

under the main stairs was constructed purposely for the old bell.

The gynasium, to which one makes a descent of 5% feet is 36 x 72

The building is 120 x 84 feet, semi-fire proof throughout and

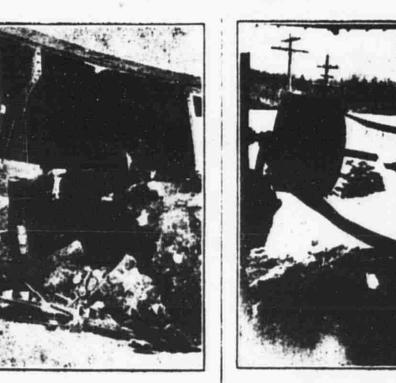
Photographed Expressly for The Ledger, by N. L. Avery

and purposes. He writes as follows:

from 1 to 5 for inspection.

taxed for the L. & P. plant as FOUNDATION CAVE WAY, BUILDING **FELL IN RUINS**

Operator and Wife Had Narrow Escape. Much Machinery Saved. Commonwealth Electric Company Takes on Village Load.



pany was wrecked Friday night and the failure of the apparatus shortly after midning t by the giv- to respond to its usual demands. ing away of its foundation. The building will be a complete loss except for a large amount of tile, of which it was constructed. which will be saved:

at the time the calamity occurred and his wife was with him in the

Inside, looking out through wrecked The new building of the Lowell building. The first warning they Municipal Light & Power com- had was the dimming of the lights

Immediately cracking sounds were heard and the Ridgeways had barely reached the door when the whole central part of the concrete floor and a large Erwin Ridgeway was in charge part of the back wall of the building went down in a crash

The alarm used for summoning By Sunday night, Main street help in case of trouble was patrons had been connected with sounded and a number of neigh- the Commonwealth lines and the boring farmers responded quickly boulevard lamps were lighted to and gave valuable service in pre- test the service. By Monday venting further loss night a portion of the residences The overhanging roof and the were also lighted; but it is found wrecked portions of the walls that they cannot all be served

still standing made the saving of except on the one-light-at-a-time machinery a hazardous under plan, that is the use of but one taking. Still the work has gone on and the generator, exciter, switch-

removed and housed. Tuesday the removal of the Belding machinery was undertaken and the work of removing building material is now in progress.

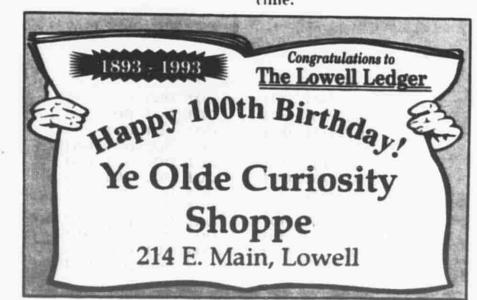
Saturday forenoon, a gathering of village officials and citizens at the Council room heard Superintendent McMahon's report of the disaster and the Commonwealth company, owners of the

surance that the Commonwealth tion ever.

light at a time per house. Notices to this effect have been served on the patrons; and all should comboard and transformer have been ply lest all be left in darkness. Superintendent McMahongives great credit to Mr. Hartmann o Jackson, one of the Commonwealth officials, for active assistance given in the transfer of ser-

The foundation which gave away and wrecked the plant was laid 21 years ago when the plant was first established and on the recent rebuilding was declared by the engineer to be as good as Edison plant, with headquarters any that could be made and acat Jackson, was appealed to for cordingly was used for the new aid in taking care of the light building. Just a few days ago, and power users. Help came the plant was inspected and dethat night after immediate as- clared to be "in the best condi-

people would do all in their power It is too early to hazard an esto assist us, though themselves timate of the loss. Rebuilding "hard against it" with low water, will call for new engineering heavy load and partially dis- plans, advertising for bids, etc., a matter involving months of



U. S. ANSWERS NOTE

CONTROVERSY OVER SHIPPING

This Government Takes View That

Washington-A communication, in the form of a reply to the Austria-Hungarian protest against the shipping of war supplies to the Allies by American manufacturers, was made public Monday morning. Vienna is nformed that this government will not consider an embargo on this shipping.

While President Wilson in this note,

of the United States to meet a foe in it has been the policy of the United States from the foundation of the republic not to maintain in time of peace a large military establishment or stores of arms and ammunition; that the United States has, in fact, always depended upon the right and power to purchase arms and ammuni-

"Perceiving, as it does, that the adoption of the principle that it is the duty of a neutral to prohibit the

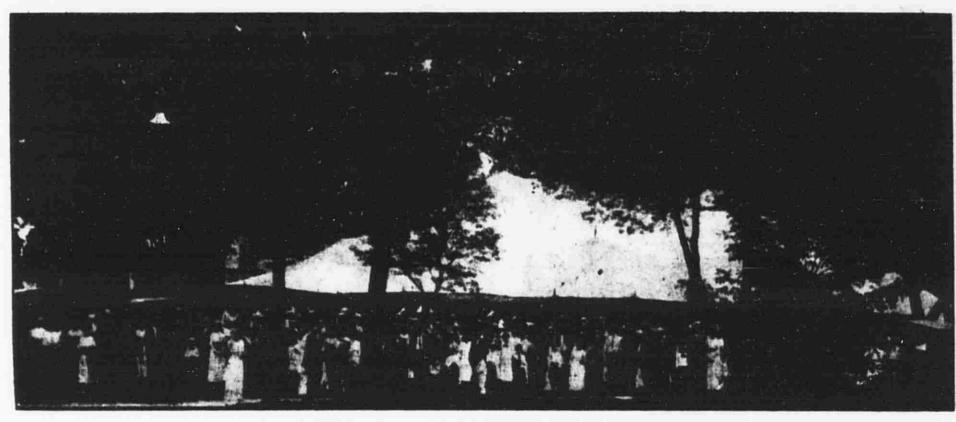
which exalt justice and right progress

in their relations with one another." "In view of the positive assertion royal government as to the unanimity of the text writers as to the exportathis government has caused a careful an erroneous assertion. Less than those who constitute this minority admit that the practice of nations has been otherwise. It may not be inopportune to direct particular attention

1993 Special Centennial Issue — Page 18 sale of arms and ammunition to a to the declaration of the German au-

Sept. 2, 1915

Lowell Chautauqua Now in Successful Progress



Scene at the Close of Afternoon Program.

The Lowell Chautauqua opened Tuesday with six hundred and seventy-nine season tickets sold and the average attendance for the first four numbers has been about seven hundred. R. O. Farrell of Kirksville, Mo., is conducting the enterprise in a manner satisfactory to all. Montanelli's Venetian Quartet and Dr. Geo. H. Spencer, lecturer, gave the enterprise a good initial boost. The concert was enjoyed by all and Dr. Spencer certainly gave his audience something to think about, especially in his splendid address on "Preparedness for Peace."

Yesterday's programs were filled by Sibyl Conklin. dramatic contralto; Mrs. Demarchus Brown, lecturer and story teller, and Newton, prince of magic. Mrs. Brown's lectures were highly appreciated and Newton's exhibition of skilled trickery was

Thursday afternoon the Winifred Townsend Company in full concert. Let the evening the Townsends again in prelude music, followed by Congressman M. Clyde Kelly of Pennsylvania.

Friday is band day, with the famous Kilties Band, accompanied by Jean Campbell, the Kilties' soloist, and piper McFay of the 42nd Highland regiment. In the afternoon the band plays fifty minutes, followed by the lecture, "Uncle Sam," by Dr. L. E. Brown. At night, the Kilties in full concert. Saturday afternoon the Stratford Opera Company in full concert. In the evening the Stratfords in prelude music, followed by the lecture by Fred Eastman, the Community expert. After Mr. Eastman's lecture the Stratford company will present the opera, "The Mikado," in costume.

John H. Engle One of Lowell's Old Time Dealers.



John H. Engle, son of Michael and Mary Engle, was born in Dolphin Co., Pennsylvania. September 3, 1837, and departed this life January 29, 1916.

He was one of a family of thirteen children consisting of eight

brothers and five sisters, some of whom survive him in his native state. When yet a boy he hired out as a teamster in our Civil

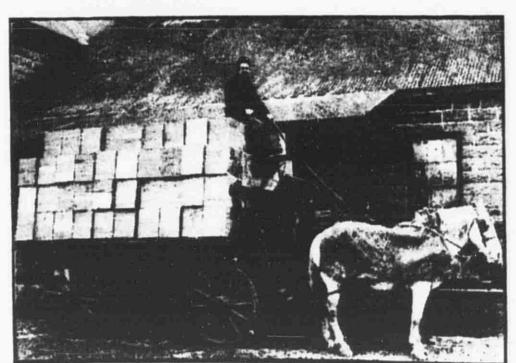
He was married to Anna Ernst in Summit Co., Ohio, December 25, 1862. In 1864 they came to Ionia county, Michigan, where he engaged in business at Ionia for a while: They then moved to Kent county, where he was associated with Elias Parker in a meat market at Lowell. After getting the market here they settled on a farm in Mecosta county near Big Rapids. In 1881 they settled on the farm west of Lowell, where he resided until his

He is survived by two sons William H. and Eugene J. Engle. both of this vicinity; one son Joseph having died when nearly two years old. His only daughter, Emma R. Engle, departed this life five years ago. His life companion preceded him to the great beyond eleven years ago.

He was well known in this vicinity being one of the first to engage in the buying and shipping of live stock from Lowell.

Funeral services were held at the home Tuesday afternoon, Rev. I. T. Weldon officiating; burial at Oakwood cemetery.

A Growing Lowell Industry



Three tons of Dining Car mince meat shipped by the Edwin Fallas Canning company to the Union Pacific Railroad company Omaha. Nebraska, January 3, 1916. The picture tells the story. Hobart A. Cole's Letter to Home Folks

Aug. 16, 1918. Somewhere in France. Dear Mother and All: I'm here at last, all safe an feel-ing pretty good now. We had a fine trip all the way. I was not sick any

This is some country over here. Climate is fine. It seems good after that hot Florida. What I have seen of France is very pretty. The only thing I have seen that is at all modern was a Ford auto with a Frenchman in it going down the

Oct. 3, 1918

THE STANDARDS OF TRUE AMERICANISM



Jan. 16, 1919

Important Announcement to Ledger Readers

Announcement Ford owners and prospective Ford buyers; Our business has grown to seperate it into different departments. The sales, stock, repair and paint departments. Each to be under a seperate management, as fol-

Department:---Mr. G. F.

Kreiser, owner manager, will conduct this department and will per-Keene, township and Lowell city. Mr. Fred Slamma to cover terri-

are equipped this year with self later. Bring your cars in for overstarters. These will be ready about haul work and have it ready when

January 15th. The demand this year is strong and much delay will be experienced in the spring unless orders are placed now for spring delivery. Cars ordered now will take four to eight weeks time for delivery from factory. Place your order now and save delay when spring

Stock Department:---Mr. Theo Bailey will conduct this department and a special effort will be put forth to keep everything on hand at all times. Special proposition to dealers on parts and accessories. Call and see us at your earliest possible

Repair Department:---Mr. A. H. Stormzand will handle this depart-Grand river in Vergennes, Ada, er before equalled in this city. His ability has been demonstrated in Mr. Fred Slamma to cover territory south of river, Lowell, Cascade, and Boston township. Tractor territory also includes Bowne and Calwill be sent to Detroit to take a six weeks course in the Ford factory repair school to learn the latest repair els except the enclosed cars which methods. We may send more men

Congratulations to

The houses are all built out of Nov. 18, 1918 tone with high stone fences around nany of them. All the cities have large gates you have to go through before you can get into them. I won't go into many details about things over here but will tell you about them when I get back. We have a large "Y" here but the only thing you can buy is tobacco and

We got paid in French money the other day. Sounded like quite a lot, about 150 francs; only trouble is

every time you buy any thing it is a franc or two or more francs. A franc is about twenty cents. had quite a time getting the hang of French money, but can spend it as

fast as American now.

Up at one "Y" one night we heard some French girls from Paris sing.

They didn't look so bad and the singing sounded pretty good; that is the music part of course. We could n't understand the words. I subscribed to the "Stars and Stripes," a paper printed for the soldiers over here. I am going to have it sent to you. It will tell you all about the soldiers' life over here. I wish you

would put them away for me. Listen, Mother dear, there is no reason for worry. I'm getting along all right and I am as contented as it is possible to be over here, only I will feel better when I can get some mail from home. Remember me to all the folks and

tell them I will try and write them. haven't had a chance to get any souvenirs yet to send but will try to get some. Be sure and tell them all to write. It has been nearly two months since I have had any mail. Has Ernie or Bill left camp yet? Love to all, your son and brother,

April 8, 1919

Holcomb Sanitarium Narrowly Escaped Destruction. Occupants Safely Removed.

The Holcomb sanitarium was badly damaged by fire and water last Friday morning and was saved from total destruction only by the prompt action of the fire department, as the fire had such a start that the case seemed almost hope-

Volunteers removed the four patients in safety from the building and most of the furnishings were carried out in good shape.

to the roof and upper portion of the house; but the deluge of water will necessitate some replastering and repapering throughout the house.

The loss was covered by insurance; and when adjustment is com-pleted, repairs will be made at once in order that the business which has come to be a necessity in the community, may be resumed as

scon as possible. Three of the least damaged rooms were re-occupied, Monday evening by Mrs. Holcomb and her patient, Mrs. Rufus Gregory. Otherwise, the sanitarium will be closed until urther notice.

spring weather opens up. Attractive rates for winter storage.
Paint Department:---C. E. Hack-

ett, with 31 years of factory experience, will make your car look from \$50.00 to \$200.00 better at a small cost. Call and get an estimate on your job. We have several completed jobs on the floor now, and can show you finishes never before

For Better Service try The Kreiser Auto Co., Lowell, Mich. Newest, Biggest, Best Garage in

GERMANY SURRENDERS. KAISER BILL ABDI-CATES AND FLEES TO HOLLAND.

EUROPE JUNKS THRONES

Lowell People Celebrate the Premature and True News in Two Great Days of Hilarious Celebration and Joyous Jollification.

he side of its front page head and over the government. inished printing and mailing.

impromptu celebration and jollifica- arrest, says a dispatch. tion, the like of which was never Schleswig-Holstein, formerly beseen in Lowell before; and which longing to Denmark, is to declare an

and confusion broke out afresh. war in history was over. and played as long as limp lips usual. permit, the well-known na-

West Ward school where an enter- amateur warfare. tainment the burning of the Kaiser! After dinner a consultation of

ing on top of a huge fire was thor- get it out of our system." oughly approved and enjoyed. After some band music, the crowd wild scenes of the Monday previhastily "beat it" to get under cover ous-or previous Monday-it was on account of a drenching rain previous in either case, were re-enwhich put a stop to further celebrat- acted. ing; and everybody went to bed Uncle Sam escorted by a soldier

fall was there, My Countrymen!" and kicked and mauled up and friend telephoned the sad news that whistles blown, bells rung and hoax, or as another expressed it, children and dragging rattling tinwas a great hoe-axe.

shown by Herald head lines. Germany signs the armistice. Revolutionists now rule all Ger- teer music makers.

the action at 2:45 this morning. "Long live republic" is cry

royal palace is seized. Autos bristling with rifles hurry Later, when bills advertising the Kaiser from country. Reports say that William Hohen- another lad wanted to know "Will zollern has fled from Germany to a there be a charge for it?"
castle near Utrecht, Holland, With Still another little chap witnessed him are the once crown prince, the wild scenes on Main street and Field Marshall von Hindenburg and the whole German general staff. Ten over replied: "Sure thing! I saw it."

the fugitives were armed

"Germany has surrendered!" | Abdication is following abdica-That was the word received in tion through the German empire. A owell by telephone from Grand Basel dispatch says William II, king Rapids last Thursday after half of Wurtemburg, has laid aside his The Ledger edition had been printer. It is believed, too, that King ed. The message was O. K.d by The Ludwig of Bavaria and King Fred-Press which had the United Press erick August of Saxony have abdiassociation for its authority. The cated. The grand duke of Hesse has edger inserted the great news by decreed a council of state to take

Leipsic, the largest city in Saxony, The news spread. Factory whis- Stuttgart, the capital of Wurtemburg, tles began blowing and bells to ring, Cologne, Frankfort and Essen, the business was adjourned, schools latter the home of the Krupp works, dismissed and everybody, big and have joined the revolution. The little, young and old, joined in an Krupp company officers are under

took but a brief recess for supper. independent republic.

Evening, and Lowell's brilliantly Such and more was the morning illuminated business street was news; and we knew that peace had thronged by thousands; and hilarity really come and that the greatest

Lowell's volunteer band, dwindled Then, business places and schools to ten men, appeared after an ad- were opened and all went through journment since Decoration day, the farce of trying to conduct as

It was useless. Boys ordered to school played C. H. Runciman mounted a truck hookey and were soon marching, on the City hall corner and invited running or motoring about town the crowd to follow the band to the armed to the teeth and conducting

sedate business heads was held, it As said, so done; and the unique was agreed to close schools and busspectacle of the Kaiser's effigy burn- iness places to celebrate ad lib and

Accordingly it was done. The

greatly elated and happy because color bearer, paraded the street dragging the Kaiser by the neck. But the next morning! "What a Other effigies of Bill were dragged Before breakfast was over a down the street. Guns were fired, the glad news of yesterday was all a automobiles loaded with shouting ware chased like mad up and down

only a matter of hours or days at At night, the volunteer band-onthe most; and Monday morning we ly eight pieces this time-did its got the real thing, and this time it little best, which wasn't much; and after several hours of pandemon-And this was the news in brief as jam, large numbers of people repared the City hall where dancing was enjoyed, thanks to more volun-

The Small Boy of It. Last Thursday noon when the fake news of Germany's surrender reached Lowell, one little urchin as asked pa "Will the soldiers be home on the three o'clock train?"

evening celebration were passed automobiles carried the party. The automobiles bristled with rifles and for the editor when they read these

Jan. 9, 1919

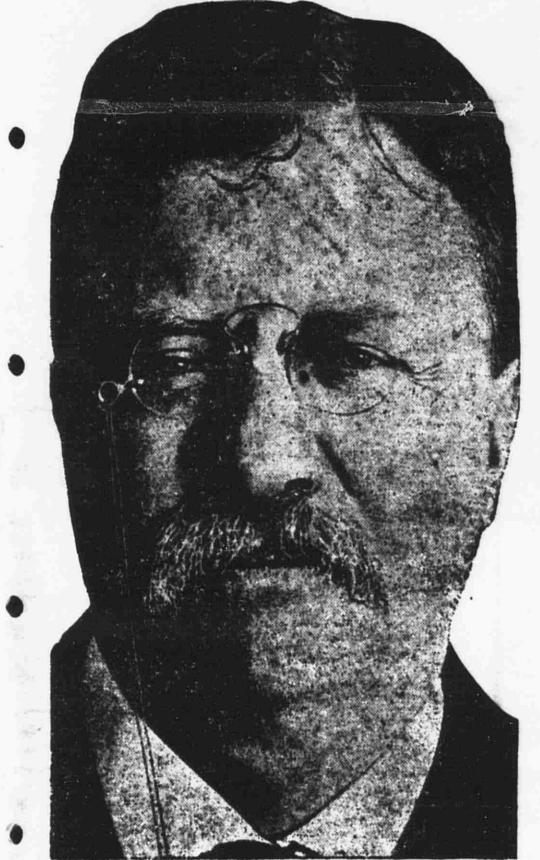
Great American President Passed Away Monday at 4:15 A. M. Oyster Bay, N. Y., Jan. 6.—Colonel Theodore Roosevelt died at his home

at Sagamore Hill at 4:15 o'clock this morning, while he slept.
A clot of blood on the heart caused his death, it was stated at the

The colonel went to bed last night feeling well. The end came when there was no

one in the room but his valet. The following statement was made to the United Press by Dr. Faller of Oyster Bay, the physician who last saw the colonel:

"Colonel Roosevelt retired at 12 o'clock last night feeling much better. At 4:15 o'clock this morning he simply ceased to breathe. Death was



THEODORE ROOSEVELT

July 8, 1920

WHOOPING COUGH EPIDEMIC. Lowell is having an unusual number of cases of whooping cough, called by the doctors, Pertussis. In the past no attention has been paid to the quarantine of this very serious disease of childhood. Pre-cautions should have been taken long before this to prevent its spread. If the doctors in town will kindly report all cases, they may have or know of, to the health officer, and the people will co-operate, as they have in the past epidemics, we ought to get this checked before cold weather, before we have some deaths among our smaller children.

Health regulations in regard to whooping cough are as follows: Cases must be reported. Conspicuous placard on the

Exclude from school children in the house who have not had whoop-

Children should be permitted go out every day, but must wear and shoulder a band of red cloth. upon which appears in substantial cloth letters, an inch high, the words "Whooping-Cough." They must not be allowed to come in contact with others who have not had the disease.

S. S. Lee, Health Officer.

Roosevelt returned home Christ-mas day from Roosevelt hospital, where he had been ill for some time Immediately after he died his son

Archie Roosevelt, who is in Boston. The house at Sagamore Hill was

closed and nobody allowed to enter the grounds after the colonel died. It was stated that physicians would issue an official announcement later Blood Clot in Artery.

Pulmonary embolism, Dr. Faller explained, is a blood clot upon one of the arteries of the lungs. The funeral will be Wednesday from Christ Episcopal church, Oys. ter Bay. The Rev. Dr. George Tall madge will officiate, and intermenwill be in the Young Memorial cem-

etery at Oyster Bay Cove. At the time of the death, the only persons in the house at Sagamore Hill were colonel Roosevelt, his wife and the servants.

Colonel Roosevelt spent Sunday evening reading, conversing with Mrs. Roosevelt and chatting with Dr. Faller, who found him apparently much improved and in excel-lent spirits. He also dictated a number of letters. Despite his recent return from the hospital, where he was confined for weeks by an at-tack of sciatica, with painful complications, he had lost none of his old-tir vigor. When Dr. Faller left him, Roosevelt was laughing and called "goodnight" most cheerfully.

Mrs. Roosevelt Was Called.

Atmidnight he retired. Mrs. Roosevelt sat with him for awhile, then as he fell asleep, she went to her room At 4:15 a. m., the man servant became alarmed and called the nurse. There was nothing that could be

done. Roosevelt was dead. Mrs. Roosevelt was called. She took the shock bravely. Dr. Faller arrived a few minutes later. Roosevelt lay as if still sleeping. He did not move in the bed as he died, but lay just as he was when his wife stepped out of the room shortly after midnight.

Had Operation Recently.

Colonel Roosevelt was 60 years

old, having been born in New York Oct. 27, 1858. He was the twenty-sixth president of the United States, having succeeded to the presidency on the death of William McKinley, who was shot and killed at Buffalo, N. Y. His health had not been very good for some time. In fact, he had left the Roosevelt hospital only a short time ago, and had gone home. Shortly before that he had undergone an operation at the hospital, and was practically deaf as a result

of it.
The life of the former president is one of the most brilliant chapters in American history. Loved and admired in some quarters, he succeeded, however, in acquiring the enmity of many prominent men, and his later life was filled with strife on one hand and preparation for even more strenuous public life on the other. It was popularly believed, in fast, that Roosevelt would make an effort to become president again at the next national election, although no expression of any kind on the subject had come from him.

Congregational Church Pastor Lash asks us to announce that owing to his illness there will be no preaching service Sunday; but it is expected that Sunday school will be held as usual.

Mr. Lash conducted services as usual last Sunday but was taken ill that night after the evening service and has been quite ill. Yesterday his son Lewis reported that the El-der was quite ill but was doing well and looking for an early recovery.

NAT'L PROHIBITION WINS

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was notified. He started for home Thirty-five States Have Ratified Prohibition Amendment to Constitution.

ONLY ONE MORE STATE NEEDED

Long Struggle for Human Decency Nearly Ended in Glorious Victory. Glory, Glory, Hallelujah. Let the Eagle Scream!



Nebraska, Missouri and Minnesota | completed are in keen competition today to be the thirty-sixth state to ratify the amendment becoming operative al

nightfall a dry nation will have be- ing ratification of the amendment come a certainty.

North Dakota

Maryland

Arizona

Louisiana

Oklahoma

Washington

North Carolina

California

Kansas

Texas

Kentucky South Carolina Montana Delaware Massachusetts Georgia Florida

West Virginia Tennessee Indiana Alabama Colorado

Oregon ed the prohibition constitutional stitution. amendment. Several state assem- "Article -, Section 1-After one

Ratification was completed today by the legislatures of five states—
Iowa, Colorado, Oregon, New Hampshire and Utah—making a total of 12 in two days. Of the 35 federal state department. They are propriate legislation.

Louisiana and Michigan. The amendment under its profrom the date of its final ratifica-tion. Additional legislation by congress 'o make it operative and senate, 65 to 20, on Aug. 1, 1917, and ground work for this already have by the houe, 282 to 128, on Dec. 17 been laid. This legislation will pre- 1917. and by what agencies the laws shall

be enforced. If ratification is completed this month many officials here believe the country will become permanent-ly "dry" next July 1, the date on cery. which the special war-time prohibition recently enacted by congress goes into effect. This law prevents the manufacture and sale of intoxicants for beverage purposes and re- which in connection with his vilmains in force until the demobiliza-tion of the nation's war armies is out of mischief for some time.

Court action to prevent the federal constitutional amendment ready has been started in California where an order temporarily re-There seems no doubt that before straining Gov. Stephens from signhas been obtained. It is intimated The 35 states which have already that similar action may be taken in other states in which, it is said, state laws require that federal constitutional amendments must be submitted to a referendum.

> The prohibition amendment reso-South Dakota lution passed by congress provides that ratification shall be by the "legislatures of the several states as provided by the constitution. Form of Resolution
> The resolution follows:

"Resolved, by the senate and house of representatives of the Uni ted States of America in congress assembled (two-thirds of each house concurring therein), that the following amendment to the consti-New Hampshire tution be, and hereby is, proposed to the states, to become valid as a Washington, Jan. 15.—Legisla- part of the constitution when rati-tures of 35 states—one less than the field by the legislatures of the sevrequired three-fourth-have ratifi- eral states as provided by the con-

blies now in session are expected to year from the ratification of this take action tomorrow with a prob- article, the manufacture, sale or able race between Nebraska, Mis- transportation of intoxicating liqusouri and Minnesota, as to which ors within, the importation thereof will be the thirty-sixth on the list. into, or the exportation thereof

states that have taken action only 14 eral states shall have concurrent have certified their action to the power to enforce this article by ap-

Virginia, Kentucky, North Dakota, Sec. 3.— This article shall be in-South Carolina, Maryland, South operative unless it shall have been Dakota, Texas, Montana, Delaware, ratified as an amendment to the Massachusetts, Arizona, Georgia, constitution by the legislatures of the several states as provided in the visions becomes effective one year from the date of the submission The resolution was passed by the

scribe penalties for violations of Mississippi was the first state to the amendment and determine how ratify the amendment, its legislature acting on Jan. 28, 1918.

> LOWELL TAX NOTICE Lowell Township taxes from now on will be received at Shaw's gro-

Frank G. Taylor, Treasurer.

Harvey Haysmer has been appointed deputy sheriff for Lowell

The Michigan State Board

Lowell Citizens Call For Enforcement of Federal Liquor Laws. Lowell, Mich., Sept. 10, 1920.

An informal, meeting of the citizens of Lowell was held at the City solution be accepted and adopted. Carried unanimously. hall on the above date, the Rev. E.

R. Cochrun, presiding. stated by the chairman to be for a authorized to appoint such men as discussion of the enforcement of he may select from those present to the laws in the Village and make serve as special deputies for the ensuch recommendations as might ap- forcement of the laws in the villpear expedient.

After a discussion of law enforcement it was the sense of the meeting that resolutions be adopted supporting the Village Council in their efforts for a rigid enforcement of the laws, especially the liquor laws, and the Chair appointed the following committee to draft cers by F. N. White, notary. suitable resolutions: D. G. Look, F. M. Johnson, H. H. Harris, C. W. Appleton, L. M. Yeiter. The following resolution

whereas it has come to the attention of the citizens of Lowell that there are flagrant violations of

Federal and State liquor laws in Lowell and vicinity, we hereby pledge our hearty support to all public officials, county, state and federal, for a more strict enforcement of said laws, Moved by P. C. Peckham, seconded by John A. Aregart, that the re-

A motion was made by John A Arehart, seconded by C. H. Runci-The object of the meeting was postate that the village president be

> Carried. The village president, M. N. Henry, made an appointment of ten

Moved by Earl Hunter, seconded

vide a place, or places, of enter-tainment along the line of club life for our young people and submit a recommendation. Carried. Moved by M. N. Henry, seconded by W. C. Doyle, that the Chair be authorized to increase the number of the committee to ten, including five ladies. Carried.

by M. N. Henry, that the Chair appoint a committee of five to inves-

tigate a proposition that would pro-

The Chair appointed the following committee: R. E. Springett, C. H. Runciman, J. M. Hutchinson, O. Yeiter, F. J. McMahon, Mrs. P. C. eckham, Mrs. Raymond Bergin, Mrs. M. N. Henry, Mrs. J. C. Smith. Mrs. C. P. Neff. On motion the committee

Moved by Earl Hunter, seconded by M. N. Henry, that a public meeting be called for next Friday evening, Sept. 17, at the City hall to receive the report of the committee on club entertainment. Carried. On motion the meeting adjourned.

H. J. Coons, secretary, Edgar R. Cochrun, chairman

Fallas Canning Company Getting Ready for Fall Campaign. The Edwin Fallas Canning com- ed a year ago. May be we should pany's new boarding house is near- n't give it away, but Mr. Fallas coning completion and promises to be fided to us that they could be sold

should such occur. The house has eleven large rooms walls or paper.

It rests on a block foundation, three tiers above the ground, which was graded up above the connections made with a sceptic tank. City water will be provid- the factory. ed, and the house will be electrical-

The company has a record-breaking season ahead to till mince meat orders already in, and a correspondingly large store of supplies. Raisins? Well, I should smile Stacks and stacks of 'em, contract-

a big asset in that company's thriv- at wholesale prices today and show

ly lighted throughout.

ing business, especially in meeting a profit of- well what many peothe help shortage proposition, ple would consider a fortune. Mr. Fallas is over 70 years young and is right on the job every day and was moved in fine shape, with Says he doesn't take any stock in scareely a crack on the plastered the Osler theory that a man should

be chloroformed at 60. He has no such word as "can't" in his vocabulary, and he has assurances of lots of help for the fall campaign. lot level and has a basement under What cannot be obtained here will the entire building. A furnace is be brought in and provided for at to be put in and toilet and bath the company's new boarding house, which is located conveniently to



Serving the Area Since 1985 Congratulations, Hair's To You!



Two Good Days, Fine Exhibits, Big Crowds, Plenty Amusements. After giving us a stormy introduc tion last Wednesday, with anything but a fair day, the weather man smiled on the Lowell fair and gave us sunstance and gentle breezes for Thursday and Friday. The crowds came and were enter-

tained; the exhibits were of good quality, and the various events passed off successfully. The parade with the splendid showing of the Lowell and vicinity schools, the Boy Scouts band, and the American Legion, was easily the

finest feature of the whole fair. HORSE RACES. The horse races at Recreation park Thursday afternoon drew a

In the 2:30 trot Dr. Draper's Don nie Sphinx won first, A. Keller's Last Chance, second, William Beav-er's Miss M. B. third, Dr. Draper's Lexie Star, fourth. Best time, half

In the free for all, Spicer & Son's Can't Tell won first, A. Keller's Echo, second. Roy Vandeusen's El-brino Bell, third, William Beaver's Direct Ideal, fourth. Best time.

In the 2:30 pace Isaac Haven's Dorothy Heron, first, Mr. Vanderlip's Agnes Spinx, second. Best The farmer's hitch and go race

was won by V. K. Bowen first, Claude Conklin, second, Charles King, third. Starting Judge Adams stated this was the fastest hitch and go race he had record of. FAIR NOTES.

Friday's ball game between the Pope Heyboers of Grand Rapids and the American Legion team of LowNIGHT CLASSES There are no fees in connec-Home Economics **PROVE POPULAR**

accept more registrations.

MAY YET JOIN

ENTHUSIASM SHOWN IN NEW-

LY ORGANIZED CLASSES

FOR ADULTS - MAY OPER-

ATE ON LARGER SCALE

Adults like to attend school.

This was plainly indicated last

Monday night when much en-

thusiasm was shown by those

who enrolled in the newly organized classes. The FERA plan

proves popular whenever tried

and it appears now that more

classes should have been organ-

ized here. School authorities have about decided that a year

from now the entire regular

school faculty will be asked to

offer one night a week for a

period of twenty weeks to those

who might wish to attend night

school. Plans shall be made ac-

cordingly. This would give op-

portunity to all to take just what

happened to be of interest to

NEXT YEAR.

Work Under Way for Needed Addi tion to Congregational Church

Property.
The Lowell Congregational church and society has engaged in the long-needed enterprise of building a suitable annex to their house of worship for Sunday school rooms and social purposes.

The addition will be made on th west end with a southern front and entrance, and will be 40x46 in dimensions, with an 8-foot basement, half of which will be above ground, and an upper floor on a level with that of the present audi-

The basement will be divided in to two class rooms, and a social room 32x34 and the upper floor will have rooms of the same size for primary department, kitchen and lecture room.

Miss Jewell was pleased to have thirty women enroll in advanced sewing. The class is so large that it will be necessary to divide the group into two sec-tions. This will be done at the meeting Friday night when all who enrolled are expected to attend. Those who were not present Monday may still enter the

Phys. Education Class for Women Paul Jones will undoubtedly be a busy man in the gymnasium. It appears that he will have a different class each night. He is particularly desirous of getting a large group of business men on Friday nights. This class will start next week because of a basketball game here tomorrow. A class for women was started last night and the women will report each Wednesday night at 7:30. Mr. Jones says "the more the merrier" and will be happy to

floward White is intoring several who are anxious to learn how to play band instruments. He plans to have "group" instruction a little later. More dults should enroll in this

be the central portion of the entire

auditorium will be enlarged at the west end to admit the installation of a new furnace under what will

> structure when completed. The foundation will be concrete to the ground level, with cement blocks to the upper floor, and the remainder will be of wood to ac-

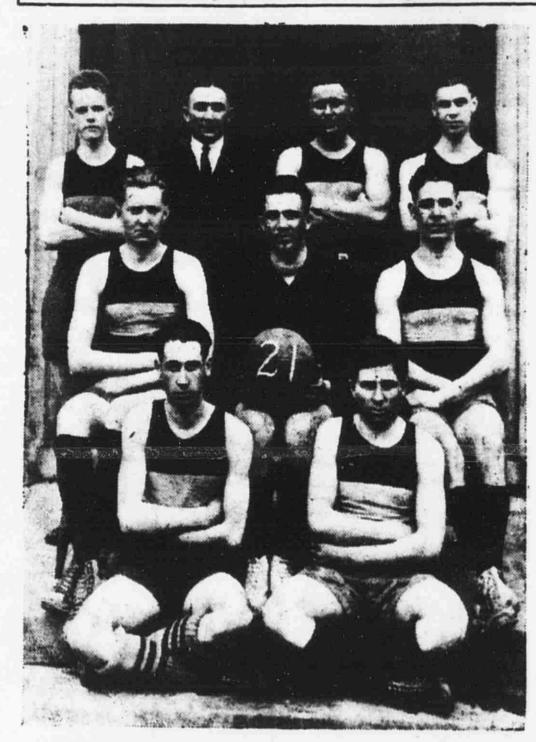
cord with the main building. Rev. Henry Bank, who has had a considerable and successful experience as a building contractor in Flint has charge of the work, which is well under way, and expects, barring unforseen difficulties, to have the work completed in sixty

The Lowell Congregational church and Sunday school have prospered under the leadership of Rev. E. R. Cochrun, and this development is the outcome of his successful ministry and loyal fol-

Kent County Basketball Champions

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Courtesy of The Grand Rapids Herald.

LOWELL HIGH BASKETBALL TEAM Reading from left to right, top row-Anderson, Coach Miller, Jones, Banks. Middle row-Borgerson, Aldrich, captain, B. Moore, Bottom row-S. Moore, Lewis.

Now is the Time

Do you want to keep well? Does your neighbor want to keep well? Then the community must get together; the community must indorse and co-operate in measures that will promote health.

Unless the people of Michigan want another season with diphtheria raging and taking the lives of innocent children in nearly every community throughout the state now is the time to learn how to take every possible precautionary measure against the disease.

We need hardly mention that in 1919 diptheria killed 755 people in Michigan and that up to December 10, 1920, 9,201 cases had been reported. These figures exceed those of any other state in the Union or country in the

Owing to the prevalence of diptheria throughout the state and in the territory surrounding Lowell, it is deemed advisable by the Board of Health and our local physicians to offer to the men women and children of this Village and Township an opportunity to become immune from this disease and thus prevent a possible epidemic rather than suffer the loss of life that usually occurs when dip-

This immunizing preparation has been thoroughly tested and is considered a harmless and permanent preventative for diptheria when used in advance of exposure to

The serum treatment will be given under the supervision of our local physicians with the assistance of a physician from the State Board of Health and any person residing within the Village or Township of Lowell may receive the treatment without charge if they present themselves at the place to be designated later.

It is understood that no one is compelled to take this treatment as it is simply offered to the people without charge in order to get this vicinity immunized from the disease as fast as possible.

In order that no treatment may be given where it is not desired parents of the school children will be given a card and asked to designate by "Yes or No" whether they desire their child to receive the treatment and their wishes will be respected.

Public health is ultimately an individual problem and only when every community and every individual assume their share of responsibility can we, by combined effort, "Make Lowell and Michigan First in Health."

The health of a community is the combined health of those living in it. It should be of interest to every individual, for upon it depends the welfare of himself and family and of his fellow citizens.

It is urged by the Local and State board of health that as many as possible will take this opportunity to become immunized from diptheria and help to stamp out a disease which is altogether too prevalent in Michigan at the pres-

LOWELL BOARD OF HEALTH.

Nov. 25, 1920

B-J Steam-Gan Generator Co., to Build New Plant Here, Makes Public Acknowledgement.

The B-J Steam-Gas Generator Co., wishes to publicly thank Mr. Doyle, president of the Lowel Board of Trade, Mr. Henry, the Village President, Mr. King, of the King Milling company, and all the members of the Council and Board of Trade for their kindness and interest, and by their invitation to the B-J Steam-Gas Generator Co., to locate their factory in the Lity of

Good roads object lesson. Showing what happened to a Grand Rapids car just east of the south end of upper Grand river bridge, Lowell, March 23, when two or more men and two teams worked in the mire

for two hours to get it out. Photo by Royden Warner. Engraving by courtesy of The Grand Rapids Her-

will add to its already commodious factory floor space, a brick hullding 40x125 feet, two stories high, work

to begin immediately on its site be-

tween the present factory buildings and the Hotel Wavery block.

This prosperous Lowell corporation held its annual meeting Tuesday and re-elected the former officers as follows:

President—J. S. Bergin.

Vice Presidents—D. G. Look, J. B.

The library hours will be from 2:00 p. m., to 8:00 p. m., on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and from 1:00 p. m.

to 8:00 p. m., on Saturdays.

There will always be the last is-

sue of each magazine on the reading

table. As the new copies come the

others will be loaned. The follow-ing is the present list of publications subscribed for: Youth's Compan-

ion, Munsey, American, World's Work, Delineator, Woman's Home

Companion, Century, Literary Di-

gest, Saturday Evening Post, Out-look, Popular Mechanics.

A little later Miss Post hopes to

organize a children's story hour.

There are several very charming story tellers in Lowell, and if they

will surely be a success, for what

child does not like stories told by

good story tellers?
Mr. Ranck, of the Grand Rapids

library has asked to come at some

time to instruct and entertain us with pictures, so you see many good things are in store for us as a re-

sult of the reorganization of our li-

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ADDITION TO FACTORY
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The Lowell Specialty company

Lowell District Library and Read-ing Rooms in Graham Flats.

While the organization of the library will not be entirely complete the new quarters for it are being prepared for the opening July 18. The rooms will be in shape then, and Miss Post will be ready to issue cards and books. There will be being and Senior reading rooms.

Junior and Senior reading rooms, besides the stack rooms. Mr. E. R. Graham is letting these rooms in

school district.

The old books are being classified and catalogued, besides being cleaned up and repaired. Seeing them classified and in order makes one

realize that there are many more and many better books than was formerly realized. As the work progresses new books will be added from time to time, and people will realize that we have a library worth

investigating.

his block at the corner of Main and Hudson, free to the village and

July 13, 1922

Through these gentlemen's efforts and their insistency they have persuaded us to locate a factory foundry in Lowell which means the employment of a large number of men at living wages. It means new homes and should interest every man and woman in the City of Lowell from the stand-point of the

increased value of their property.

The B-J Steam Gas Generator is a scientific device which converts a gas motor into a steam-gas motor. We can say that we have been organized about sixty days and we

Secretary-Manager, J. A. Arehart. Treasurer, D. G. Look. The secretary's report showed that

year, like its predecessors for fifteen years, during which time the com-pany's factory has had no close-

down except for occasions like that of Monday and Tuesday, when an electric bolt struck the village transformer station and cut off the need-

During the past year the company has added to its equipment \$8,000 worth of up-to-the-minute machin-

ory to insure its supremacy in the sprayer manufacturing field.

It is indeed true that the good have contracts signed and money citizens of Lowell have made no paid in advance on over a million mistake in putting the future pros- generators which means about fourteen million dollars, which mean that most of the money

circulate in your city. When you stop and think there are over seven million hundred thousand automobiles, and each one is a prospect buyer, not only because of the high price of gasoline, but from the fact that we guarantee to double the mileage any car and eliminate carbon, which causes ninety per cent of motor troubles, together with more power and speed. We can prove to any car owner that by the use

miles of travel. We expect to break ground in few days for our foundry and plant that will employ from one hundred to two hundred men. We wish all the unemployed men that want to connect with our corporation with a heart and soul to apply at our office, 345 Monroe Ave., Grand Rapids.

B-J Steam-Gas

Generator Co., Inc.

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much misunderstanding of the pro position to be voted upon April that many think the question is "Shall we bond the state for \$50,000,000?" Whereas the proposition Splendid Addresses Given at City Hall Last Evening. A small but representative number of Lowell and vicinity people at-

and they were well repaid.

M. N. Henry presided and excellent addresses were given by P. T. Colgrove, president of the Michigan State Good Roads association, and State Highway Commissioner Frank F. Rogers.
Mr. Colgrove stated that there is

tended the good roads meeting at the Lowell City hall last evening

is to amend the constitution so tha the state may bond for internal improvements and the \$50,000,000 is the limitation provided beyond which the state shall not go. He explained that back in the early days o statehood, Michigan became involved in the Michigan Central railroad and canal construction and then made future bonding for internal improvements prohibitive and now while villares, townships, cities and counties can issue bonds

METHODIST CHURCH HOUSE DEDICATED FREE FROM DEBT.



Photo by Verne Ashley.

The splendid new church or community house built in connection with the Lowell Methodist provided. church was formally dedicated Suncharging event Sunday morning and sermon by Rey, Russell H. Bready, the big gathering of present and subject: "I believe in God the former Lowell people who came to Father Almighty," and a whirl-wind

The Specialty company will give a picnic to its employees and stockhottlers and their families at Happy Allen's Campau lake pavilion on Saturday afternoon, August 12, at which time a company of from 200 to 300 will enjoy an afternoon of "The Four Square City."

sport, and a supper to be served by Mr. and Mrs. Happy Allen.

The good fellowship thus evidenced between company and employees doubtless has some bearing on its long continued prosperity. hear the famous and popular Dr. Bready, of Pontiac, and his lecture: The new addition to the Methodist by the membership and friends. church property—the front eleva- In the evening came another fine

tion of which is shown above—is of red brick, corresponding nicely with the old building, of which it now forms a part, 77 feet long, and 32 feet wide at one end, and 49 at the other. In the basement is a well-equipped kitchen, 15-30, a dining room, 28x60, the east end of which is divided by doors and will be used by the primary department, be used by the primary department. Toilet rooms with shower baths are also provided. In the second story is a room 30x60, with gallery 15x 30, and two class rooms on south side, which will be called Recreational hall and will be used as the young people's department, for Sunday school classes or social and recreational work. In the West end is a greatest defender of all these the good citizen must see his duty in its tional work. In the West end is a room 15x30, which will be called the Ladies' parlor and used for prayer meetings and Sunday school work. The gallery will be used for Sunday school classes. One or of Protestant denominations and harmonious throughout and has parsonage for painting, redecorat-

At the opening Friday evening mearly 300 people were served to a six o'clock dinner by the Ladies' hold him to his promise. Aid society, under the capable direction of Mrs. M. C. Greene.

Followed a home-coming service under the chairmanship of Pastor Harris, Former Pastors Jerrett, Wooten, and Nease, and Rev. J. H Westbrook, who was present at the dedication of the church 53 years ago, and served as pastor of neighboring churches for many years, participated in addresses of congratulations for the splendid accom-

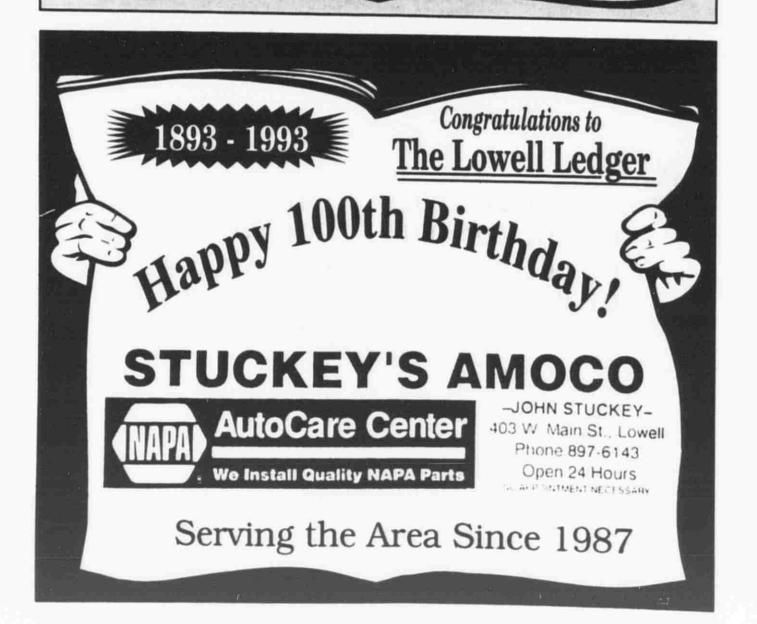
plishment and of counsel for mak-ing the most and best of facilities Vocal and instrumental music were provided, the latter by the excellent congregation which packed the auditorium to the doors by Former Pastor Bready, of Pontiac, and Pastor Bready, of Pontiac, an tor Harris at the conclusion of a successful opening and church home coming service Friday evening, and enthusiastic service and debt distributed by the choir, a duet by Mrs. Herman Strong and Mrs. C. J. Collar, and a sermon by Bey, Bussell H. Bready.

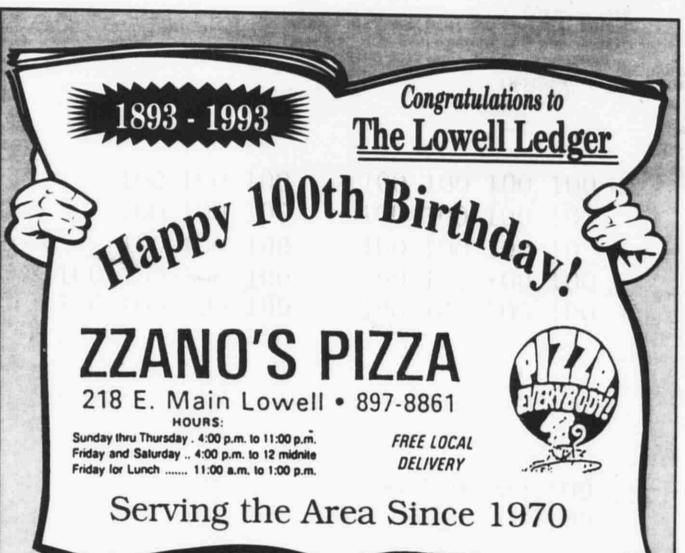
the new church house was assumed

room is provided as pastor's study. The entire building is furnace heated, electrically lighted and has hot and cold water. The finish is neat Preceding the lecture needs of the

been completed under the capable ing of the church auditorium and a supervision of Rev. Henry Bank new garage to compare with the and Pastor Harris, at an expense of balance of the church property were \$15,000. In many places under pre- presented, and a few additional subvailing conditions it is likely the ex- scriptions from some not present at pense would have been from \$20,000 | the morning service were taken. Mr. Bready promised that when this

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GEORGE H. McMILLEN OF ATH ENS, MICH, IS THE NEW

Owing to long continued ill health, . M. Johnson, founder of and publisher of this paper for thirty years, has sold the same to Mr. George H. McMillen, founder of The Lake Odes-sa Times, and for fifteen years publisher of the Athens Times.

The new publisher took possession Tuesday morning, Oct. 2, and the retiring editor will be pleased to pre-sent his friends to him at the old stand during the next several weeks as he shall be settling up his long standing affairs.

Mr. McMillen and his excellent wife and chldren, Lola and Hugh, will occupy the house recently va-cated by W. L. Merriman at 419 Monroe avenue north. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson will con-

tinue to reside at Sevenoaks, where they hope to greet their many friends from time to time. By the terms of the sale all sums

due The Ledger for advertising and printing are payable to F. M. Johnson, by whom all bills against the concern to time of sale will be paid. All advance paid subscriptions will be continued by Mr. McMillen, to whom all sums due on subscription are payable.

The retiring publisher confidently asks and expects that the loyal support so long given to him be transferred to his successor. Without the co-operation of the public he cannot succeed; with it he can not fail.

Frank M. Johnson.
Lowell, Michigan, October 2, 1923.

No The Ledger Has Not Been Sold

Rumors generally circulated about town during the past two weeks that The Ledger had been sold were founded on nothing more substan-tial than the wish-bone of the pro-spective buyer, who proved to have more wind than money.

While the editor has been advised that his health would benefit by a change of business, we have no dis-position to sacrifice the business-

We expect to be here a long time yet and business entrusted to us will be gladly accepted and taken care

While these rumors-considering the outcome-were matters of regret to us, they brought out some unlooked for testimonials of appreciation, which will be prized. Even some whose business we have fought in years past, have given us a good word. Guess they know it was the business and not them we were after; and that was true.

Aug., 1923



OUR NEW PRESIDENT



PRESIDENT CALVIN COOLIDGE

Pioneer Editor Returns to Lowell

WEBSTER MORRIS COMES BACK TO SCENES OF BOYHOOD AFTER 50 YEARS



Mr. Morris as he was when he lived in Lowell

Webster Morris, founder of The Lowell Journal in 1865, after an absence of many years returned to Lowell last week to visit the graves of his parents at Oakwood cemetery,

mal and hurriedly arranged dinner given at Hotel Waverly Friday, af-ternoon by Frank T. King, who as a lad of 5 years, was present when Mr. Morris pulled off the first edition of Lowell's first newspaper on a hand press and remarked—so Mr. Morris states—that the sight 'Made

Seated at the table were Webster Morris, F. T. King, A. D. Oliver R. D. Stocking, Frank N. White, W. S. Winegar, J. A. Arehart, R. VanDyke, J. M. Hutchinson, Dr. S. S. Lee, D. G. Mange, F. M. Johnson, D. G. Look and E. D. McQueen.

After an excellent repast, cigars and impromptu talks followed with Mr King as toastmaster, all at table participating in a round of reminiscences and felicitations for the guest of honor, returned to the scenes o his early manhood after an absence of half a century.

Mr. Morris is now 83 years old and has retired from business life, having in recent years lost his wife and feeling that life now has for him little worth while. He is, however, a well-preserved man for his years and was much pleased with his visit

The Journal was started July 13 1865, and Mr. Morris continued with the paper until 1873, when he sold to James W. Hine, who had for some time been associated with him as a

It is proposed that Mr. Morris repeat his Lowell visit two years from now, when, no doubt, a greeting fitting the occasion will be given him; and The Ledger cheerfully joins in the hope that our pioneer editor may be here in good health

DO YOU OWE THE LEDGER? The notice under this head last week met with a gratifying response from many. For the convenience of others who may wish to comply with the reuest to "square up" The Ledger office will be open from 7:30 to 9 o'clock, p. m., Saturday.

The Sayings and Doings of Our Home Folks

Remember the free movies at Al-to Tuesday evening. Jay Dintaman of Indiana is visiting his brother Elmer. Miss Mary Sinclair visited friends in Rockford last week.

Rev. and Mrs. Beckett are spending the week in Albion. Miss Irene Chapple is home from Lansing for the summer. Frank McNaughton went to Lansing Tuesday on business.

Mrs. Sydnam's friends will be glad to know she is improving. Albert Duell made a business trip to Lowell Tuesday morning.

Mrs. John Keiser and family of Ionia visited relatives here Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas of Freeport spent Thursday at Frank Allerding's. Mrs. Konkle is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Alice Weaver, at Hastings. Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Stauffer and little grandson were in Alto Mon-

Mr. and Mrs. Deroy Wood visited at Ed. Chapple's last Wednesday eve-Nellie Mohler of Muskegon is vis-iting her cousin, Esther Bunker, this

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Thomas Curley has traded his se-dan for a Cadillac roadster. It's a peach. Frank McNaughton and wife spent Sunday with his sister in Grand

Mrs. Mack Watson and little daughter spent Tuesday at A. J. Misses Vada and Helen Linton are visiting their aunt, Mrs. Madson of Greenville.

Mrs. Lucy Duell entertains the girls' classes of the M. E. and Bap-tist Sunday school Saturday even-

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Anderson and family and the Thomas Griffin family were in Lowell Wednesday shop-

William Anderson and son Joe were in Grand Rapids Friday of last week and called on his son Jay and Miss Orpha Bunker spent Friday night with Frances Klahn and at-tended, the parish party at West Lowell.

Bert Sydnam and of wife of Elk-ton were called to the bedside of his mother, Mrs. Lucinda Sydnam, who

Mrs. Norris and daughter of Detroit visited her daughter, Mrs. Carroll Sadler, and attended the funeral of William Acheson of Keene.



Listen, Friend

If you want a good Home Paper, you'll have to go some to find a better value than The

Lowell Ledger and Alto Solo

Try it and see. The regular 10-page edition is sold for \$2.00 per year or \$1.00 for six months. The 6-page local edition, with all the home news, is only \$1.50 per year or 75c for six months.

If you want to advertise

in a good home paper that reaches the homes of Lowell, Alto, McCords, Ada, Elmdale, Moseley, Vergennes, Boston, Keene, Bowne, Cascade, Grattan, etc., etc., this is the paper to do it in to get the biggest returns for the least money. And as for

JOB PRINTING

That's our second name. Good work, prompt service and low prices. Go elsewhere and you'll fare worse, pay more and be sorry.

The Lowell Ledger

F. M. Johnson, Proprietor "30 Years on the Job"

THE LEDGER'S FARM DEPARTMENT

Carefully Compiled Information That Will Be Of Help To The Progressive Farmer

Looking Back..

on 1923-1932

What truly struck me about

this time period (1923-1932)

was how the Ledger truly rep-

resented a community news-

The front page was filled

each week with community

announcements about what

was happening in Lowell. The

front page was also a venue

for church and wedding news.

what the Jones' were doing,

there was a weekly column

entitled Solo Bugle Notes. It

reported on the sayings and

filled with what is commonly

known as filler. In the early

days of the Ledger, the com-

munity paper paid for a ser-

vice which provided news

items and columns. This was

referred to as boiler plate

material, because the columns

and stories were already pro-

cessed onto a thin metal sheet.

news section which provided condensed reports of what

happened nationally, domestically and foreign news.

The Ledger also printed

Some of the authors high-

Up until 1931 ads were

lined up the whole left side of the Ledger front page. A for-

ger on page two was Uncle

Marcus (alias Frank M. John-

on nearly every issue. John-

son, time and time again wrote

on the evils of drinking and

had little tolerance for those

paper to R.G. Jefferies.

In 1930 Johnson sold the

Bootlegging was reported

sify it as a "shopper."

son, publisher).

lighted were Zehn Grey, Victor Rosseau and Sidney

Herschel Small.

serial stories for its readers to

follow along with each week.

Examples of what was sent

The rest of the paper was

doings of the home folks.

So that everybody knew

By Thad Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Charlie Stocking Seaplane Victim

WELL ENOWN LOWELL MAN NEAR DRATH WHEN SEA FLYER FELL.

Charles D. Stocking of Detroit, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Stocking of Lowell, experienced army aviator, was seriously injured Tuesday afternoon when a new seaplane which he and another aviator were trying out, crashed into a tree on Belle Isle and fell to the ground.

The Detroit News published the following.:

The first attempt of Russel North and Charles D. Stocking, former army aviator, to fly a seaplane resulted in a crash and their serious injury a minute after the plane left the water Tuesday afternoon. It fell on Belle Isle, narrowly missing a group of picnickers.

Stocking suffered a fracture of the skull at the base of the brain, and physicians at R eceiving Hospital fear he is dying. North has concussion of the brain, and his condition today was regarded as still critical.

The seaplane was one owned by Richard Locke, 295 Marlborough avenue, son of David H. Locke, president of the Locke Pattern Co. It was brand new, its first trip having been made during the morning. Its pilot for the morning trip was Locke, and he prounced it perfect in every respect.

In the afternoon, North, 30 years ald, who lives at 490 Newport avenue, and Stocking, 27, 159 Phillip

avenue, started to take the machine into the air. Their experience with land planes convinced them that they would have no difficulty, and until they were clear of the Detroit river near the head of Belle Isle they seemed justified.

But soon after they left the water the seemlane became unmanageable. But soon after they left the water the seaplane became unmanageable, witness declared. They barely missed a mast of a small yacht near the Detroit Yacht Club, and swerved low over the Belle Isle bath house. Thousands on the island, watching the ship's uncertain course and sensing the impending fall, fled or watched spellbound.

Then, after it had swooped over the road and past the police station, it struck a tree and fell, upside down. Both men were caught underneath, The seaplane, valued at \$12,000, is a total loss."

Word received here Wednesday vening from Mrs. Charles Stocking was encouraging. He was conscious and talked with his sister, Mrs. Hazel Kropf of Saginaw, who had gotte there immediately on learning soite there immediately on learning of the accident. An X-ray was to have been taken Wednesday evening but up to 3 p. m., Thursday no report of same had been received in

Later—Just as we go to press, word comes by phone that the X-ray shows no fracture, that while he is suffering greatly Charlie is expected to recover, also that he was not driving the plane, was just a passen-

MOTHER:- Fletcher's Cas-

toria is a pleasant, harmless Sub-

stitute for Castor Oil, Paregoric,

Infants in arms and Children all ages.

Children Cry for

Teething Drops and Soothing Syrups, especially prepared for

To avoid imitations, always look for the signature of Chart Hetchere Proven directions on each package. Physicians everywhere recommend it

In the year 1900 D, G. Look and square feet of floor space at at the operate overtime to fullest capacity W. A .Watts conceived the idea of present time have one hundred em- Furthermore, from time to time they manufacturing Sprayers, belleving ployees.

that the time was not far distant

ed from the start, and a building corners of the earth.

have installed new machinery which Sprayers in all styles and sizes are now being manufactured in large

25th ANNIVERSARY OF THE LOWELL SPECIALTY COMPANY

when all living vegation would quantities and are being shipped not day many operations are done by have to be sprayed if marketable only to every State in the Union, but machinery that in past years seemed fruit and vegetables were to be also to many foreign countries. grown. They started in one room They always have used the slogan At the present time sprayers are

over the Rouse blacksmith shop em- "Lowell Goods of Quality" and in being turned out at the rate of apploying one man, using a room locat- the year 1923 had the word "Lowell" proximately 50,000 each week and ed in the City State Bank for an of- copyrighted and adopted same as even with this tremendous output fice. This arrangement, of course, their Trade Mark so that today every the demand for "Lowell-Quality-Meranswered their requirements, but a sprayer is stenciled, thus spreading chandise," has increased to such an very short time as business prosper- the name and fame of Lowell to all extent that plans are now being laid

to take care of the business during was purchased on Main street, which To keep up with their rapidly in- 1926, orders being already on file to was a nucleus of the present factory, creasing business since January of keep the factory assured of steady

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which comprises better than 60,000 this year it has been necessary to operation.

July, 1924

LOWELL'S BIG FREE CHAUTAUQUA TUES., WED., THURS. FRI. JULY 28-29-30-31

A RARE TREAT FOR THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY

PROGRAM FOR THE FOUR-DA SESSION GIVEN BELOW

mat like that today might clas-MUTUAL-MORGAN BUREAU An nounces ALL-STAR 1925 Another well read column Program. found each week in the Led-

DIRECTION OF GLEN MacCADDAM

INLAND CIRCUIT FIRST DAY-Afternoon. RGANIZATION OF JUNIOR CHAUTAUQUA....Junior Director

CONCERT Stromgren Duo ENTERTAINMENT ..S. Platt Jones SECOND DAY-Afternoon.

1 ECTURE A. L. Flude "The Fairyland of the Orient." Evening. CONCERT

..... Howard Orchestral Quintette I ECTURE A. L. Flude One Thousand Miles Thru Siberia." THIRD DAY-Afternoon. INTERTAINMENT Elias Day Players Dramatic Sketch LECTURE Ethel Irwin "A Day in Mexico"

Evening. PLAY Elias Day Players "Pollyanna" FOURTH DAY-Afternoon. I RELUDE . . The American Glee Club LECTUREFrank S. Regan

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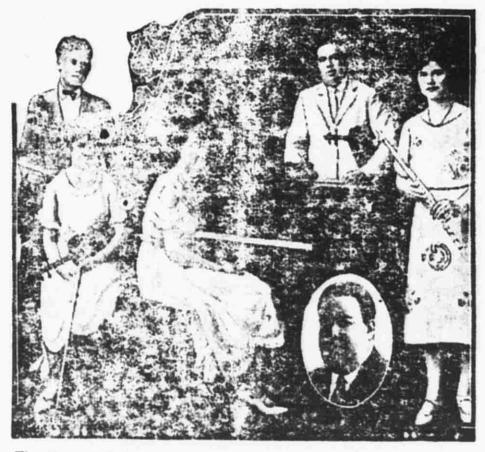
"The Fool Taxpayer"

THE AMERICAN GLEE CLUB



fore the American Public, made up of a personnel of fine clean-cut American young men. In their five years of experience they have acquired a splendid ensemble of voices and a knack of keeping their audiences interested every minute of the time. As a singing organization its emsemble work ranks with the best, while the instrumental and character specialties make for a well-bal-

HOWARD ORCHESTRAL QUINTETTE



The Howard Quiatette is a thoroughly artistic and effective platforn, of fering. The Director and Manager, JOHN E. HOWARD, has been known to concert patrons for years as one of the musical geniuses of the platform. His ability lies in his interpretation of the music of the masters through his own musicianship as well as with the help of his assisting artists. Mr. Howard's brief explanations of all numbers give added interest and pleasure. In this little orchestra is a company of artists who are able to put into our hearts an understanding and a love for the finest things in music.

Simon Pettit, whose illness was recorded in our last issue, passed away at his home in this village Saturday night in his ninety-sixth year. Funeral services were held at the Methodist church Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. L. H. Nixon officiating. Burial at Oakwood cemetery by the Masonic fraternity, assisted by a guard of honor of the American



SIMON PETTIT Pastc: Nixon in his funeral ad-

dress incorporated the following: The funeral service marks the passing from our midst of a distinguished Christian gentleman. The birth of Simon Pettit, May 30, 1830. in Yates, Orleans county, New York, was followed by 23 years of residence in that community from whence he came to Michigan, where in the good providence of God he

Before the Civil war he was engaged as a grain cradle maker.

lived for seventy-two years.

As a soldier of the union he served his country for three years as first se' geant of Company L of 26th Michigan Infantry; I've was wounded in the skirmish at Mine Run in 1863. He had the distinction of being the second o'lost soldier to attend the Grand Army encampment in September in Grand Rapids.

With the exception of 10 years spent in Grand Rapids he spent the majority of his years afte: the war. until his retirement in Lowell, 15 years ago, on the farm purchased by him at the close of the war.

He had the further distinction of being the only surviving charte: Lodge. He was reputed to be the oldest member of the Masonic order in the state and was highly regarded and affectionately attended by his fraternal brothers. His fraternal relations were established after a long trip on horseback to Sturgis in 1854.

He distinguished himself and the church, by a long, consistent and devoted attendance upon its services. When 40 years of age he came under the ministry of a Rev. Mr. Pierce in the second street Methodist Church in Grand Rapids. At that time he was converted and joined that church. When he moved to Lowell he brought his membership to this communion.

His wife preceded nim to 'est 12 years ago. He is survived by Mrs. Ava Wardell of Lowell, Mrs. Nellie Huffard, Grand Rapids, daughters, and four grandchildren, Claud S. Wa'dell, Earl P. Wardell, L. F. Wardell all of Grand Rapids and May-

KING MILL CO. **SUFFERS LOSS**

SECTION OF OLD MILL WENT IN-TO RIVER WITH 40,000 WEIGHT. OF CORN

other unknown cause, a three story section of the King Milling com-

1925

GUN MEN GET 10 TO 20 YEARS

HAVE BEGUN LONG TERM IN JACKSON PRISON - PAT BOWES GETS BENEFIT GIFT PURSE.

The business people of Lowell, headed by the Lowell banks, have made voluntary gifts to a substanfial purse to in part reimburse Former Deputy Sheriff Pat Bowes, for his losses and expenses in his successful pursuit and capture of the De Valley gun men, whose robbery designs upon Lowell business places were disclosed in this

paper last week.
Those who wish to contribute to this act of justice can do so at the City State bank.

pany's east side mill fell from the

west wall into the river with a bin

of shelled corn, containing about

40,000 lbs, entailing a loss of about

John Callier and Ed. Allen had been

loading the bin and left that section

less than five minutes before.

\$2,000, Saturday at 2 p. m.

From Monroe, Mich.; comes the following news as to the faring of the aforesaid gunmen in the Cirde aforesaid gunnen in the Circuit court at that place.

Monroe, Oct. 23.—Jay Le Valley, 19, and Orville Le Valley, 22, both of Toledo, Saturday were sentenced to state prison for 10 to 20 years each by Circuit Court Judge Jesse L. Itoot following their plea of guilty of robbery while against

guilty of robbery while armed.

The Le Valleys were charged with holding up former Deputy Speriff Pat Bowes, of Lowell, on Sept. 26, stripping him of his clothing and leaving him virtually nude in a woods while he was conducting them to Toledo to face an automo bile theft charge.

Sept. 30, 1926

PAT BOWES OUT **BUT NOT DOWN**

ARRESTS MAN-KILLER AND CHUM IS ROBBED BY THEM IN TOLEDO WILDS. LEFT NEARLY NAKED.

Pat Bowes-long time terror to evil-doers in Lowell and vicinity, as village marshal and deputy-sheriff, is now his own boss, having been dismissed from the latter office by Sheriff Smith, ostensibly for the alleged reason that he had overstepped the limits of his authority in having attempted to deliver a prisoner to police authorities in another state, without sheriff's say-so. Mr. Rowes informed the that he quits his illy-paid office with a clear conscience and a clean record and wonders if Mr. Smith will do as much.

The deputy, who is "Pat" to evcrybody about Lowell, is now restng up from a rough and rugged experience with desperate gun men, thankful to be alive. And thereby hangs a tale which Mr. Bowes tells The Ledger somewhat as fol-Saturday morning the deputy was

called to the Needham farm south of Lowell, where he arrested two fellows who were found asleep in a car which was well supplied with taken from stores. The men, afterward, found to be Orville Lavillea, a man-killer, navy deserter and escaped Leavenworth prisoner, and his cousin, Jack Lavillen, giving no satisfactory account of themselves, were arrested by Bowes and brought to Lowell and lodged in the City hall jail, no difficulty being experienced in doing so. The car in their possession being from Toledo. Pat telephoned the chief of police and ascertained that the car was stolen, that there was a reward out

Presence of a girl in the stolen the car and the thieves. As Bowes was going to Toledo with Frank Gould to drive home a car, he volunteered to deliver the pris-

oners there. Accordingly, they set out, Mr. Gould driving, Pat in the front seat with him and Jurdon Moore and the two prisoners in the rear seat, the latter being hand-

When about fourteen miles out of Toledo, the prisoners took command of the party with a gun, took Bowes' gun from him and directed Gould how and where to drive, showing much familiarity with the roads thereabouts. After considcrable driving, which seemed like two hourse to the officers, the three Lowell men were driven into a woods and directed to divest themselves of their clothes, which they did together with Pat's \$250 watch. a present to him, \$25 in money, his wallet, papers and keys, while Gould lost \$85 and Moore \$5 or \$6. The gun men drove away leaving our friends in their underclothes, but promising to leave the clothes lown the road a safe distance

Passers by paid no attention Pat's distress signals and he went to the first farm house with the farmer's consent to use the telephone. startling the three women there by his most unusual appearance. There he apprised the Toledo chief of police of the situation, of himself and companions, and the escape of his erstwhile prisoners.

Two officers were sent to meet them and convey them to headquarters where the chief gun man was identified in the rogue's gallery by the three Lowell men and a dragnet of police was put out. Mr. Bowes declares the gun was

not concealed in the stolen car but believes it was conveyed to them by some of his Lowell enemies, he having found a ladder at the jail rear placed at the window. He states further that the Lavilleas explained their easy arrest to the deputy alone by saving they "were not prepared" at that time, and that there was a gang in Lowell who were "going to

car previous to the arrest was indicated by powder puffs and other la-las and Bowes had called the county sheriff's office suggesting an attempt to locate her in Grand Rap1993 Special Centennial Issue — Page 26

collapse occurred; but Mr. Allen, who was in the building, declares that the sound was not unlike that of the crash of two cars in collision.

Mr. Callier, who has been in the .Fortunately there was no loss of employ of The King Milling comlife or limb, although two workmen, pany for many years, declares that the accident was not due to overloading, as the supporting timbers were found intact after the bin and surrounding floor were not loaded to Mr. Callier was on the way to the office across the river when the

Mr. King informed The Ledger section will begin at once and that operations at that mill will be re sumed in a week or ten days.

It is interesting to note that the mill in question is one of the oldest pioneer buildings in Lowell and that its first section was built by Cyprian S. Hooker 78 years ago and was added to by Hatch and Craw in the sixties. The break occurred in the newer structure where the two join,

1925

SUPERIOR FURNITURE CO. COMES TO LOWELL. BUYS

COMPANY EMPLOYING ABOUT FIFTY MEN TO BEGIN OPERATIONS HERE DECEMBER 1

LOWELL WORKMEN PREFERRED. REFITTING OF DRY KILN NOW UNDER WAY. COUNCIL MAKES GOOL WILL POWER OFFERING

The Superior Furniture company ion has become necessary. for its use, the first act being the The officers of the company are: taking down of the "For Sale" sign Harry Widdicomb, president. that has "graced" its front for sever- C. N. Adams, vice president.

In an interview granted The Led- perintendent. ger at its office Tuesday, Secretary Higgins stated that the necessary machinery has been pulchased and The company is incorporated un-

It is expected that the Lowell fac- John Roughley and assistants are

here from Grand Rapids, Lowell ments can be made. workmen will be given the prefer- Mrs. Higgins and four little Higgive an honest day's work for an the party. honest day's pay. Those who own It is pleasing to add that the Lowtheir own homes or will acquire ell Village council appreciative of

operations in a small way six years a good will send off. ago, making high-grade office chairs Applications for employment by throughout the country and expans- ley at the factory.

of Grand Rapids has bought the Work will continue at the Grand Lowell property of the Ypsilanti Rapids factory for a tine at least Reed Furniture company and has and it is expected that fu ther exalready begun fitting the property be required in the near future.

Anthony Disk, treasurer and su-

E. B. Higgins, secretary and gentral manager.

that work of installing same would der Michigan laws, with home office in Grand Rapids.

tory will begin operations in part taking out the old equipment in the by December first, gradually increas- dry kiln preparatory to installing a ing the same until the first of Jan- new and up-to-date outfit. Rails uary when it is planned to have the from the Pere Marquette side tracks factory in complete running order.

Forty-five men are now employed in the Grand Papids factors and lumber sheds will be built to cover them. in the Grand Rapids factory and as Mr. Higgins expressed himself as

many or more will be employed here. well pleased with the reception and Aside from a dozen pivotal men, prospects of his company in Lowell expert machinists and skilled fur- and expects to make his home here niture we kers who will be brought as soon as the necessary arrange-

ence. It is not the policy of the gins youngsters accompanied him Superior Furniture company to on his Lowell visit Tuesday and were bring in cheap foreign workmen. domocilled for the day with Secre-Experienced machine men and fur- tary E. R. Kniffin of the Lowell niture workers and some common Board of Trade, and Mrs. Kniffin at labor will be needed and a square Promentory Point. The mothers of deal will be given to men who will Mr. and Mrs. Higgins were also of

the fact that the Superior Furniture We infer from Mr. Higgins' re- Company comes to Lowell buying its marks that cordial and friendly re- own property with its own money lations exist between the officers and asking no favors, offers the comand workmen of the company, at the pany through Village President O. J. Grand Rapids factory, which began Yeiter a gift \$500 worth of power as

and high-grade living room and machinists, furniture and cabinet novelty tables in solid mahogany and makers and finishers can be made black walrut, until now its product with Secretary Kniffin of the Lowell is sold in be best furniture stores Bookd of Trade or with Mr. Rough-

YPSILANTI-REED PLANT

The first school house stood on the bank of Flat river near where Mrs. Hooker now lives. This was a log building with just one room. The next school house stood where the M. E. church now stands and was a frame building with one room but had two teachers. Then came the old white school house that stood where the present high school now stands and was built by M. N. Hine. The first time the old bell was rung it tolled for one of the teachers, Elizabeth Cambell, who had just died.

LOWELL'S FIRST SCHOOL FROM

A DRAWING MADE BY THE

LATE J. S. HOOKER.

Then they built a bridge across Grand river in the same place that Then came the Grand Trunk railroad and their tirst station was up near the Henry Alden farm and was called Frogsville. Ben Wright ran a stage from Lowell to Frogsville to carry the passengers. About this same time Mr. Hooker built the Franklin hotel and was also postmaster.

This is only some of the early history of Lowell as I recall it. Mrs. Harriet Sherman, Mistress of the water melon patch.

SH! LOWELL HAS A BIG HEN ON

LOWBLL CHICK HATCHERY NOW OPERATING-STEP-MOTHER COVERS 45,000 EGGS AT A SETTING. Professor Foreman reports a

very promising outlook for the success of his chick hatchery established in Lowell. Orders have been received by him from nearly every State cast of the Rocky Mountains and from three Canadian Provinces. Within two weeks shipments will be started as far east as Maine, as far south as Florida, and west to Colorado. Chicks may be safely shipped to any point within a seventy-two hour shipping radius. This is made possible by a provision of Nature to furnish the chick with a three days' supply of food in the form of egg yolk which is absorbed by the chick just a few hours before hatching.

The incubators installed in the Foreman hatchery are of the electric type being heated and operated entirely by electricity. Each machine represents a hatching capacity of 15,000 eggs and the three units now installed give a combined capacity of 45,000 eggs at each set-

The electric incubators are now recognized as the leading machine on the market for economy of operation and actual hatching results, producing large, vigorous chicks that compare very favorably with the best hen hatched chicks and are as easily raised as chicks incubated by natural methods. The advantage of the electric type of incubator or other types is

the steadier flow of heat and better means of controlling moisture. This enables the operator to prevent excessive drying which usualy results in small weak undersized chicks and also allows the chick to take the full twenty-one days, the required time for complete and normal development. Premature or delayed hatching, resulting from excessive or deficient heat supply is not condusive to the production of strong healthy chicks.

Another good old-time friend and brother has journeyed on ahead to that bourne from whence no travel-Genial, sunny, kind and jovial

Capt. Miller, Marsh, Moore, Herron. Bottom row-Alexander, Holland, Bowler, Sterkins, Archart, Sterkins.

Lowell High School---Kent County Champions

Upper row, from left to right: Coach Finch, Dawson, Wieland, Richmond, Morse, Golumbo, Claus, Mid lle row-Alexander, Parsons, Buck,

Coach Finch was forced to develop virtually a new team this year. Only six members of the squad have had previous experience on the

gridiron, and only three of these had been regulars. By overwhelming Grandville, 51-0, Lowell became undisputed champions of Kent county. Victories were scored over Grand Rapids Technical, Rockford, Sparta, and Grandville. Defeats were suffered at the hands of

Greenville and Fremont, while tie games were played with Ionia and Coopersville. Lowell scored 11 points to 41 for the opposition.

Frank N. White has left us, sad and mournful, but better because we have known and loved him. Returning to his home after

short drive Sunday afternoon he was stricken with neuralgia of the heart and told Mrs. White that he believed his time had come, requesting her to call the doctor and "the boys." The former came quickly and administered a stimulant, but in a few moments he was beyond all human aid. All was well with him but he had left a stricken wife and family behind.

Funeral services were held at the White home Wednesday at 2 o'clock p. m., his pastor, Rev. L. H. Nixon, officiating, and burial was made in Oakwood cemetery, which for many years had been with Mr. White an object of affectionate care and which he had done much to beautify. Business places were closed during the funeral hour. Frank N. White, son of Isaac N. and Emmette Townsend White was born in Lowell January 27, 1853, and spent his entire life here.

few days he would have reached his 74th mile-stone, a goodly span, useful, hopeful, and happy to the last hour of his life, more than 53 years of which had been spent in the companionship of his loved wife. Briefly told his life story

Various rumors, good, bad, and

indifferent, regarding the disposal

of the Peckham Furniture company

factory real estate have been set at

rest by the purchase of the property

by the King Milling company, in-

cluding the boilers, engines, water

As the furniture working machin-

ery has largely been disposed of,

the factory buildings are now avail-

able for other manufacturing pur-

poses, and the same will be for sale

to any concern desiring to locate a

Whereas, in order to close up its

affairs and give a proper title it

was necessary for the Furniture

company to make a cash sale, the

labor-employing industry here.

power, shafting, etc.

Widows and orphans trusted him cline of that organization, through with their all and the trust was death and removals, Mr. and Mrs. White joined the Methodist church never betraved. in 1906 under the ministry of Rev. Russell H. Bready, and for twenty years they have remained regular and loyal members, he having serv-

ed long as superintendent of the Sunday school, and as a member of the board of trustees. September 3, 1873, he was united in marriage to Miss Emma Winegar, of dear friends. and to this most happy union were given three sons and a daughter, Robert I. White, of Chicago, Frank E. White, of Lowell, Arthur N White, of Lowell, and Mrs. Winifred White Deimel, of Detroit, were the happy recipients of this good father's favor and blessing. They, with the wife, Mrs. Emma White,

ing of this fine man. Two grandchildren have preceded him in For nine years Mr. White served as supervisor, for nineteen years as township clerk and for twenty years as village assessor.

and a sister, Mrs. Hattie Grabach, of

Toledo, and nine living grand chil-

dren feel greatly bereft in the pass-

follows: At sixteen years of age

he joined the local Baptist church,

and was a consistent member of the

same for 38 years. With the de-

His years of continued public service demonstrate the confidence the people placed in him. He was the soul of honor, a man of high standards, a dependable Christian gentleman. In addition to his

new owners will be able and will-

ing to sell on a contract or agree-

able terms to an industrial concern

Regarding the water power, all

available is needed by the Milling

company with its two large mills

and expanding business. Charles

Doyle, resident manager, informed

The Ledger scribe Monday that the

Flat river dams above Lowell are

closed Surday, holding back the

water, which does not reach Lowell

until Monday evenings, so the Low-

ell mills are unable to run Mondays

The King Milling company for

many years, one of Lowell's best la-

bor employing industries, has the

desiring such an opportunity.

The world is better because Frank

church affiliation he was a member

He was a loyal friend, a good citi-

zen and a faithful administrator

of the local Masonic fraternity.

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White has lived in it. His human contacts have been many, pleasant and useful. No apologies need be made for him. His life will be an inspiration to his children, a consoation to his sorrowing widow, and a pleasant memory to a multitude

Among those from outside coming to attend the funeral of Frank White are Robert I. White, of Chicago and children, Misses Alice and Nada and Robert White, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Eugene C. Deimel, of Detroit Gerald White, of Ann Arbor, and a nephew, Ivan Dodge, of Detroit, with his wife and daughter Ruth, and a sister, Mrs. Hattie Grabach, of Toledo, Mrs. Robert White was detained at home by illness.

Vergennes Has Lady Supervisor



MRS. M. B. M'PHERSON. On account of his appointment as

State Tax commissioner, M. B. Mc-Pherson presented his resignation as supervisor to the Vergennes Township board Saturday evening and that body elected Mrs. McPherson supervisor to fill vacancy for the balance of his term. Mrs. McPherson, a finely compet-

ent woman, will be the first lady member of the Kent County Board of supervisors, and with her able husband's tutorage should rise to her new honors with credit to herself and the township of Ver-

HOTEL LOWELL

GOOD FRIEND

GONE ON AHEAD

FRANK N. WHITE CALLED SUD-

DENLY SUNDAY FROM HIS

EARTHLY HOME

AND TIES.

FRANK N. WHITE.

BUYS PECK-

WILL SELL ON FAVORABLE

TERMS TO PROSPECTIVE IN-

DUSTRIAL CONCERN DE-

SIRING TO LOCATE HERE,

KING MILLS

LANDLORD HOLLAND FAST RE-STORING OLD HOTEL WAV. ERLY TO CONDITION FOR PUBLIC PATRONAGE.

Hotel Lowell, the famous old Hoel Waverly, restored and metamorphosed, Harry Holland, proprietor, is doing business with a patronage increasing daily as fast as additional rooms can be renovated, redecorated and refurnished. So far boarders and roomers have come faster than accommodations could be prepared.

It has been a large job to rehabilitate this long neglected hostelry and Mr. Holland has shown a com-

mendable spirit of enterprise in undertaking it. So far, the lobby has been cleaned and neatly painted and decorat-

and several bed rooms on the secand floor, where similar work in other rooms is still progressing. The furnace and plumbing have

been overhauled, the owners of the property having shown a disposition to join in the work of putting the same into a condition compatible with the enterprise of the new

And so Lowell again has a hotel,

which we hope will fill a longfelt want and that Mine Host Hol land will meet with all the success ed, likewise the dining room, parlor he merits. Some of that is up to the public and some of it is up to Holland. In fact its a fifty-fifty proposition in which each must do its and his share. We wanted a hotel-we have it

or will have it. Let's be fair with

LOWELL GETS BROWN & SON, SEEDSMEN, CON-

1925

TRACT HAND-PICKING MIL-LION POUNDS OF PEAS

Seedsmen A. J. Brown & Son Inc., of Grand Bapids have let a contract to C. H. Runciman, of Lowell to hand-pick 1,000,000 pounds of peas in addition to 1,000,000 pounds of beans and corn, sweet corn and garden seeds, all to be shipped from

vator the Thomas elevator and the adjacent Chase factory building will be used during the Fall and Winter and a force of sixty girls and women will be employed. Work on the new deal begins in about two weeks, early September. The new office building will be rushed to completion, clearing the whole of the Runeiman elevator

building for the new enterprise.

million pounds of peas will be done

The work of hand-picking the

TO RUNCIMAN.

on an hourly basis, while the bean work will continue on the present lated upon bringing this enterprise to Lowell, which will mean much for the welfare of many families and for the prosperity of the comOLD RESIDENT LAID TO REST

JOHN S. BERGIN CAME TO LOW-ELL NEARLY SIXTY YEARS

John S. Bergin son of Michael and Jane Bergin, a well-known old resident of Lowell, died at his home in this village October 9, aged 80 years. Funeral services were held at St. Mary's church, Lowell, Oct. 13, Rev. Henry Simon officiating and he was laid to rest in the family lot at St Mary's cemetery beside his first wife and children.

Mr. Bergin was born January 10, 1844, in Osceola township, Livingston county, Michigan, where he attended the public schools and worked on his father's farm until he was 18 years of age.

He was attending school in Detroit during the winter of 1863 when he was drafted for the Union army and was in the service of the Government until the close of the war being stationed at Memphis, Tenn. He then worked in the lumbering

business in Bay City, for a short time In 1867 he was united in marriage

business institutions in Lowell al- living are Jennie, Frank, Eva, Carl most continuously since 1866 with and Raymond. the exception of about two years spent in Grand Rapids.

after which he came to Lowell in to Mary Frances McGee, daughter of Bernard and Eliza McGee, who died With a cousin, James Bergin he in 1909. To this union were born bought the mercantile business eleven children, William, George, which had been established by John Louis, Lowella, Mayme and Izene Giles. He has been identified with having died. Those who are still

> In 1912 he was united in marriage to Mrs. Mary Murphy who survives. John Bergin was a kind and loving husband and father and those of his loved ones who are left, realize that a void is left which can never be filled.

He is also survived by one sister. Mrs. Thomas Lalley, and three broth ers, Robert, Frank and Andrew. In all his dealings with his fellow men he was just and fair almost to a fault and his death marks the passing of one who was one of the leaders of his time.

He had been president of the Lowell Specialty company since its incorporation in 1904, and was a director of the City State bank of Lowell. April 5, 1928

Goes to all Home Print

ment, involving the discontinuance of its ready-print pages and the adoption of all-home print, The Ledger has already stopped printing its · six-page local edition and will in the near future issue a uniform 8page, all printed-at-home paper at the single price of \$2.00 per year or \$1.00 per six months. Three months subscriptions at 50c will also be

LET'S GET OUT OF THE RUT.

In the course of a recent conver-

1928



HERE GOES FOR VOLUME THIR-TY-SIX.

This is THE LEDGER'S thirty- sation Uncle Marcus, mentioned The fifth anniversary number, with the Literary Digest, when his friend refounder still in charge; and he is marked: thankful to have been permitted to "I've been told that it is a Cathocontinue with the publication all lie magazine." these years, to have been able "Well, I've read it for many years to serve his loyal constituency as and never discovered it. I'll tell well as he has and to wish that he you what it is: It is the best publimight have done better.

cation for cure of the narrows I've We are making no special anni- ever seen. It gives all sides of all versary edition, for the reason we questions, not just one, and not from confided to a number of friends re- a prejudiced viewpoint either. A cently, we wished to avoid saddling person who thinks in a rut and any extra expense upon our loyal wants to stay in it, shouldn't read friends; but we are not quitting, not The Literary Digest, because if he even getting ready to quit. does he is going to get other people's Actually, we are on the eve of side of every public question and

larger and better things, getting interest and not that of any sect or ready for that fiftieth anniversary in creed or class or nationality. 1943. So, those folks who have Some folks remind us of an old been waiting around for Uncle Mar- horse we saw working in a cabinetcus to die of innocuous desuctude, or maker's shop when Uncle Marcu something like that, might as well was a lad. When told to go, it went prepare for a long seige. round and round in a circle furnish-

We expect our new issue will be ing power that made the machinery our last of the good old Western run, and there it continued to go Newspaper Union ready-print ser- round and round for many years. vice that has been our faithful friend | Finally the poor old beast was turnfor a longer period, perhaps, than ed out to pasture, but instead of enthat of any other Michigan publica- joying its blissful freedom it began tion. We have no fault to find with running around in a circle of its it. It is the bridge that has carried own making and continued so to us over and we'll not say a word run until it had worn a deep rut against it. It's a parting of old in the ground, the exact counterpart friends. But before we quit, we of the one it had worn in the old want to find out if we are able to cabinet shop and finally an hugo it alone. If not, we know the mane friend fired a shot that put the poor crazy thing out of its mis-

Next week's issue will probably erv. be the last Ledger to be printed on Let us not be like the old horse. the Potter press that has served us at least so far as our minds are confor many years. That it is still do- cerned, running round and round in ing good work, the appearance of an endless circle, while all about us this number will testify; but the is a wonderful world and over us is demands upon it have been growing the boundless universe of God, ours heavy. To print the paper in its to explore and investigate, to wanpresent form has required four der in and wonder about. runs of nearly 1,700 each, or a total Neither let us be like the three of nearly 6,800 impressions weekly. blind men who were trying to com-The Meihle press which we are in- prehend an elephant. One got his stalling will print the issue in less hands on the animal's side and said than half the time and we are in- it was like a wall; one got hold of formed no paper in Michigan will its tail and said it was like a rope.

have a better one for its purpose. and the other found a leg and was Uncle Marcus is presenting here, sure the elephant was like a tree. with to his old friends a little souve- All three were right as far as they nir, which he hopes they will ac- went, but they didn't go far enough, cept in the spirit offered and not as So, it is in religious matters. All an evidence of egotism.

Most sincerely, we thank all our the truth and we presume that none readers and patrons for their favors of them have all of it. So, let us get out of the rut and not in the past and assure them of our purpose to serve them faithfully in imagine that we know it all and have all the rights and privileges the future that remains to us. and that others can take ours or UNCLE MARCUS.

Aug. 16, 1928

Specialty Co. Sells to Hudson Mtg. Company

An agreement has been made between the Hudson Manufacturing company of Minneapolis and the Lowell Specialty company whereby the former company will take over the latter company and factory when the deal is completed as agreed upon.

No intimation has been made that the plant will be removed from Lowell, but that the business will be continued here possibly on a larger scale than before.

Hudson company has been promised cemetery memorial in the very and The Ledger believes that it will latest styles. be favorable to the future prosperity The sand blasting process has of Lowell.

taken for those who desire it. The Ledger considered will give us plenty of room without the necessity for insert sheets and frequent smaller

supplements and every page will be Preparatory to an advance movea local page with home features and home advertising with planty of The two continued stories now running will be rushed to completion, to be followed in the new allhome print edition by those now being advertised and other of our own selection later, only one, however, being run at a time.

> The subscriptions already taken at the \$1.50 rate will be filled throughout the term paid for with the new 8-page, all home print edition. The changes contemplated will give The Ledger publisher con-

trol of and all the revenue from all The change which has long been the advertising columns.

The Ledger publisher is preparing an exhibition of Michigan weekly papers for the near future and the public will be invited to inspect it and give an opportunity of comparing their own home paper with those of other live towns in the state. If other communities, larger or smaller than our own are being better served than Lowell is, the people ought to know it, and by gum they're going to and don't you forget it.

If Lowell people have got to go around apologizing for their home paper, it isn't going to be The Ledger's fault. After 48 years in the game if we can't do it somewhere near as it ought to be done, we'll quit publishing and wind up with a peanut stand.

1929

St. Mary's Celebrate 50th Anniversary

On Wednesday, June 12, the people of St. Mary's parish, Lowell, will commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the dedication of their present church building. The celebration will consist of a solemn high mass in the presence of the Rt. Rev. Joseph G. Pinten, Bishop of the Diocese, of Grand Rapids. The ceremony will be conducted by the pastor, Rev. Robert W. Bogg. Assisting him will be Revs. D. J. Behan of Parnell, and Joseph Illig, of Midland, who will act as deacon and sub deacon. Other priests assisting will be Revs. Leo A. Whalen, E. A. McCarthy, Gordon Grant, all of Grand Rapids. The

sermon will be preached by Monsignor Edward A. Fefebvre, vicar general of the diocese. After the Mass the sacrament of confirmation will be conferred by the Bishop on a class of seventeen. A newly organized choir under the direction of Miss Millicent Rosewarne will render the music for the ceremony.

At noon a banquet will be served at the Lone Pine Inn at which the visiting clergy will be the guests of the parish. It is expected that a large number of priests who were formerly in charge of the Lowell parish will be present for the ceremony and the banquet. The dinner is being given under the auspices of St. Mary's Guild, of which Mrs. R. M. Shivel is the president.

The public of Lowell is invited to attend the church ceremon-

May 2, 1929

Experts Advise Village Build a New Dam

The dinner meeting of the Lowell Board of Trade at Hotel Lowell Tuesday noon had an attendance of about fifty.

Dinner was served in the commodious newly decorated second floor parlor and the connecting rooms invitingly thrown open presented a neat appearance. Landlord and Lady Holland were at considerable pains to show their guests that Lowell has hotel

Philip Grossman, of the Ameri can Appraisal company, Milwaukee, who has been here for some time appraising the Lowell municipal electric and water properties, made a report showing the replacement value of the two plants to be approximately \$500,000 and the depreciated value something over \$400,000. He recommended immediate building of a new dam to replace the old one.

Robert Norris, construction engineer, recommending the building of a new re-enforced concrete dam below the present Low-

ell'am at White's Bridge at an estimated cost of \$65,000, stating positively that it would pay for itself, that the old dam is in a precarious condition, and that it will be better and cheaper to build it now while the old dam can serve as a coffer dam than to wait until it goes out and to to repair the damage it might do.

Another meeting with the same speakers was held at the City hall Tuesday evening with a considerably smaller attendance, not indicating the degree of interest that should be taken in a project of this magnitude.

As stated at length in our last week's issue, and in accordance with legal notice of special election to be held Monday, May 13, the matter of \$65,000 bond issue for the purpose of building a new dam will be submitted to the people of Lowell at that time.

In our last issue was also published a detailed statement by Trustee E. R. Kniffin of the earnings of the electric plant in past years and of the various uses made of same which should be studied by tax payers before voting on the bond issue. Exact total values as given by

Mr. Grossman follow

place, ordered a car of King Flake

King Mills Put Lowell

The Rocky Mount, N. C., News of March 17 carried an article on what is considered a record movement of freight. The W. G. Weeks Company, of the latter

Granite Co.

Installs New Equipment The Lowell Granite company

of the denominations have some of

And for this, we know of nothing

Now, if the publishers wish to

advance our subscriptions for a year

it will be all right with Uncle Mar-

better than The Literary Digest.

"leave it."

has just installed a large size air compressor and the latest modern sand blast outfit operated by Westinghouse motor. With this equipment the company can fin-Further official report from the ish any kind of granite or marble

permanently established itself as

a means of performing, carving and lettering operations in monumental art, and owing to the large volume of business handled by this firm in the past year, the amount of orders now under construction for early Spring delivery and the increasing number of orders being written it became necessary to increase production. This has been taken care of by installing the latest and best ma-

The Lowell Granite Co., now has seven men in its employ and expects to increase this force in the near future.

flour from the King Milling Co., of Lowell, 1038 miles away. The milling process was completed at 3:30 oclock and the car load of flour was placed on a Pere Marquette Bailway siding at 4:30 p m. March 13. From the originating lines it was transferred to the Hocking Valley and in turn to the Norfolk & Western. The car was delivered to the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad at 3:00 p. m., March 16, and at 10:40 p. m., it was en route to Rocky Mount over the later line, arriving at destination at 1:30 a. m., St. Patrick's Day. The flour was being delivered throughout the city by 9:00 o'clock. "The handling of the car was

after the regular plan of the railroads," the article reads, "and Mr. Weeks this morning congratulated the Atlantic Coast Line's forces here for their expedited service."-Pere Marquette Magazine for May, 1930.

Oldest Business Man Passes at the Age of 93

May 22, 1930

on the job.

Strand Theatre

Will Reopen at

Manager Callier, of the New

Strand theatre announced today

that he had concluded negotia-

tions with RCA photophone, Inc., New York City, for the installa-tion of its sound on film repro-

ducing equipment in his theatre.

In making the announcement

Manager Callier said that the

equipment had been shipped

from New York and that instal-

lation engineers were now busy

"It is with a great deal of sat-

isfaction that I make this an-

nouncement," said Manager Cal-

lier. "Having had many oppor-

tunities to see various types of

sound reproducing equipment in

operation in various theatres, it did not take me long to come to

a decision when I saw and heard

the RCA Photophone projection

apparatus in operation. In my

opinion, having made compari-

sons with other sound reproduc-

ing equipment, it is the best. The

invasion of sound into the mo-

tion picture industry presented a

great problem to the exhibitor and particularly to the small

town theater owner. Coming,

as it did, almost over night, there

immediately followed a wide

variety of so-called sound pro-

jection apparatus, and many ex-

hibitors, myself included, in the

effort to meet the competition,

installed models of the first

equipment they could capture.

However, there has been such

vast improvements in the past six

months that I decided a change

"Dependent solely upon those

who have so liberally patronized

my theater in the past, I felt ob-

ligated to give them the best

sound reproducing equipment available. Therefore, I investi-

gated dozens of theatres whose

apparatus had been installed and

not only heard the sound deliv-

ered by them, but carefully in-

spected the machines in the pro-

"When I learned that RCA

Photophone, Inc., was a subsid-

iary of the Radio Corporation of

America, and that its own engi-

neers of the General Electric

company and the Westinghouse

Electric and Manufacturing com-

pany, had built the sound equip-

ment, I became convinced that

it was the apparatus for my

theatre. Having satisfied my-

self on this point, which, in pass-

ing, was the most difficult prob-

lem I ever had to solve, I hope

the patrons of the Strand theatre,

and in fact everybody in this

community, will endorse my

Manager Callier said he hoped

he would be able to make the an-

nouncement of his opening date

and the first sound picture with-

BCA Photophone sound repro-

ducing equipment is installed in many of the largest motion pic-

ture theatres in the United States.

among them are the theatres op-

eum circuit and several hundred

so-called independent theatres.

Recent noteworthy installations

include the Little Carnegie Play-

Strand Theatre

Closed by Poor

Tuesday morning, Mr. Callier

announced that his Lowell Strand

theater has been closed and is

for sale. Heavy operating ex-

penses and insufficient patronage

are given as causes for his action.

Requests that his electric cur-

rent be not cut off indicate that

the closing may not be perman-

ent. If some of the people who

are driving to Grand Rapids thea-

ters at increased costs would pat-

ronize the Strand theater instead,

the splendid Lowell place of

amusement might be maintained.

It's worth trying.

Patronage

house on West 57th Street,

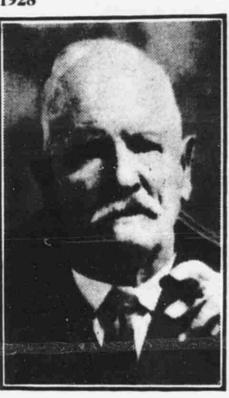
erated by the Radio-Keith-Orph-

in the next few weeks.

jection rooms.

indgment.

An Early Date



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William B. Rickert, aged 93 years, passed peacefully away in his sleep at Miller sanitarium in East Grand Rapids, at 3:15, p. m., Monday, October 22, so quietly that the watchers at his bedside hardly knew when his breath ceased and his stout old heart stopped beating.

Funeral services will be held at the home of his daughter Mrs. D. G. Look Wednesday at 2 p. m., Rev. A. B. Lemke, officiating clergyman; burial at Oakwood by Lowell Lodge, F. & A. M., of which he had been a member since December 15, 1863, the oldest member of the lodge and probably the oldest Mason in Michigan.

Mr. Rickert was born in Paris, Ontario, July 14, 1835, the youngest son of John and Mary Rickert. He was married October 15. 1856 to Elizabeth Thomas, of Lockport, N. Y., and they left at once for Michigan, driving through with a team and covered wagon, taking ten days for the trip. They settled on a farm in Keene township, Ionia county, where they lived until 1871, when they moved to Lowell, where he was engaged in business for over thirty-five years and, so far as known, he was the last survivor of the business men of Lowell of the period of 1871-6.

Mrs. Rickert passed away in 1906, since which time he has made his home with his daugh-

He is survived by a son, Dr. J. H. Rickert, of Burgess Hill, England, his daughter, Mrs. Look, a grandchild, Mrs. Helen L. Burger, of Lowell and several nieces and nephews.

By a rare coincidence, Mr. Rickert and Mr. Heriman, both nonogenarians, having lost their powers of locomotion at about the same time, also passed to their long rest at the same hour.

Mr. Rickert was also a great reader and passed away hours of his peaceful old age in that happy manner.

As a fitting tribute to the passing of Lowell's oldest business man, the business places were closed during the funeral hour.

Sheriff, U.S. Agents Raid Lowell Hotel

What bore the earmarks of a "wild party," according to deputy sheriffs, was broken up last night at the Hotel Lowell in Lowell when a force of deputies under the direction of Sheriff Byron J. Patterson and federal prohibition agents under Acting Administrator Arthur O. Scully swooped down on the village and raided the place. The hotel was formerly known as the Way-

Harry Holland, 46, proprietor, was arrested on a charge of sale and possession of liquor. The officers charge that liquor was bought there on three separate occasions and that a gallon of whiskey was confiscated in the raid last night. Nine deputies and three federal agents surrounded the hotel and burst in simultaneously. On the second floor a party of several men and women, ranging in age from youths and girls to middle aged people, was surprised by the deputies. The merrymakers were released with a warning.- Grand

Rapids Herald.

July 10, 1930

\$25,000 FIRE AT McCORDS

Early Morning Blaze Destroys Colby Store and Home

THE TOWN IN DANGER

A destructive fire which was discovered about 3:30 a. m., on the morning of July 4th, destroyed the residence, store and lum-

Ledger Sold to

R. G. Jefferies

of St. Johns

R. G. JEFFERIES.

Frank M. Johnson, founder of

this paper and 37 years its editor,

has sold his publishing and print-

ing property to Mr. R. G. Jeffer-

es, who takes possession June

Under the terms of sale, the old

owner will pay all bills against

the business up to date of trans-

fer, and collect all amounts due

the same for advertising and job

work up to June 1. The new

owner will be responsible for all

bills made by him after that date

and will collect such amounts as

are due on subscription and con-

tinue the paper to those who are

paid in advance for the full term

Mr. Jefferies has had an ample

experience in the newspaper and

printing business in both city

and smaller town fields. He es-

tablished the Sentinel at Clare

and published the same for sev-

eral years before going to St.

ploy of Coleman C. Vaughan,

Johns, where he entered the em-

publisher of The Clinton County

Republican, as foreman and while

Mr. Vaughan was secretary o

state for Michigan, Mr. Jefferies

served him in capacity of busi-

ness manager, later going to

Lansing where he has held re-

sponsible positions with The

State Journal, the Michigan Edu-

cation company and also with

ber yard of Roland E. Colby at McCords, resulting in a loss which has been estimated in the vicinity of \$25,000. The amount of insurance carried was \$13,000. Mr. Colby was awakened by an unusual noise and upon arising discovered the interior of his store and home, which adjoined it, a mass of flames. He immediately aroused Mrs. Colby and both made their escape from the building, wrapped in bed clothing. A few minutes later the floor of the room which they had just vacated, and which was

the flames. Mr. Colby rushed to the store of his neighbor, Allen Lashy, for help, and while Mr. Lasby was getting his electric pump in readiness to fight the flames with garden hose, Mrs. Lasby was busy notifying telephone operators to give the alarm, and soon fire fight-

part in local affairs, serving as

alderman and was later honored

by the people of St. Johns' by be-

ing chosen as mayor for two suc-

During his term, the city in-

stalled boulevard lighting, and

completed an extensive paving

program without increasing the

ax rate. At the same time,

through his influence, The Grand

Trunk Railway company built its

fine new passenger and freight

Coleman C. Vaughan, many

years publisher of The Clinton

County Republican and Secretary

The house occupied by Leo Detler and family caught fire three times, but was savell, as was also the house occupied by Ellis Bigler. The J. E. Rockefellow tenant house a quarter mile away on the second floor gave away to caught fire in the roof but was extinguished with chemicals.

ers with chemical engines were

on the way from Alto, Freeport

and Charksville. People from

soon on the scene, and a bucket

brigade of forty or fifty men was

organized, the water being se-

cured from Lasby's cistern, near-

by wells and a spring. All fought

valiantly to prevent the spread of

the fire to adjoining property.

the surrounding country

Mr. and Mrs. Colby not only lost their fine home and nearly all its contents, but their personal clothing as well. Only a very few pieces of household furniture were saved. The stock of goods carried was a large one. A

of State of Michigan from 1915

R. G. Jefferies was foreman of

the Clinton Republican at St.

Johns for a number of years. He

is a capable newspaper man and

good printer. He is a man of

good address, was at one time

Eminent Commander of St.

Johns' Commandery No. 24.

Knights Templar, and took an ac-

tive part in the business and mat-

ters of general welfare of St

Johns. A man of good charac-

ter and strict integrity, who has

been a valuable citizen in the

communities where he has lived

to 1921, says:

truck and a car were saved from the lumber yard sheds, and the contents of the safe were found to be intact. It is said that Mrs. Colby wanted to return to her bedroom to get her purse, which contained a considerable sum of money which had been left behind in their hurried exit, but Mr. Colby would not permit it. Had Mrs. Colby returned to the room she would

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undoubtedly have lost her life. as the floor soon fell in. Mr. and Mrs. Colby started in business at McCords about twenty-four years ago and had built up a fine home and business. Mr. Colby states to the Ledger that he will have a temporary store this

week and will rebuild at a later Mr. Colby was also the local postmaster and station agent The postoffice business is now being cared for in a nearby location.

Since leaving St. Johns Mr. Jefferies has held responsible positions with the State printers and

Lansing Journal. Mr. Jefferies has a wife and son Harold, a lad of 13 years. Mrs. Jefferies is a trained nurse of large experience, who will fill an acceptable place in our community needs.

The present efficient office force, Mr. Morse, Mrs. Rickner, Mrs. Richmond and Mr. Allen, will continue with Mr. Jefferies, as will Mrs. Andrews, long our painstaking local reporter.

cossive terms.

depot in St. Johns.

HARVEY COONS **ESTEEMED MAN** IS LAID TO REST

DEATH COMES UNEXPECTED. LY TO LIFE-LONG RESIDENT OF THIS COMMUNITY-IN CLOTHING BUSINESS HERE OVER 40 YEARS.

Harvey J. Coons, 61, life-long resident of this community and for upwards of 40 years one of Lowell's most highly esteemed business men, died at his home here last Friday evening, December 4. Mr. Coons had been about his usual activities during the day and early evening and death came almost without warning from a heart attack as he sat down to read before retiring for the night. He breathed his last as medical aid arrived.

The funeral services were held at the late home Monday afternoon, conducted by the Rev. A. T. Cartland of Lake Odessa, former pastor of the Lowell M. E. church. Interment was in Oak-

wood cemetery. The last rites were attended by a large number of sorrowing friends and neighbors and as a mark of respect and esteem the business places of Lowell were closed during the services.

the state printers. During Mr. Jefferies' residence in St. Johns he took an active

New Furniture and Undertaking Firm

Roth & Brezina is the name of a new furniture and undertaking firm to be added to the list o Lowell's business places. Wesley Roth, a licensed embalmer, is the senior member of the firm. while J. J. Brezina, for the past six years in the produce and implement business, is the other member.

The new firm will use as a chapel the store building on East Main street, in the L.O.O.F. block where they are now ready for funeral service. The furniture end of the business will be handled in the Hosley block on W. Main street, where the stock will be placed later this month. Both stores have been redecorated and overhauled to make them suitable for their respective lines of business.

Negotiations are now under way for the sale of Mr. Brezina's produce and implement business, announcement of which will probably be made within a few lays, and when completed Mr. Brezina will give his entire time to the new firm. Mr. Roth has had several years experience in furniture and undertaking, and both are well and favorably known in the community



HARVEY J. COONS

An old friend says of Mr. Coons: "He did not look natural to me in his casket. The cheerful smile with which he had almost daily greeted me for many years was lacking. I cannot laud Harvey Coons. Like the lily, his character cannot be painted. He came as near being a perfect Christian gentleman as any man I have ever known. What more can one say?"

Obituary Sketch Harvey J. Coons was born in Bowne tp., Kent county, Mich., on March 26, 1870, and died in Lowell on December 4, 1931, aged 61 years. He was the second

son of A. Lewis and Elizabeth

long business career in Lowell,

Will Winegar Sells Business to W. Hartman



W. S. WINEGAR.

The drug store business of Winegar & Hartman has been purchased by Mr. Hartman, who ook possession March 24, Mr. Winegar retiring. This brief-statement marks the closing of Willard S. Winegar's

> an event calling for more than casual notice. Beginning in March 1878 when as a school boy, Will Winegar began his long career, working nights, mornings and Saturdays for Hunt & Hunter, and continuing with them 5 years, he clerked for 4 years for Quincey Look and succeeded him in the business in March, 1888. Thus, on Monday of this week he completed an active and honorable career in

business for himself of 42 years, September 24, 1879, Mr. Winegar married Dora E. Hildreth, who has shared his life and home ever since and lives to make his old age comfortable and serene as they travel toward life's sun-

down together. Mr. Winegar's activities have by no means been confined to his private business interests; but a large portion of his mature years has been given to an unrequited public service.

He served on the School Board for about 30 years, much of that time as director. He was a member of the Village Council for 18 years, serving on the Light and Power committee, all that time, much of it as chairman, following J. Edmund Lee in that capacity

Coons, and came to Lowell with them in the fall of 1883. His education was received in the Lowell schools. On November 1900, he was united in marriage with Emma O. Craw.

He was engaged with his father in the furniture and undertaking business until 1892. In the fall of that year they opened a clothing store which he has conducted in the same location for nearly forty years.

He was a member of the Congregational church which he served at various times, in the capacities of deacon, treasurer and trustee. He was affiliated with the Masonic lodge, and with the Eastern Star, having held several offices in the former. His service to the community was as president of the council, and as president of the Board of Trade. At the time of his death he was secretary and treasurer of the Lowell Building and Loan Asso-

ciation. He is survived by his wife, his mother, and his three brothers, Newton, Frank, and Austin A host of other rela-Coons. tives and friends also mourn their

Here This Year

The first night football to be played in western Michigan will occur in Lowell this year. This form of football sport is said to be more interesting than daytime games, as the plays can be seen better and in addition a larger number of people will have the opportunity to attend night games.

Ten poles have been set and lights are being put in readiness for stringing across the field. Coach R. W. Finch announces that four night games have been arranged for Recreation park as

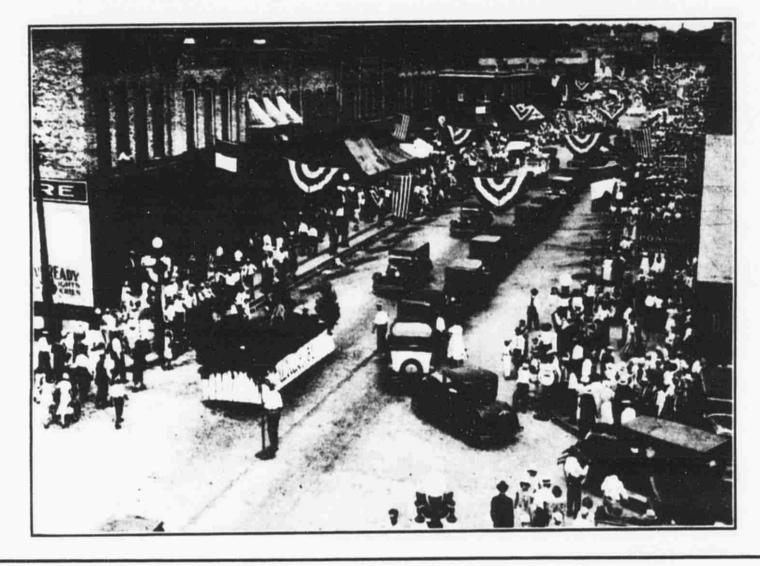
Sept. 11-Ss. Peter and Paul Academy, of Ionia. This will be a tryout for the new men but is a regular game of the series.

Sept. 18-Lee High school. Oct. 2-St. Johns High school. Oct. 16-Sparta. This game will be for the county championship. Rockford B team will be here in October for a game with the Low-

CENTENNIAL A BLAZE OF GLORY FROM START TO FINISH.

60,000 VISITORS SEE CELEBRATION

Queen Crowned on Opening Day by Ex-Gov. Osborn-Visitors See Magnificent Three-Mile Parade with U. S. Army Airplanes Roaring Overhead—Thousands Witness Wonderful Historical Pageant by Local Talent—Ball Games, Horse Races and Sports of Many Kinds-Gov. Brucker and Cong. Mapes Give Inspiring Addresses-Many Bands, Shows and Other Attractions—High School and Church Reunions



Centennial Pen Picture

The Lowell Centennial opened Thursday, August 6, at sunrise with the firing of bombs to awaken the people for their 100th birthday party. It closed Saturday night, August 8, at midnight—a blaze of glory from start to finish. It is estimated that 60,000 people were here and it began to look as though we would have to build a flounce around Porto Rico in order to make room for all.

The program was carried out in detail as published in this paper -the queen was crowned, the speakers of note came, the wonderful parade was given, the great historical pageant was presented twice, base ball games, trotting and running races, scores of sporting events, U. S. army flyers, balloon ascensions, old school boys and girls came back and answered roll call again-old timers and old friends met again.

It was like going to a world's fair. You have to see one to appreciate it-cold type doesn't present the picture.

The picture at the left shows a scene on Lowell's Main street early Friday morning of Centennial week. By noon the street had become almost a solid mass of humanity

We are indebted to Chris. Leonard for the photos.

The outstanding events will be found chronicled herewith under their respective heads. See also other pages,

Nov. 17, 1932

Lowell H. S. Football Team Captures 1932 County Title. 28th Consecutive Victory

Defeats Strong Grandville Team 7-0 in a Thrilling Armistice Day Game

Lowell annexed the undisputed threatening once due to recovery claim to the county grid title last of a fumble. Friday when they defeated Grandville on a snow-covered Lowell made about 20 first field 7-0. The inclement weath- downs to 7 for Grandville. er interfered with the perform- The Lowell line out-charged ance of both teams and it also out-fought, and out-maneuvered kept many fans at home. Those their opponents. This same line

who braved the cold, biting wind broke through and broke up witnessed a very fine exhibition Grandville's offense before their of football, marred at times by speed artists could get started. the inability of the boys to get a The Lowell backs performed firm footing on terra firma. At brilliantly in all departments of times it appeared that the boys the game and a firmer footing should have been equipped with undoubtedly would have enabled them to have scored several more Grandville started out with a touchdowns. Green was partic-

bang and for a minute it seemed ularly savage in his attack and as if the advanced notices con- McMahon and Burras, assisted by cerning the visitors had not been Bergin's blocking were as eluexaggerated. Hartley kicked the sive as ever. slippery ball only ten yards and It was especially gratifying to on the first play Grandville ad-note that Lowell's defense for

vanced the oval nine yards past passes was all that could be demid-field. After making the first sired. down, however, Grandville was This was the twenty-eighth conforced to kick and after receiv secutive victory for Lowell. ing the ball Lowell was penalized. The stands looked like an In-

15 yards and the ball rested on dian pow-wow, with the fans betheir own two yard line. On an decked with blankets of all hues. exchange of punts Lowell took | Eleven of the boys have appossession of the ball on the 20 peared in Lowell football uniform vard line and a march was start- for the last time. Eight of them ed straight down the field for a are regulars. Lalley, Morse, Harttouchdown, climaxed by Green's ley, Weaver, Dinsen, Houghton. 12-yard dash off tackle for the Alexander, Wood, McMahon. score. In this march Lowell Green, and Burras will be lost completed six first downs with- through graduation or the eight out an interruption and the ad-semester rule. Several of these vances were made possible by boys should make the team at

the splendid work of the line in most any college. opening up the holes, and by the The success of the team this splendid dashes of the backs, year was due to splendid team Bergin carried the ball over for spirit and co-operation among the the extra point. Again Lowell players. Coach Finch, who had kicked off poorly and the ball a little to do with the success of was in Grandville's possession in the team, had less trouble with mid-field. Again Lowell skidded, the boys in this respect than he and slipped and slid down the has ever had with any football field and advanced to Grandville's team.

20 yard line as the half ended. Prospects for next year are During the remainder of the very good. The team will be of the game the ball was in mid-field smashing variety and Mr. Finch most of the time with Lowell plans to rely on strength and staging had been erected. threatening twice and Grandville power.

Thousands Enjoy Lowell's Showboat

Bleachers Packed to Capacity at Last Night's Showing-To Be Repeated on Saturday Evening Aug. 13

through a megaphone in the

hands of Admiral N. E. Borger-

"This is Lowell, Michigan," re-

"Is the president of the Village

sponded a voice in the audience.

present?" was the next question

from the Admiral and with that

President Ashley stepped forward

and with words of welcome pre-

sented the keys of the village to

Capt. Chas. W. Cook, in natty

white uniform was then present-

ed and highly complimented by

the Admiral for his skill in pilot-

ing the Showboat on its "rough

and rugged journey from New

Orleans." Capt. Cook acknowl-

edged the plaudits of the audience

The Showboat was on and it is

safe to say that the old Mississip-

pi never produced a finer band of

river minstrels. The members

of the large chorus, in rich cos-

tumes, looked indescribably beau-

tiful from their positions on the

upper and lower decks, forming

an enchanting background for the

stage from which the specialty

numbers were given, all of

which was enhanced by a fine

system of lighting which had

been arranged by Supt. McMahon

and men from the municipal

On the stage were Interlocutor

C. H. Runciman and the follow-

ing endmen: Tamborines: Rol

land Crane, Dr. J. W. Stryker.

Bruce McMahon; bones: W. J

Kropf, George Sterkin, D. D. Mc

Jokes interspersed the special

ties, many of which were at the

expense of local citizens and all

Each specialty rendered would

have done credit to a professional

good-naturedly received.

the crew and minstrels.

with becoming modesty.

By popular request the Showboat will be repeated again on Saturday evening of this week, in order to enable those who could not get in at the earlier performances to have an opportunity to witness the show. t would not be surprising to see a larger crowd than usual on Saturday night. New features will be introduced, adding greatly to an already fine program which all will want to

Only a poet could find words to describe the beauties of "The Showboat," the unique entertainment staged on Flat River last Thursday and Friday evenings and repeated again on Wednesday evening of this week because of the rain Saturday evening which necessitated the post-

The affair was sponsored by the Lowell Board of Trade and the Lowell American Legion

Only an artist could picture the wonderful setting. A crescent moon appeared in the western sky as darkness came on; then the gaily decorated Showbont with its troupe of 50 minstrels and band playing gay tunes, could be seen through the trees on the river's islands. The immense audience appreciated the artistry of the scene and showed that appreciation with generous applause. The ministrels on upper and lower decks responded with choruses of old-time melodies and the Showboat, with whistles blowing, smoke curling from its twin smokestacks and engines working to perfection came to anchor on Lafayette-st., where

and all were obliged to respond to an encore. To describe each "What town is this?" came is impossible—they had to be

Phyllis Weekes.)ance-Lucille Warner. Solo, "Come on Down South"-

Jane Runciman.

Solo,-"Keepin' Out of Mischief Now"-Zeona Rivette. Solo, "Dinah,"-George Sterkin. Nylophone Solo-Mr. Woltjers. Solo, "Paradise"-Margaret Lal-

seen to be appreciated. The fol-

lowing is the program as given:

My Door"-Bruce McMahon.

Opening-Chorus of 40 voices.

Solo, "River, Stay 'Way From

Tap Dance-Gladys Armstrong,

Solo-"Lullaby of the Leaves,"

Dance-Maryan and Norma Ash-Solo-"Ole Man River," Merle

Whitsling Solo, "Floating Down to Cotton Town"-D. D. McDuf-Solo, "Down Among the Sugar

Cane"-W. J. Kropf. Solo, "Call Me Darling"-Mrs. C. H. Runciman. Acme Quartette-M. N. Henry, D. A. Wingeier, E. C. Foreman,

E. Johnson. Sextette-Gus Wingeier, Wm Van Voorst, Ferry Rosewarne, Stephen Ruh, Lew Morse, Denny Bowler, Abe Verwys.

Dance-Marion Mack. Solo, "Roll On, Mississippi Roll On"-Rolland Crane. Grand Finale-"Every Race llas a Flag But the Coon"-Chor-

Great credit is due each and every member of the cast for their fine work and for the many hours of time spent in rehearsal In this work they were ably directed by Mr. Frank McGowan of the McGowan Amateur Production Co., whose headquarters are at Portland. Mr. McGowan is a man of pleasing personality and real showman ability.

It is well-nigh impossible one brief article to give due credit to all who participated toward the success of the unique and original undertaking. The list would include the builders of the Showboat who met and solved many hard problems and many others who gave of their time and

BRAVE OFFICER SLAIN BY COWARDLY BANDITS

Charles A. Knapp



napp, ruthlessly shot down on the Main-st. of Lowell shortly after the hour of noon Tuesday by cowardly bandits, gave his life in defense of law and order. He died for you and for me and for every other law-abiding citizen. He died bravely, unflinchinglyand it behooves each and every one of us to appreciate the magnitude of his sacrifice.

Charlie Knapp gave his life for all law-abiding citizens.

About 12:30 Tuesday noon, bandits, fleeing from the scene of a Grand Rapids bank robbery, shot and mortally wounded Motorcycle Officer Charles A. Knapp of

The cowardly act was committed on East Main-st., opposite Henry's drug store, as Officer Knapp forced the car with its occupants up to the curb on the south side of the street. The bandit car slowed down and as the driver turned its wheels toward the center of the street one of the occupants drew a gun and fired point-blank at Knapp as he sat on his motorcycle near the side of the car.

Knapp slumped from his wheel to the pavement, but as he did so courageously summoned his fastebbing strength, rose to a halfsitting posture, drew his revolver with his right hand and emptied its contents in the direction of the car as it sped away. Apparently none of the shots took effect, as the officer was too badly wounded for accurate aim.

Dies in Ambulance Hearing the shooting, people ran from nearby stores to the street. They saw Charley Knapp lying on the pavement and a green sedan moving rapidly east, but no one seemed at first to realize fully what had happened, several imagining that the officer had been run-down and that the car was running away from the scene of the accident. Several rushed to Mr. Knapp's assistance and the bleeding wound in his right chest revealed that he had been murderously shot down. He was carried to the office of Drs. Shepard & Altland a few feet away where temporary aid was administered and an ambu-

lance summoned. Within a few Kalamazoo, a brother, Frank minutes he was being conveyed Knapp, also of Kalamazoo, and a to a Grand Rapids hospital, but death came before reaching there. First on the Scene Scores of people were soon at

the scene of the shooting. Probably the person to get the best view of what took place was Mike Litschewski, employee at the King Milling Company, who was ust returning from lunch, driving his car slowly down the street. He noticed a green car drive past him, and what fol- Charles W. Clark American Le-

Charles A. Knapp Shot From Motorcyle on Main St.

Attempted Arrest of the Men Fleeing From G. R. Bank Robbery

Fires Several Shots at Gangsters' Car as He Lay on Pavement, Mortally Wounded

Expires in Ambulance on Way to Rospital

Local Citizens Arm and Join Officers of Law in **Pursuit of Killers**

Three of Gang Captured; Two Confess

lowed is best told in Litschewski's own words:

"Immediately Knapp came past on his motorcycle. He pulled almost abreast of the sedan once and motioned to the driver to go o the curb. The driver seemed o hesitate a moment and slowed lown. I thought he was going to stop. In a second, however, the car swerved towards the center of the street again and for-

"Knapp again motioned to the driver and pulled up almost even with the hood of the automobile, apparently trying to force the car

"I saw the man seated next to right coat pocket and pull a gun he said. "It seemed to stick in his pocket and he had to disentangle it. He got the gun out and leveled it at Knapp. I saw Charlie hesitate. He looked stunned and surprised. The man then fired and Charlie tumbled off his machine into the

The Bank Robbery

The Wealthy-st. branch of the Grand Rapids Savings Bank was entered and robbed about 11:50 Tuesday forenoon by three men who got away with \$6,072. One of the men levelled a pistol at the bank manager. The other two covered two other employes and a woman patron and scooped up the currency from a money desk. A moment later they forced Clifford Zinn, a teller, to open the safe in the vault and hand over currency and \$500 in gold.

In less than three minutes they fled the building and leaped into an automobile at the curb, where the driver sat waiting with his motor running. They drove west on Wealthy st., turned north into Richard st., jogged west again into Carlton ave. Just south of Hope st. they stopped, got out, walked about, and then entered another car which was waiting. They continued north to Fulton st. and left the city east on M-21. At Lowell, meanwhile, A. H. Stormzand, key man of the vigilantes, had been informed and he, in turn, had passed the word to Paul Kellogg and Tony Gazella, other vigilantes, who, with many others, took up the pursuit, as previously told in this article.

Charles A. Knapp

Charles A. Knapp was born June 1, 1890, in Chicago, Ill., and passed away May 24, 1932, lacking but a few days of his 42nd birthday. On May 10, 1923, he was unit-

ed in marriage with Miss Mabel Charles of Lowell, daughter of Mrs. Fred Charles. Surviving are the widow and his mother, Mrs. Alice Knapp of

sister, Mrs. Thos. Bushen, of Grand Rapids. There were no Mr. Knapp was a veteran of the World War, enlisting soon after war was declared. He served his country nearly 21/2 years as a cavalryman on the Mexican bor-

der and was the recipient of sev-

eral medals for distinguished ser-He was a charter member of

gion Post and last year was hon ored with the election of Post Commander. His Masonic affil iations included membership in Lowell Blue lodge and Chapter. He was active in all civic affairs and held in high esteem by all with whom he came in contact. Fellow officers in this and adjoining counties are unanimous in praise of his integrity and ability as an officer.

Military Funeral Friday

The funeral services will be held on Friday at 2 p. m. at the M. E. church, the Rev. R. W. Merrill preaching the funeral sermon. Interment will be in Oakwood cemetery where military services will be conducted by American Legion Post. The remains will lie in state

at the M. E. church from 12 to 2 o'clock p. m. Stores will be closed Friday from 1:30 to 3:00 p. m. for the funeral services.

Bandit Chase Begins

Among the first to start in pursuit of the bandits after the slaying was Deputy Pat Bowes, accompanied by Tony Gazella. Paul Kellogg was on the lookout and was getting gas for his car at the Dixie station on East Main-st. as the bandit car whizzed by, with Bowes and Gazella in pursuit. Kellogg was in front of the gas station, loading his gun at the time. He jumped into his car "I could see the bandit car

and followed, soon overtaking the Bowes car, a slower vehicle ahead of me," said Mr. Kellogg to a Ledger reporter, "but was powerless to handle my gun and drive at a pace necessary to keep up. I succeeded in stopping the Bowes car in order to get Tony in with me so that there would be someone to handle a gun as I drove. We lost time in making this stop. We drove east to Saranac only to find that the bandits had eluded us. I am sure now that they turned north from M-21 on the road two miles east of Lowell.

A. H. Stormzand and Dr. Stry ker were also in close pursuit V. E. Ashley, Forrest Smith and Ledger reporter started north The search was then centered in the territory north and east of Lowell, scores of cars joining in scouring the country. A state police field station was set up at Cook's Corners, 2 miles west o Belding and the general search directed from there by Capt. A. A. Downing of the Rockford sta-

Bandits Captured

About 4 p. m. a suspicious character, giving the name of James Gallagher, was picked up near Smyrna and brought to Lowell state police and deputies of the Kent county sheriff's office The man was lodged in jail here and later taken to Grand Rapids and placed in the county jail, his conflicting stories warranting his being held for investigation. He admitted he might know something of the robbery, but disclaimed knowledge of the shooting. Prosecutor Jonkman declares the man's story breaks down in every detail.

Capture Two Others Early Wednesday morning two men, giving the names of Henry (Baldy) Marshall, 37, and Jack Shuur, 33, both claiming to be

Late Developments in Robbery and Murder

Three members of the gang of bandits have been captured and lodged in county jail. After severe grilling two have confessed to their part in the bank robbery but claim that another man still at large is the one who fired the shot that caused the death of Officer Charles A. Knapp. The men who have confessed are James Gallagher and Henry (Baldy) Marshall.

Marshall claims that after hiding the money in the woods a few miles north of Lowell he drove the green Buick sedan on to Detroit, then the next day procured another driver, Jack Scherr, and in another car (the Buick touring which the two had when captured) returned to get the money which had been hidden.

Marshall claims that Scherr's only connection with the affair was to drive him here from Detroit. Both Gallagher and Marshall implicate three other men in the bank robbery. A new manhunt has been launched for their capture.

Several Lowell men including Paul Kellogg, Mike Litschewski and Will Frost were at the county jail Wednesday where they identified Marshall as one of the men in the bandit car as it passed through Lowell. Officials of the robbed bank also identified Gallagher and Marshall.

A total of \$1,300 of the hidden money has been recovered.

from Detroit, were picked up by officers at Dickens hill, near Smyrna, and taken to the county

When questioned at the Kent jail by Prosecutor Bartel J. Jonkman, Merlin Shanteau and Sheriff Fred Kelley they said they had left Detroit several hours previous to their arrest and had stopped for a few minutes, planning to go on to fish.

June 16, 1932

Marshall Slaying Case Goes to Jury

fore noon today. (Thursday.) awaiting sentence, and Edward

Marshall Denies Everything | tered a farmyard in that vicinity Marshall took the stand in court to get a drink of water and to Wednesday to deny every allega- wash his hands.

tion, declaring that while a bald- The prosecution does not need headed bandit was robbing the to show that Marshall fired the Grand Rapids bank and fleeing shot that killed the deputy. The through Lowell he was returning law requires only that he show from Chicago to Detroit after con-Marshall was an occupant of the voying a truckload of liquor. His car from which the fatal shot was fired and to this fact there is the

story was unsupported. Testimony in the case was testimony of a long string of closed late Wednesday afternoon identifying witnesses. and Judge William B. Brown set | About a dozen of the 50 prose 8:45 a. m. today for the beginning cution witnesses have been called of arguments. Each side will thus far. These include Walter have one hour and Judge Brown Galloway, who has already plead will give the case to the jury be- ed guilty to bank robbery and is

Review of Trial

Seven men and five women in detail. DeVries, after naming compose the jury which has been Marshall as the driver of the car selected to decide the fate of from which the fatal shot was Henry Marshall, accused of mur-fired, said, "I seen him do it." dering Deputy Sheriff Charles Boylon, however, although he Knapp of Lowell the afternoon of identified Marshall as the driver, May 24 in flight from a Grand said it was possible that Mar Rapids bank robbery.

The jury is made up of John H. been identified, might have fired Borgeld, a wood carver; Mrs. the shot. He said it looked as Emma Bachelor, wife of a travel-though Marshall did it, but that ing salesman; Mrs. Julia De- he could see only Marshalll's Vriend, housewife; Paul J. Hake, head and shoulders and a hand traveling salesman; Theodore projeting through the door of the Hake, real estate and stock deal- car. er; Mrs. Pearl Lampkin, house- Seven other witnesses called

wife; Mrs. Emma Poposkey, identified Marshall as the driver housewife, all of Grand Rapids, of the bandit car from which and Alvin Clements, Byron Center, piano tuner; Garrit Cooper, Bowes, Anthony Gazella, vigi-Alpine tp. farmer; Frank J. Don- lante, William Boylan, 15, Mrs. ovan, Grattan-tp. farmer; William Grace Hunter, Clarence Wright Hannon, Grandville, construction Lester Collier and Ralph Stahl worker; Mrs. Luella Sowerby, all Lowell residents, added their prosecution forecasts the trend

that will be taken as the trial pro- Raymond K. Snyder, Detroit ceeds. The prosecution intends used car dealer, testified that the to prove that Marsshall's car was evening of the day of the robbery usd in the robbery and that the Marshall, who was buying a car same car was seen in Lowell, that from him, appeared at 7:30 p. m. the fatal shot was fired from it and asked him to destroy all papand that it was later seen in the ers connected with the deal and to vicinity of the place where Mar- make out a new bill of sale dated shall was arrested. He said the the following day. He said Marprosecution would prove that shall told him he'd "had a little Marshall was seen driving the trouble-nothing serious," and car at the time of the murder, and that Marshall said he'd pay for that Marshall was seen passing the car in full the next day. Sny Cook's Corners near Belding. He der said he refused to destroy the said, further, that Marshall would papers, and that the next day the be identified as the man who en- car was in police custody.

The opening statement by the trend the driver of the death car.

DeVries and William Boylon, 15-

year-old Lowell high school boys.

Both described the Lowell killing

shall's companion, who has not

tired for the night.



RODNEY D. STOCKING

Mr. Stocking had been in his usual health until recently. Shortly before his death he had consulted his physician who administered to his needs and advised that he retire to his bed and rest. About eleven o'clock his daughbedside only to discover that death had come quietly in his

career here in his early twenties and for more than fifty continumusical and sporting goods store.

Valley in 1836.

when about 20 years of age. He Lilly Mae O'Heron of Ontario, Can. To this union were born two sons, Charles D., who died November 19, 1924.

FOUNDER OF THE

1933

LOWELL LEDGER IS LAID TO REST

FRANK M. JOHNSON DIES A. HIS HOME IN LOWELL FRI DAY EVENING AT THE AGE OF 72 YEARS - BUSINESS PLACES CLOSED DURING FUNERAL HOUR MONDAY.

Frank M. Johnson, founder of the Lowell Ledger in 1893, and its publisher for 37 years until purchased by the present publisher in June, 1930, died at his home "Sevenoaks," north Monroe-ave., at 10:29 p. m., on Friday. Feb 26, 1933, at the age of 72 years. The funeral services were held at the late home on Monday, at 2 p. m., conducted by the Rev. A. T. Cartland of Lake Odessa, a form-

er pastor of the Lowell M E. church, assisted by the Rev. B. W. Merrill, present pastor. In-terment was in the family lot in

In recognition of Mr. Johnson's 37 years of service to this community the business places of Lowell were closed during the funeral services. In addition to the large number of neighbors and friends who testified their respect and esteem by their attendance at the last rites there were present a number of members of the newspaper fraternity from various points in the state. including officers of the Michigan Press Association of which Mr. Johnson had been a loyal member for upwards of a quarter of a century. Music for the services was the rendering of the hymn, "Whispering Hope," a favorite of Mr. Johnson's and played at his request.

Mr. Johnson had been in poor health for the past several years and three years ago gave up active labor. Within recent weeks heart trouble and other afflictions became more acute and he gradually grew worse until the end. Surrounded by

his surviving children and some near friends, death came peace-

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FRANK M. JOHNSON

Biographical Sketch

Mr. Johnson as editor stood for the highest type of citizen-ship and he fearlessly champion ed the cause of what he believed to be right. He had been in the newspaper work for 50 years. He graduated from the Almont high school and later in 1881 became the editor of the Almon!

In 1884 he established the May ville Monitor and edited that paper for seven years. He next worked on Grand Bapids newspapers for two years and later came to Lowell and started The

Mr. Johnson's retirement was hastened, due to the death of a daughter and of his wife. Mr. Johnson was active on line Lowell Board of Trade, was a member of long standing in the local F. & A. M. lodge and was a staunch Methodist. Surviving are two sons, Roy and James. Mrs. Ruth Oberlin of Belding: one sister, Mrs. E. H. Brown of Washington, D. C.; and a brother, Carl Johnson, Detroit.

Feb. 16, 1933

Banks of State Closed By Order of Governor; Lowell's Spirit Goes On

Business in Lowell is going on as usual. Local banks are supplying needed change for the transaction of business and merchants are doing all in their power to assist people during the bank moratorium. All people are showing their confidence in the future and stability of the State of Michigan and in the soundness of its banking structure as a whole. The wisdom of Governor Comstock's action is recognized despite the great inconvenience.

One of the most startling incidents in Michigan's history Department and the R. F. C. One of the most startling incidents in Michigan's history occurred early on Tuesday morning of this week when Governor William A. Comstock issued a proclamation closing banking and financial institutions throughout Michigan for a period of eight days, ending with Tuesday.

> The proclamation was issued following an all-night conference participated in by Gov. Comstock, bankers from all over the state and federal and state banking officials.

The proclamation, which came dramatically, like a bolt from a clear sky, was unprecedented in the state's history It was declared necessary, mainly because of the acute financial emergency existing in the city of Detroit and immediate territory. The institution directly involved in the affair is the Union Guardian Trust Co. Like other financial houses it has suffered depreciation of its assets and was seeking to get out of the banking business and leave that field to other units of the organization. To do this it was necessary to pay off its depositors in cash. To make a long story short the Guardian Trust lacked several million dollars of having enough to do so. The result was the necessity of a bank holiday for all financial institutions of the state. Gov. Comstock is quoted as saying:

"Unless it had been declared the larger depositors who were informed in advance of the condition of the institution would have withdrawn their money and left the smaller ones 'holding the bag.' "

It is probably safe to say that if the bank holiday had not been declared runs would have been started on the Guardian Trust and scores of other banks, doubtless spreading to all sections of the state. It is generally agreed that the Governor's action will give the Guardian Trust company and other banks opportunity to effect an orderly reorganization. Millions in gold are being rushed to Detroit.

Lowell Marches On

The people of Lowell and neighboring communities are meeting the situation with the best of humor and good

That's the way in Lowell.

A community whose forebears conquered the wilderness a hundred years ago, who endured the hardships and privations of pioneer life, whose descendants went through fire and flood and then came up smiling to press on with greater courage in the processes of rebuilding that which had been destroyed, are not easily dismayed.

The people of this community know that the banks of this community are manned by men whose soul efforts during these trying times have been for the protection of the resources of their patrons. That they have been successful in their endeavors is evidenced by the substantial manner in which the gale is being weathered.

March 29, 1934

PATRONS VOTE 69 TO 31 FOR LAND PURCHASE

SCHOOL GROUNDS WILL BE MATERIALLY INCREASED IN SIZE AS RESULT OF ACTION -LAFAYETTE TO REMAIN A THOROUGHFARE

By more than a two to one vote the patrons of Lowell School District No. 1 approved of the purchase of the property known as "the Cooper Shop site," at the meeting held in the Central build-

ing last Friday evening. The patrons also expressed their desire that Lafayette street be continued as a thoroughfare and voluntary expressions from members of the school board are to the effect that the wish of the patrons will be complied with. In fact it is very likely that a new thoroughfare following the lines of the village plat will be provided for, and it is also conemplated that a side walk for pedestrians will be an added im-

The village plat calls for a highway somewhat west of the present location, paralleling the river shore line. There is also in contemplation the erection of an artistic and suitable fence as a matter of protection to school children and other pedestrians from the danger of street traffic along this route.

In addition to the land known as the Cooper site the purchase ilso includes a plot of land extending east from this site to

Monroe avenue. The meeting in question was called to order promptly at eight o'clock by C. H. Runciman, president of the Board of Education who stated the purpose of the meeting after which all present were given the privilege of expressing themselves on the proposition to be voted upon. After discussing the matter pro and con the ballot was taken, 100 votes being cast, 69 for the purchase and 31 against.

After the result of the ballot had been announced Mr. Runciman called for an expression from those present as to whether or not they favored the continuance of Lafayette street as a thoroughfare. The vote was unanimously in favor of its continuance and the School Board will comply with the wishes of the patrons in that respect and as outlined in a general way at

the beginning of this article. The Ledger believes the patrons acted wisely in voting in favor of additional land to the school grounds, as it is within the bounds of possibility that the time will come in the not far distant future when expansion will be necessary due to the centralizalion of the school systems of the county and state as a means of economy and if that day does come Lowell will be prepared for this expansion as a result of the

action last Friday night. The purchase of the additional land also permits of the removal of a building which in later years had become more or less of a fire hazard. Opportunity will also be presented for landscaping and otherwise improving the

school grounds. As previously stated the additional land in question is to cost eight hundred dollars (\$800) and is to be paid for in four annual installments out of the general fund which means that there will be no additional cost for the taxpayer to bear. The cash outlay will also be reduced by whatever sum may be realized from the sale of material to be salvaged from the old cooper

Why A Community Newspaper?

By W. G. Mills, Hanover, Mich. with equal determination that

which is detrimental. It is the Theodore Roosevelt was once clearing-house for opinions exasked, during a friendly discus- pressed by expert and reader. sion of relative values, to name alike. three things which he would con- The community newspaper ocsider most essential to his wel-cupies a traditional place in the fare should he be marooned on existence of its home town paralan uninhabited island. His ans-lel in importance to the school wer was most significant when and the church. It is an integral

part of the realization of pioneer-"First, I would most desire my ing effort to constructive living, family. Second, my home-town the mouth-piece of an enterprisnewspaper. Third, my gun." | ing and progressive element of

The fact that his home-town national life. The spirit of neighnewspaper came second in im-borliness is engendered by the portance to his family speaks familiarity with which it treats volumes for that institution, and its family of readers; its flexible it is not altogether strange that a editorial policies permit of the person wih Roosevelt's percep-same reportorial treatment of the tion of values should make this news of twin calves born to Bill

Jones' cow as is given to news of The community newspaper is world-wide importance. And the essentially a serial history and same fine editorial discrimination biography, combined, of the peo-compels the absence of news in ple and events in the territory its columns which directs un-which it serves. Through its suc-favorable attention to a member ceeding volumes the community's of its circle. progress - or retrogression - is By close adherence to a policy unconsciously portrayed. It makes which is dictated by a philosophy its subscriber's problems its own peculiar to rural society, the com-

problem; a sympathetic under-standing exists between publish- be regarded as an indispensable er and subscriber which is en-part of the rural civic plan. Its tirely absent in urban publica- subscribers enjoy a sense of protions. This spirit of fraternal-prietorship; a feeling which is ism extends to closer relation-ships between the advertiser in editor. It is the tie which binds the home-town paper and those the common interest of John whom the advertiser serves. His Brown, who operates the corner appeal is not so much one of store, with that of Jim White "better bargains" and "cut prices" who maintains a fine herd of as it is of friendship, cemented Jerseys on his farm three miles by years of pleasant and con-south of town. By its influence structive community association. the community spirit of interde-His advertisements are a message pendence is promoted, intimate news is made available to those from one friend to another.

It is the function of the com- far removed from childhood asmunity newspaper to direct and sociations, and through its symto further the cultural, educa- pathetic knowledge of communtional and spiritual life of its ity affairs it has become a vital community, in addition to the dis-necessity to all community prosemination of news. It holds as grams of progress. a sacred obligation the further- Your community newspaper

ance of all projects designed for needs you-you need your compublic benefit, and it opposes munity newspaper!

G-B Is Still

"Even though deaths from tuberculosis have dropped 71.1 per cent in the last 22 years it is still the chief killer among the infectious diseases during man's best years of life-from 15 to 45, stated E. J. O'Brien, M. D., chest surgeon of Detroit, when he addressed the 29th annual meeting of the Anti-tuberculosis society in Park Congregational

Dr. O'Brien was enthusiastic about going into schools to find early tuberculosis among apparently well children, as the local society is doing. "in one Detroit school we found seven children,

all supposedly in perfect health, who nevertheless had open cavities in the lungs and sputum containing tubercle bacilli. The only way to discover this condition is by xray," stated Dr. O'Brien.

"When tuberculosis has caused a cavity that cavity must be closed before it will heal. We close it by either injecting air, called pneumothorax; by crushing or cutting the phrenic nerve and thus paralyzing the diaphragm or by removing the ribs over the cavity thus allowing the lung to collapse. Chest surgery is being used extensively in Detroit and has saved communities thousands of dollars by making short the stay of patients in sanatoria." he stated. His lecture was made

very interesting with slides. The meeting was attended by 180 people from all over Grand Rapids and Kent County

Van Dyke, Runciman

To Head New Bank

Barring Unforeseen Difficulties Opening Will Occur Not Later Than Monday, August 20th



R. VAN DYKE



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C. H. RUNCIMAN Vice President

The Ledger is informed this (Thursday) morning that the Board of Directors of the new State Savings Bank, Lowell, have decided upon a portion of the personnel that will officer the new institution. Information from a reliable source states that the new bank will be officered by Rudolph VanDyke as president; C. H. Runciman, first vice president; and Lee Lampkin, second vice president.

The remainder of the officers, which include the cashier, assistant cashier and bookkeeper, are to be chosen at a subsequent meeting of the Board. The Board will meet again this (Thursday) evening and the remainder of the personnel may be chosen at that time.

The new Board is taking every necessary step to bring about the opening of the new bank at as early a date as is humanly possible. August 15 had been designated as the opening date but, owing to technical matters imposed by the RFC, it does not seem likely at this time that the new bank will be able to open upon that date. However, information direct to the Ledger from RFC headquarters is to the effect that the new bank will, without doubt, be open for business by August 20.

The exact opening date will be announced in The Ledger just as soon as the official information is received.

Reports to the contrary notwithstanding, local bank officials have been and are now doing everything within their power to bring about the return of normal banking facilities to Lowell and that day is now almost here. The bank personnel already chosen shows that the new institution will be headed by dependable, reliable men who have proven their worth by many years of service for the welfare of this community.

The opening of Lowell's new bank is now but a matter of days away and there is every cause for congratulation.

King Milling Co., Adds New System

The King Milling Company on Monday completed the installation of a thermometer system to be used in the grain storage tank which is adjacent to the west side mill.

Each of the three bins contains

a thermometer 85-ft. long and at the top of the storage tank is a switchboard and a reading instrument which enable the person who keeps the records to tell the condition of the wheat in every five feet from top to bottom of each of the bins. When the what begins to get too warm, the elevator superintendent can turn the grain long before there is any danger of overheating. When grain is in good condition, the emperature remains practically constant during the whole sea-

The system was installed by the Zeleny Thermometer Company of Chicago.

By Thad Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

The years 1933-1942 were highlighted by some major events both locally and na-

Some familiar faces came onto the scene in the Lowell

1932 marked the beginning of that Flat River voyage for the Lowell Showboat. The Showboat was the braintrust of a few local businessmen and found early success because of the support of the entire community, not just in attendance but in preparation for the show.

Beer ads were seen in the Ledger under the publishing leadership of Jefferies. Something you did not see while Frank M. Johnson was pub-

Looking Back.. through the years 1933-1942

C.H. Runciman's name popped up in the Ledger in the early to mid 30's. Little did anyone know then the major impact he would play in Lowell over the next 30 years or

Growth in Lowell can be measured not only by the increase in business, but also by the increase in the miles of electric lines.

Lowell also plans for its new \$70,000 post office.

Bugle Notes is replaced by This and That Around Town. While the names are different, the content carried in both was hometown oriented.

The first sign of Ledger

Entries was started in the mid to late 30's.

The big news nationally was World War II. If Lowell was a representative of small towns, the most eye catching note about the war was just how much small towns and local communities were asked. and did, to support the troops they werepurchasing war bonds, or rallying around rubber and scrap metal drives. Ads were run in the paper driving home the fact that it was the citizens' duty to support the troops.

HAD BEEN IN BUSINESS HERE FOR MORE THAN HALF A CENTURY - WAS DESCEND-ANT OF THE PIONEER RIX

Grief spread throughout the community Wednesday morning as word was passed that R. D. Stocking, 72, had passed away unexpectedly about eleven o'clock the evening before at his home on NorthJefferson-st. Death came to him shortly after he had re-



ter, Mrs. W. J. Kropf, went to his

Mr. Stocking began his business ous years conducted a jewelry,

Rodney D. Stocking was born in Elk Rapids, Mich., October 21. 1862, the son of Fidius and Clarinda Stocking. His mother's maiden name was Robinson, a daughter of Rodney Robinson, one of the famous "Robinson 44" who migrated to the Flat River

Mr. Stocking came to Lowell attended the Lowell schools and is an Alumnus of that institution. He was united in marriage to in October, 1931, and Dr. Bruce Stocking, residing in Chicago, and one daughter, Mrs. Walter J. Kropf, of Lowell, also a sister. Mrs. Nathan King, of Stevensville, Ind. Mrs. Stocking passed away

City State Bank Gets Reopening Approval

Plan Is OK'd by State Banking

Liberal Terms Provide Half of Deposits Available in Cash and Half in Participating Certificates

The good word has just been received to the effect that the State Banking Commissioner, with the approval of the Governor of Michigan, and of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, has consented to a plan of reorganization of the City State Bank of

Lowell on what is known as the "54 Bank Plan." The plan, when worked out, in the case of this bank, will mean that all deposits of \$10.00 or less will be released 100% on the re-opening date. All deposits of over this amount will be divided so that 50% will be available on the re-opening date and the other 50% will be in the form of participation certificates of the

assets that will go into the Moratorium or Trust Department, Complete details of the plan will be advertised in the Lowell Ledger in the very near future. On account of the legal technicalities involved and the tremendous amount of detail work to be done, it will be some few weeks before the plan can be made operative. However, the customers of this bank and the public in general can rest assured that every effort is being

made to hasten the re-opening day. As stated in the opening paragraph this is good news - in fact the best news financially that has come to this community since our banks, in common with all other banks in Michigan, were closed, ten months ago by edict of the governor of the state. The good news also includes cause for satisfaction in the fact that the reopening terms are so liberal. When we stop to consider that almost without exception every kind of business, manufacturing and farming, has suffered at least 50 per cent

substantial returns as time goes on there is indeed added cause In spite of all of the condemnation which has been heard of banks, those who put their money in them will, in most cases fare better than if their money had been placed in any other

depreciation, the fact that this bank will make 50 per cent of de-

posits available at once and that the other 50 per cent will yield

Withdrawals may be heavy at first but we predict that within thirty days' time the money will return to the banks and deposits will show an increase. One reason for this lies in the fact that by the time reopening plans are completed the new bank deposit guarantee law will be in operation guaranteeing the safety

It is also expected that plans for the reopening of the Lowell State Bank will also be announced in the not distant future.

Men at work - pay checks again - Banks reopening. Surely a better day is dawning.

Between 600 and 700 persons from all sections of Kent County were in attendance the first day at the 44f Club Show and

TOWN MOURNS THE PASSING OF DEXTER G. LOOK

ESTEEMED CITIZEN WHOGAVE MORE THAN 50 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE COMMUN-ITY LAID TO REST SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Dexter G. Look, for more than half a century active in the busi ness and civic life of Lowell, passed away last Friday morning, Jan. 25, at about 2:30 o'clock, at his home, 204 Vergennes Road, where he had been confined with illness for the past several months. Although not unexpected, Mr. Look's death came as a distinct shock to the people of this community, by all of whom he was neid in the highest esteem and affection.



DEXTER G. LOOK

Although Mr. Look's illness had its inception something over two years ago, he continued active in affairs until within the past few months. On December 31, 1934, he completed twelve years of honorable service as a member of the State Legislature from this district, declining to seek reelection last fall owing to impaired health. Even in the last weeks of his life, during which time he was unable to leave his bed, his mind continued active and alert, maintaining a deep interest in daily affairs and enjoying visits and calls from his many friends.

Mr. Look came to Lowell with his parents when a lad of fourteen years. After his graduation from the local high school, he began working in a drug store on Main-st, and during 55 years his activities here embraced all those actions to which the loyal citizen He is an accomplished student gives freely of his time for the and athlete.

NEW \$70,000.00 SCHOOL VOTED BY TAXPAYERS

Nov. 7, 1935

Hope to Start Work By December 15

By the decisive vote of 286 to 57, the taxpayers of Lowell School District No. 1, at a regularly-called election held in the central school building last Friday night, voted in favor of a

Achievement Day held here on

Wednesday and Thursday of this

week. Many came early in the morning, bringing baskets of food, and remained until late in

the evening. Every moment some-

thing interesting was taking place.

Judging started Wednesday morning at 9:30 o'clock and there

were a goodly number of entries

to judge. Besides all of the handi-

craft, canning, poster, notebook, sewing and food preparation ex-hibits, which were displayed on the first floor of the City Hall,

there were 54 head of cattle,

three colts and a mare, two sows

and their litters, 37 sheep and 11

pens of four pullets displayed at Recreation Park. The judges

found they had a difficult task in-

deed when they started to judge

the many fine exhibits. In some

instances, it was almost impos-

sible to decide between two en-

advancement of all. In Mr. Looks

case these activities consisted of

service on the village council, on

the school board, as a member of

the Lowell Board of Trade, work

in fraternal orders and the church

of his choice and on hundreds of

other occasions as need was re-

quired throughout the years of his

this community is that of a meet-

ing of the Lowell Board of Trade

on August 13, 1930, at which time

a dinner was given in honor of

Mr. Look and the completion of

fifty years of continuous service

in the drug business here. To this

dinner meeting came druggists

from all points of Michigan, in-

cluding members of the Michigan

State Pharmaceutical Association

of which Mr. Look had been a

Mr. Look was a man of kindly

nature and genial disposition and

when news of his death became

known messages and letters of

sympathy by the hundred were re-

ceived from all sections of the

state by the widow and the

daughter, Mrs. Frank Newell.

Many more called at the home to

pay their last respects to a de-

parted friend and neighbor and

at the Congregational church on

Sunday afternoon where the body

lay in state from 12:30 until the

hour of the funeral service at two

o'clock. The funeral sermon was

preached by the pastor, the Rev-

erend S. B. Wenger, followed by

Masenic rites by the local Masonic

lodge of which the departed was a

life member. The Masonic funeral

oration was effectively given by

D. A. Wingeier, Past Worshipful

Master of Lowell Lodge, F. &

A. M. Interment was in Oak-

wood cemetery.

member for many years.

One of the memorable events of

new \$70,000 school building. The voting was by ballot and was carried out similar to a regular election. There was not a spoiled ballot among the 343 cast. The percentage in favor of the proposition was 83 per cent. This is a remarkable showing and speaks well for the forward-looking view taken by school patrons in this important matter.

Since the taxpaying electors in the school district expressed themselves so decisively in favor of the proposed new unit, the Board of Education has redoubled its efforts to complete all of the preliminaries which are incident to actual construction as soon as possible. At a regular meeting of the Board of Education on Monday night, resolutions were passed endorsing the action of the electors and in authorizing the sale of the bonds.

1993 Special Centennial Issue — Page 34 terials until early in December The secretary was empowered to It is felt, however, that all these advertise for bids and the sealed preliminaries and many more offers will be opened on Monday, will be taken care of in time to Nov. 18, at 10 o'clock a. m. permit actual construction to Further contacts will be made start by December 15. with the State Administration of

Nature of Building

The structure will contain six commodious class rooms which will be used for grade purposes, and a large combined gymnasium and auditorium which will be used by all children and citizens of the community. The dimension of the gymnasium floor from wall to wall will be 60x80, but with a large raised stage at one end of it. Portable bleachers will be erected on each side of the playing floor and over 500 spectators will be afforded com fortable seats.

tries, both being of such an excellent quality.

Following the judging on Wednesday, there were bicycle races for young and older boys, a ball game, chicken throws and various contests and stunts. More than a thousand persons were present at the evening's program, one of the main features of which

was the amateur show. There were also a band concert, a livestock parade and the impressive 4JH Club Pledge which exemplified the spirit of the 4-H clubs. The evening's program closed with the Merchants' cash drawing. The band boys generously donated their time and this was greatly appreciated by all.

Those who took part in the mateur show included: Marjory Collins, of North Park, dancing: Gordon and Mary Douglas, of Nelson, guitar duet; Bertha Holland, of Lowell, tap dancing; Helen and Rosalie DeBoer, Walker-tp., duet; Dean Bradford of Sparta, clarinet solo: Phyllis Powers, of Lowell, tap dancing; Leigh Minion, of Cannon-tp., guitar solo; Sam, Lee and Jim Patterson, of Cascade and Elmo Slater, of Paris, who took part in an original comedy skit, of which Mrs. Milo Patterson, of Cascade, was the author; Mrs. D. MacDuf-

fee's Dancing Girls; Marian Read.

Cassie June Lee, Marjorie Bergin

and Izetta Frost; and Virginia

Doyle, Jacqueline Fahrni and

Cleone Collins, tap dancing.

the PWA in an effort to find out

just what are the next steps to be

taken. Of course the architect is

busily at work drawing plans and

specifications which must be sent

to the Detroit offices not later than November 15th. As soon as

the government has officially en-

dorsed the plans and specifica-

tions submitted by the architect.

permission will be granted the

architect and the Board of Edu-

cation to advertise for bids on

various phases of the construc-

tion of the building. This will

take two or three weeks after

Nov. 15, so that it will be impos-

sible for any contractor to re-

ceive instruction to order ma-

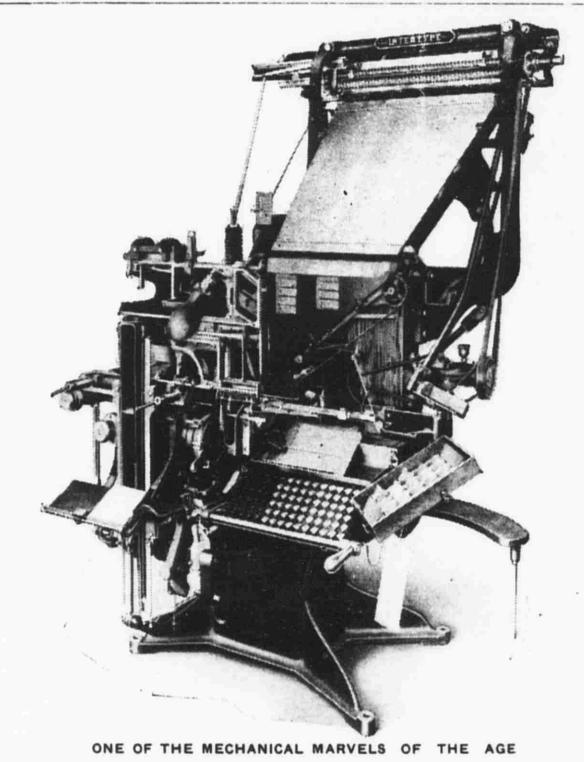
The program today began at ten o'clock in the morning with the horse-pulling contests, a large number of teams being entered. all of whom merited the pride manifest by their owners. Then followed the girls' bicycle races. harness hitching and driving races, the Boy Scout demonstra-tion, another baseball game and The names of the contest and

entry winners will be published in full in next week's Ledger. County Agent K. K. Vining has put in a tremendous amount of hard work for the success of the event, assisted by President W. V. Burras, of the Lowell Board of Trade, and other members, and

W. J. Smith, High School agricul-

tural instructor.

Ledger Installs Double-Magazine Composing Machine



Great Record



JACK FONGER Establishes record in Lowell high school by being neither absent nor tardy for thirteen years.

machine of this type to be placed in operation in this office. This machine, called

the Linotype, with intertype features, is used by large newspapers throughout the world. It involves a large investment, but will enable us to do better newspaper work, besides greatly increasing our facilities for the composition of job printing. With this new machine the Ledger equipment for setting news and job type is equal in efficiency to that of the largest newspaper and job printing plants. Such plants in larger cities may have more of these machines than we need, but none have better or more efficient equipment.

The Ledger has just placed

in operation a new composing

machine, making the second

This machine is manufactured in Brooklyn, N. Y., by one of the largest manufacturers in the printing supply field. While any machine of this kind appears to the casual observer to be very complicated, and in fact does include many thousands of moving parts, the construction has been so standardized and simplified that it operates with astonishing smoothness and reliability. Every line of type in a newspaper represents literthese machines have been known to run for periods of several months without a single interruption due to mechanical

This machine produces complete lines of type, ready for printing. These lines can be of any width desired up to five inches wide. The lines are produced from molten type metal, which is pumped into a mold. The letters are formed by means of dies, known as "matrices." The matrices are stored in a magazine at the top of the machine, and are released and assembled to form the line by operation of a key-

As the operator touches the keybuttons, the motion is transmitted mechanically to an escapement mechanism under the magazine in which the matrices are stored. The mattrices drop to an assembling mechanism, where the complete line is ascembled ready for cacting. As each line is finished the operator moves a lever, and from that point on the action is entirely automatic. The line of matrices is carried to its proper position against the mold, an automatic mechanism takes care of the spacing between the words, and the matrices are then carried of our facilities for producing to the top of the machine

distributed into their proper places in the magazine. All the mechanical actions in-

volved in casting the lines and distributing the matrices are entirely automatic, and the operator does nothing but manipulate the keyboard and move a starting lever at the end of each line. While he is setting one line, the machine may have a previous line in the casting position, another previous line in the distributing mechanism. and still another line being transferred from one mechanism to another.

Pay Us a Visit

Many friends of the Ledger have expressed an interest in seeing the inner workings of a modern newspaper plant, and the Ledger will be glad to have visitors call. This invitation is meant to include high school pupils, as well as older folk.

The Ledger believes that the printing business of this community should be kept at home and believes that the best way to do this is to meet conipetition upon a competitive basis-competitive not only as to price, but also in the quality of the work produced. For this reason we are anxious to show the public generally the extent a real newspaper and firstoperations and motions, yet where they are automatically grade commercial printing.

Feb. 28, 1935

Planning Commission

Local Unit Perfected at Suggestion of State Planning Commission --- Purpose Is To Present United Front For Public Works Improvement -- Arehart, Ch.; Gumser, Sec.

Lowell Journal At the suggestion of Gerald [Improvements Asked in Order of Wagner, Assistant Engineer for the State PWA, and at the recommendation of J. A. Archart, Presi-Sold to Ledger J. M. Hutchinson, who came to

Lowell twenty-three years ago to become editor and publisher of The Lowell Journal, last Friday sold his business and printing plant and equipment to R. G. Jefferies, publisher of The Lowell Ledger. Mr. Hutchinson reached his decision to sell the Journal in order to be freed from the duties and cares of newspaper work. His many friends join in wishing him well-merited rest and many years of good health.

The new owner will dispose of the printing plant equipment formerly used by Mr. Hutchin-son, and The Journal will pass

Since its establishment seventy-one years ago by the late Webster Morris upon his return from the Civil war, The Journal has had a number of owners: Captain S. H. Smith was associated with Mr. Morris, the found-er, from 1868 to 1870. In 1870, James W. Hine bought a halfinterest in the paper and three years later he bought out the inerests of Mr. Morris. In 1886 Mr. line sold to J. D. Elinwood of Detroit, who disposed of the paper to Charles Quick of Lowell, its manager for twelve years. ests in the business to Rev. D. B. Davidson and five years later Thomas Whitchouse purchased it. He retired in 1910 and A. J. Morris became manager of the plant until John Eagan and Roy Jackson took it over. On April 1, 1914 the paper was purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Hutchinson, Mrs. Hutchinson passed away seven years ago. About four years ago Mr. Hutchinson suspended publication of the paper, but during the period since that time publicaion was resumed intermittently

by a succession of proprietors. Mr. Hutchinson has made arrangements with The Ledger to continue this paper to any form-er Journal subscribers whose subscription may have been paid in advance. All that it is necessary for such subscribers to do is to bring in their subscription re-ceipts and The Ledger will be mailed to their address until the

amount paid has been liquidated. The passing of the Journal emphasizes the trend which has been taking place throughout the country for the past several years. Time was when small and medium sized towns supported more than one newspaper, but that was in the days when a newspaper could be operated at very little expense and with meager equipment. Today a newspaper such as The Ledger requires high-priced printing machinery, linotype machines and much other equipment. Labor and production costs have multi-plied several-fold in recent years and, in addition, the paper must be operated upon sound business principles if it hopes to succeed and continue as a worthwhile representative of the community in which it is published.

Ernest R.Graham **Native of Lowell** Dies in Chicago

Was World Famous As an Architect

An American saga in the truelife Horatio Alger tradition, reaching from the two-story business blocks of Lowell's Main-st. o New York's towering skyline, and exercising a profound influence upon man-made struc-

Preference A meeting of the planning com-

dent of the Village of Lowell, mission was held at the State Savmendation of J. A. Archart, President of the Village of Lowell, Representatives of the Village Council, Township Board, Board of Education and Board of Trade were invited by letter to attend a meeting at the school house on Tuesday at 7:30 p. m. for the purpose of organizing a planning commission. The following were in attendance, J. A. Archart, Harry Day, W. A. Roth, William Christiansen, Dr. B. H. Shepard, C. W. Cook, O. J. Brezina, R. G. Jefferies, Howard Bartlett, W. V. Burras, H. L. Weekes, W. W. Gumser, Mrs. Charles Doyle, F. F. Coons, E. S. White, Frank Houghton, Cart Freyermuth and C. H. Runciman.

At the meeting it was moved, and the following order of the purpose of the Village of Lowell, the Board of Education and the Township Board should be arranged in the following order of At the meeting it was moved, supported and agreed that J. A. Arehart act as temporary chairman. There was an informal discording to this order:

cussion of the matter in question. 1.-A water reservoir (Village It was moved, supported and Project). agreed that a planning commission be organized to be composed additional class rooms (Board of

of two members of the Village Education). Council, two from the Board of 3-A cemetery vault and toilets ship Board and one from the Town-Board of Trade. It was recom- lage and Township Board). 4-Sewer system extension (Vil-

mended that chairman or president of each unit act as one of the representatives. The following crete driveway at cemetery (Vilrepresentatives were selected by lage and Township Board). each unit: Village Council, J. A. 7-Library (Village).

8-Municipal Garage (Village) Education, C. H. Runciman, F. F. 9-Swimming Pool (Village). White and Frank Houghton, contact Mr. Gerald Wagner, the Board of Trade, W. V. Burras. A Supt. of Public Instruction, and short meeting of the commission any one else in authority in an followed and J. A. Archart was effort to secure more information elected as permanent chairman concerning the proposed projects and W. W. Gumser was appointed and for the purpose of helping to

The proposed projects, which promote favorable action on the had been filed with the State En It was agreed and moved that gineer, were explained to all the commission adjourn at the call

of the president. W. W. Gumser, Sec'y. J. A. Archart, Chairman,

present.

Lowell Man Named To Important Post

The commission adjourned un-

til 8:30 a. m. Wednesday when

they were to meet at the bank.

Archart, B. H. Shepard; Board of

Coons: Township Board, E. S.



C. H. RUNCIMAN

tures for centuries to come, was

brought to a close early Sunday

with the death of Ernest Robert

Graham, internationally noted

Chicago architect and Lowell's

most distinguished native son.

Dr. Wilber E. Post, attending

physician, and a cousin of the

deceased, attributed death to

high blood pressure and acute

circulatory trouble. Toward the

end, efforts were made to sustain

oxygen tent.

life by keeping Mr. Graham in an

The man who was to build

The many friends in this vicinity of Mr. Runciman were agreeably surprised Monday when word came from the state capitol that he had been appointed by Gov. Frank D. Fitzgerald to succeed the late Charles H. Bender of Grand Rapids as a member of the state emergency relief commission. Mr. Runciman was perhaps the most surprised of all as he had no inkling of the appointment until he began to receive long distance telephone calls from Detroit and other Michigan newspapers asking for further

During the 18 years in which Mr. Runciman has been engaged in the elevator business here, he has been called upon to serve the community in many capacities with satisfaction to all.

There is no salary in connection with the new appointment. members of the commission giving their time as a matter of public service.

Here's the Story of Organized In Lowell The Lowell Showboat

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Postmaster N.E. Borgerson's Brain Child Brings Wide Fame

McKinney's Cotton Pickers, waste of lumbering days, isn't of celebrated dance and radio or-much account as islands go. But chestra, have been engaged to ap- in summer, with trees in bloom, pear each night of the 1935 Show-redwing blackbirds perched on boat, August 1, 2 and 3, according swaying reeds and water blosto an announcement of General soms fringing the bank, the island Chairman N. E. Borgerson. The is strikingly pretty. committee feels that this dis-

tinguished musical group will sweep of the river, Borgerson contribute greatly both in pres-finally exclaimed: tige and entertainment value to "'Wouldn't a showboat look great sailing around the bend

this year's presentations. Meanwhile, preparations are there, to anchor on the east bank going forward with their usual and put on a mistrel show!" smoothness. Chorus rehearsals "A day or two later, the town are starting with the finest train- was informed that the American ed voices and talent in the com- Legion had decided to present a munity. Construction of the boat, showboat entertainment. The Post modelled after the historic side- found itself committed to a job. wheeler, "Robert E. Lee," and "Busy days followed. A pro-more elaborate and detailed than fessional director was hired. He

its predecessors, will begin soon, began searching for singers and Committee chairmen report a dancers, others who could take gratifying repetition of the spirit part in the program. The enterof wholehearted co-operation by tainment was to be an oldtime the entire community which has been the principal factor in the small boys gathered to hear success of the enterprise in the strange noises from behind the past. Each year the Showboat closed doors of the town hall. Re demonstrates more forcibly its hearsals had begun. worth as an unique civic asset. "A local carpenter who had

and support.

entitled to unqualified assistance never seen a showboat, or the Mississippi River for that matter started building the boat from illustrations in a back number o the 'National Geographic Maga zine.' To provide a hull, seventy oil drums loaned by the gas com pany were wired to the sixty-fool frame. A defunct factory was ravished of its steam whistle, which was installed between the smokestacks and sounded by compressed air from a tank. The paddlewheels were built to chura in realistic deception. Actual motive power was supplied by three

utboard motors. "That boat was an intelligent ob. If you don't think it looked and acted like a real showboat. ask the man who saw it. A hundred men on her trial trip crowded to one side and failed to tilt it.

It was pronounced seaworthy. "The big moment was at hand. One fine August evening in 1932, with banners flying, band on the foredeck playing 'Here Comes the Showboat,' paddlewheels charning, smokestacks belching, Wilber

POSTMASTER N. E. BORGERSON M. Brucker, Governor of Michi-The Lowell Showboat Idea Was gan, standing upon the bridge beside Pilot Borgerson, the first His Brain Child Lowell Showboat moved down

National attention was focussed Flat River. on the institution in an article, "They rounded the bend of "Showboat," appearing in the Sawdust Island. June, 1935, "American Legion "'Good Heavens!" exclaimed Monthly," Prepared by Gerald the Governor, 'Look at that Henry in collaboration with Man-crowd!"

aging Editor Philip Von Blon of "The bleachers were jammed the Monthly, and illustrated with and the river bank was jammed photographs of the boat and a with people. Twenty-five huntypical evening crowd, the ori-dred paid admissions that evegins are discussed and the posi- ning. On the two successive evetion which the enterprise has es- nings of the showboat, the crowds tablished for itself. Concerning were even larger." the former, the official magazine The foregoing quotation is only

of the American Legion relates: one instance of the wealth of "Postmaster Norman E. Bor-community advertising and pubgerson is credited with the big licity which has accrued to Lowidea. Legionnaire Borgerson was ell through the showboat. The standing on the Lowell bridge on event has been widely commenta day in May, talking with Post ed upon by metropolitan news-Commander Charley Cook and a papers. It is an established featlocal newspaper man. How to ure of the Michigan resort seamake money for the Post-that son. was what they talked about. Its sponsors believe that the

"Borgerson gazed at the broad support necessary for contined placidity of the river with Saw- success through the years will be dust Island nestling in its center. readily forthcoming as a matter The island, built up from the of civic pride.

preceptorship of the late Sylvester P. Hicks. Young Graham's boundless energy made the confinement of school irksome, and his exuberance found expression in several practical jokes. The elder Graham decided that hard work might prove salutary, and started Ernest in the construction business laying bricks for the building now occupied by the R. D. Hahn food store. No youngster ever found toil more to his taste. From that day until his death, Mr. Graham was a tireless

more buildings than any architect since Sir Christopher Wren, was born in a frame house on Peck's Hill, Aug. 22, 1868.

Always A Worker The son of Emma Post and Robert Graham, Ernest grew into a mischevious, active, redheaded boy, with a demeanour and carriage which in later years reminded one famous observer of an alert duck. He attended the

Lowell public schools, under the

ERNEST ROBERT GRAHAM

worker with a gift for concentrating completely on the task at hand. "He was one of the hardest working men I have ever known," said Howard J. White, one of the partners in the Gra-ham firm, last Sunday.

West Michigan Beginnings Ernest later supervised masonry construction for the Lowell postoffice building on the bridge. At an early age he entered the Grand Rapids offices of Robinson & Rush, the latter the designed its Fine Arts building.

Grand Rapids structures. In 1888, when twenty years old, he entered the Chicago offices of Burnham & Root. Drawing conclusions from his basic construction knowledge gained in Lowell and Grand Rapids, he disputed the practicality of a set of plans. The matter reached the desk of Daniel Hudson Burnham, head of the firm, who upheld Graham, and mentally pegged his young Michigan apprentice as a winner. As an assistant to Burnham, Graham had a major part in drawing plans for the World's Columbian exposition in 1893. He served as assistant director of works during the construction and operation of the fair, and

father of A. E. Rush of Tulsa,

Okla., and Lowell, as an archi-

tect's apprentice. It was the pred-

ecessor firm to Robinson &

Campau, designers of the new

Lowell PWA school unit, and

Ernest had a hand in the con-

struction of the Union Station

and several other prominent

Local Furniture

Factory Sold at

Continued Operation

Is Contemplated

The assets of the Superior

Furniture Company, including

land and buildings, machinery,

fixtures and equipment, stock and

inventory, went under the auc-

tioneer's hammer Monday after-

noon in a sale conducted at the

local factory by Fred G. Timmer,

trustee in bankruptey. About 100

persons attended the sale and

bids were submitted by ten dif-

Man of Mystery

The successful bidder was W

S. Montical of Grand Rapids, He

seems to be the mysterious

stranger in the drama and is

said to be an agent acting for an

undisclosed principal. Mr. Mont-

ical is not listed in the Grand Rap-

ds city directory or telephone

book, and his business anteced-

ents and connections are not

known locally. It is rumored,

however, that he is a stooge for

Mr. Montical's bid was \$11,500.

The purchaser also assumed out-

standing taxes and a mortgage

held by the Ypsilanti State Sav-

ings Bank totaling with interest

about \$22,000. The total consid-

eration was around \$40,000. The

property was appraised two

weeks ago at \$44,431,33. The ap-

praisers appointed by the court

were Perry C. Peckham of Low-

ell, and J. G. Lloyd Alexander

and Richard R. Maude of Grand

Grand Rapids. Each was allowed

an honorarium of \$25 daily for

It will be remembered that the

concern, which manufactures

fine office chairs, went into vol-

untary bankruptey on October

14, 1935, while staggering under

a Grand Rapids or Chicago furni-

ture syndicate.

ferent individuals or groups.

Auction Monday

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July 9, 1936

Mrs. W.S. Winegar Esteemed By All Is Laid to Rest

Entire Lifetime Was Spent in

Lowell was called upon Sunday to mourn the passing at her Washington Avenue home of Mrs. Willard S. Winegar. Her death followed a prolonged illness and general breakdown. Mrs. Winegar was 76 years old.

She was born Dora Hildreth, daughter of Let Hildreth, Civil War bugler for General Nelson Appleton Miles, and a gunsmith, woodworker and cabinetmaker. Her birthplace was the present Reynolds residence, at Avery and North Jefferson streets. The house was constructed by her

She finished the Lowell public schools before the first gradu-ating class of 1878, under the preceptorship of S. P. Hicks. On Sept. 24, 1879, she was married to Mr. Winegar.

A person of great talents and capability, possessed of a genial temperament and wide understanding and tolerance of human frailty, Mrs. Winegar nevertheless chose to devote her life to the welfare and happiness of her family and husband who, during a fifty-year business career here was honored by virtually every position of honor and esteen within the gift of his fellow citizens, including presidency of the board of trade, membership on the common council and school board, and mayoralty of the vila mountainous accumulation of credit obligations. Keep Going

Mr. Timmer was appointed receiver and steps were immediate-ly taken to secure federal court consent to operation in bank-ruptcy. Sworn statements were filed that the concern had on nand a stock of incompleted fur-niture; that a large and substan-tial volume of business was available if these products were presented in complete and sal-able form; and that continued operation was essential to maintain the good-will and trade value of the business. In these proceedings the bankrupt corporation was represented by Warner, Norcross and Judd, a Grand Rapids legal firm; while Benn Corwin, also a Grand Rapids attor-

ney, represented Mr. Timmer.

Creditors and court consented,

concern in its insolvency, Business Better The firm's payroll totaled 19 men for the week ending Nov. 13, 1935. According to Mr. Timmer, the firm has done more business each month since that time than it had done in several years, due in part to the upturn in busi-

and the firm continued in busi-

ness. Secretary E. B. Higgins and his assistant, Miss Minnie M.

Meek, consented to continue with

the compay in their respective

With the services of these two

Trustee Timmer obtained court

experienced executives assured,

permission to borrow \$14,000,

and to incur obligations not to

exceed an additional \$3,000 for

labor, material, et cetera. The re-

payment of these sums was to be

secured by a first lien against

the assets still remaining to the

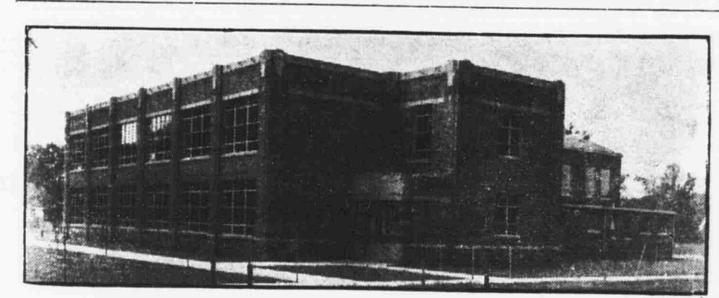
capacities.

1993 Special Centennial Issue — Page 36 generally. The company

was organized and started operations in 1926. Continued operation of the plant is said to be contemplated, and the factory is continuing in operation with a force of about 35 men. No statements have been issued by Mr. Higgins for the corporation, or by the unknown purchasers.

Lowell has always taken a prideful interest in the Superior Furniture Company, in which a number of citizens have a stake in the form of stock investments It is to be hoped that they may be reimbursed, as well as the Lowell Light and Power Plant, to which the concern is indebted, although its light and power bills for the past year and a half or more have been paid promptly monthly as required by the com-

To Dedicate New School Building This Week Friday Evening, 7:30 Hundreds Are Expected to Attend Oct. 22, 1936



Provisions are being made to Instruction and by F. F. Coons, Those who attend the exericses accommodate about 800 people at secretary of the board of educa- will be given an opportunity to the ceremonies which will mark tion, there will be other attrac- go through the building at the the dedication of the new school tions of an outstanding nature, conclusion of the program. Everyunit on Friday evening of this The newly uniformed high school one is invited but the adults are week at 7:30 o'clock. It is ex-band will give a concert starting especially asked to attend. pected that the new commodious at 7:15, Mrs. Charles Doyle will auditorium and gymnasium will sing and Bruce Walter will play (The Ledger is indebted to the be filled to capacity. In addition a violin solo. C. H. Runciman, Grand Rapids Press for use of the

to speeches by a representative president of the board of educa-picture of the new school build-

of the Public Works Administra-tion, will break a bottle of cider ing shown above. Photo by Chris

Mar. 4, 1937

tion, of the Department of Public in dedicating the building.

June 10, 1937

Washout Causes Big Damage to Bridge and Mill

Repairs May Cost \$10,000 or More

A washout under the east end of the Main-st bridge early Tuesday morning put the feed mill of the King Milling Company out of commission shortly after starting the day's work. The washout occurred when the water found its way around the piling, put in under specifications of the state highway department two years ago when the new bridge was built, and gradually made a hole large enough so that on Tuesday morning it gained enough impetus to start washing out the fill-in gand and gravel from under the sidewalk and pavement. After washing the lighter soil away, it washed out the supports of the flume gate and the supports of the feed mill. The pavement and sidewalk were im-

tion began. The damage is much more than appears on the surface and it is estimated that the costs of repairing may reach as much as \$10,000 or more. The foundation under the northwest corner of the mill was washed out so that the corner of the mill dropped down several inches. The mili wheel dropped down from the washout, throwing it out of gear. The sidewalk and pavement will have to be to:n up and filled in where the washout occurred and new cement abutments put in. It will be necessary to construct a coffer dam and divert the water through the other

mediately roped off and investiga-

The washout was kept from doing greater damage by the quick action of the mill hands in opening all the dam gates and letting the water out. William C. Dovie. secretary of the King Milling Co. anounced Tuesday that the flour mill would be in operation as soon as the coffer dam is built and the feed mill will begin operation after motors are installed.

channel in order to make the re-

Lowell Electric **Lines Now Cover** 50 Miles Length Rural Electricity Is

Growing In Use Rural electric lines in operation by the Lowell Municipal Plant now measure over fifty miles in length. according to Supt. F. J. McMahon,

are frequently made.

and requests for further extensions

ing when the temperature falls to a dangerous level and electrical horses working away inside tiny motors are doing all sorts of tasks from grinding feed to carrying water and is most widely used in lighting poultry houses in order to increase egg production when the price is up. In fact, the uses of rural electricity are too many to numerate but it will be of interes. to mention egg coolers, corn dryers, electrically operated fly traps and electrically charged screen Today importance of electricity

Rural electrification is rapidly

becoming a reality. Many farms

now have automatic electric chick-

en feeders which distribute proper

rations at a set time, pigs are fed

by electricity, greenhouses are wired so as to give electrical warn-

in the farm home as a time saver for the housewife receives the greatest emphasis.

New \$10,000 Building For Lowell

Municipal Garage Approved by WPA--- Will Add Greatly to Showboat Seating Capacity

Village President John A. Arehart has received word from the headquarters of the WPA in Grand Rapids that the project for a new municipal garage here has been approved. If there is no hitch in the preceedings it is expected that work will begin within a very few days. The new structure will cost approximately \$10,000, only about \$2400 of which is to be raised locally and a plan has been worked out whereby this sum will be made up to the village without cost to taxpayers. About \$7,600 of the total cost comes from the Federal Gov-

The new structure will stand on Lafayette street opposite the Showboat landing. It will have a frontage of approximately 80 feet, onestory high and will be about 60 feet in depth. The building will be made of reinforced concrete and the roof will be constructed so as to carry bleacher seats for Showboat entertainment, the seats to have aisles and other protective measures for safeguarding the public. The Frank Gould building now standing on a portion of the site to be occupied by the new building will be razed. The work on the new structure will start from the rear so as not to interfere with this year's Showboat. When completed, the new building will house trucks and other equipment belonging to the village and will in addition fill a long-felt want by providing greater and more adequate seating capacity for the Showboat as mentioned above. The front line of the structure will be 10 feet further east than the present front of the Gould building, allowing for a continuation of the sidewalk on the east side of Lafayette-st. and at the same time adding to the ground seating capacity. The Ledger is informed that the job will provide work for about 35 men.

McPherson's Name Is Entered For Governor

Lowell Man **Tests Sentiment**

Petitions for placing the name of Melville B. McPherson of Low-

Registration

In order to carry out the provi-

sions of the law, it is necessary

that all of those electors (voters)

who plan to vote at a school elec-

tion must have their names regis-

tered in the new School Registra-

tion Book. It is important to note

that this is a new registration and

that no elector will be permitted

to vote at the annual meeting in

July unless the name has been

properly entered on the list. F.

F. Coons, secretary of the Board

of Education has been assigned the responsibility of acting as clerk of

Registration and he will be at his

office in his store on Main Street

daily beginning May 17 between the hours of 8 a. m. and 6 p. m. and

on Saturday's until 8 p. m. to regis-

ter qualified electors who make

personal application for registration

which will close on Saturday, July

3, 1937 at 8 o'clock p. m. and in ac-

cordance with the law no applica-

tion will be received after that

time. It is also well to note that

only qualified electors may register

or vote. Except on the question of

voting school taxes. "every citizen

of the United States of the age of

twenty-one years, male or female.

who owns property which is assess-

ed with school taxes in the district.

or who is the parent or legal

guardian of any child of school age

included in the school census of

said district.

May 6, 1937

School Election To Be Conducted **Under State Law**

Vote by Ballot as in General Election

After months of study the Lowell Board of Education has taken action to conduct the elections in the school district on a more dignified and efficient basis. The investigation showed that many other similar districts had adopted a new procedure, and it was learned that the Department of Public Instruction had long considered it to be advantageous in graded districts to conduct elections in accordance with the general Election Laws of the state. The local Board of Education has therefore decided to hold all elections, beginning with the annual election on July 12, in accordance with the new plan.

\$70,000 Postottice

Sealed Bids For Site or Donation of Same Advertised

terested in working for a new post- time. office for Lowell as soon as it was announced from Washington that a large number of federal buildings Bids Wanted For were to be constructed throughout the United States, and on September 1st she addressed a letter to Senator Brown from which The Ledger quotes in part, as follows:

"I understand by newspaper accounts that Lowell is among the several points recommended by the House Appropriations Committee for the construction of \$70,000 postoffice buildings, of which only a part will be considered at the present time. I am asking your assistance to further the claims of Low- The notice reads: ell, that we may get under the first

"A new building of the kind at Lowell, Michigan, to be openwould be a worthy achievement ed publicly in the Office of the and something that could be point- Postmaster at Lowell, Michigan. ed to with pride ov the Democratic party and all other citizen, of this

Reply ng to the above lette :. Senator Brown said in part, as fo'-

"Now that the Deficiency Bil has been signed a study of the foot depth. Sites having differeligible projects will be made by ent street frontage dimensions the Interdepartmental Board fo Public Buildings and they will sel area is approximately the same. lect the iccations for the projects | In all cases where possible bids one in each congressional district | should be submitted by actual

"I shall be glad to see that the owners of properties and not by claims of Lowell are not overlook- agents. Documentary evidence ed by the Interdepartmental Board of authority must be attached and am calling your letter to their to proposals submitted by agents. attention immediately." The next word to come from Sen- ter will rupply prospective bid-

Sept. 10th, quoted at the beginning a circular giving particulars as of this article, stating that "Seven- to requirements and instructions ty thousand dollars approved yes- for preparation of bids and data tarday for site and federal building to accompany same."

Lowell is slated for a new \$70,000] All citizens of this community. regardless of party affiliation, will This good news was verified rejoice over the fact that Lowell 'ast Friday morning in a telegram is to have a fine federal building. from Hon. Prenties M. Brown. No doubt, some considerable time junior U. S. Senator from Michigan, will, of necessity, elapse before The telegran: was sent from actual construction work will be-Washington, D. C., and was ad-gin. There will be the selection of dressed to Mrs. Harry N. Briggs. a site and other details all of Chairman of the Lowell Township which will require careful consid-Democratic Committee. The tele- eration on the part of postal offigram read: "Seventy thousand dol- cials, but it is doubtless within the lars approved yesterday for site realm of possibility to predict that and federal building at Lowell." the new building will be in use here Mrs. Briggs became actively in- within twelve or eighteen months'

Postoffice Site

That the U. S. Postal Department is moving promptly in the matter of a new Federal Building for Lowell is shown by the following notice addressed to Postmaster Fred J. Hcsley, received this week Tuesday from the Treasury Department. Procurement Division. Public Buildings Branch, Washington, D. C.

"Proposals are hereby soilc.ted for a site for a Federal Building at 9 o'clock a. m., on Oct. 4 1937 for the sale, or denation to the United States of a lot conveniently located. Approximate dimensions, corner lots, 120 foot frontage, 170 fooi depth; interior lots, 145 foct frontage, 170 will be considered provided the Upon application, the Postmasator Brown was the telegram of ders with proposal blanks and state aid was put into effect.



ell on the Republican primary ballot as one of the party's candidates for the office of governor of Michigan, were submitted to the Michigan Department of State for approval as to form on Monday of this week. The petitions were filed by C. H. Runciman, well known Lowell elevator man, who was assured that the petitions were in legal form, Mr. Runciman was accompanied to Lansing by W. V. Burras, L. 'V. Rutherford, M. N. Henry and R. G. Jefferies.

> There is no doubt but that strong sentiment exists throughout Michigan for Mr. McPherson's entry into the race for the G O P nomination for governor. Mr. McPherson has served on the Michigan State Tax Commission for several years and was its chairman until deposed by Governor Murphy a few months ago to make place for John N. Fegan, a former justice of the peace at Sault Ste. Marie. Mr. Mc-Pherson still remains on the Tax Commission as one of its members. In this work he has rendered intelligent, constructive service for the people of Michigan and it is recognized that he has had an influential part in making Michigan the great industrial state that it is

Mr. McPherson has also been a strong and consistent advocate for home rule and is and has been equally opposed to centralization power and authority of purely local matters in the hands of state government. This stand has given Mr. McPherson an unusually strong following throughout rural Michigan but it is also true that his ability and qualifications are well recognized in the cities of the

Will Sound Out Sentiment

McPherson said Monday night that he had not decided whether he would run for governor. He said that thousands of postcards were being mailed to many sections of the state asking the recipients to list their preference for himself, Frank D. Fitzgerald and Harry S. Toy, two other candidates for the party's nomina-

"If it appears from the returns that I could make a strong run, I probably will announce my candidacy," Mr. McPherson said. "If it appears that there is no demand for my name on the ballot, I will

Aug. 25, 1938

Schools Placed In Jeopardy By Murphy's Proposal

All High Schools The door of opportunity for high school education may be closed to rural pupils in Kent County as the result of Governor Frank Murphy's proposal to cut

Would Paralyze

more than 40% from the state aid to schools. This situation is foreseen by County School Commissioner, Lynn H. Clark, who said the proposed reduction may mean that school boards will have to refuse to accept tuition pupils in their high schools. most unfortunate it would also be entirely illogical," Clark said. "The

cut in state aid would mean that school boards would receive a return of only \$25 annually for each tuition pupil, when it costs \$100 a piece to educate them. That would be a loss of \$75 on each and in communities where a large proportion of high school enrollment is comprised of tuition pupils, such a loss would soon wreck school finances.

"Such a community is Lowell, where there are 150 tuition pupils in a total high school enrollment of 300," the school commissioner said. "While Lowell might carry on for one year on the basis of \$75 per capita loss on one half of its high school pupils, it could not afford such a drain on its finances longer than that. Rockford and many other towns in the county are in a similar position."

Clark said that if the reduction in state aid as proposed by the governor should become effective, many schools in Kent County you:d either have to borrow money, close early or ask their teachers to take salary cuts. "If they do not maintain a school year of sufficient length to qualify for the primary school money, they will be in further difficulty," he added. "With the average salary of our teachers less than \$95 a month, we naturally are reluctant to impose further burdens on them. A 40 per cent cut in school aid, compared with five or ten per cent cuts for other state agencies, certainly

seems unfair." Speaking of the above proposal, Superintendent W. W. Gumser said: "The above facts are substantially true, but do not picture the actual precarious situation in which we find ourselves. Instead of 150 non-resident pupils, we had 185 out of a total enrollment of 315 during the past year and it is very likely that the total will pass the 200 mark for the coming year. According to information given to school men at Lansing on Monday, Aug. 15. the governor's proposal to cut state aid to schools would mean that about one half of a budget for teachers' salaries would be wiped out. The local board of education because of the 15 mill tax limit would have no way of making up the deficit because school districts now are actually without power to borrow money for contingencies. School officials are in a quandry as to what would he done in case the plan to cut

Science Writer Declares Oil Is to Be Found in Lowell Area

Nature Left Basis For Crude Oil Beneath Land Masses Of Lowell Area, Millions Of Years Before The Advent Of Man.

Geologists Trace Acts Of Prehistoric Times, In Geological Formations Of Lowell, Vergennes and Other Townships. Oct. 13, 1938

EXCLUSIVE: THE LOWELL LEDGER BY RAY E. COLTON, SCIENCE WRITER

NOTE-Now that a concerted and intensive search for crude oil and natural gas under way in most of the central tier of counties of the Lower Peninsula of Michigan, an opportune time for the presentation of the facts which influence this activity is now present, and in this and the three articles which follow it, the writer will reveal the behind the scenes in the creation of additional mineral wealth for eastern Kent and adjoining Ionia Counties. The republishing of any of the wording of this article by any other newspaper in Kent and adjoining Ionia County. r by any competing outside daily newspaper, is expressly forbidden by the writer Illustrations used with the second and third articles, are artist's conceptions drawn by Dr. Charles R. Knight of the American Museum of Natural History. These plates will vividly portray the great reptiles known as dinosaurs, which competent field work in this part of Michigan has proven to have onetime existed here.-RAY E. COLTON.

WHEN KENT COUNTY AND LOWELL AREA WAS BENEATH THE WATERS OF THE SEA

Millions of years before the ad-| gressive cities and fertile farmvent of Man, in what is today the land. The sea remained here for geographical confines of eastern countless centuries, as the geologic Kent and adjoining Ionia County, record shows. Finally, Old Mother and the area which is tributory Nature decided on a change. A to and including Lowell, Saranac, study of the fractures which ap-Alto, Elmdale and other towns, pear in the rock structures of eas-Old Mother Nature began to write tern Kent County, local area the prehistoric record, which is to- around Lowell, reveals that the day exemplified in rocks, strata, transition from the Paleozoic era sedimentary deposits, fossils, etc. into that of the Mesozoic era which in this part of Michigan. Not on followed in geologic sequence, witwritten or printed page did nature nessed one of the greatest catasleave the record of her creative and trophes of prehistoric times. Subdestructive genius of the dim geo- terranean gases eminating from logic record, but instead she has the depths of the sea, exploded, caused this record to be indelibly with the result that the submerged inscribed in form of rock strata, land masses now represented in mineral deposits of crude oil and strata, rocks, deposits, etc., of this by the deposition of fossil remains part of Michigan, were elevated, of animal, fish and reptilian life and the remainder of the water, which is proven to have existed was thrown back to form the here in the dim past. In these, and bodies known today as Lakes Huin many other ways, has Old Mo-ron and Michigan. Natural barriers ther Nature left the record for Man erected by nature, were the preof today to read. Man in the role sent shorelines, which hold forever of the field geologist, has learned in check the waters which were to interpret this record with un- once part of a vast prehistoric sea.

A study of the sedimentary defossil state around Lowell and ad-|tombed the bulk of the marine life now recognized in fossil remains series. found during preliminary field NOTE: In the next article of this

Land Areas Come in Place of Water posits, remains of marine (fish) Following the upheaval which life etc., which have been found in ended the reign of water, and en-

joining towns in this part of eas- in the stratafolds of an anticline. tern Kent County, proves beyond from which it formed the first baany reasonable doubt that the wa- sis for crude oil, there came to ters of a vast inland sea inundated what is today the lower peninsula what is today the lower Peninsula of Michigan and eastern Kent of Michigan during that period of County, a tropical climatic condigeological record which is referr- tion which was attended by the ed to as the Paleozoic era, about creation of botanical (plant) life 150 million years ago for this part such as fern, palm, etc. Evidence of the present North American of this onetime tropical plant life continent. In the waters of this existing here, is seen in rocks sea, today exemplified by such wa- which have been found around ter bodies as Lake Huron and Lowell, Parneli, and other points Michigan, where lived inumerable which contain the impressions of species of marine (fish) life rang- plant life of long extinct geologic ing from the tiny foraminfera periods such as the Mesozoic era. (shells) of micro-organic types, up This life and its laying down of to huge crinoids, ammonites, tri- the second basis for crude oil and lobites and other forms of mollusca natural gas, will be discussed at or shell life. These forms of life, length in the next article of this

geological work in the Lowell area series, the writer will discuss the for location of oil bearing struc- tropical plant life which existed tures in the surface topography, here in the dim past. He will also remain as mute reminders of the discuss the influence of this life in onetime predominating life of the creating the second basis for crude vast sea whose waters covered the oil now the object of a search in

very spot where today stand pro- the Lowell area.

FRED J. HOSLEY

Incoming Postmaster

Lowell now has a new post-States Civil Service examination master, Fred J. Hosley assuming for a clerkship in the U.S. Centhe reins of office on Monday, sus Bureau. June 1. He was appointed by A graduate of Detroit Business President Roosevelt about one University, he brings to his new month ago, the U.S. Senate later position a varied background of confirming the appointment, after practical business experience. He which Mr. Hosley furnished the has been a farmer, general store required bonds. His commission keeper and postal clerk manager was received from Washington of hotels in St. Johns, Lowell and

Thursday, May 28.

West Palm Beach, Florida, and The new postmaster was born operator of a shoe store here. He in Duplain township. Clinton was employed for a few months County, 65 years ago. The Hos- in 1934 by the State Liquor Comley family were pioneers in Liv-mission, ingston County before removing to Clinton County and are well known throughout central Michanown throughout the Manual Michanown throughout the Manual Michanown throughout the Manual Michanown throughout the Manual Michanown throughout the Michanown through the

igan. Mr. Hosley's father was a prominent early Democrat in Clinton County affairs who refused a federal army captaincy in the Civil War, so the appointee's political predilections are deeppolitical predilections are deep-They have three daughters, Mr. Hosley attended the Ovid Helen of Lansing Lucille of schools and was a classmate of Grand Rapids, and Virginia at John Robinson, banker and Dem-home; and two sons of school

ocratic political leader. Another age, Richard and Frederick. early friend was Edmund C. N. E. Borgerson, the retiring Shields, former Michigan Uni-postmaster, has accepted a posiversity regent and member of the tion with the State Department State Central Democratic Com- of Public Instruction, During his mittee. In his early twenties Mr. thirteen years incumbency, Mr. Hosley was a delegate to the Borgerson has conducted the State Democratic Convention, office to entire general satis-During the Winans gubernatorial faction and has been notably administration. Mr. Hosley, then active in a number of worth-

in his teens, passed the United while civic endeavors.

Incoming and Outgoing P M's.

NORMAN E. BORGERSON

Outgoing Postmaster

It was announced this week that Lloyd Stauffer and Hoyt Phelps, who played outstanding football all season here, have been given honorable mention on Dick Remington's All-State Football team. This team will be given a banquet by the alumni of Michigan State College at East Lansing on Saturday, Dec. 10. The boys are to be entertained afternoon and evening and will meet members of the Michigan State team and hear talks by Governor Murphy, Charles Bachman and otner coaches.

June 2, 1938

Crew of 25 Men Start Monday On Showboat

Many Permanent Improvements To Be Made; Project Under WPA

The work of constructing Low- | The project also calls for a very ell's Greatest Showboat and sev-marked improvement in seating eral other improvements in con-arrangements and increased capanection therewith is scheduled to city for caring for the crowds. A start next Monday. June 6 accord- super-structure will be built over ing to official information received the new municipal garage to carhere Tuesday. It will be a WPA ry five sections of bleachers. The project and a crew of 25 men will lowering of the roof of the cement be employed, all of whom will be block building joining the munici-

pal garage will permit the con-The construction of the 1938 struction of permanent founda-Showboat as a WPA project will tions for bleacher seats which will mark an innovation as for the first be constructed on the vacant lot time the Federal government will adjoining the cement block buildhave a considerable part in aid- ing on the south. It is estimated ing in the production of what has that these new seating arrangebecome to be universally recogniz- ments will permit 4,000 people in ed as one of Michigan's outstand- the same area that was formerly ing and most unique of summer occupied by reserved seats only. attractions. The project was ap- Other improvements provided plied for in the name of the Village for in the project include the conof Lowell although the village it- struction of a sidewalk on the river self will not be called upon to stand side of Lafayette-st. from Main-st. any of the expense for the reason extending north to the sidewalk that the village share is to be paid opposite the high school building. out of Showboat receipts. The fed- New sidewalk is also to be coneral government pays all labor structed along the front of the costs which it is estimated will be municipal garage and also on the approximately 75% of the total, south side of Avery-st, from Mon-The entire cost of the project is roe to Lafayette. Curbs and gutters

estimated at right around \$7,700, are also to be constructed on La-Plans call for making the 1938 fayette and Avery, also a sewer on Showboat larger and more sub- this street to accomodate the munistantial in every way than any cipal garage. previous attempts. The numerous Albert Roth of Detroit, village other improvements in connection engineer, is due to arrive in Lowwith the project which begins next ell Friday to confer with local offi-Monday, include the following:

cials, general Showboat chairman, A new stage of solid concrete N. E. Borgerson and Clarence Dolconstruction reinforced with steel. laway, foreman of the WPA crew. 20 feet in width by 50 feet in Blue prints and epecifications of length 10 feet of which will ex- the entire project have been aptend out into the water, leaving 10 proved by WPA headquarters in feet construction on dry land. Un- Grand Rapids and the welcome doubtedly a coffer dam will be sound of pick and shovel, hammer made in order to lay the founda- and saw will fill the air without tion for that portion of the stage interruption for the next two extending into the water. This new months. large stage will give a much wider range of activities for the performance than has been possible in Greatest Showboat, August 3, 4, 5

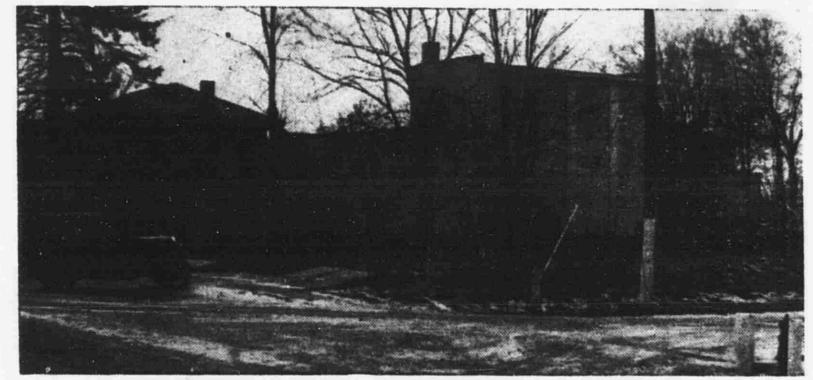
Two New Buildings For County 4-H Fair

Project Expected to Start Next Tuesday and to Be Rushed to Completion; Rotary Club Sponsors Project

Village Clerk L. E. Johnson has received word that final official approval has been given to the WPA project whereby two buildings will be erected for use by Kent County 4-H Clubs in staging their annual fair. The project is being sponsored by the Lowell Rotary Club with the 4-H clubs raising money to finance the local share of the cost. It is estimated that the total cost of the project will be around \$6,000.

Two buildings will be erected on the seven acres of land on the western boundary of Recreation Park purchased by the village this spring. One of the buildings will serve as a cattle barn and will be 26x100 feet in size. It will accommodate sixty to seventy head of cattle, including calves, heifers and cows. The other building will house general exhibits of clothing, canning, handicraft, crops, flowers and commercial exhibits which were previously displayed in

Feb. 10, 1938 \$70,000 Postoffice to Grace This Spot



Corner of Broadway and Chatham Streets Selected for New Federal Building.

street. The picture shown above is a view of the lo- the site for the proposed building." cation, which is one block north of Main street. The vacant lot shown at the corner is an outright gift to tising by the government for bids for the erection the government by Dr. E. D. McQueen, pioneer citizen and business man of Lowell. The adjoining lot
is known as the Tate property, which was purchased by the government at a cost of \$1200. The
Tates were one of Lowell's pioneer families, but the
Tates were one of Lowell's pioneer families, but the house shown above has not been occupied for a hood be completed by the end of 1938 and in use number of years and its razing will remove an eye-soon thereafter. sore. Until three or four years ago the McQueen lot was occupied by another early landmark—the old The selection of the site by the government was livery stable and stand-in barn, relic of horse and made after due consideration of many matters, buggy days.

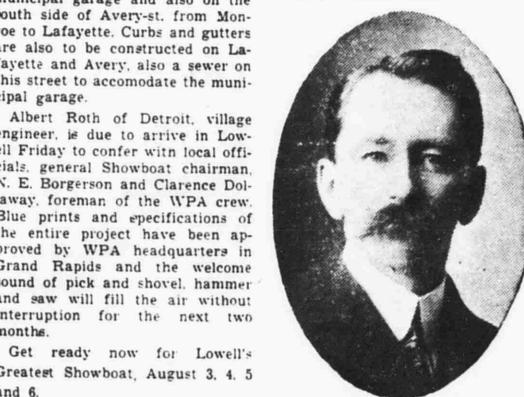
here last Friday in a letter to Postmaster F. J. Hos- is saved in this respect leaves that much more for ley from the U.S. Treasury Department, reading as the building proper. follows: "Reference is made to the land sought to Lowell people are appreciative of the rapidity be acquired as a site for the postoffice at Lowell, with which steps are being taken by postal, treasury Michigan. You are advised that acceptance has been and other officials towards the completion of this made of the proposal submitted by G. M. Tate, in new federal building which is to mean so much to the amount of \$1,200.00, and the property donated the entire community.

Lowell's new \$70,000 postoffice building will be by E. D. McQueen; the two parcels providing a erected at the intersection of Broadway and Chath-tract situated at the southwest corner of Chatham am streets on ground 132 feet in length on each street and Broadway, dimensions 132 x 132 feet, as

such as convenience, accessibility, parking and drive-Notice of the selection of the site was received in advantages and the cost of the site, as all that

Lowell Mourns Death Of J. B. Nicholson

The Grand Rapids Herald of this (Thursday) morning, contained the following announcement of the death of Mr. J. B. Nicholson, who was for many years an active and highly esteemed citizen of Lowell:



Judd B. Nicholson

Judd B. Nicholson, 72, of 731 College ave., SE., prominent Lowell and Grand Rapids business man before his retirement several years ago, died Wednesday afternoon after a long illness.

Mr. Nicholson was for many years sales manager and part owner of the Lowell Specialty company before he withdrew from the firm more than ten years ago to become associated with the Michigan Life Insurance company at Grand Rap-

Prior to his association with the Lowell Specialty company, Mr. Nicholson owned and operated a dry goods store at Lowell for a period of 10 years. He served as superintendent of Almont and Lowell schools for periods of five years. Mr. Nicholson was born in Oak-

land county, Michigan. He was a graduate of Northville high school and Michigan State Normal college at Ypsilanti. For many years he served as deacon at the Fountain Street

Baptist church. He was a member of the De Molai commandery and Saladin temple. Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Eleanor H. Nicholson; a son, Earl H. Nicholson of Radburn, N. J. and a daughter, Mrs. Clarence R

Straatsma of New Rochelle, N. Y.,

and four grandchildren.



(By K. K. Vining)

Slowly but surely agriculture is becoming more mechanized eliminating horse and man power. This column recently mentioned the growth of the combine. The corn picker is not a new contrivance but recently improvements have been made to place it in the same class as the combine.

Twenty years ago there were probably fewer than 10,000 mechanical corn pickers on U. S. farms and they were as a rule unsatisfactory as to performance.

Sales the last two years have reached a new high. In the corn belt states of Illinois, Iowa and Minnesota 35% or more of the 1938 corn acreage was harvested with a picker. The same year 13% of all corn in the U.S. was harvested with a picker. The custom rate was a little over two dollars per acre. The average rate for husking by hand from standing corn was about four cents a bushel.

From a labor standpoint a one row picker reduced labor about one third as compared to hand methods and the two row picker reduces labor about fifty percent. The saving in labor makes it possible to finish harvesting corn at an earlier date. We wonder what will become of the labor that has formerly picked this corn. Will the middle west have a migrant labor problem as does the Pacific Coast states?

1800 towns and communities in the U. S. own forests. These are located in 27 states and total about 3,000,000 acres.

Paint brushes are still busy in Kent County and in our travels the last two weeks fresh paint shone on the farms of Burt Neimeyer in Caledonia township, the Caledonia Farmers Elevator at Dutton, Ed. Oosterhouse in Cascade, Mrs. John Sipple in Nelson township, and the John Krebs farm in Bowne. George Krebs, a 4-H member, painted the last named buildings.

April 6, 1939

Bert E. Quick Laid to Rest Here In 73rd Year

Spent Lifetime In Community

In the death of Bert E. Quick Friday, March 31, Lowell lost a representative of its formative

Mr. Quick's early life was closely associated with the post-Civil War expansion of Lowell. He was born Nov. 6, 1866, of Reuben Quick and his wife, the former Phebe Jane Barber, both of whom took part in the movement of New York families into the lake region. The father had served with a Lowell volunteer rompany in the 26th Michigan Infantry, in which he earned a commission. After the war, the elder Quick faced the usual struggle of a soldier for adfustment to civil life; but as a result of his ability as a carpenter, he quickly found a niche in the infant lumber industry.

And it was in a world of lumber that Bert Quick spent his youth. The entire Flat River valley was his playground, but particularly that portion which lay on the east bank near the present Showboat and high school site. ,

But the pine was not inexhaustible. By the time Bert had reached maturity, Michigan lumbermen were swinging to hardwoods; and this ended an era in the family life and activities. The firm of King, Quick & King was dissolved; the father retired from active business participation, and Bert struck out for himself.

Town's First Big Advertiser One early adventure was a retail hardware store; and there is a story that Bert Quick purchased an entire half-page in a local newspaper (much to the dismay of its proprietor) to sell a carload of refrigerators. It is a matter of record that the ad sold all the refrigerators on a single Saturday. On the sale of the hardware bus-

iness, the youngster established and sold a shoe business of his own; then obtained a selling job with A. J. Howk & Son, Boots and Shoes. He really learned this business, and successfully represented several manufacturers, moving to Grand Rapids in order to be nearer his territory.

Lowell Municipal Plant June 26, 1941 Near Total Loss by Fire



Scene at Plant as Fire Raged

A blazing fire early Tuesday afternoon damaged the Lowell Municipal Light and Power diesel generating plant and cut off the village power for about two hours.

A goodly number of deer hunters The fire started workmen refrom this community were among ported, when a welding outfit being the several thousands stranded for used by workmen on the installation two or three days at the Straits of of the new diesel engine, set fire to Mackinac because of the suspension tarpaulins being used to protect the building while the new engine is of ferry service due to the big gale. Sleeping accommodations and pea being installed. The flames blazed soup must have been at a premium up to the roof and the entire roof in the little town of Mackinac City. and temporary wall were aftre in a

The business concerns are the

heart of a community. The progress

of the town depends on its stores and its industries, and whatever

you do to help those stores and in-

dustries to prosper, is like giving

Thirty-two states, including Mich-

igan will observe Thanksgiving

Day on November 21 in accordance

with the proclamation of President

Roosevelt. Sixteen states will fol-

low the old custom of observing the

day on the 28th, the last Thursday

in November. Everybody seems to

be saying, "It doesn't seem possible

that Thankegiving is only one week

Although the deer hunting season

loes not open until November 15

deputy sheriff A. H. Stormzand,

proprietor of the Central Garage,

bagged a five-point buck on Novem-

not be sent to jail. The buck had

been hit by a motor car while cross-

ing M-66 near the Emery orchard

south of town and Mr. Stormzand

was notified that the injured deer

was running around in the adjacent

woods in a dazed condition and it

was shot to end its misery. The an-

imal was dressed and the meat sent

It was said some years ago that

20 percent of the American people

move their homes every five years.

Probably the proportion of those

who move is even larger today. The

people of any community should

look out very carefully for new-

comers. The business concerns

should reach out for their patron-

ige, and try to make them realize

what good stores are run in such a

place as Lowell. Also people should

welcome strangers into their social

organizations and circles, and in-

stead of holding them at a distance

for years, should take them in at

once and make them feel at home.

That is one good way to build up a

Some three or four weeks ago

Harley Maynard, from the sick

bed which has confined him to

his home here for the past several

months, wrote an interesting article

describing his visit to Mt. Tacoma

or Mt. Ranier as it is more com-

monly called, which he visited in

1938, and this article by Mr. May-

nard will be found in another

written and anyone will enjoy read-

ing it. Harley has been a sufferer

from diabetes and has undergone a

leg amputation, bearing up under

the ordeal with cheerfulness and a

couple of weeks ago was obliged

to enter Blodgett hospital for

column of this issue. It is well

to a charitable institution.

ber 40, and yet Mr. Stormzand wil

a human body a stronger heart.

The local fire department was on the job in a hurry and the fire was brought under control in about a half hour of hard fighting. The roof over the new diesel was badly burned, along with the back wall of the plant office.

Damage was estimated at \$500.00

forth stored over the office and about the same to the newly remodeled office. Supt. Frank J. McMahon was un-

on material, light bulbs and sc

able to estimate the damage to the new generating unit being installed but said if the generator itself was injured by the fire which blazed around it, the damage might run to several thousand dollars. All damage, McManon said, was covered by insurance. Service of the village was re-

sumed after about 2 hours as the result of the quick work of Light and Power employees in covering the two generating units and the switch boards with canvas, coupled with the quick work of the fireman, preventing costly damage.

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Military Duty From Dist.

Men Listed From Those Drawn Include the First Hundred

· The Ledger herewith is publishing the names of men in District No. 1, including Lowell and nearby townships, whose serial numbers were the first to be drawn in the great national lottery Tuesday in

Washington. The names listed are the first numbers applying to this district out of the first 100 numbers applicable to Kent county. In the drawing at Washington, it was not until 341 numbers had been drawn that there were 100 numbers applicable to Kent County. Publication of the names does

not mean, of course, that all these men will be called for military training. Quotas for states and districts are yet to be set, so it is not known how many men each board will have to send to training camps.

158-Jacob A. Young, Alto. 192-Noel L Nelson, Rockford. 105-Harold Kelley, R. F. D. 1, Lowell. 2441-Carlton W. Martin, Com-

stock Park. 3951-Merle Dawson, Lowell. 188-Sammie I. Finkbeiner, Cale-

120-Albert A. Zigmont, R. F. D. 2, 2914-Calvin L. Hill, Ada.

2670-Ivan T. Schindler, R. F. D. 1. Sparta.

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further treatment.

Lowell Is Soon To Be Free From All Indebtedness

Common Council Votes To Call All Bonds And **Engine Notes**

Good news for the taxpayers and all citizens of the village of Lowell -all bonded indebtedness and outstanding notes are soon to be paid in full and best of all the cash is

available for the purpose. The village council voted Monday night to pay up the outstanding notes against the Fairbanks-Morse

Diesel engine, amounting to \$5,-817.20 to be paid this week to the Municipal Acceptance Corporation. The Common Council also voted to pay \$14,900 on June 1 on the water works bonds, although these bonds are not due until 1942, but paying same will stop interest charges. It was voted to pay the paving bonds of \$4,000 on September 1, although these bonds are not due until 1945.

After the above payments are made, the village indebtedness will have been fully paid so far as bonded indebtedness and outstanding notes are concerned.

3048-Raymond H. Hesche, R. F. D. 2, Lowell. 3470-Byrne E. Harmon, R. F. D.

1, Comstock Park.

Sand Lake. 2748-George C. Blocher, R. F. D. 2698-Glenn H. Dennis, R. F. D.

3495-Hazen D. Corby, Kent City.

1. Lowell. 846-Melvin S. Gillespie, R. F. D. 1, Cedar Springs. 2764-Victor E. Rice, Comstock

161-Francis E. Schaffer, R. F. D. 2, Alto.

3011-Joseph H. Gass, Sparta. 3294-Edward L. Shimmel, Mc-

2470-Joseph B. Flynn, R. F. D. 2, 14-Gerald I. Bloomfield, R. F. D. 2, Cedar Springs.

3259-Everett L. Kimble, R. F. D. 3, Cascade. 2771-Jake Verbey, R. F. D. 4. Grand Rapids. 2489-Verl H. Beuschel, Sparta.

2502-Charles E. Jones, R. F. D. 3. Lowell. 2524-Jacob C. Rosenberger, R. F. D. 2. Sparta.

3001-Leo C. Nicholai, Sparta. 3408-Ernest S. Feenstra, R. F. D. , Grand Rapide. 2437-Mervil L. Tisdel, R. F. D.

Sand Lake.

3252-Herbert M. Rebile, R. F. D. 4, Grand Rapids. 2534-Lester E. Moerman, R. F. D. 1, Comstock Park. 3200-Marvin J. Prentice, R. F.

D. 1, Comstock Park. 57-John S. Kulbakas, R. F. D. 3, Grand Rapids. 2634-Charles F. Bowman, R. F.

D. 3, Rockford. 2988-Forrest E. Dakens, R. F. D. 1. Rockford. 153-Albert J. Kesteloot, Sand

19-William E. Totten, R. F. D. 2. Cedar Springs. 3045-Arthur J. Marsh, R. F. D. 1, Lowell. 2880-Charles E. Inman, R. F. D.

2559-Clifton E. Armstrong, R. F. D. 3, Cedar Springs. 2540-Irving Utley, R. F. D. 1. Kent City. 2792-Francis E. We:singer, Low-

766-Howard C. Bettes, R. F. D. 1. Sparta. 2514-Marvin R. Hubert, R. F. D. 1, Sparta.

2780-Roger B. Sorum, R. F. D. 4, Grand Rapids. 3162-Charles R. Brownyard, R. F. D. 1, Rockford. 172-Melvin W. Koetsier, R. F. D.

Grand Rapids. 3169-Jacob Berende, R. F. D. 2. Caledonia. 126-Harold O. Pinckney, Sparta.

2974-Walter V. Graham, R. F. D. 2. Lowell. 2767-T. L. Siegel, R. F. D. 1, Comstock Park.

Lowell Mourns F.P. MacFarlane

Rites Here Today, Burial At Cadillac

Frank P. MacFarlane, 77, a prominent Lowell business man for nearly 20 years, passed away at his home here about 4 o'clock Tuesday morning after an illness of several weeks' duration. He had been in his usual good health until the beginning of his last illness. Mr. MacFarlane was born April

8, 1864 near Hersey, Osceola County. Michigan, where he spent his boyhood and where he worked in the lumber woods as a youth. Later Mr. MacFarlane was active in lumbering operations in Wisconsin and Cadillac, Michigan. He came to Lowell in 1922 engaging first in the grocery business and for the past several years operated a feed and fuel business. He was a member of the Lowell Board of Trade, also a member of Lowell Rotary Club for the past three or four years, and was for many years a member of Lowell Congregational Church.

The above halftone cut shows the late Mr. and Mrs. MacFarlane at the time of their golden wed-

\$69,414 Left To Village From Dr. Lee Estate

Sum To Be Used for Civic Improvements

According to the final acounting filed in probate court Wednesday noon by Harry Day, the village of Lowell will receive \$69,414.99 from the estate of Dr. Solomon S. Lee. According to Dr. Lee's will, the village of Lowell was to receive

the residue of his estate after all specific bequests had been deducted. His estate, in the final accounting, amounted to slightly more than \$177,000. Of this amount personal property accounted for \$119,728 and cash realized from loans for \$45,000.

ding anniversary which was ob-

Mr. MacFarlane was a man of

sturdy Scotch ancestry and wa-

respected and esteemed by all as an

honest man and a good citizen in

full sense of the word. He will be

missed and his place in the com-

munity will be hard to fill.

served September 15, 1936.

Dr. Lee, who was a native and lifelong resident of Lowell, left the residue of his estate to the village to be used in any way the village council sees fit, but suggested in his will that some of it be used for the gradual improvement of Recreation Park in Lowell. Dr. Lee died March 21, 1940.

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Horses, \$3.00

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Endicott Johnson Work Shoes, regular height, plain toe, composition sole, leather insole, black wax calf

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Men's Black Calf Oxfords, composition or leather soles. Regular \$2.45

\$1.89

89c White Leather Sandals,

For Women

60 pairs of Enna Jettick

black and brown Ox-

fords, pumps and straps,

\$1.99

White Linen Oxfords,

Pumps and Straps, odd

odd lots

\$1.49

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Art H. HILL

went to Kalamazoo.

as two and three cents.

Mr. Munton, formerly employed

Strawberries have been down to

Funeral services were held for

Conrad Haner at the home of his

A fat man's race took place on

our streets, between citizens, Frank

Giles and Fred L. Fallas, the latter

daughter, Mrs. G. B. Avery.

an astonishing low figure, as low

by the Electric Light company,



Carlton H. Runciman

Twenty-five years ago, or to be more exact, on January 29, 1917, C. H. Runciman embarked in the elevator business in Lowell, taking over the property owned by the late C. E. Jakeway.

Under the proprietorship of Mr. Runciman, the business has grown and expanded until today the Runciman elevator is well and favorably known throughout the entire state. The institution has given regular employment to a large force and farmers for many miles in all directions have made a practice of trucking their products to the Lowell elevator knowing that they could always find a ready market at highest prevailing prices. Upwards of three carloads of beans are sorted at the Runciman elevator every 24 hours.

In addition to attending to his exacting business affairs, Mr. Runciman has found time to render splendid service in many ways to his community. He has been president of the local board of education for a number of years, has always served actively on the Board of Trade, including presidency of the Board; and is also a past president of the Rotary Club. He is vice president and a member of the board of directors of the State Savings Bank. In addition to local activities, Mr. Runciman has served as president of the Michigan Bean Jobbers' Association, and for a number of years has been a member of the Michigan Welfare Relief Commission.

The Ledger proved itself a true prophet in its February 1, 1917, issue, when it said:

"Mr. Runciman is a pleasant appearing young man and as principal in this important business will be intimately connected with the future prosperity of Lowell and vicinity."

Cong'l Church 85th Birthday

Mar. 13, 1941

Mortgages Cancelled and Improvements Made

Last Thursday evening, around one hundred members and friends of the Congregational Church gathered in the Parish House to celebrate the 85th anniversary of the founding of the local church.

It was also on a Thursday, March 6th, 1856, that the newly formed Congregational church committee of Lowell, invited ministers and delegates from the Congregational churches of Portland, Greenville, Ionia, Border, Boston, Cannon, Grand Rapids, Grandville, Galesburg, and from the American Home Missionary Society, to an all day

Showboat Cancelled

Wartime Conditions And Other Factors Enter Into Decision Reached at a Meeting Held Monday Night at City Hall.

The 1942 production of the Lowell Showboat has been cancelled.

This decision was reached at a meeting of the Showboat committee held Monday night at the City Hall. After considerable discussion, the committee of 17 members voted unanimously in favor of cancelling the 1942 Showboat. A number of factors entered into

the decision reached, the principal factor being that of patriotic cooperation with the nation's war efforts. Another factor was the Regiment, Lee Field, Bldg. 27, scarcity of available help for the building of the Showboat. The members of the band are now widely scattered, some helping on farms, some working in factories, and still others likely to be called to the armed forces. Still another factor is the fact that because of War Savings time, performances could not start until nearly ten o'clock and that would mean that the show would not end until around one o'clock in the morning. This factor, coupled with driving restrictions, would mean a greatly diminished attendance as compared with

normal times. The action taken at Monday night's meeting is in line with what is being done throughout the country at the request of the government. State and county fairs are being cancelled, also conventions and many kinds of public enter-

For 10 years, the Lowell Showboat has been hailed as one of Michigan's most important summer attractions, the attendance growing larger and the quality of the show better with each succeeding

Happier days will come again and the Lowell Showboat will come sailing 'round the bend with greater glory than ever before.

meeting to publicly approve the setup of the new church. The business meeting was held

in the Red school (site of the Methodiet Church today) and at noon the delegates dined at the Jacob Snell home. There were nine original members, and Rev. S. Heminway became the first pastor. For over a year meetings were held in a second story room over Blaisdell's Hardware store. Then the members decided they should have a suitable House of Worship, Richards and Wickham donated a lot. Subscriptions in cash, labor and material were secured from the general public. The present church edifice was dedicated in June, 1861, under the capable leadership of Rev. D. L. Eaton. Since then, a Parish House and a parsonage

have been built. A year ago at the anniversary gathering, the cancelled mortgage on the Parish House was joyfully burned. This year the mortgage on the Parsonage was burned by Dr.

News of Our Boys With the U.S. Flag

Corp. Bill Dawson returned Sunday to Camp Funston, Kan, after spending a ten days' furlough here because of his father's illness.

Richard Peckham, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Peckham, has been transferred from San Francisco, Calif., to Washington, D. C., where he is stationed in the Bureau of Naval Personnel.

Pvt. Harold Eugene Niles, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Niles, is now stationed at Camp Crowder, Mo. His address is Pvt. Harold Eugene Niles, Co. E 33rd Signal Tr. and Bn., Camp Crowder, Mo.

A. A. Curtis has been slightly changed. The present address is as follows: A|C A. A. Curtis, Cadet Room 214 Jacksonville Fis Lt. George W. Gotfredeen's ad-

The address of Aviation Cadet

dress at present is Communication Section, 1st Bombardment Wing, A. P. O. 875, care of Postmaster, New York City, New York. Show our boys that we do remember by writing to them.

Loree Pennock writes his mother from Boston, where he has been on shore duty awaiting his ship, has been notified to be ready for a change in orders. Loree is now weighing 250 lbs. but says he feels much better when on arctic sea

Pvt. George K. Hoover of Keenetp. is now in England and he would like to hear from friends. His address is as follows: Pvt. George K. Hoover, 36178248, Hg. of Hg. Co., 2nd Bn., 16th Inf., A. P. O. No. 1, care of Postmaster, N. Y. C., N. Y., U. S. Army.

Mrs. Will Devering has received word from her nephew, M. Sgt. George C. Daly, that he was appointed as a warrant officer J. G. on his 46th birthday, Aug. 21. His address is W. O. J. G. Service Co., 5th Infantry, A. P. O. 833, care of Postmaster, New Orleans, La.

executed in Dec. 1931, and a member of the present board. Now the church property is free of debt, and in the best of repair. A new heating and air conditioning system has been installed. Indirect lighting fixtures, freshly painted walls, venetian blinde and draperies, add a great deal to the appearance of the dining room. A new electric range graces the kitchen. The church proper is most inviting, with its powder blue walls, dark red velvet draperies, Hammond organ, and a

Trustees when the mortgage was

communion table on which stands lighted candles and a cross. After an enjoyable supper, Rev. Harold Skidmore, the newly elected State Superintendent of Congre-

White, a member of the Board of gational · Churches, made some poignant remarks about the duties of a Christian in these troubled times. Christians should remember that this is God's world, and that it is ruled by Him. While strong men carry on destructive wars and try to spread their own philosophies, it continues to be up to the Christians in the world to carry on, with the consciousness of God's presence.

The pastor, Rev. R. M. Barksdale, presided as toastmaster and Mrs. Barksdale, with her own hande made a birthday cake for the supper which received much praise. The cake was of considerable size and was a close copy of the first church, showing the entrance, the belfry and the windows.

Scrap Rubber Drive Going Over Great Lowell Estimated to Yield At Least Twelve Tons

From every city, town and hamlet throughout the nation come reports of enthusiastic support in the campaign for the collection of scrap rubber and from a canvass made this week Wednesday it is shown that

Our Armed Forces Need Scrap Iron

Appeals are made to American people to ransack their attics, cellars, woodsheds, storehouses, and all places where they have waste material which the government can use in war production. Have you got any of this old stuff around your premises? The majority of peokind than they realize.

The average family often discards articles which are outworn, or which need repair, or things of which they are tired. When they make improvements, some remnants of their old facilities are apt to lie around the place. Families should gather this stuff together and dispose of it to some junk dealer, or give it to some agency that will see that it goes to provide the materials our glorious army and navy and air force need so badly. Right now, in Lowell and neighboring townships an intensive drive is on for the collection of scrap iron and other metals which our armed forces must have at once in order to fight the enemy. Some of our steelmills will be forced to close within a couple of weeks unless they get more scrap iron. Every farmer is urged to sell his scrap

Lowell is keeping pace with the rest of the nation.

It is estimated that Lowell gas stations have taken in up to the time of going to press a total of approximately 12 tons of rubber scrap of all varieties and with five days yet to go before the close of the campaign next Tuesday night at midnight this total is sure to be materially in-

Girl Scouts and air raid wardens have been doing great work and all are to be commended. Keep up the good work! Search

Men and women, Boy Scouts,

everywhere for every ounce of scrap rubber that can be found. It will help our boys win the war.

Feb. 5, 1942

Michigan to Go On New War Time

Lowell To Fall In Line Beginning Monday

Michigan will go on War Time (Daylight Saving Time) at two o'clock next Monday morning, Feb. 9, as the result of action taken on Tuesday by the state administrative board, thereby accepting the provisions imposed upon the nation by an act of Congress.

This means that Lowell clocks are to be advanced one hour in spite of the fact that we are already operating on New York time. For the time being, at least, Lowell schools, the State Savings Bank, the Pere Marquette and the Grand Trunk railroads, bus schedules, etc., according to information available at this writing, will operate on the new War time pending whatever future developments may occur. There is some possibility that the state legislature which will convene in another special session called by the Governor for next Monday, may decide to go back to Central Standard Time. If such action is taken it would mean that advancing our clocks one hour would have the practical result of leaving our time the same as at

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News of 50 Years Ago

What Made News in Lowell in the First Issue of the Ledger, That Came Fresh and Reeking Off the Hand Press Upon Which It Was Printed Fifty Years Ago, Or to Be More Exact June 1, 1893

Well the local news of fifty years ago will doubtless prove fully as interesting today as it did then, hence a little further on in this article we will give a summary of the same, the reader bearing in

Feb. 4, 1943

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Charles Doyle Dies Suddenly

Suffers Heart Attack At Home Wednesday

Charles Doyle, 65, died unexpectedly at his home here about 10 o'clock Wednesday morning. Although he had not been active in business affairs for the last six years, Mr. Doyle was feeling as well as usual on Wednesday morning, and was preparing to leave for Grand Rapids when he was seized

with a heart attack, dying instantly. Mr. Doyle was a lifelong resident of this community, having been born in Vergennes township, January 27, 1878, the son of the late Thomas and Mary Doyle.

Mr. Doyle became identified with the King Milling Co. forty-five years ago, and was president of the company when he retired from active duties in 1936. He was for several years a member of the Lowell Common Council and for some time served as chairman of the light and power committee, a work in which he manifested much interest.

Critical

Waste Paper Shortage

Blocks War Effort

The present nationwide waste

paper shortage is very serious!

Paper mills are desperately in need

of waste paper of all kinds to satis-

fy the increasing demands of war

manufacturing. Not only is paper

being made into boxes for carrying

food, medical supplies, and muni-

tions to our fighting men, but now

it is also used directly in the man-

ufacture of the munitions them-

selves, to conserve aluminum and

Editor's Note.-Pictures shown

you, the people of Lowell, will cooperate wholeheartedly.

paper and small boxes, except when packed in large cartons.

Here are the plans as thus far formulated

newspapers folded once, and tied in bundles.

Park, or the Congregational church, if it rains.

herewith were posed by Coast

Guardsmen at the Grand Haven

other critical materials.

Training Station.

Mr. Doyle was also a former president of the Michigan State Millers' Association. He was active in Lowell Lodge No. 90 F. & A. M. and Hooker Chapter, Royal Arch Masons. He was a member of Dewitt Clinton Consistory, 32nd degree Mason of Grand Rapids, a member of Saladin, Shrine, and also a member of Penninsular Club. Grand Rapids.

Mr. Doyle was united in marriage with Gladys Irene Stowell, on September 8, 1915. To this union were born five children, William S., Virginia, Gloria, Charles and Anita, all of Lowell. Mr. Doyle's eldest son. Edwin, resides in Detroit. Surviving him besides the wife and children are two brothers, Thomas M. Doyle and William C.

tere preceded him in death. Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon, at two o'clock, under Masonic auspices, in the Methodist church, the Rev. C. E. Pollock, officiating. Burial in Oakwood

Doyle, both of Lowell. Three sis-

Mr. Doyle was held in high esteem by everyone and the entire community joins in extending sympathy to the bereaved widow, children and the brothers.

Scrap Collection in Lowell on Wednesday, August 18

Our War Effort Needs Every Ounce of Waste

Lowell Boy Scouts have been asked to lead another drive for the collection of Waste-rags, rubber, maga-

zines, newspapers, carton boxes. This will not be as easy an accomplishment as formerly. Trucks and

drivers are busy. Many boys are working steady, but the Scouts will do the best they can and expect that

Collection will be made on Wednesday morning, August 18. Waste will be brought to the city garage,

Put your waste out on the front porch or other convenient place early on Wednesday morning. DO NOT

Just remember. Uncle Sam needs this paper, and the Scouts are willing to do all they can to help him

Boys of ten or over who are willing to help in this drive will meet on Monday evening at Richards

Norman G. Woon, Scoutmaster, Troop No. 101.

expect a truck to wait while you go to the basement or attic for what you have. We cannot handle loose

Lafayette St. Bring your own if you can. You can help greatly by putting magazines in boxes or bundles,

mind that the Ledger of a half century ago was much smaller in size than it is today. In fact, it would take four issues of the Ledger of that day to equal the amount of community news given in a single issue today. The paper then had but five short columns to the page and four of its eight pages were known as "ready-print" and were printed each week in Chicago.

Other Interesting Comparisons

The Ledger entered this waiting world before the days of rural free delivery. Saturday was its publication day because that was the day farmers came to town to do their weekly shopping. The automobile had not as yet made its appearance; Dobbin furnished the motive power and the people rode in buggies and lumber wagons; horses were tied to hitching posts and hitching rails; the main thoroughfare was known as Bridge street, later changed to Main street; there were no pavements and people traveled on dirt roads, dusty in summer and knee-deep with mud in fall and spring seasons; people used cutters and bobsleighs in winter; stores kept open every night until a late hour; street lighting came from oil-burning lamps on the top of posts at intersections in the business district; sidewalks were made of wooden planks.

The Ledger's Salutatory In his salutatory, Editor Johnson

"We aim to publish a live local paper, devoted to the interests of Lowell and vicinity, in particular, and to the advancement of truth and intelligence in general. Pol-

itically, the publisher believes in the democracy of Grover Cleveland, and political matters will be discussed from that standpoint, honestly and fairly, keeping constantly in mind that abuse is not argument."

political loophole for he said

"In all things, however, me must remember that this is a world of change, and that nfuch that today is called truth may tomorrow be known as error. Nothing seems stable. The clouds of the summer sunset are ever changing and beautiful. New lights, new truths are constantly appearing, while old things are passing away. He is a simple person who agrees to believe next year, next month, or even tomorrow just what he believes today. Beliefs must change with knowledge, and we ought to know more tomorrow than we do today. The best plan is to keep your windows open toward Jerusalem, and follow each day with the light that comes through them."

Below is a summary of who and what made news in the first issue of the Ledger:

Local News of 50 Years Ago Wheat looks pretty good and

haying is well under way. Gottlieb Rittenger had the misfortune to fall and break an arm.

Norton Henry returned from the World's Fair city.

Amos Andrews learning the art preservative at the Ledger office.

Web Cilley of South Boston has a new barn, 100x46, with an iron

The Lowell schools closed their year's work. There were no grad-Joe Quick and Fred Malcolm

took in the great American derby run at Chicago. Roy Eaton returned from Chicago, where he had been attending

a medical college.

Editor Johnson, however, left a

winning the heat. H. S. Schreiner started a new industry for Lowell, the manufacture of fly nets, and also added hammocks to his line. The Pioneer picnic at the home of J. S. Hocker was largely attended, about seventy being present. John Karcher of Bowne, who recently injured a foot in a fall, had

> to undergo the operation of amputation, in order to save his life. S. S. Lee returned from Oberlin

> Cc'lege. He spent a few days in Detroit, bringing home a Columbia bicycle, the only one in Lowell.

W. B. Rickert freezing his ice

cream by the aid of a water motor. Business so good these hot days that muscle power gave out.

Worden's Orchestra to furnish music for a Fourth of July ball at Ada rink and also for a ball at Coopersville the following evening.

Frank Clark and Gertrude Fallas were married at the residence of John W. Fallas, by the bride's grandfather, Rev. W. Johnson of Grand Rapids.

Porter Carr purchased the interest of his partner, J. C. Moore, in their general blacksmithing and machine shop, continuing the business at the old stand.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Winegar, their daughter, Miss Ella, was united in marriage to Philip G. ber, Pastor E. H. Shanks officiating. They left for Genoa, Ohio, to make their home.

April 12, 1943

Lowell Area Ready For Third War Loan

Organization for House-to-House Canvas Is Being Formed

Quota For the Lowell Area Must Reach \$240,000

Sept. 12, 1943

The gigantic Third War Loan Drive will get under way in Lowell and surrounding townships on Wednesday, Sept. 8. Township chairmen, committee members and salespeople will meet in the high school at 8 o'clock to get instructions from Louis A. Weil, Jr., County Chairman, and from L. V. Mulnix, Sr., and Henry Schantz, co-chairmen of the County Division. It is possible that W. J. Wade, Executive Manager of the War Finance Committee will also be in attendance.

\$240,000 Is Lowell's Share The county quota for September

is twice what it was for the Second War Loan Drive which was held in April. Over \$19,000,000 must be sold in the county and this means an average of about \$80.00 for every man, woman and child. Corporations are expected to purchase about half of this amount, but in Lowell the responsibility largely rests with the individual. The community of Lowell embraces the trading area and it is expected that the chairmen of Vergennes, Ada, Bowne, Cascade and Lowel! townships will direct most of their purchases through the Lowell Bank and Postoffice. The quota for this area is \$240,000 or about twice as much as was purchased in April. This means that to go over the top, Lowell and environs will have to procede at top

The Plan

The National, State, and County Outlines, contain details for a threefold plan. The gallants who so ably stood at the center in the last rive will again be asked to share the burden of responsibility. The new features of the program are the "E" Bond Father Organization and the addition to the Payrol! Savings plan. Fathers of soldiers and sailors are being asked to buy and sell bonds. It is felt that these fathers will feel a keen sense of responsibility and a determination to he'p the boys at the front. All employees who are already buying through the Payroll Savings Plan

are asked to buy an additional \$100 bond in this drive. Indeed, the \$240,000 must be in addition to the regular monthly quota.

> Types of Bonds It is expected that the well known

series "E" bonds will account for most of the sales. However, credit will be given for series "F" and "G", 21/207 1964-69 and 207 1951-53 will also be available. In addition, corporations or partnerships may purchase Treasury Savings Notes. Series C o take care of income taxes. Folders describing all of these issues will soon be in the hands of prospective buyers.

Volunteers Needed

Several citizens have been invited by letter to attend the organization meeting at the Lowell high school next Wednesday at 8 o'clock in the evening. It is hoped that many others, especially fathers, will volunteer to help. Those who are willing to put Lowell community over the top should attend the

The United States Treasury War Finance committees for the village of Lowell consist of the following: Banking or sale of bonds-Harry Day, chairman, and Fred Hosley, Dan Wingeier, Herbert Elzinga; Industry or payroll savings-

Frank Newell, chairman, and Otto Wisner, Harold Englehardt; Labor-Athur Martin, chairman; Retail-F. F. Coons, chairman,

and M. N. Henry, R. D. Hahn, Henry Weaver; Schools-R. B. Avery, chairman,

and Ardis Schneider; Women-Mrs. Gladys Doyle, chairman, and Mrs. Rosella Yeiter, Mrs. George Emelander;

Publicity-R. G. Jefferies, chair-

man, and Harold Jefferies, and Mrs. L. E. Johnson; Executive chairman - W. W.

The township chairmen are to be selected by the County Committee. Their names will be announced next



Local clothiers brought out their stock of gloves and ear muffs for the fire laddies, local restaurants furnished pots of steaming hot coffee, and Roth's Chapel was kept open as a place where firemen could go for warmth and dry their clothing. Several ladies remained on the job to dry the firemen's gloves over the fire.

Soon after the fire started the local office of the Bell Telephone company became a beehive of activity, practically all of the offduty operators being called to the switchboard because of the hundreds of calls pouring in from all directions. It was a case of news of the fire spreading like wild fire.

President Wm. C. Doyle of the King Milling Company says that words fail him when it comes to expressing the appreciation of the company to the scores and scores of people who helped battle the fire. Mr. Doyle says: "The Lowell fire department and the visiting fire departments did a marnificent job, and to them and to all others who helped, we say 'Thanks a million', and we mean every word of

Sunday's fire recalls other bad fires, the one that destroyed nearly the entire north side business block between Flat river and Monroe-av. in 1905, and the fire about that same period when the old wooden row of buildings on the south side of main street, between Monroe and Washington Avenues, was razed to the ground. Also in the early 1900's a bad fire occurred southeast of Main-st. in the lumber yard owned by the late Frank Ecker Still earlier occurred the burning of the old roller skating rink which stood across the street dia; onally from the Superior Mills.

Supt. F. J. McMahon lost no time in seeing to it that all of the high tension wires in the vicinity of the burning mill were disconnected. thus avoiding any liklihood of serious injury to firemen and others. Many years ago two fatalities occurred on Main Street from high tension wires, once when a balloonist lost her life at a 4th of July celebration, the other death occurring at the time of the burning of the "old wooden row."

Everybody was dressed in his Sunday best when the fire alarm was sounded, but no one went home to change his clothes before rendering help. Palace Cleaners will be renovating a lot of suits.

The myriads of doves which have made their home around the old mill all through the years, took flight to other places of safety when the fire broke out, and it was not until Wednesday morning that they began to return in numbers.

Main Street won't seem quite the same with the old mill gone from the place where it has stood 67 years. Old landmarks become a part of us with the passing of time.

Fighting a fire in a biting wind, coupled with 15 degrees below zero. is no summer picnic.



Aerialview of mill which had its beginning in 1867. View also shows the recently constructed grain storage tower.

Flour Mill of the King Milling Company Is Destroyed By Fire, Loss \$200,000

The greatest loss by fire in Lowell's industrial history occurred last Sunday when the flour mill and its contents, owned by the King Milling Company, was completely destroyed by fire, resulting in a property loss of not far from a quarter of a million dollars.

It is estimated that the amount of wheat destroyed may total as much as 70,000 bushels.

The mill had shut down about 8 o'clock Sunday morning after running throughout Saturday night. The fire was discovered shortly after three o'clock by Harry Eickhoff and Jerry Roth, who noticed the smoke as they were driving by on Main-st.

Four Fire Departments on the Job

The Lowell fire department responded immediately, and a few minutes later sounded a second alarm for help, which also called out a good share of the townspeople who assisted in carrying out the office furnishings and business records.

The County road commission fire truck from Ada was soon on the scene, followed shortly by the Ionia fire department and an engine from the Grand Rapids department. Fortunately a never-ending supply of water could be pumped from Flat river bordering the mill, and steady streams from a dozen lines of hose kept pouring on the burning structure throughout the night, and the Lowell department's hose were still in use all day Monday, Monday night and Tucsday on the still smoking ruins.

Firemen Work Heroically

At times the flames rose high into the air and the dense smoke blotted out the surrounding scenery. Nearby business blocks were greatly endangered, but were saved by the efforts of the firemen and also because a favorable wind carried the sparks and blazing embers in a southeasterly direction over; the river. The east wall of the building was the first to burn through as there was a short section over the river which could not be reached by the fire hose. By the heroic efforts of the firemen, however, the adjacent warehouse and office were saved.

The stock in the warehouse back of the mill, consisting mostly of packaged flour was removed to a place of safety by trucks belonging to the C. H. Runciman company. A P. M. switch engine also removed a box car to a safe distance.

15 Below Zero Weather

It was feared that the building might explode and State police aided by local members of civilian defense worked to keep the large crowd, which had gathered, at a safe distance. All traffic on M-21 had to be de-

toured around the bridges until Monday

Nearby lunch rooms soon began serving steaming cups of coffee to the firemen and many volunteers whose clothes were coated with ice, and who were greatly handicapped by near-zero temperatures which steadily dropped through the night to reach a low of around 15 degrees below zero.

Monday morning the ruins of the mighty structure stood glistening in the sun like a huge ice palace, weighted down by tons of

The mill which operated day and night and employed about 25 persons, only last fall had installed all new waterwheels and a new power plant, one of the finest in the state. The owners hope to rebuild but cannot say at the present time whether this will be possible until after the war.

During the past two years, one-third of the output has gone to the government, and at the time of the fire there were 6,000 barrels of unfilled orders on the books. The company is fortunate in that a neighbor

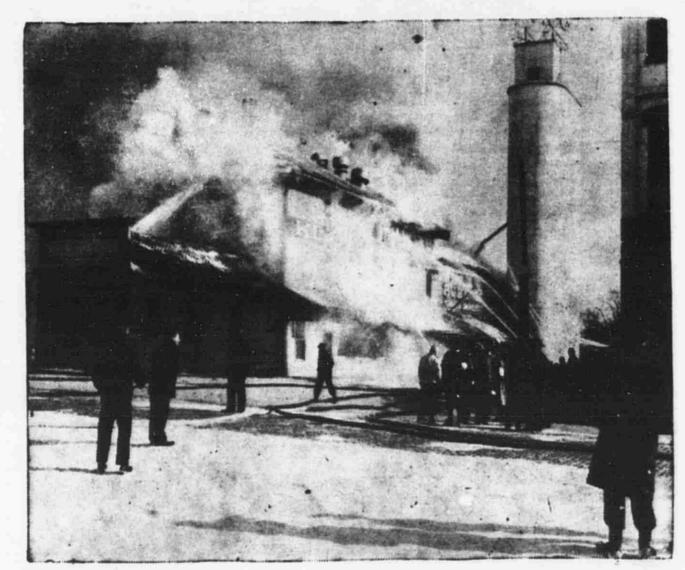
miller will be able to mill their flour for them. The two east side mills which were untouched by the fire, will continue to oper-

History of the Old Mill

The mill building destroyed, known as the Superior Mills, was crected in 1867 and was known as a model mill of some 200 barrels capacity. It was operated by a succession of owners, and was purchased about 53 years ago by the King Milling Company, a corporation composed of Francis King, Charles McCarty, Reuben Quick, and Frank T. King, who rebuilt the mills at a cost of \$20,000. In 1896 they acquired the Forest Mills on the east bank of the river and in 1911 Mr. T. F. Doyle purchased the interest of Charles Mc-Carty, Mr. Doyle's stock in the business passing to his children at the time of his

In 1927 the King Milling Company purchased the property of the Peckham Furniture Co., with water power, and converted it into a chick and stock feed manufacturing plant, with a capacity of 250 to 300 cars a year. The Forest Mills is devoted to the manufacture of granulated corn meal, buckwheat and pancake flour. The mill which burned turned out flour and self-rising flour, and had a capacity of 250 barrels a day, consuming around 250,000 bushels of wheat a

Present officers of the company are Wm. C. Doyle, who is president and general manager, R. M. Shivel, vice president, and Mrs. Eda Starkey, secretary.



Nov. 9, 1944

Roosevelt Wins Fourth Term Election **Entire Republican State Ticket Pulls Through**



PRESIDENTIAL WINNER

KELLY RE-ELECTED

Frank A. Gould

Frank A. Gould, for upwards of

thirty years an active Lowell bus-

iness man, died at his home on

Monday morning of this week at 7

o'clock. Death occurred in his 74th

year. He had been in ill health for

some time but had not been con-

Mr.. .Gould was born December

4, 1871, in Lincoln, N. Y., the son of

Theron O. and Mary Jane Gould.

Coming to Michigan at the age of

15 he worked for the late Pete Mc-

Pherson in the orchards and later

in the lumber mills around Lowell.

ried to Nellie M. Bailey of Ver-

gennes, returning to New York

state for two years. In 1894 he

went into the apple drying business

and also had a meat market at

Mulliken, Mich. Returning to Low-

ell he entered the automobile and

insurance business in what is

known as the Gould block on East

Mrs. Gould passed away in Janu-

ary 1927. In July, 1928, Mr. Gould.

was married to Jennie Moyer of

Mulliken, who survives him. Be-

sides his widow, he leaves two

daughters, Mrs. Lawrence Court of

Port Huron and Mrs. George Inger-

soll of Lowell; a son, Howard of

Cadillac; four grandchildren and

Funeral services were held at 2:00

p. m. Wednesday at the Roth

Chapel with the Rev. C. E. Pollock

four great-grandchildren.

In December 1891 he was mar-

fined to his bed.

Main-st.

cemetery.

atives.

Incomplete returns from Tuesda;'s general election show conclusively that Franklin D. Roosevelt has been elected to a fourth term as president of the United States. At this writing (Wednesday afternoon) many thousands of votes are yet to be tabulated, nevertheless returns show that Roosevelt has carried as many as thirty four of the states, with Dewey ahead in fourteen states. Roosevelt was strong Mr. Schaefer also announces that in Detroit and other great industrial centers. Dewey's strength was the company has just set up a mainly in the smaller cities and towns and the agricultural areas.

Although complete returns may show Michigan in the Roosevelt column, the Roosevelt ballot strength was apparently not being felt by the Democratic state ticket. The Republican state ticket was of the insurance is shared equally showing lesser but comfortable leads over their opponents.

Returns indicate that the Democratic party will have control of the House of Representatives and that they have also gained a seat or two in the U.S. Senate.

The Ledger Completes 50 Years **Well Known Citizen** Dies In 74th Year

The Lowell Ledger begins, with this issue, its 51st year of continuous publication. The value and permanence of the service it has rendered are indicated by the fact that it has had but two owners during this half century. The late Frank M. Johnson who founded it, served this community so well that he published it for nearly 37 years. The present editor and publisher, R. G. Jefferies, finds great satisfaction in his 13th year of this service.

Lowell Mfg. Company

Lands Big Contract

The Lowell Manufacturing comp-

any has just received a large con-

tract from the U.S. Army for

dusters and sprayers. Mr. E. G.

Schaefer, manager of the company,

states that this will require a larger

group accident, health and hos-

between employer and employee.

pitalization insurance, with 87% of

the employees signed up. The cost

force of employees.

In our job as an expression of the life of this community, it is a great satisfaction to look at its fine development, and to feel that we have had some share in its progress. The prosperous and scientific agriculture of this section, our community which lives up to its slogan of "The Friendly Town", our admirable electric light and water and sewage systems, our excellent schools and churches and parks, are a splendid demonstration of community development. We have reason to feel very proud of our organizations, and the completeness with which they meet the needs of the community and provide centers of activity. Associations like the Board of Trade, the Rotary Club, the Women's Club, the Garden Club and several study clubs are activities of incalculable

How far our newspaper has contributed to this development is not for us to say. As it has been our purpose to present a complete record of all the activities and the progress of Lowell and the surrounding country, it would seem as if this constant stream of publicity and favorable comment had helped greatly to excite enthusiasm and enlist support and workers for all our community

The enterprising industries of our community, and the very able group of business people who carry on retail trade, have done wonders for our town and nation. It has been a great pleasure to work with them for progress and development.

The past 50 years have completely revolutionized life in America. The transformation our communities have undergone since 1893 would have been considered inconceivable at that date of former years. To publish a newspaper successfully through all these changing conditions, to keep up with new forms of competition, to respond to new needs, and keep pace with modern thought, has not been an easy proposition. The words of commendation which our people speak from time to time give us reason to hope we have passed through this test successfully. Anyway we have given it our best thought and all our energy.

For the future the Lowell Ledger will as in the past work with all its heart for the success of our community and the surrounding region, for the good of our great state, and grand country. May the coming years give us new ideas and development that shall realize all our present hopes.

We ask the cooperation of all who are interested in the progress of the community, for a newspaper not merely represents the effort of its publisher to carry on business and earn a living, but it is a public institution on which the community depends, and the success of which helps the community and expresses the

We have a strong faith in the future of towns like Lowell, feeling that they are ideal places for homes, and offer excellent chances for business enterprise, and that the changes of the future will make them even more desirable as centers of opportunity. In the present critical war situation of the United States, the Lowell Ledger joins ardently in support of the government, and the efforts of our soldier boys, and it desires to aid in the great cause in every means with its power.

So with warm thanks for the public support which has made possible the life of this newspaper, we enter on a new period

Men may come and men may go but the Ledger goes on forever.

News of Our Boys David Sigler, formerly of Lowell. is now serving in the U. S. Navy. * * *

A/C Howard Acheson has been sent to Maxwell Field, Ala., where he will start his pre-flight training

Corp. Robert E. Sayles arrived home Monday from Camp Polk, La., on a 15-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Sayles.

Pvt. Fred E. Guild, Jr., has graduated from the Demolition School in the school for parachutists at Fort Benning, Ga., He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Guild of Ithaca, formerly of Loweil. * * *

Word has been received here that Pvt. Glendon Swarthout arrived racently in Italy. Glendon has been moved about quite a bit since his induction six months ago, half of that time having been spint in a

made commanding Officer of the LCI L808 on Sept. 11th at the Barbour, New Jersey shipyards. Mrs Walter went to New York City for the commissioning and spent two and one-half weeks with Skipper Walter. The ship is a 159-foot landing craft which carries 4 officers and a crew of twenty-three men, and is built to accommodate 200 troops. The Walters went through the shipyard and saw how these ships started as nothing but 8 sections and came off the floating dock, beautifully camouflaged "Ghost Ships", so-called because; they can creep up on the beach without a sound. * * *

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Lt. (j. g.) Bruce C. Walter was

Philip Schneider, M. M. 3/c U. S. N. R. who has been serving in the Marshall Islands but has recently moved to another location, wrote home to his wife his impressions of an island that had been freshly taken from the Japs. He wrote that it had been a beautiful island but that there was nothing left, and the natives were merely existing although they were extremely happy to see the Americans. One night the sailors took a 13-year-old boy on board ship for supper, and how he did eat! Then they clothed him and sent him back with a large box of things for his family. His happiness was almost indescribable

War Ended in Europe

Germany Signs Unconditional Surrender War on Japan Still Rages

VE-day, the triumphant day long looked forward to by allied peoples all over the world, was proclaimed officially Tuesday morning, May 8, by President Harry S. Truman, in a radio broadcast in which he declared that he had set next Sunday, Mothers Day, as a day of prayer in which he wanted all to join. For in rejoicing over victory he asked the nation not to forget that "sorrow and heartache" abide in the homes of thousands of Americans, and that there is work and more work, still to be done before the Japanese menace to civilization is erased by their unconditional surrender.

People of all parties throughout the nation were in accord with President Truman as he expressed regret that the late president, Franklin D. Roosevelt, who gave so much of his heart and strength to bring about the triumph of right and justice over cruelty, could not have lived to see its fulfillment.

VE-day came as an anti-climax after the chain of startling events and premature announcements leading up to it, and there seemed to be no organized observance of the fateful day, each one celebrating as his heart dictated. A number of business places closed voluntarily for the afternoon, flags were displayed along Main street, the Lowell high school held an appropriate program in the morning, and churches of the community will observe with appropriate services this

Proclamation by the Village President

In conformity with the proclamation issued by President Harry S. Truman on VE day, Tuesday morning, May 8, I hereby PROCLAIM Sunday, May 13, as the day for observance in this community, and petition the citizens to observe the occasion by serious thinking on the problems which remain to be solved.

Prayerful thanks should be o. ered to God for the triumph of our gallant forces over the European eyil which ran rampant over the world for the past five years, and at the same time earnest petitions should be made to Our Maker for assistance in our war against the wrong doers in the Pacific. And I earnestly request all citizens to continue to direct every energy toward an early and successful conclusion of this

I, therefore, proclaim Sunday, May 13, as a day of triumph but a day of prayerful contemplation.

In testimony of this proclamation I have attached my seal on this eighth day of May, nineteen hundred forty-five in the City Hall.

THERON RICHMOND. President of the Village of Lowell.

Hits Elevator

Fire Starts Suddenly in the C. H. Runciman Co.'s Sorting Room

Fire of undetermined origin broke out suddenly on the second floor of the C. H. Runciman company elevator about 4:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, and although the flames were soon under control, damage in the neighborhood of \$10,000 is esofficiating. Interment in Oakwood timated.

The fire began in an office ad-Mr. Gould was known as a man jacent to the room where 132 elecof genial, friendly nature, generous tric eye bean sorting machines and kind to those in need. The were operating on a 24-hour shift. Two employees in the sorting room community joins in extending sincere sympathy to the bereaved relnoticed smoke, but as they turned in the alarm, flames are through the partition and swept through the entire room, covering the ceiling in less than five minutes.

The Lowell fire department brought the fire under control within half an hour after it was discovered, although the building was quite badly damaged. Only the presence of fire walls around the sorting room prevented the flames from spreading to other parts of the elevator.

The electric sorting machines were seriously damaged, mostly by water, and Mr. Runciman states that they are expected to be again in operation within a few days. There was some loss of beans also, due to water and smoke. The loss is covered by insurance.

Sheriff's Deputies Frank Stephens of Lowell, George Laman and James Toohey, as well as LeRoy Hunt of the Michigan State Police, were dispatched to investigate the

As all the world knows by this time, Japan has officially surrendered to the allied nations without reservations and in full accord with the Potsdam ultimatum. Arrangements still must be

completed for the signing of formal surrender terms. General Douglas MacArthur has been appointed supreme Allied commander to receive the surrender. Then V-J day will be proclaimed.

President Truman released the stirring news at 6:00 p. m. Tuesday Lowell time. History's most destructive war is over Japan's surrender was gele-

brated throughout the country from coast to coast and from border to border, with cheers, singing, dancing and noise. Lowell had its share in the joyous occasion. In fact, due to a false rumor, celebrating began early Tuesday morning and except for a lull during the day, was resumed at 6:00 p. m. and continued throughout the night.

Throughout the land the occasion also tempered with other thoughts-a grateful nation is today giving thought to the 250,000 homes wherein the Blue Star has turned to Gold.

1945

Editorial JAPS GOT IT FROM US One third of the ammunition cap-Glendon Swarthout

NEW HOURS:

Monday through Friday-5:30 a. m.-3:00 a. m.

Saturday-5:30 a. m.-Midnight

Sunday-2:00 p. m.-10:00 p. m.

tured in Japanese dumps on Leyte island in the early stages of that campaign, was manufactured in the United States. It had been seized by the Japs when they conquered the Philippine islands. If the American people had de-

cided before the war that it was necessary to make the Philippine islands secure from attack, the Japs would not probably have been able to get hold of that ammunition. It is an unhappy thought that many of our boys have been hit by the weapons produced in America. It is one more lesson of the need of adequate preparation for war, and for co-operation with the peace loving nations to keep aggressors from starting any more Aug. 9, 1945

Russia **Declares War** On Japan

At three o'clock on Wednesday afternoon President Truman summoned the members of the press saying that he had a simple state ment to make. The statement was, "Russia has declared war on Japan!"

Within a half hour the civilized world was rocking with the

At five o'clock Russia served notice on Japan that war would begin the next day. Thursday,

serve notice on Japan that for her to continue the war longer would be utterly futile.

Thousands of American lives

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C. H. Runciman Co. Starts New Industry

About Fifty Carloads of Navy Beans To Be Processed Here Each Year; Work on New Tile Building 60x120 By 22 Feet High Starts Next Monday; Start Packing Pre-cooked Beans About November 1

The C. H. Runciman Company will pack pre-cooked beans, starting about November 1. They will be put up under the brand name "Hallmark" and distributed by the Stein Hall Company of Chicago. The C. H. Runciman Company will build a building 60-x-120 feet, 22 feet high of tile for this operation. Mr. Runciman states that it is expected that about 50 carloads of navy beans will be processed each year. The beans will be souled

cooked in pressure cookers and then dried so that the product will will take 26 people to operate the be ready for the housewife to pre- machines. pare baked beans in about 8 min- All machinery in processing

been processing these beans for soon as the new building is ready. the past five years, but have de- A new railroad side track will be cided to have them processed in extended beyond the L. W. Rutherproached the C. H. Runciman reation park road. The building Company some weeks ago and con-will face recreation park road. sequently an agreement has been Mr Runciman states that George reached as stated above.

Run On 24-Hour Basis The processing of these beans in charge of the construction startwill run on a 24-hour basis and ing next Monday.

these beans is located in Chicago The Stein Hall Company have and will be moved to Lowell as the area of production. They ap-ford Canning Company to the rec-

Pfaller will be the superintendent of this plant and also will be

April 26, 1945

William C. Doyle **Claimed by Death** Dies From Heart Attack

In Chicago While On Business Trip The sudden death of Wm. C.

Doyle, 54, in Chicago early last Saturday morning, came as a distinct shock to the people of this Mr. Doyle had gone to Chicago

by plane Thursday on a brief business trip, and suffered a heart attack some time Friday. He was taken to St. Luke's hospital and the family notified. A later report stated that his condition was improved, and Mrs. Dovle had made plans to drive to Chicago with her brother and niece on Saturday morning. News of his death came at 1 a. m. Saturday.



WILLIAM C. DOYLE

Mr. Doyle was one of the most prominent millers in the state, serving as president and general manager for the past seven years, of the King Milling company, which was organized some 70 years ago and had been operated by the Doyle family for more than 30 years. The company has just completed a new mill to replace the one destroyed by fire in March 1943, and Mr. Doyle's trip was in the interest

Mr. Doyle was born November 26, 1890 in Dry Run, Ark., but had lived nearly his entire life in Vergennes and Lowell. He attended St. Patrick's parochial school at Parnell and also, at various times schools in Arkansas, where the family spent a good deal of time in the interests of their lumber business. He graduated from Mc-Laughlin's Business college, Grand Rapids, and in 1907 went to work for the Fourth National Bank of Grand Rapids where he was employed until 1909, when he came to the King Milling company as secretary.

member of the American Legion, the Lowell Order of Moose, the Knights of Columbus, Cascade Country club and the Peninsular club of Grand Rapids. He was always an active member of the Lowell Board of Trade, and had served as its president for two Mary's church of Lowell, where

Doyle was a veteran of

World War I in which he served

as a lieutenant. He was an active

Mr. Doyle was a member of St. solemn requiem was celebrated at 10 a. m. Wednesday. Rev. John Grzybowski, pastor of St. Mary's was the celebrant, assisted by Rev. Wm. P. Murphy of Parnell, deacon, and Rev. Eugene Kuhn, chaplain of Mt. Mercy academy, Grand Rapids, sub-deacon. The Master of Ceremonies was Rev. Charles Bolte of Alpine and the Very Rev. Robert W. Bogg, pastor of St. Stephen's church, Grand Rapids, preached the sermon. Burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery, Parnell.

Former Lowell Boy Writes First Play

Glendon Swarthout, formerly of Lowell, has written his first play, "O'Daniel," which is scheduled to open February 9, at the Princess Theatre in New York City.

Swarthout collaborated with John Savacool, of Sumit, N. J., on the outline for the play while serving with the Third Infantry Division in Europe. Upon their return they worked the outline into the play and a novel.

"'O'Daniel' is the story of a veteran dictator," Swarthout relates, "a man returning from war with wrong ideas and a gift of gab.

He makes himself the head of a corrupt veterans' organization and from there attempts to subjugate the whole nation."

Glendon graduated from Lowell high school, class of 1935, and did advertising and newspaper work for some time. He worked at the Willow Run bomber plant prior to going in the Army. He is now an English instructor at the University of Michigan, and the author of a novel, "Willow Run."

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Swarthout, reside at 14246 Prevost, Detroit.

MES I HILL ESS

WITTENBACH SALES & SERVICE OPEN HOUSE, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

The public has been invited to inspect the new quarters of Wittenbach Sales and Service on West Main street, Lowell, Wednesday, February 26, when open house is being held during the day and a special program of movies and stage show will be held in the evening. The evening performance will begin at 8 o'clock in the city hall and a full program, including colored movie known as "County Fair", plus the several acts on the stage, will be presented free.

The building pictured above may not look like the present Wittenbach Sales & Service quarters but it is the first half of the structure. As soon as building conditions improve and CPA permission can be secured, the remaining half of the building will be constructed.

May 16, 1946

King Mill Sending Carloads of Flour Weekly to Europe

among the leading counties in southern Michigan in the amount of wheat being brought to market in answer to the government pleas for food for Europe. The thirtycent per bushel bonus seemed to be the spur that was needed. The Government asked for four million bushels from Michigan which is

directors and chairman, Norman

E Borgerson announce the follow-ing committees have been appoint-ed for the 1946 Showboat produc-

Finance and Tickets-D. A. Win-

Outdoor advertising and Float-

Gerald Rollins, Forrest Smith,

Charles Houseman, Peter Mulder,

Robert Ellis, Phil Althan, Charles

Hill, Gordon Hill, Orton Hill, Art

Curtie, Jr., William Hunter, Mac

Construction-L. W. Rutherford.

L. W. Lamb, Gene Fewell,, Ken-

neth Bryan, Cliff Hatch, William

Lighting-F. J. McMahon, Byrne McMahon, W. A. Roth, Jay Frost,

Jr., Paul Rickert, Clark Fletcher,

Decoration of Boat-William

Christiansen, R. B. Avery, Henry

Weaver, Harry Eickhoff, Junior

Publicity-Harold Jefferies, John

Phelps, Jack Fonger, Chrie Leon-

erd, Carl Runciman, Jr., George

Amateur Night, July 13—C. H. Runeiman, Elmer Shafer, Frank Newell, Bruce McMahon, Orval

Jessup, W. W. Gumser, Ed Keil.

members of the American Legion.

Ushers-A. H. Stormzand and

Thorne, Theron Richmond

Fonger, Dick Rutherford.

Lee, Bruce Walter.

Dick White, Bob Lee.

June 20, 1946

Showboat Revival After Five Years

Experts Say Old Craft Is Seaworthy as Ever The Lowell Showboat was roiled

this week from her dry dock, where she has stood since the last show in 1941 into Flat river in preparation for the 11th showing this year, July 23 through 27. The old ship which has stood the

test of time and weather for 5 years creaked and groaned as it rolled down the skids and into the river. Many spectators were of the epinion that it would collapse but a committee headed by Bruce Walter, with other Lowell men who have had a great deal of exper-ience with boats during the last five years pronounced her sea-

Chief of the decorating committee. William Christiansen, declared that she looked pretty rough but with an all new sot of decorations and new covering he would make it the most beautiful of her ten predecessors. One hundred and eighty-nine oil drums were furnished by L. W. Rutherford to float the ship.

Showboat Committee The Lowell Showboat board of

Site Approved

State Board Approves

Present Location

A meeting of the Lowell Airport

Committee was held at the City

Hall this week, at 8 o'clock, and

was very well attended. The com-

mittee presented to the meeting an

outline of their work for the past

year and Wm. L. Hamlen, of the

State Board of Aeronautics gave

most desirable airport for this com-

munity and recommended the field

a very complete report as to how

the state board arrived at the

L.H.S. To Teach

Oct. 23, 1947

Lowell Airport

Feb. 28, 1946

that has been in use for the past summer. Twenty people have learned to fly and have solved during the past season. The meeting was thrown open for discussion and it was unanimous in the decision of the 38 present that Lowell should have an airport and that the present site is the most desirable to

It is hoped the present 30 acres will be enlarged to 50 acres which would be ample space for operations for some time to come.

obtain.

Richard Lampkin, who has been an army instructor for a year and a half, and who has also flown a C-56 from India to China, will be the instructor. Guy Slocum will service the training planes and see that all planes and equipment are in excellent order at all times

With a dual-control driver-train-

Driver Training Charles B. White To Instruct Dual-Control Car Will Be Used Last real obstacle to introduc-

tion of driver-training in Lowell high school has been removed. Charles B. White, Lowell teacher, will return home Friday after being graduated from a five-day Driver-Training Institute at Bay City, sponsored jointly by State Depart-ment of Public Instruction and

with 72 other Michigan high school teachers and police officers. The teachers and policemen will set up driver-training courses in their respective cities.

ing auto available through American Automobile Association and Automobile Club of Michigan, there is no reason why Lowell cannot have a course of study taught by Mr. White. "A great number of high school

graduates spend more time in business driving than in any other pursuit. If you're a million-mile driver-and many of us are-it means you'll spend 10 hours a day for nine years driving. Not much that high schools teach occupies more of our lives", Norman Borgerson. Institute director, for the State Department of Public Instruction, told the sudents, Michigan today leads the nation

in driver-training, with 152 high schools offering the subject, Erother instructors trained at the eight previous institutes, 200 Michigan high schools will be offering driver-training by January 31 of 1948, Davis predicted.

rather high in view of the fact that

Michigan's total crop last year was only 26 million bushels and this was an abnormally big crop for the state. Probably half a million bushels have already been marketed this month and there should be at least as much more and possibly twice as much more before the deadline May 25.

While the mills are held to 75

percent of their grind in the corresponding months last year there is no limit except capacity on the amount that can be ground for export. The King Milling Company has arranged with the Commodity Credit Corporation through the Chicago office to buy the bonus wheat as fast as it is available in their own or near by elevators and in turn sell the flour which can be produced from it to the Washing ton office of the Commodity Credit Corporation so that it can be shipped promptly for export to Europe. The mill is running seven days per week to get this flour out as time ie a most urgent element in getting food to the starving peoples.

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Salt-Free Water Early Next Year

Pipe and Fittings For New Well Water Supply Now Enrouté to Lowell At the council meeting Monday

Finance and Tickets-D. A. Wingeier, Harry Day, Bruce McQueen, Faul Kellogs, John Archart, L. E. Johnson Herb Elzinga, Harold Engiebart, Art Curtis, H. L. Weekes, King Doyle, Robert Hahn, Babe Wingeier, George Story, Claude Thorne, Theren, Richmond. night, W. A. Roth, chairman of the light and water committee, revealed that if all goes well the village will have its new well water source of supply connected and the town again drinking palatable water by the first of the year.

Mr. Roth told members of the council that according to information received from the factory in Alabams, the mile and one-half of

ped. Blds are being requested this week for the laying of the pipe down Foreman road to the place on the Al Blaser property, where Amity street would join, then south across the Blazer property to Amity street. Down Amity to Elizabeth street, east to the river, where the large main from the reservoir comes under the river. Easement was given the village to cross the Blaser property at When the new well water source

pipe and fittings have been ship-

of supply, which has been pumped and tested for the past two months for traces of salt, none showing, is connected and flowing through the village mains, it will be the first time in the past ten years that the village has enjoyed good water. Careless sealing of oil wells in the middle thirties, north of

Lowell at three separate points, is ackowledged to be the cause of the trouble. In 1941 a belated attempt was made to seal the wells, but the openings had cracked and opened through the rock layers to such an extent that it was impossible.

It is felt by village officers and citizens as well, that since the state conservation department is responsible for the sealing of oil wells and the faulty sealing of the wells north of Lowell caused this great expense to the village. (upwards of \$60,000 will have been spent when the new wells are connected) that this is a lot for a small village of less than 2,000 to bear alone.

New Front For

Ledger Office

Now Promised

Ten months ago a Moose crashed

through the 6x14 ft. plate glass

window on the east side of the

Ledger office. Ever since that time

the front of the Ledger office

across its entire front has present

ed a wrecked appearance due to

the fact that new plate glass has not been obtainable until very re-

During these ten months the

wrecked front has been the cause

of much comment on the part of

visitors and great inconvenience

Now, however, work is about to

begin on the construction of an

entirely new front which we trust

will add much to the appearance of

the Ledger office when completed

ers we will state that the Moose in

question, which wrecked our front

ten months ago, was of the two-

legged variety, who lost his balance

as he teetered precariously on a

stepladder resulting in the afore-

All we are waiting for now is the

canpenter. We hope he will not fail

For the information of our read-

to the office force

Last Rites Today For Gerald Ellis First Lowell Boy To Die In

World War II Has Been Returned Home

Military funeral services will be held today, Thursday, at 3 o'clock at the Lowell Congregational church for Gerald James Ellis, who was the first Lowell boy to give his life for his country in World War II.

service and the Rev. Norman G. Woon, the officiating clergyman. Burial in Bowne Center cemetery. Gerald (Joe) Ellis was born April 27, 1920, in McCords to Anna and

Clark-Ellis Post of the American

Legion will be in charge of the

Elmer Ellis. In 1932 the family moved to Lowell where Joe attended Junior high and high school, graduating in 1938. He entered the Navy in January, 1940, receiving training at Newport,

R. I., and serving in the Atlantic and Pacific fleets until February of '41 when he was transferred to the Asiatic fleet and attained the rate of Gunners Mate. He was wounded December 8, 1941, died December 11, 1941 and was laid to rest in the U. S. cemetery No. 2 Luzon, Philippine Islands.

Lowell Medical Men Add X-ray

Apparatus, Also Electrocardio-

The offices of Dr. Shepard, Vin-iknown as an E. K. G., has been

ing and Feibing have recently been added to make possible better diag-

equipped with x-ray apparatur. hosis and treatment of heart dis-While the amount of x-ray neces-

sary in a community the size of taken into the home for use when

Lowell is not large, it often has be- it is inadvisable to move the patient.

come necessary to send patients to Bit by bit the most advanced med-

Grand Rapids for examination, ical facilities are being added to

This involved both loss of time and those available for the care of the

frequently discomfort for the people in Lowell and the country-

patient. While there will still be side it serves. Many new pro-

certain examinations that require cedures have made their appear-

a larger machine or the attendance ance during the war, and as a di-

There is two-fold purpose in this, niques which were done only in the

The convenience to the patient as technically equipped research hos-

stated above is one and the other (spitals can now be done in the doc-

of an x-ray specialist, most work rect result of the war.

can now be done here at home.

Graph For Use in Heart Disease

April 8, 1948



GERALD J. ELLIS

His remains were returned to the United States in September and arrived in Lowell Wednesday, the body reposing at the Roth Chapel until the hour of the He is survived by his parents,

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Ellis, of Lowell, a sister, Mrs. Harold Hawley. of Ionia and a brother, Robert of Lowell.

Laboratory and clinical tech-

The standards of medical care are

said crash.

Deer Hunting Will Be Legal in Kent County This Coming Autumn It will be legal to hunt deer in Kent and other countles in this sec-

tion of the state this coming fall, according to a new rule made by the state conservation department members at their August meeting. Lower Michigan deer huntleg areas have been enlarged, due to

deer damage to agricultural crops,

to include all that territory north of M-21 and east of M-13 and almost as far west as Lake Michigan The pheasant season was cut 10 days and will run from October 15 to the 26th, with the bag limit for the season being reduced from

eight to six birds. The duck season opens on October 7th, at noon, to November 5th with hours with the exception of the opening day being from sunrise to one hour before sunset. The daily bag limit will be four of which one may be a wood duck.

Squirrel, partridge, bear and other game rules are the same as they were during the last year's

to make available to the patient tor's office. Many such techniques certain advances in diagnostic pro- can now be done in Lowell, and Keiser's Kitchen cedures, through the use of fluor more are being added all the time. nest P. Davis, Auto Club safety Automobile Club of Michigan. and traffic director, revealed. Enough dual-control autos are scopic and x-ray examinations. Now being instructed in teaching continuously advancing. The pracyoungsters properly how to pilot autos, Mr. White is attending the available through Auto Club and Electrocardiograph Added titioner of medicine must advance auto manufacturers to supply all In addition to the x-ray equip- with them or he slips backward in-Michigan high schools. With the institute on an all-expense scholarnow OPEN SUNDAYS ment an electrocardiograph, better stead. He cannot stand still. new teachers and a backlog of 300 ships awarded by Auto Club along

Beginning with the old sub-

Your Washington Review

BY JERRY FORD. JR



While Congress is "warming up" your representative is having an opportunity to get acquainted with other members from Michigan. George Dondero from Royal Oak has become a good friend and he was extremely helpful in the matcommittee assignment. Mr. Dondero is a Lincoln enthu-

siast. He is a close friend of the various decendents of the family. In 1860, an 11-year-old girl wrote Lincoln a letter urging him to grow a beard. This was in the age when almost every distinguished American had some chin adornment, and the little girl thought a beard would become Lincoln. "Abe" ook the suggestion for what it was worth. He grew a beard and wore it from then on. Were it not for the letter, the original of which is in Representative Dondero's possession, you and I might have an entirely different image in mind when we think of the great Abraham Lincoln. Thus strangely is history influenced.

From Lincoln to football-events are still peculiar in their sequence. Because of a snowstorm in Nebraska, I had the privilege of receiving Benny Oosterbaan's "Coach of the Year" trophy at the annual Touchdown Club dinner. Oosterbaan was kind enough to ask me to be present for him. I enjoyed it because of the opportunity to get an estimate of some of our well-known national figures.

Rutledge, Snyder and Krugthese names will undoubtedly have their place in history books of the future. Supreme Court Justice Wiley Rutledge is a friendly and common sort of man. I had the feeling he would be at home in the American Legion Hall in Cedar Springs or a barber shop in Zeeland. Secretary of the Treasury Snyder is a very quiet and pleasant individual while Interior Secretary Krug is a hugh, jovial, ex-

Wittenbachs are Named New Oldsmobile Dealers

A new automobile representative was added to Lowell when Wittenbach Sales & Service became dealers this week for the new Oldsmobile cars and International trucks. Cecil Bibbler who joined the Wittenbach organization January 1st. will be in charge of the new depart-

Service and parts will be handled in the recently completed modern building which has ample room and facilities to accommodate this new addition to the line.

NEW ADDITION TO LOWELL SCHOOLS IS A FINE MODERN STRUCTURE

The addition to the high school building, which with the exception of lockers, will be ready for the students when school opens September 6th, is a fine modern structure. Parents will be invited to "open house" early in the fall, so that they may make a careful inspection of the building. However, so many questions have been asked by students and adults that it seems wise to answer those which seem the most pertinent.



Orval I. McKay, M. D. Opens Offices Here Latter Part of Week

Orval I. McKay, M. D., is opening offices in Lowell for the practice of medicine and will have his clinical and office equipment installed and ready by the end of the week, at 207 W Main St., sharing

Orval I. McKay, M. D.

Jackson, Ionia and Saranac he graduated from Saranac high school and continued his education at Ferris Institute where he received his B. S. Degree in Pharmacy in June, 1942. Immediately after his graduation he entered U.S. Army service being stationed at Fort Dix and also at Waltham Regional hos-

Notice, Everybody!! nursing staff the past few years.

this week to its new home at 112-114 Broadway-next to the Lowell Postoffice. The task of moving is a big one and we ask the indulgence of our readers, advertisers, and

The Ledger office is moving

correspondents, while the change

Moving the big newspaper

press, piece by piece, the folding

machine, typesetting machines,

type cabinets, etc., is well nigh

superhuman, so please bear with

us. When it is all over we hope

to be able to render better

service than ever before.

is being made.

After attending public schools in pital where he served in the Medin the University of Syracuse, and later entered Yale School of Medicine from which he graduated in June, 1949 and interned at Butterworth hospital, Grand Rapids. Dr. McKay's father, the late Wal-

> high school faculty. Mrs. Jean Butler-McKay, R. N., who has been on the Butterworth

their home to Lowell as soon as council in turning over the city the meantime they will commute school activities, the Board is very

will assist her husband in his prac-

basement, or gym level, we find that a commodious storage and work room for the custodian has taken the space formerly occupied by the south end of the gym. On the same level are found toilet facilities for the smaller boys. The New Wing

Coming up a few steps, to the old basement level, we find a new wing extending westward. A large room built over the east end of the old gym is equipped with acoustical tile ceiling and will be used throughout the day for various

The band desires to use this room as its headquarters, but whether the noise will interfer with other classes remains to be seen. This room will also be used for visual education, class meetings, assemblies and possibly a

The same level, at the extreme west end, has been taken over by the shop. This room is 40'x58'. Mr. Beachum has been moving the machinery, building the cupboards and making plans for a modern

On the first floor we find rest rooms for men and women teachers and small girls and a clinic room. Two adjoining rooms will be taken over by the enlarged commercial department, and a large class room will be occupied by the 8th grade. The room formerly occupied by the 8th grade will be possessed by the 5th graders coming over from the grade

On the top floor the entire west end has been converted into a study hall and library, with acoustical ceiling. These quarters are 40'x58', plus half a class room. The rest of the top floor will accommodate the mathematic departical Corps most of his four years in ment. Throughout the structure we service. He studied for 18 months find the most modern lighting system. Lockers will be installed not later than November or December.

All Rooms Occupied

Although there will be additional ter McKay, M. D., died of disease class room facilities, it should be contracted in World War I. His understood that all of the rooms nother is Mrs. Courtland McKay, in the old high school structure Home Ec. teacher on the Saranac including the basement rooms, will still be occupied throughout the day. The children, however, will now all be taken care of on school property, and while the Board of Education appreciates the fine Dr. and Mrs. McKay will move gesture on the part of the village living quarters are available. In hall and garage facilities for happy to secure the children under their own roof.

murder in the first degree, had Nightwatchman Ben Neve and made application to the state board Harry Dimmick of Belding picked of pardons and paroles to regain up a man, who was dickering with his freedom, taken away from him Carl Gasper, farmer, for a ride into

noon on May 24, 1932. Shortly after the news of the and had traveled as far north as bank robbery was broadcast, Depthe Lee Luscombe, where the menty Sheriff Charles Knapp, on duty had stopped to get a drink and wash at Lowell, on the lookout for the bandit car, ordered a car coming from the direction of Grand Raphad, without being questioned ids to stop. When Knapp stepped or stopped, succeeded in getting to the side of the car to question back to their homes in Detroit, the occupants of the car, the driver, where they had spent the night. who later turned out to be Mar- Early the next morning, however,

rna, told that a car had turned in from the road onto his newly plow-

murder, but also for the robbery of the Wealthy street branch of the measures taken by the state police, Grand Rapids National Bank, at the bandit car, driven by Marshall,

had successfully run the blockade

who later turned out to be Marshall, shoved a revolver over the side of the car door and fired a bullet through Knapp's body. Knapp died almost instantly and the car, carrying the bandits, sped away.

The killing of the officer sent almost every available man in this section of the state out on the hunt to apprehend the robbers and murderers when it was learned that from Lowell they had headed north on a side road. When George Vaughn, farmer living near Smyrna, told that a car had turned in

Frank J. McMalton **Plans Retirement After Fifty Years**

Frank J. McMahon, Superinten-dent of the Lowell Light and Lower plant announced this week that he will go on the inactive duty list at an early date after fifty years service at the local municipal plant.



McMahon came to the Lowell Light Plant only a few years after its conception in 1896 and took over the reins of the plant soon after the turn of the century. He has seen the plant grow from a small beginning to its place as one of the best municipal plants of its size in Mich-

Recognized as one of the Michigan pioneer municipal plant men, Mr. McMahon has served on the board of directors of the League of Michigan Muricipal plants. Because of his outstanding service to the community the council is placing him on the inactive duty status at full pay until his retirement next year.

New Superintendent To replace Frank McMahon the council is negotiating with Thomas Moore of Freeport, Long Island, New York, to come to Lowell as superintendent of the municipal

Mr. Moore has a background of electrical plant engineering, operation and construction and is now managing engineer of one of the largest municipal plants in the United States. He told council members that he would like to come to a smaller community. He has a wife and four children which complicated moving, but when suitable housing has been secured he plans to make his home here.

May 4, 1950

New Funeral Home Formally Opens to Public This Week

Formal opening of Roth & Sons Co. new Funeral Home will be held May 5, 6, and 7, to which the public si invited to inspect the modern Home with its attractive appointments and convenient arrangement. The Roths will receive visitors from 2:00 to 5:00 and 7:00 to 9:00,

Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The location is at the corner of Hudson and Elm street, the exterior of the building is white asbestos shingles and glass which is entirely fireproof. The main entrance opens into a main hall at one end of which is the main office, the night office, and the main chapel which has a seating capacity of 300. There are also four slumber rooms, a family room, and storage room on the first floor.

The floors are covered with a rich deep green figured carpeting. Diaperies on traverse rods are of a deep shade of green crushed velvet, while the walls are finished in a lighter shade of green. The Hammond organ has been placed in a rounded and recessed space in the chapel room with especially fine acoustics. The chairs are upholstered in green.

Attractive lighting effects are accomplished by use of conveniently placed lamps with shades of mellow or dusty rose and the divans are upholstered in the same

colors making a restful and pleas ing contrast to the green.

The lower floor is divided into rooms to accommodate the spacious showroom, dressing room, prepara-tion room, ladies' lounge and men's rest rooms, and heating plant with convenient staircase and elevator. Knotty pine walls with white birch panel doors form the attractive interior of the basement floor. The floor coverings are tile and

It was in the spring of 1925 when Wesley A. Roth and John J. Brezina formed a partnership and operated a furniture store and mortuary using 220 W. Main street where the Gamble Store is now located for furniture and their chapel was on E. Main street in the building now occupied by the Lowell Bakery. In March, 1932 Mr. Brezina died and five years later Mr. Roth moved to the Yeiter block. He expanded his furniture business in 1941 when he purchased the Miller Furniture Store at Hastings.

In January, 1944 Mr. Roth received his sons into a partnership and the business continues to progress under the firm name Roth

J. Jerald Roth, the eldest son who is a licensed mortician, will be on hand to take care of night calls at the mortuary and the other two sons in the partnership are Donald P. and Richard B.

BACK TO SCHOOL

Rudolph Van Dyke Prominent Citizen Passes At Age 85

Rud lph Van Dyke, one of Lowell's most prominent citizens, passed away Sunday in Blodgett Memorial hospital where he had been taken for treatment only a few days ago. He was 85 years

ident of the village for many years.

Mr. Roth is a Lowell man from boyhood and shows a commendable pride in civic affairs. This new edifice is a beautiful addition to Lowell's business places and reflects an atmosphere of sincerity chapel service.

Feb. 21, 1952

King Milling Company to Add 70,000-Bushel Grain Storage Bids Solicited for Main Street Sewer;

Born in Bowne township near Lowell January 2, 1866, Mr. Van-Dyke had spent his entire life in this vicinity and had been a res-

Mr. Doyle, revealed to the council that this new capacity will greatly expand the mill's ability to buy wheat from local farmers and may also permit the mill to furnish far:ners of this area ample storage for Feb. 22, 1951

Michigan First State In Nation To Organize for Civil Defense Michigan has made the first move in the nation to develop a state defense council. Proposed to smooth over the transition from civilian to defense production, the council would attempt to organize the

Fire Meeting Soon to Clear Proposal

King Doyle, president of the King Milling Company appeared at the

council meeting on Monday to apply for a building permit for a

70,000-bushel grain storage elevators. The four silos for which the

permit was granted will be constructed west of the warehouse be-

tween the main line and the King spur of the C. & O. railroad and

two over the road conveyor ducts will connect this to the main mill

The silos will occupy a site 45x45 and will be 76 feet high.

economic potential. For the first time Gov. Williams' Washington has said it was a corporation tax proposal has reach- "regional office mistake" when it The governor chortled as Senator veterans were "talked to" in an ed the floor of the state senate. George Higgins, said in a hearing,

'what do you want, a corporations ax (Williams' baby) or my manufacturer's process tax?" The process tax would put a three percent levy on all machinery telling him to move patients. purchased which does not become a component part of the article Lianufactured. The manufacturer's TB housing problem as most other agents screamed during the hear-

committee for its success. Mr. VanDyke owned and operated the Van Dyke Clothing Store, one of the substantial business places of the village for several

years. Surviving besides his wife, Minnie, are a son, Rudolph of Centerville, Ohio, and a daughter, Mrs. E. C. Foreman of Lowell; also four grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

During nis residence here he was identified with all civic projects

and the welfare of his home town.

President of the City State Bank

and later of the State Savings

Bank of Lowell, which position he

still held at the time of his death,

he had also been president of the

village courcil, the board of trade,

and the school board. He was ac-

tive in the Centennial celebration

and was a member of an important

Funeral rites were held at St. Mary's church Wednesday morning at ten o'clock and burial was made in Oakwood cemetery, with Rev. John Grzybowski officiating.

ing. Observers have already buried the bill. But the hearing clearly was a Williams' victory-without a Democrat present!

The Vandenberg senatorial seat is still a big question mark. In Washington, D. C., the seers are asking Michigan prognosticators what is to happen-and in Michigan we look to Washington for the word. And should the veteran Grand Rapids legislator resign before 1952, things really will be in a tizzy.

While the draft continues to take more and more of our young people, Pontiac's negro sage, 107-yearold Joe Clovese, says, "There wouldn't be no trouble in Korea if folks would do more prayin' and lovin'". He's one of eight Civil War veterans still alive. He should

was revealed that bedridden war attempt to get them to apply for TB hospitalization in other states. Says Guy F. Palmer, manager of he Detroit regional office. "it was NOT a mistake in this office." And he produced the orders-all stemming from the nation's capitol-

Michigan, of course, has the same states. Although a large building program is in the mill, there are some 300 patients still in private homes because there are no beds in the hospitals.

A budget pinch is the reason given for closing 13 Michigan veterans administration contact offices. Offices were shut down in Battle Creek, Flint, Jackson, Lansing, Muskegon Heights, Saginaw, Escanaba, Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo, St. Joseph, Marquette, Sault Ste.

Following another round of wage increase demands and the subsequent freezing thereon, Walter P. Reuther, president of the U.A. W. (C. I. O.), says that America must wage an "all out peace" to defeat

Marie and Traverse City.

Looking Back.. through the years 1943-1952

By Thad Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Those who do not believe that history repeats itself need to become reacquainted with

This fact really began to make an impact on me as I went through the years 1943-

Lowell Schools began to have enrollment problems, which surfaced the need for an addition.

People raised concerns

about the high number of taxes being paid. There was also some qual-

ity growth in the Showboat City. Services provided by the City were increased. Industry began to pick up in Lowell. Familiar names like Superior Furniture and Lowell Manufacturing made its way onto the front pages of the Ledger. Keiser's opened its doors. C.H Runciman started a new industry.

The Ledger completed 50 years of service to the Lowell

Glendon Swarthout completed his first novel.

The early years of this 10year period saw many anti Japanese ads and stories in the Ledger. Sample slogans include "He'll drill a Jap sniper," and "Slap a Jap with Scrap." Reports of race problems

and riots were more preva-The Showboat shut down

for a number of years during

People, also celebrated the news of D-Day at Normandy.



SATURDAY, MAY 7, 4:00 P. M.

Featuring the Finest Draft Root Beer and Perfectly Prepared Hot Dogs

A glass of refreshing root beer FREE with each sandwich purchased on opening day.



his freedom, taken away from him Carl Gasper, farmer, for a ride into 17 years ago, when, on June 16, 1932, Judge William B. Brown, in circuit court at Grand Rapids, had sentenced Marshall to the life term.

To many people the item was just another item, but to a large number of people in Lowell and this section of the state, it recalled one of the most determined man-hunts ever staged and which ended with Marshall, Jack Schurr and James Gallagher, all of Detroit, being ap-Gallagher, all of Detroit, being ap-prehended and tried for not only It was later on learned that in



The C. H. Runciman Co. **Buys Ionia Elevator**

The C. H. Runciman Co. has purchased the M. C. Stout Elevator at Ionia, it has been announced, and will take possession and start operations there next Monday, June 30.

The Stout elevator has been buying and selling grain, dealing in coal and other fuel, fencing, and other agricultural necessities. It is understood the Runciman Co. will continue the business along these lines and gradually increase the number of commodities to meet the demands of the buying public in

Feb. 21, 1952

Showboat To Add **500 More Seats** Over the Street

Application was made at the council meeting by representatives of the Lowell Showboat for perform over Avery street to hold an additional 500 permanent seats. Council members expressed their approval of such a plan.

The steel work will be constructed to give maximum clearance over the street so as not to interfere with traffic. Lowell Showboat contributed funds toward the purchase of the B. C. Smith property which is now owned by the school and is directly facing the proposed

The erection of these permanent seats will materially contribute toward the ease of setting up the Showboat seating and will more than pay for itself in a few years on the savings in seat erection costs. It will also afford more and better seats for the public. It is hoped this addition will be ready for the 1952 Showboat, July 21

Ledger Appears in Brand New Dress Type Designed for Its Readability

They say dreams do come true | The Old Was Like This when you have faith, wait pall When we were reading it all the tiently, and keep working while time we did not realize that there you're waiting. The Ledger folks might be something better. This is have been longing for a new the type we waited for just as anxdress, and they hardly thought jously a few years ago. Its the Santa would bring one, but last new Ideal News 7-point type which week, just in time for all holiday was considered the best and most activities the expressman readable at that time. It seemed brought it. Look at it. Isn't it ideal for the reading public ant was a great improvement over the

This first issue of the Ledger type face which it replaced. for the month of December ap- As the business world progresspears in the new 8-point Inter- es the Ledger tries to keep pactype Regal No. 2 which has been and use whatever type is best for designed as the most readable our readers for their reading pleatype today, and is being used by sure many metropolitan daily news. Maybe since the advent of telepapers most satisfactorily.

The clear-cut lettering is a fa- ened their eyes watching the vorite with most readers and it screen, will particularly welcome the new face in the Ledger.

U.S. Leads World

In Telephone Use

Almost a million telephones were in use in the world for each of the

75 years since the birth of the tele-

phone, according to the new issue

of "Telephone Statistics of the

World" put out by the American

Telephone and Telegraph Company

The United States looks like a

good bet to lead the telephone cen-

rus for many years with a total of

43.003.832. That's 11 Million over

the combined totals of other nations. The United Kingdom's 5,-

433.611 and Canada's 2,911,900 were

Out of every 1.000 people in the

United States, 281 had telephones,

in second and third place

-74,800,000 as of January 1, 1951.

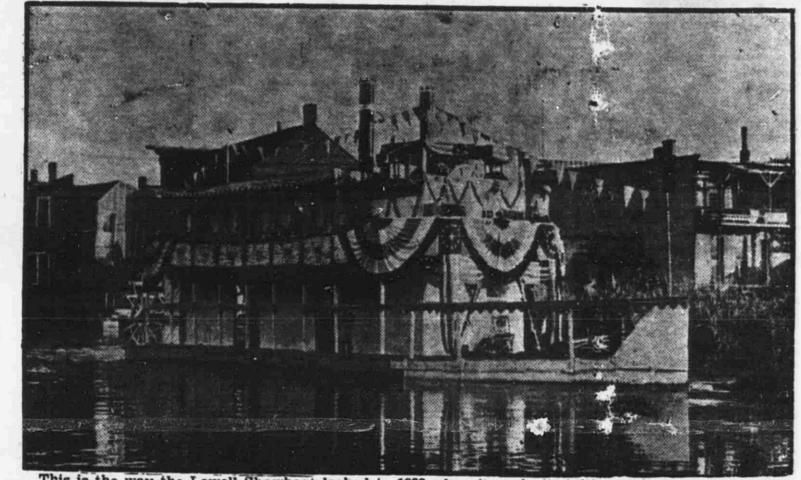
By 11 Millions

Sweden, with 239 telephones per 1,000 population, and Canada, with 208, placed second and third respectively, in telephone development,

vision the viewers who have weak-

New York City, boasting 3,137,405 phones, missed having more than any foreign country because the United Kingdom had its five million or so. Chicago's 1,526,156 telephones placed the Windy City in third position among cities of the world. Greater London was second with

Incidentally, there are more telephones in Chicago than in all RusOriginal Lowell Showboat Came Down the River in 1932



This is the way the Lowell Showboat looked in 1932 when it made its initial appearance and a unique Showboat entertainment has taken place each year except the war interlude 1942-46. The first three performances given in August 1932, consisted entirely of home talent and the admission fee was 25c. The total attendance for the season was 5000. The present attendance for each performance exceeds that number

C. H. Runciman, first interlocutor, is still serving in that capacity and has never missed a show Monday night of this year being his 70th trip down the river on the Showboat. The original directors were C. H. Runciman, N. E. Borgerson, D. A. Wingeier, E. C. Foreman and L. E. Johnson, who are still serving,

May 15, 1952

O-o-o-h, So That's Where Milk Comes From



Ricky Goodwin, Sharon Piper and Terry Abel express surprise as they study "bossy" on the farm of Fred Roth in Vergennes township where 76 kindergartners paid a visit one day last week. They not only learned where milk comes from but received answers to a thousand other questions that only a five-year-old could ask. This is an annual trip for the kindergarten class and it gives them a chance to learn first-hand many things about nature and farm life about which the average village or city child knows very little. Mothers assisted teachers in guiding both the afternoon and morning classes in one group of the tour over the Roth farm to see the wonders of farm life, especially in the spring of the year.

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A. H. Stormzand **Sells Business** After 30 Years

A. H. Stormzand, some thirty years in the same location on the bridge on Main street, has sold his garage business to Don Slocum who took over January 1st. Mr. Stormzand will remain at the garage for some time to help the new owner to get oriented and to assure his old customers of the same prompt, courteous treatment which they have been accustomed throughout the years.



out his enlistment returning to coffee maker. Lowell where he went into busi-

"Stormy" came to Lowell from Mr. Stormzand has been af Grand Rapids shortly before filiated with Lowell Methodist World War I, after having work- church for more than 25 years ed for the Ford Motor Co., both and was an usher at regular in Detroit and Grand Rapids. He services for most of that time. joined the U.S. Navy and served For social events he was official

Besides his wife, Mr. Stormzand ness for himself. He was one of has a young son, John Edward, the charter members of the local 11/2 years old, at home; five mar-American Legion Post and has ried daughters, and two sons who been a booster for all worthwhile are mechanics in Lowell garages. projects whether it was to sell Nelson, a partner in the West hot dogs, build fires for the Hal- End Garage, and Edward is servlowe'en party or usher at the iceman at Speerstra Motor Sales

Lowell Stamping Co., New Industry for Lowell

Factory to Open In Lamb Building

• Atomic Tests 1953 **Described by**

> The past two weeks have been me: busy for the personnel here at ter. Since the beginning of the the Army Home Town News Ceninformative stories on the men ally been "snowed under" with taking part there. Since we sent informative stories on the men four of our own men out there taking part there. Since we sent to witness the blast and to in- four of our own men out there struct other Army PIO personnel to witness the blast and to ininterested in getting some first- stories, I thought you might be hand information on what took interested in getting some first-

> My friend, Corporal Neil P. one of these men. Boggs, formerly with the Charle- My friend, Corporal Neil P. ston Gazette, Charleston, W. Va., Boggs, formerly with the Charlewas one of the men chosen by ston Gazette, Charleston, W. Va.,

the "strip" was the local airport, enough, the closest they got to Boggs, his first trip west, came the "strip" was the local airport. back with much enthusiasm over Boggs, his first trip west, came what he had witnessed. He held back with much enthusiasm over me completely spellbound with what he had witnessed. He held Tom Richmond his graphic description of the me completely spellbound with world's most dangerous weapon, his graphic description of the Here is his story as he told it to world's most dangerous weapon.

The past two weeks have been the Army Home Town News Cen- busy for the personnel here at atomic maneuvers at Camp Dester. Since the beginning of the ert Rock, Nevada, we have liter-ally been "snowed under" with ert Rock, Nevada, we have literon the method of handling our struct other Army PIO personnel stories, I thought you might be on the method of handling our place there through the eyes of hand information on what took place there through the eyes of

our Major to get the low-down was one of the men chosen by out there. Incidentally, I was one our Major to get the low-down disappointed guy that didn't leave out there. Incidentally, I was one with them. I was planning on disappointed guy that didn't leave bringing back a few silver dollars with them. I was planning on from Las Vagas. Ironically bringing back a few silver dollars enough, the closest they got to from Las Vagas. Ironically

Chairman Theron Richmond to will produce metal stampings. have been very successful in the Stamping concern. bring a newly organized industry The building which the Stamp- operation of other interests and Much credit for bringing the to Lowell which will start off by ing company will move into was Lowell is indeed fortunate to new source of employment to have them come here.

employing 25 to 50 persons and purchased last year by the Lowell Will Employ 50 has great promise of having an Development Corp., a non-profit average payroll of over 100 per-corporation of the Lowell Board average payroll of over 100 per- corporation of the Lowell Board building will start soon and the to Theron Richmond, New Indussons. The factory will occupy the of Trade.

Negotiations were completed Lamb Construction building on Stockholders in the new com-

Here is his story as he told it to

new group hopes to be in opera- try chairman, who have worked tion by fall. The Lowell Board of several weeks with the officials Trade is advancing \$1.500 to the of the new company to encourage

Village to help pay the cost of them to come to Lowell. "An atomic explosion is a re- anything we had expected-and

en much thought to the destruction such a weapon could cause miles from the "ground zero" in terms of places I know.

But after viewing the crushed. In the half-light of the desert scorched, desolation of "Doom. dawn, it was an eerie scene even town" with its poisoned atmos. before the earth-rocking blast. pleasant thought that it could chilly at that hour. happen for real; that someday The public address system anthe target might be more than a nounced that it was "zero plus erected for sacrifice to science.

It was my first experience down. label for it-and I sincerely hope and closed my eyes. "Five, four, it was my last.

I'd read a lot about atomic one, zero.'

its aftermath were far beyond miles behind me.

Monday by officers of the Lowell Godfrey street at the northwest pany are all Grand Rapids busi- extending sewer and water mains Board of Trade and New Industry village limits. The new company ness and professional men who to the village limits to service the

Remodeling the former garage Trade President, Charles Hill and

mote and impersonal thing-un- we were expecting the worst.

til you've seen one. Then it beed from News Knob, a treeless, Like most people, I'd never givstudden Yucca Flat some seven

phere of invisible radioactivity, We huddled around hastily-built I no longer try to evade the un- fires. Even in the desert, it's

miniature suburban community 60 seconds." Then in an ominous

watching the detonation of a "nu. At zero plus five, I turned my clear device"-that was the Atom- back on "ground zero", shielded ic Energy Commission's official my face in the crook of my arms three," the scientist intoned. "Two

weapons, strictly on a layman's There was no sound except the

level, and like other observers at monotonous whirring of the news Yucca Flat I had been thoroughly reel cameras. It would take the briefed on what I was to witness, shock wave a few seconds to I was still completely unpre- reach us. Yet I had no doubt pared for it. The explosion and about what had happened seven

Tom Richmond

Roger McMahon **Passes Suddenly** Of Heart Attack

St. Mary's Church was filled to capacity Wednesday morning when friends gathered to pay last respects to Roger O. Mc-Mahon whose untimely death occurred Sunday. The Rev. Speer Strahan read the funeral Mass and bearers, Tobie Gahan, Jerry Roth, George Arehart, Charles Houseman and Fred Althaus, carried their friend to his last resting place where he was buried in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery at Parnell.

Lowell residents were shocked and grieved Sunday morning upon learning of the unexpected rassing of Roger O. McMahon, 42, at Blodgett hospital. He had entered the hospital Friday for observation after a brief illness. His sudden death was attributed to a heart attack. The body was brought to Roth Funeral Home. Roger was born in Lowell Ap-

ril 7, 1911, to Frank and the late Mrs. McMahon and graduated from Lowell High School in 1928. He attended Grand Rapids Junior college two years be- practice he joined the Prosecuterts degree in literature at the and later to Menso Bolt, under University of Michigan.



Following a year of private fore obtaining a bachelor of or's office assistant to Fred Searl whom he served for 8 years. He

was appointed Deputy Prosecut- Church in Lowell, the Lowell cuting Attorneys, State Sheriffs ing Attorney in 1946 after his re- post of the American Legion and and Police Chiefs. Prosecutor until his election in Society in Grand Rapids.

eight terms as Village Attorney and the Michigan Bar Associa-

He was a member of St. Mary's Michigan Association of Prose-

Mr. McMahon also held mem-Mr. McMahon has also served berships in the Grand Rapids tions and was a member of the

turn from the U. S. Army Air Moose Lodge in Lowell and Elks Mr. McMahon was serving the Force where he served as gun- Lodge in Ionia. He was also a last year of his third two-year

nery instructor. He was Deputy member of the Forty-and-Eight term as county prosecuting attorney. He was a Republican.

Looking Back.. through the years 1953-1962

By Thad Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

The decade of 1953-1962 was one of constant change. On the national front, nothing was bigger than the election of John F. Kennedy. Lowell found itself as the setting for Glendon Swarthout's novel "Welcome to Thebes."

Lowell was denied in its initial attempt to become a City. But, eventually got the approval of the voters. Bernard Olson was named the City's first City Manager.

The first color television became available in Lowell in

The Mackinaw Bridge opens. In its first week of use, 20,621 Michiganders visit.

Publisher, R.G. Jefferies passes away. His wife, Francis and son, Harold take over. Harold officially becomes editor and publisher in 1957 following his mother's death.

New industry and business continues to arrive in Lowell. The Lowell Stamping Co. makes Lowellits home as does Curtis Cleaners.

A tornado strikes Lowell

and plans for a swimming pool are put into motion.

The Ledger purchases a Goss Comet Press and on the national scene Dwight Eisenhower is elected President in a landslide.

The City works to improve its streets in 1957 and C.H. Runciman resigns from the school board.

The Ledger prints its first high school football picture.

Lowell's Board of Trade completes 50 years of service to the community.

June 11, 1953

Coldwater Road.

Worst Storm in

Michigan History

in North Flint Monday night.

claimed the lives of 112 in that

Death Claims

Surviving are his wife, Frances; a son, Harold F., and two grandsons, Kirk and Scot Jef-

Takes 112 Lives The worst storm in the history of Michigan which mowed down buildings in an eight-mile swath

city and injured at least 650 persons. The swirling black funnelshaped twister literally chewed up homes and rained bricks and timbers for miles as it tore along Property damage will run well into the millions of dollars. Some 800 are left homeless and Wednesday morning there were still unidentified and unclaimed children in the Detention Homes where they were being cared for

tives calling for them. The twister lifted only to settle down again striking Milford and Erie, Mich., and on into Ohio, before wearing itself out.

awaiting their parents or rela-

Organized Civil Defense Those working in the storm

striken areas report that well organized Civil Defense and Red Cross units have done much to alleviate the suffering of victims and to help reunite families.

Carroll Burch

Most persons in this community have been filled with anxiety while awaiting news of some rel ative or friend in the Flint or Milford area and communications were cut off for hours.

and recover from the terrible system. experience.

Pays Tribute to R. G. Jefferies

Those who really knew him affectionately called him "Rem" or "Jeff". It was my good fortu ne to have known of him long before I met him. I lived in the same town where he had lived before. His friends became my f riends. I roamed the fields where he had hunted; I fished the sa me streams and lakes where he had fished, and I will always pr ize very highly the trout rod he passed on to me, not only because of its intrinsic value but because of the sentiment that was wrapped up in it. We often reminisced together over mutua l friends and interests. We frequently philosophised about loc al problems and possibilities. "Rem" was my friend and I was indeed fortunate to know him as few others were privileged to know him.

A large part of his life was expended in the Lowell Ledger -a newspaper known throughout the state as one of the leading small town weeklies. While in robust health "Jeff" not only renews, he interpreted it to his readers. He not only presented issues or controversial matters-he took sides and attempted by fearless editorials to direct the thinking of his readers along what he believed to be the right side of the question. He would never stoop to the questionable in reporting the news. He demanded the factual but he would not tolerate the "smear" or the sordid or the sensational items which might cause undue embarrassment or disgrace. He protected the weak and the commonplace as well as the strong and prominent. Although he took his mission as an editor very seriously he was ever ready for good clean humor, and his column often reflected this side of his happy and radiant personality. In short, "Rem"

Measured by any type of rating scale "Jeff" as an individual, was a stalwart. He was of high principles and moral integrity and he was one of the rare individuals who possessed the another he would make his position clear and he did not hesitate to add that difference of opinion was logical and necessary. He was loyal to his friends and to his community. He lived the gospel of Rotary, which is to be of service above self. More, he was a God-fearing man who in his daily life practiced firmity and his patient, examplary life during the trying years of his afflictions was and will continue to be an inspiration to us all. He was a perfectionist who was not satisfied with anyhis philosophy. He put his whole being into whatever he underwill be difficult to fill. But we will all be better because he lived would be "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

To the dear ones he left behind we offer our condolences. But we offer more. We congratulate them because they so lovingly helped such a fine citizen to live such a useful life-a life that will continue to live in our midst for a long time. Walter W. Gumser



R. G. Jefferies, editor and publisher of the Lowell Ledger since June, 1930, and widely known in newspaper circles. passed away at his home Friday morning at 11:30. He had been ill for about a year and the past few weeks his condition has been critical. His activities in civic and business affairs terminated about six months ago because of

Funeral services were held at

Roth Funeral Home Monday afternoon at two o'clock, the Rev. Norman G. Woon officiating and burial was made in the family lot in Oakwood cemetery, under the auspices of the local lodge

Remick G. Jefferies was born st Remick Hill, Clare county, Michigan, May 16, 1874, the son of Thomas Ellison and Frances A. (Baker) Jefferies, and spent his boyhood in the sparsely settled wilderness where his father managed the timberlands for Remick & Gulaver, on whose holdings extensive lumbering activities were going on. It was for these men that the Jefferies

Reared in the rural community of Clare, Mr. Jefferies rode to school in town on a train. His parents operated a hotel in the hills of this lumber country which was named the White House, because of its painted exterior. Most houses in that day were unpainted. He loved that wooded country and knew every



R. G. Jefferies

lumberjack in those parts, often becoming so interested in their work and life that he forgot to go home and his father had to go out in search of his small

Dr. Charles Jefferies, his grandfather, was one of the earliest graduates of University of Michigan Medical College and practiced in the vicinity of Clare for many years, even after he had lost his sight. At one time he is said to have perfectly set a broken leg for a lumberman although he was totally blind, and at another time he completely cleared up a smallpox epidemic unassisted by any other

The grandson took great pride in his grandfather's accomplish ments and perhaps this early introduction to a useful life in spite of blindness may have been an inspiration and a good influence on him in later life when he, too, lost his sight. "Rem" was totally blind the last twenty years of his

Shortly after the death of his father his mother moved into town and when he was near 15 years of age he went to Elmira. N. Y., to learn the printing trade. While there he lived with an aunt who was an instructress in a University and from her he received valuable tutorage which was to come to good use in his later

Jeff was 18 years old when he returned to Clare and founded he Clare Sentinel which became. ind still is, a successful weekly ewspaper. Much of his childgood and early manhood had been pent in loneliness which perhaps ontributed to some degree to the uccess of his writing. He was iven to hours of serious meditaion without interruption and his onstructive thoughts led to the rogress of his community and

Mr. Jefferies was a respector of divine law and the laws of the land. He formed his opinions deliberately and with much thought, and then stood by his convictions with a tenacity of purpose not to be swerved easily. He was never hasty in his judg-

In October, 1899, he sold the Sentinel and became foreman of the Clinton County Republican, owned by the late Coleman C. Vaughn, and which later became the Clinton County Republican-News. In 1910 Mr. Jefferies became business manager, which position he held for 13 years. His editorial ability gave him

a statewide reputation as outstanding in his chosen profession. A fellow-editor over in the eastern part of the state once called him, "one of God's chosen editors." His column which he named "Jokes, jests, jabs and jibes just by Jeff" has brought much favorable comment throughout the years.

From 1923 to 1930 Mr. Jefferies worked for the Pontiac Press. the Lansing State Journal, and was manager of the printing de-

partment of the Michigan Education Co. at Lansing, and during these years he was planning to go into business for himself when the opportunity presented itself and in June of 1930 he purchased the Ledger and moved his family to Lowell.

The Ledger has been improved and enlarged during his years of guidance and in later years he has left much of the business management to his son, Harold, in whom he has the utmost confidence for continuing the newspaper, as it started.

Helping to make Lowell a better place in which to live and lending assistance and inspiration to keep business in all trades growing and progressing has been Jeff's aim throughout the years of his residence here. He was one of the three men who conceived the idea of the Showboat, which has proven to be one of Lowell's big enterprises. He was also instrumental in organizing the Lowell Rotary Club, was a charter member, and active until ill health forced his retire

According to "Who's Who in Michigan," besides being successful in the newspaper business, he was mayor of St. Johns, 1911-13: Member National Editorial Asso ciation; Michigan Press Association treasurer, 1931-33; Member Lowell Rotary club; Eminent Commander St. Johns Consistory Knights Templar, 1916-1917; Life Member Hooker Chapter Royal Arch Masons and a Life Member of Free and Accepted Masons; member of Episcopal Church, and affiliated with the Republican

The career of a courageous and successful man has been brought to a close by the grim reaper.

Orlon is little affected by sunlight, weather and mildew, making it especially suitable for window curtains, awnings and other outdoor uses, say Michigan State College home economists.

Football Coach

It gives us an opportunity to After twenty-six years of footthink again whether we should ball coaching, seventeen of which keep our Civil Defense organiza- have been in the local schools tion in Lowell up to standard. It Carroll 'Chris' Burch has this could happen here next time! week announced his resignation Also it might be well to learn as football coach. However Mr. the condition of those over there Burch, a valuable man, will conand share their disaster by help-tinue in the Lowell High School

was a journalist of the first order.

courage of his convictions. If he did not agree with the views of the teaching of his Christ. He was courageous in his inthing but the truest and best. "Good enough," was not a part of took, and he always bore more than his share of the load. His lodge, clubs, community and church will miss him. The vacancy with us for almost a quarter of a century. A fitting epitaph



Mr. Burch came here from Sebewaing where he had spent nine years as teacher and coach and was with that school when it was

record was 50 wins, 2 ties, and 16 100 victories.

His record of games in Lowell those who have gone to college croft and Ray Hoag. for higher education have found his teaching has been a valuable asset. The total record for the 26 years, 122 wins, 9 ties and 73 losses plus the good will of all, is

raised from Class D to Class C. an enviable record. Few coaches During his stay there his game in the state can boast more than

Much of his success may be at-Coming to Lowell seventeen tributed to his love of working years ago he has been not only with boys. In the war years he the football coach. He has been accepted the challenge of coachtruly a physical education instruc- ing all school athletics, football, tor, teaching his students that in baseball, track, basketball and athletics a most important lesson any other sports that came along. is that everyone has to give a lit- We should add here that Mrs. tle, and sacrifice something of Burch has been keenly interested himself for the welfare of the in her husband's success and has group. More important than win- given assistance wherever posning a game of football is honor, sible from the 'home front.' Her self-respect and good sportsman- influence should not be underes-

This year which is the closing schools is 72 wins, 7 ties and 57 chapter to his coaching career, losses. The boys under his coach- three of his boys were chosen for ing have done well for their the Press All-Conference team. school and for themselves and They are Doug Hartley, Dick Ban-

The Edward Kiels **Sell Greenhouses** To Ball Florists

first of the week of the sale of a beauty spot to Lowell's East Kiel's Flower and Gift Shop to Main St. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ball of Middleville who will operate the business under the name, Ball Floral Shop. While the Balls are rew in Lowell they are not beginners in the florist business. having operated the Middleville shop for a number of years.

Mr. and Mrs. Kiel purchased the Lowell business from Mrs. Nettie Kinyon in June, 1941, and have improved and enlarged plant are under consideration the greenhouses to a great ex and that eventually Mr. Kiel will tent since that time.

In April, 1950, a \$20,000 razed their fine shop on Monroe Street and they rebuilt on their new location, 517 E. Main St., with enlarged quarters which were completed in July, 1950, and they reopened there only three months after the fire.

This especially fine business continued to grow in the conven-

ient location with plants, cut flowers, special floral arrangements for all occasions, pottery, glassware, copper, brass, and a variety of gift items, displayed in the attractive showroom. Excellent service and consistent advertising have contributed much to a most progressive enterprise. Announcement was made the Kiel's Greenhouses have added

Joins Kellogg Vinegar Co.

Mr. Kiel will take an active part in the management of the newly incorporated Paul Kellogg Vinegar Co., in which Paul Kellogg, Edward Kiel and Mrs. Bertha Jessup are the stockholders and officers.

According to Mr. Kellogg extensive improvements to the assume the general management.



New School for Lowell Kiddies

Voters Favor School Bonding Issue; To Start Construction Early Summer

discuss the situation and met be laid to meet the legal require-

Bend North; North, Jefferson to beth & Howard Lcop, Amity East.

Water extensions are planned village by making water and sewer

man to North Line; North Line, struction to be done in the next

Beech to Vergennes; Amity, Main year instead of a pay-as-you-go

Congratulations to

The Lowell Ledger

dren of the area a hearty boost district could vote on this propo-Monday when they overwhelm- sition. ingly approved a new millage proposal and authorized the school board to issue bonds for a new elementary school by a vote margin of more than 3 to 1 On the proposition to increase

State Voids School Bond Vote

Douglas Clapperton of the period of thirteen hours, from ing Lowell in a "Fourth Class

Michigan State Attorney's of seven a. m. until eight o'clock School District". The new law

fice threw a bombshell at the in the evening. At the recent takes the present district num-

Lowell School Board this week school election the polls followed bering system away from the

when he ruled that the \$250,000 the school laws which require schools, and leaves it to the Coun-

bonding issue for a new element- that the polls be open only from ty Board of Education to desig-

ary school, approved by Lowell one p. m. until eight o'clock in nate a new numbering guide. Un-

with attorney George Cook later

ell School District held the elec. held sometime late in July or ear- School Superintendent, Mr. Clark

More Complications

The Village Council on Monday South; Center, Main to Heffron; Washington West; Jackson, King

issuance of \$230,000 in Water Works West, Sibley to Heffron; Sher- son; Amity, Main to Ottawa; Rail-

and Sewer Revenue Bonds to de-man, Washington to Monroe; Grant, road right of way, Grove to Fore-

fray the cost of extending and im- Washington to Monroe; Washing- man; Broadway. Ext. South;

proving the sewer and water syston, Grant to Fremont; Jefferson, Grand, Hudson to Broadway; Eliza-

The Council has pledged them- Jackson: Jackson, North to King; Also in the construction will be

selves to the building of new sewers King, Monroe to Washington; Jack- additional wells, new controls and

and water mains in almost every son. Front to Kent; Division, High flushing the system. This construc-

portion of the village without any North; High, Division East; James, tion according to engineers will

increase in sewer charges or water Main North; Division, Main South; greatly improve the water distri-

rates. Revenue from the Sewer and Washington, Avery to North; Eliza- bution system making better pres-

Water Utility is about \$20,000 a both, Amity West; Howard, Smith sure in all parts of the village and

Foreman to Hunt; Beech, Fore-

North; Suffolk, Riverside to Amity; Brush, Grand to Ottawa; Maple, each year. The ordinance will be

Amity, Suffolk to Mercer; Howard, Grand to Ottawa; Grand, John to printed in full in the Ledger next

Riverside to West; Spring, Smith Hudson; Hudson, Bowes North; week and will lay on the table for

to Vergennes; Myrtle, Grand to Bowes, Hudson to West; Grant, 30 days after publication to allow

Attawa; Brush, Creek to Ottawa; Washington to Lafayette; Sherman, citizens a chance to study the pro-

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Beech to West; Beech, Foreman to Maple; Myrtle, Grand to Ottawa;

Hudson, Grand to Bowes; Bowes, Washington to Lafayete.

Oct. 6, 1955

New Election Must Be Held

voters on April 18, should have the evening.

tion using registration lists of ly August.

township voters and not school

Promise No Rate Increase!

the entire bond issue.

been held under laws governing The Lowell School Board im-

general elections rather than mediately called a special meet-

school elections, thereby voiding ing early Wednesday morning to

Specifically, the Clapperton that afternoon to formulate plans

ruling found that since the Low. for a new special election to be

poll lists, the election fell under The situation was further com-

the general laws which require plicated by a new state law which

that the polls be kept open for a took effect the first of July, plac-

Council Votes \$230,000 Expansion

For Sewer and Water Systems

night passed an ordinance for the Sibley, Main to West.

year which will allow about \$14,000 West

for payments on the bonds. The

bonds are set up to be paid off at

Sewer extensions are planned for

Hudson to John; Center, Main to

the rate of \$7,000 a year plus in-

terest, through 1989.

the following streets:

the present 15-mill limitation so a school can be financed the vote was: Yes-332; No-106. All

Lowell voters gave the chil- qualified voters in the school

326 in favor to 87 opposed.

Act Immediately With both propositions now ap-

til the county board re-numbers

no exact school district designa-

tion, and specific plans cannot

In an early call by the Ledger

to Lynn Clark, Kent County

stated that he did not know that

it was the duty of the County

Board of Education to designate

the new districts, and therefore

his office had not taken any

Washington, Grant to Jefferson;

North, Jefferson to Jackson; King, Jefferson to Jackson; High, Mon-

roe to Jefferson; Avery, Division

to Main; James, Main to Grindle;

Division, Front to Main; Kent,

Division to Jackson; Fremont,

to North; Elm, Vergennes to Hud-

will also allow for growth of the

available to a greater number of

This bond issue will allow all con-

basis which has only allowed a very

limited amount of new construction

posal and call for an election on

the bond issue if they so desire.

action on the matter.

ments governing the election.

the school districts, Lowell has

the sale of bonds.

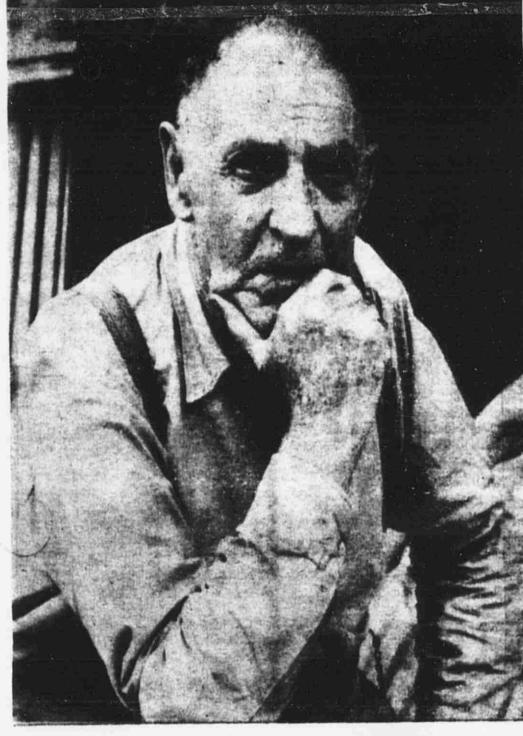
The board instructed attorney Richard VanderVeen of the firm VanderVeen. Freihofer & Cook, to meet with the State Finance Lowell taxpayers went to bat Commission for an informal concurrent with the bonding the school board to levy 5 mills that a resolution may be drawn erintendent of Schools W. W. the bonds attractive to bond pur- will be glad to meet with them chasers at the lowest interest rate obtainable.

proved the Lowell School Board The board also instructed met immediately following the attorney VanderVeen to draw up cay's balloting to canvass the a notice for bids on four houses returns and map immediate that will have to be moved or plans for construction work and razed to make way for the construction of the new elementary building. These houses will be put up for open bids immediately Act on Construction

Construction plans went ahead on Proposition II, authorizing opinion on the bond issue, so The school board instructed Supand issue bonds for the proposed up as soon as possible that would Gumser to inform the architect elementary school, by a vote of neet with the Finance Commis- firm of Robinson, Campau and sion requirements and also make Crowe, that the school board

Half Century of Service

Eugene Cart, 76, Dies Suddenly Monday



Eugene Carr, 76, who had completed a half-century of loyal service to the citizens of the Village of Lowell, died suddenly early Tuesday morning after a illness of only a few hours. "Gene" as he was known to his hundreds of friends, carried out his regular duties as custodian of the City Hall on Monday morning. He had served in this capacity since his retirement as night watchman in 1951.

Lowell Has State Champion Harrier!



This week we would certainly be negligent if we didn't choose Bob Carigon as our "honored teen" as this star runner with the Lowell Cross Country Team was named State Individual Class B Cross Country Champion runner at the Class B meet Saturday in Ypsilanti. Bob ran the 2 mile in 10:33, which was the second best time in the history of this meet. The Arrows placed 12th with top state runners. Locally they were the Grand Valley conference champs, winning all their dual meets. One interesting point about Bob's victory Saturday is that he defeated Wally Shafer of Ludington, who defeated him on October 27th at the regionals in Grand

Dec. 20, 1956

Timpson Fire Loss Heavy

A loss of between \$20,000 and \$25,000 is estimated by Mr. and Mrs. John Timpson from their barn fire last Thursday evening.

Although the structure was not new, it was well built, and almost air tight for apple storage. Also, the contents of the barn were valued very high. The loss is partially covered by insurance.

Firemen from Alto and Lowell battled the blaze which leveled the structure in two hours.

The barn, which is across M91 from the Timpson home, was peri-Lously close to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hill (Mrs. Hill is the Timpson's daughter), and it was necessary to move the family out immediately. (This is the former Post farm)

Heat from the fire made it impossible to enter the home, but expert work by the volunteer firemen saved it from possible des-

Also, according to Mrs. Timpson, a full tank of gasoline had been delivered to the pump adjacent to the barn during the day Thursday. Firemen kept water trained on the pumps, but the bose was charred plosion would have resulted

The fire must have been smolsering for some time, and had a good start before it was discover ed by a passerby, according to Mrs. Timpson. She stated that the fire inspector explained it appeared the fire burned to a good start, and was confined because of the excellent air-tightness of the apple storage in the basement, finally escaping under the barn door, and up the side of the structure before it was noticed.

About 15 barrels of motor oil were stored in the barn, as well as an ascetelyn torch and fuel for same. Also lost were 2300 bushels of apples, 200 brand new apple boxes just delivered last week. and much heavy machinery.

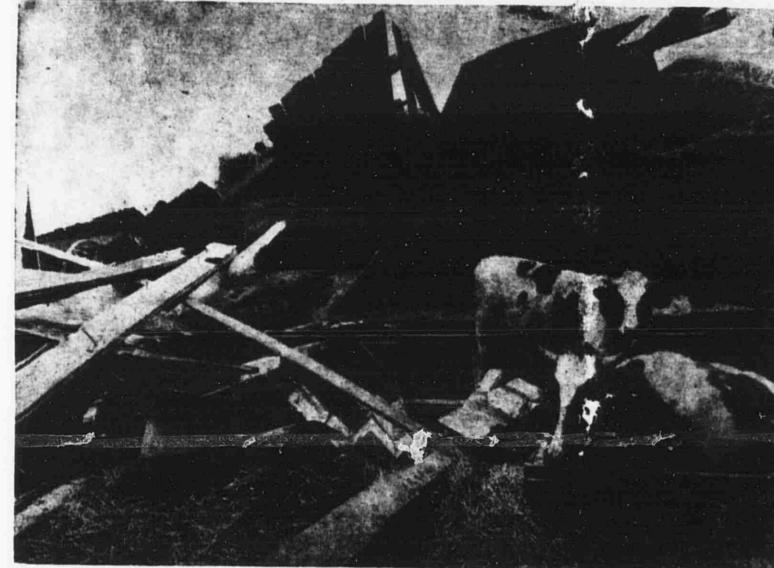
Mackinac Bridge Carried 20,621 in First Week's Use

The huge new \$100,000,000 Mackinac Bridge carried 20,621 vehicles in its first full week of operation which ended Friday. Many cars passed over it during the gale on Friday night with never a quiver.

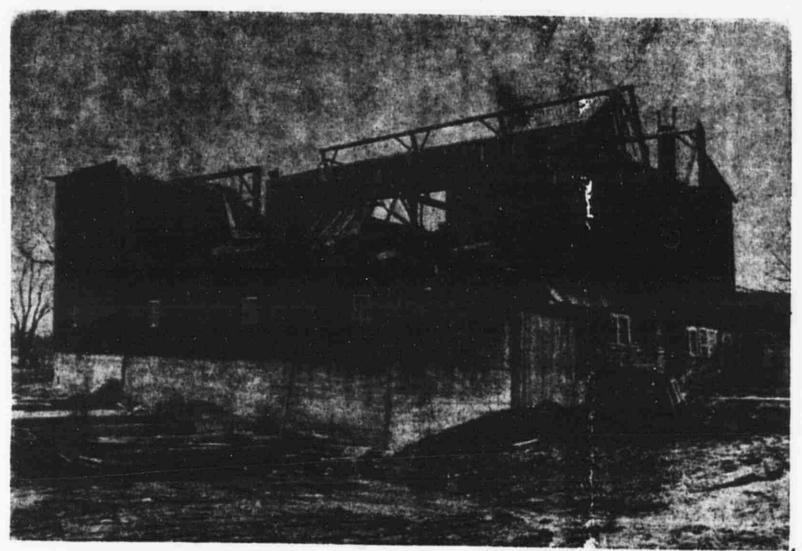
During the same week a year ago the ferries carried 9.383 vehicles. Some deer hunters have already taken to the woods north of the Straits and many more are planning to go toward the latter part of the week. This will add to the number normally crossing. It is estimated that the bridge has First Interlocutor Chair a capacity of 6 000 an hour which will expedite the hunters crossing and eliminate the long wait at the ferry docks as in years Showboat interlocutor C, H, Runci-

The Bridge Authority reported to date there have been no traf- the Lowell Ledger office. fic accidents and only one driver had a flat tire.

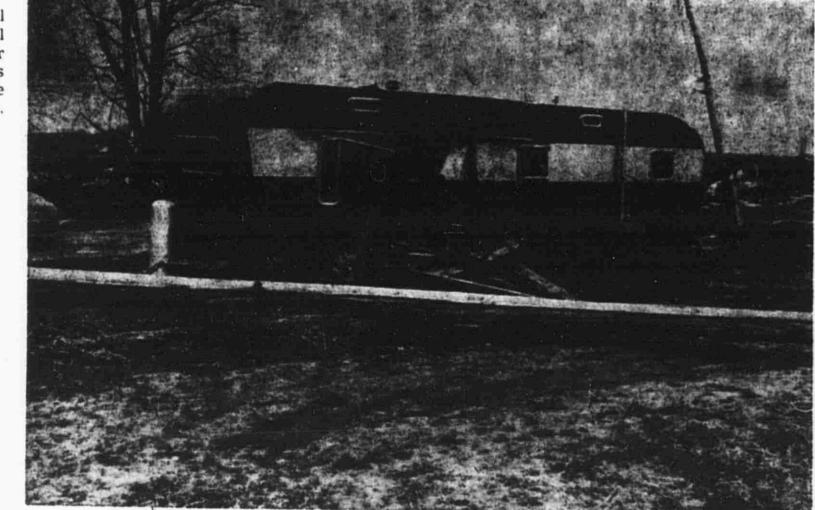
Tornado Strikes, Damages Many Buildings



These two sorrowful cattle were not camera shy Wednesday morning. Although both animals were injured when the Elof Erickson barn collapsed, luckily they were not buried beneath the debris as the other 26 members of the herd were. Mr. Erickson feels they will all have to be slaughtered because of injuries.



No cattle were lost, but this barn was almost completely wrecked at the Glen Vos farm on Cascade road. The twister took roof, timbers, and bales of hay, hurling them across a wide area. The home was uninhabitable because of severe roof damage.



car to the Amos Sterzick house, she should feel very lucky that she wasn't in her trailer home, pictured above, at the time of the storm. Flying timbers caused this damage.

In Ledger Front Office

The first chair used by veteran

Naughton-who has worked for the Ledger for over 25 years -was taken from the furniture company, and belonged to Jerry Cook who

then ran the factory. Mr. Cook takenly delivered the chair to the was the father of George Cook, Ledger office, Mr. Jefferies reour local attorney, and Grand Rap- fused to return it, and the friends ids city attorney.

Our former editor and publisher, "famous" chair, man at the first Showboat many the late Remick Jefferies, was a Don recalls that Mr. Jefferies years ago is still being used in close friend of Mr. Cook, So, when finally paid Mr. Cook for the privi- uprooted, while another, closer to

had a lot of fun joking about the

the big performance was over 25 lege of keeping the historic piece, the house, is leaning heavily a-The chair, recalls Don Mae- years ago, and the crew mis- and it is still being used in this gainst the roof. Mr. Battistella al-

Wednesday morning and late Tuesday night "digging out" from under fallen barns, buildings, trees and other debris scattered everywhere when a tornado ripped a path of destruction north-northeasterly, just missing Alto village by about a quarter mile, and destroying property extensively as far north as U.S. 16.

The twister dropped down for a short while in Lowell also, but damage here was slight compared to the havoc created in our neighboring farm area.

If we were going to list the names of everyone over at Alto who suffered damage in the storm we would have to devote the entire Ledger this week to that task. But, here are some of the incidents about which we have heard:

The Leo Smith house and barn on 84th street were badly damaged. It is reported that a wall of the home was torn away, and that the kitchen stove was found in another room of the house.

Elof Erickson, on M-50, was contemplating losing all of his herd of 28 head of cattle, most of which were trapped under the debris as the barn was blown in. Also in the building were 30 hogs and a riding horse. The cattle will no doubt have to be slaughtered, as is in the case of so many of the farmers stricken in the storm.

The Glen Vos farm on Cascade road received extensive damage to the house and barn.

Mr. and Mrs. William Sterzick and baby had just arrived home from church when the storm hit the Amos Sterzick farm where they park their trailer home. Mr. Sterzick stayed in the car, but his wife attempted to enter the house, and was struck about the head by flying branches. Their trailer home was smashed by timbers, Another Sterzick, Gordon, is still looking for the remains of

Pup Stays Put

After the tornado had passed. Amos Sterzick went outside to see how his cocker dog was, who was tied in a small outbuilding. The building had flown away, but the poor pup was meekly sitting, still tied, but no longer protected.

The show windows of the Alto Farm Equipment store near Alto vere blown in, causing extensive damage to stock.

A roof blew off the barn of the L. M. Headworth farm, and the end of the barn at the Leo Bryant place on M-50 was down.

At the Elmer Swanson place the main barn structure remained standing but the straw shed was collapsed. Swanson was doing chores in the barn when the storm hit. Young cattle in the straw shed were covered with debris.

At this writing we don't know who own the two farm homes on 92nd street between Morse Lake road and Bergy avenue, but the tops of these dwellings are gone, and clothing is strewn about in tree tops, etc.

Our reporters haven't covered the entire area at this writing, but damage is excessive, and it will be days before the fallen wires, branches, etc., can be cleared away. Power is out in most of the

Telephone poles were snapped right off; a 200 yard wide strip of fallen trees make a new highway through the woods between Bergy and Nash Avenues, north of 74th street.

Lowell Damage

Many trees were toppled, roofs damaged, and tv antennaes knocked over in this area. If you look at a Kent County map you can mark the pathway of the storm heading north-northeasterly, from the Alto area farms hit, across to the east side of Lowell, where two large pines fell at the Frank Battistella residence, 1019 East Main street. so reports the roof of his laboratory was torn badly.

On Monday of this week this giant crane placed the last of the

steel roof beams on the 600 capacity auditorium. This will complete

the roof of this new \$300,000 7-room elementary building, corner of

High and Monroe streets. Superintendent of Schools, W. W. Gumser

reports the work is on schedule and unless there is a delay in de-

livery of some of the materials the school will be done by Septem-

Lowell Lodge No. 90, F. & A. M. Celebrates Centennial

Lowell Masonic Lodge, No. 90, F. & A. M., celebrates its 100th year of existence next week when

a centennial banquet will be held on Saturday, January 26th, at the auditorium of the Runciman Ele-

mentary building. The above picture shows the officers for 1957 of the Lowell Lodge, left to right,

front row: Mert Sinclair, Tyler; Ronald Story, Senior Deacon; Gurney Hahn, Steward; Carl Freyer-

muth, Marshal. In the second row are Charles Wood, Steward; D. A. Wingeier, Treasurer; Orval

Jessup, Secretary; and Oscar Nelson, Junior Deacon. In the back row are Cecil DeRushia, Senior

Warder; Rev. J. Marion DeVinney, Chaplain; Emil O. Nelson, Worshipful Master; and Lee Keech,

Jan. 17, 1957

Junior Warder.

Jackson Brothers Buy Speerstra Motor Sales; Grand Opening Tuesday

Motor Sales" will be held starting years. He came here from Grand Tuesday, October 30, through Sat- Rapids, where he was the manager urday, November 3.

vice that Lowell has expected and received from the former owner.

About the Brothers

Leonard Jackson is the better known of the two brothers, per-

The grand opening of "Jackson haps, having been here for two of the used vehicle sales at Bissell-The Jacksons both stressed their Sears Motors for five years. Beaim to continue the same fine ser- fore that he was employed in Mt. Pleasant by a motor sales busin-

> high school, and graduated from Howell's School of Business, Muskegon. He also received a B. A. degree in Business Administration from Michigan State University.

He was educated at Hesperia

Leonard is married and has two children. He is a veteran of World War II, in which he' served as a combat fighter pilot. The Clark-Ellis Post of the American Legion in Lowell claim him as a member; also the V.F.W. in Hesperia, and the B.P.O.E. No. 48 in Grand Rap-

Comes From Lakeview

sales manager of R. & C. C. Bol- pany in Hesperia. linger Motors in Lakeview for the The senior of the two brothers, past twenty years. Before that he Orville also attended Hesperia high





Leonard E. Jackson

Orville B. Jackson

Leonard Jackson, sales manager of Speerstra Motor Sales the past two years, and his brother, Orville of Lakeview, have purchased the Dodge-Plymouth sales agency from Mr. Speerstra, and will take over the helm of this Main street business next week.

The other partner, Orville B. was employed 4 years as office school, and graduated from the Jackson, has been service and manager of Hesperia Auto com- school of Business Administration at Ferris Institute.

June, 1957

Lowell Grocery, Locker and Ice Cream Business Sold **Eberhard Takes Over Christiansen Super Market on July 1**



L. V. Eberhard talks over the "Aristocrat" ice cream product with William Christiansen. The Eberhard chain of grocery stores has purchased the Christiansen Super Market, Locker department and ice cream business, and will take over Monday, July 1, This transaction between Eberhard and Christiansen is probably one of the biggest personal property transfers that has occurred in

Christiansen, and will be leased by the new owners.

Lowell in some years. The building has been retained by Mr.

Had Soft Spot in Heart for Lowell

Carl English Dies; First Lowell **Power Plant Superintendent, 1896** Carl S. English, a Lowell native, I dren.

and the first superintendent of the His family, who notified Lowell Lowell Municipal Utility, passed friends of his death, stated he alaway October 17, at Camas, Wash- ways had a "soft spot in his heart for Lowell . . . and never stopped

Mr. English was born March 8, telling everyone about his exper-1860-and lived on Riverside drive liences in the electric light plant during his adult life. He perhaps, at Lowell'. is best remembered here as the man who built the first automobile

in Lowell! Mr. English managed the light in his garage, was a two-cylinder

plant from 1896 to 1901.

in the South Boston area. they left Lowell, but are now sur- reverse. vived by 8 children, 14 grandchil- There are some folks here who dren and eleven great-grandchil- can remember riding in this auto.

First Lowell Auto

The motor car, which he built

air-cooled affair, with wheels of A very colorful individual, Mr. 30 inch solid rubber tire. The English was an exemplary man, a frame, of 2-inch angle iron, supmember of the Methodist church, ported a surrey body built by Loof the choir, and an adult Bible well Cutter factory. Power was class teacher. As a child he lived transmitted to the wheels from a friction clutch and jack shaft by Mr. and Mrs. English (she pre- sprocket and chain, one speed ceded him in death November 6, ahead, ten or twelve miles per 1950) had only 3 children when hour. To back up the engine would

Retires as Director Of **Lowell Building & Loan**

Frank F. Coons, secretary of the Lowell Building and Loan Association from 1931 until just recently and director of the association, announced his retirement because of moving to the Clark Memorial Home in Grand Rapids. Mr. Coons, known among the many who have been able to own Frank M. Newell, president of tary Club, was chairman of the their own homes through this as- the Newell Manufacturing Com- Lowell Congregational Church sociation as Mr. Building & Loan, pany and active in many civic af- board of trustees and end-man on ran the secretary's office from his fairs died Sunday afternoon follow- the showboat for seven years. He Dental Office clothing store where it is still be- ing a short illness. Mr. Newell suf- was also a member of the Masonic ing operated by his son, David, fered a heart attack on Monday. Lodge, No. 90, F&AM and was a now secretary of the group.

The annual meeting where his resignation was announced voted Mr Coons an honorary director of

the million dollar mark.





Manufacturing Co. here in 1940 land Mausoleum,

school site and constructed a mod-month ern manufacturing plant; an airfired toy gun was added to their line and this was very popular for many years. Four years ago a warehouse addition was added to the factory, and at the present time, the area of the plant is nearly doubled with an addition being completed. Now the company is engaged exclusively in the manufacturing of door hardware.

Mr. Newell was active in Ro-November 18 and was taken to thirty-second degree member of Butterworth hospital where he Saladin temple, Scottish Rite, in

He was born in Pittsburg. Pa. He is survived only by his wife. the association for his long, faith- on December 21, 1897; before com- Helen, whom he married in 1931. ing to Lowell he was engaged in Funeral services will be held The Lowell Association was one the sales department of several Wednesday at 2:00 p. m. at the of the first in Michigan, being es- industries. He worked in the sales Lowell Congregational Church, The tablished in 1888, and has shown division of the Lowell Manufac- body will lie in state at the church its greatest growth during the turing Co. and was instrumental from noon until the time of the past 25 years, while Mr. Coons in organizing the former Universal services. Mrs. Newell will meet has served as secretary. The as- Manufacturing Co., in Saranac. friends at the chapel on Tuesday sets of the group have now passed Mr. Newell organized the Newell evening. Burial will be in Grace-

Reconstruction Underway Following Lowell Cafe's \$25,000 Flash Fire

Reconstruction was underway blaze because of heavy smoke and Street store building; the next Monday following the flash fire blistering heat. Flames crept inyear the Lowell Board of Trade which threatened complete des- to ceiling joists and gave stubpurchased the old West Ward struction of the Lowell Cafe around born resistance before they could School from the Board of Educa- midnight Friday. According to be brought under control. Firemen tion and leased it to Mr. Newell Clare Palen, owner, the loss on the were able to hold the fire to the and I. O. Altenberger, who were building and contents is around lower floor and though the famassociated together in the business \$25,000. He will lower the ceilings ilies living in apartments over the and otherwise remodel the build- cafe were routed out they were ing and replace much of the equip- able to go back to their rooms ment which was seriously dam- when the fire was cooled down. During World War II, the Newell aged, and hopes to have the Cafe No damage was reported from the Manufacturing Co. purchased the ready for reopening in about a upper story, except for heat and

The fire is said to have started The interior of the cafe was idly and in minutes the entire tically destroyed.

Fire Chief Frank Baker said fire- least a part of the loss. men had much trouble fighting the

from a small grill and flashed in- badly damaged and electrical to a deep fryer which spread rap- equipment and supplies were prac-

main floor of the building was Mr. Palen, owner-operator states he carried insurance to cover at

Borgerson Opens

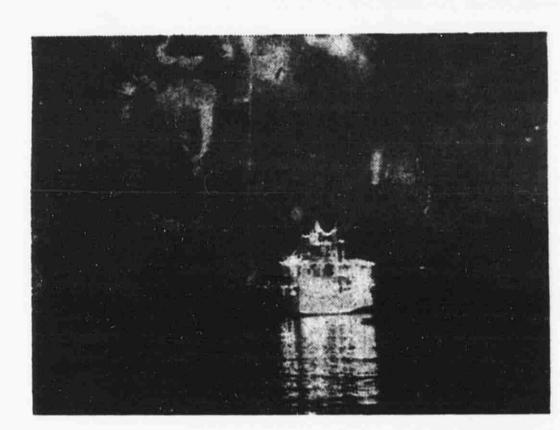
Dr. Norman Borgerson opened up his dental office in Big Rapids Monday, July 21. He began practicing when modernization of his office was completed. The building is located at 126 Maple Street in Big Rapids.

Dr. Borgerson received his D. D. S. degree from the University of Michigan School of Dentistry. He and his fiancee, Sheila Olin, will be married August 9.

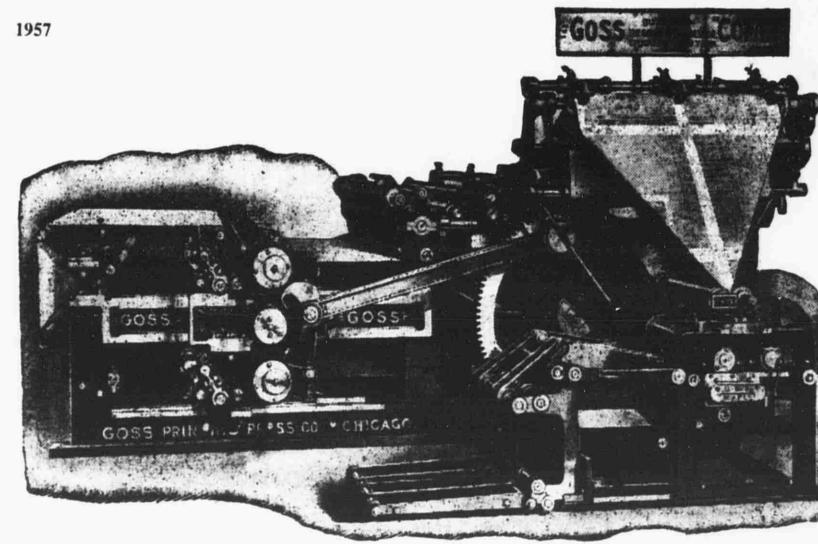


Here Comes the Showboat - Silver Anniversary Year

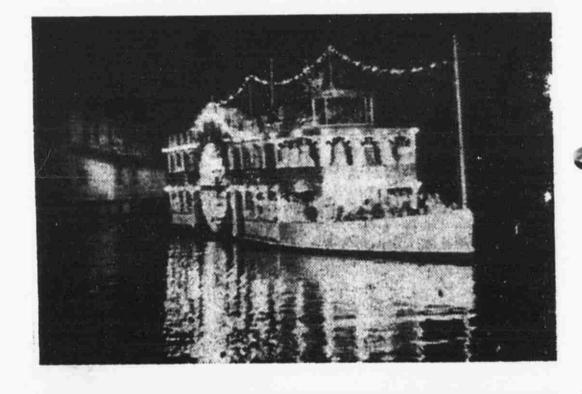
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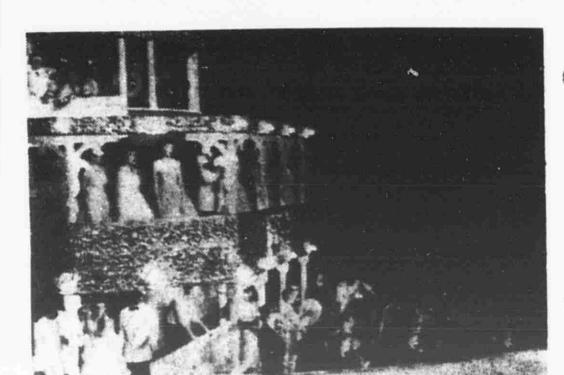
Our First Ledger on Newly - Installed Goss Comet Press!



If you've noticed a certain flurry of activity around the Lowell Ledger office since we returned from our vacation, it isn't because we have more energy after our rest, it is the newlypurchased Goss Comet roll-feed 8-page printing press which we recently purchased from the Colhis City Post and Commercial Mail, Columbia City, Indiana. The old Mishle flat-bed 4-page press on which your Ledger has been printed since 1920, is being relieved of the job of bringing the local news to you, Columbia City estimates our "new" press, which was built in 1922, printed nearly 4,000 papers daily for them, for more than 300 days each year-or over 36 million papers. The diamantled Goss arrived in Lowell Monday morning, July 8, in numerous crates, and for over a week workmen have been putting the "puzzle" together, and this week's paper is the end result.







C. H. Runciman Announces Retirement After 38 Years on Lowell School Board

1911. Before coming to Lowell in dent of the board. January of 1917, he was superin- In annoucing his decision to retendent of schools in Millington tire, he said that it was time for

C. H. Runciman, member of the and Grosse Ile for five and a half Lowell Board of Education since years. As head of the board during 1920, announced this week that he these many years, the Lowell will not seek re-election to the school has felt the steady leaderboard when his term expires this ship and outstanding record of June. He has served as president educational achievement, Mr. Runof the school board for 36 years, ciman has handed diplomas to Runciman was graduated from three generations of Lowell High Michigan State Normal College in graudates in his duties as presi-



new leaders to take on the responsibilities of education, but that his interest in the young people of the community would never diminish.

Gives Farewell Dinner

On Thursday evening of this week, Mr. and Mrs. Runciman will entertain the teachers, board members and staff of the school with a dinner at the Cascade Country

Seven Stores Burn Thursday; **Most Plan Early Reopening** Jan. 9, 1958

sulted when a blazing fire swept and traffic was diverted to US-16. through seven buildings in Low- Lowell Special Police turned out ell Thursday morning. The fire is and handled the jam of traffic believed to have started in Mel's remaining on their posts until the Bar, but the cause is unknown. The street was cleared about noon. Cofbar and six other stores were de- fee was served to the fire fighters stroyed in the blaze. This includes by the Levee, Eberhards, the Lathe Showboat Inn, Wepman's Cloth- dies Auxiliaries and others. Many ing Store, two barbershops, two firemen rushing from their homes

flames from 7:00 a. m. to 9:45 The fire was first reported by when it was brought under control. Mrs. Glen Bassett who saw the until late in the evening.

and Avery's Jewelry.

The community was crowded with casters carried the news of this

Two Resign As Showboat

At a meeting last Friday the resignation of N. E. Borgerson. President of Showboat Inc. since its beginning in 1933. Also resigning is Theron Richmond who acted as secretary of the organization since the death of the original secretary, L. E. Johnson.

A meeting is planned to elect new officers for 1959, as of now the President, Vice-President (Elmer Schaefer held this position until asked to retire from the board last fall), and Secretary,

Still on the board as directors Main Street was on fire. are C. H. Runciman, D. A. Wingeier, George Dey, sr., Dave Clark, jr., Louis W. Kingsley and Kenneth Pletcher, Holding positions on the board also are President of the Lowell Board of Trade, Gurney Hahn and Commander of the Ciark-Ellis Post of the American Legion, Lawrence Chesebro.

Showboat Grows Under Borgerson Mr. Borgerson was its first president and has served in this capacity every year, except one, during its 26-year span. The decision for the reason to retire is that Mr. and Mrs. Borgerson will travel in Europe this summer and will be gone during the entire period of the Showboat performance. The Borgersons expect to sail for Europe aboard the SS United States in May, and will not return to Low- plans to rebuild. ell until August. During his presidency, the Show-

bat has grown from the first year when it had receipts of \$1,200, to a high in 1956, when receipts topped 37,000. During the 26 years the bowboat has earned nearly \$100. 000. It has helped finance such projects as the American Legion Memorial Building with its bowling alley and new roller-skating rink for the youth of the community, as well as the Foreman 4-H and iceskating center, the Lowell Public School, the Boy Scout cabin and has also assisted in paying for lowntown parking facilities, The Showboat has a balance on

aand in Investments and cash toaling better than \$20,000, which is earmarked for a new boat and imoroved seating facilities.

Nearly \$100,000 in damages re- ed by a mass of twisting hoses

at 7 a, m, had nothing but a little Eight fire engines fought the coffee during the entire morning.

Water was still being poured on reflection of the flames on the ice at the rear of their restaurant Firemen were able to bring the The Bassetts lived in an apartfire under control in time to save ment over their store and saved the stores on either side—the Levee nothing but a few clothes. They are now staying with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pemberton over a thousand spectators lining their two children and Clinton the streets as news of the fire went Meisner who lived over the Noah out on radio broadcasts through- barbershop, lost all their houseout the state. Even national news-hold goods and nearly all their spectacular blaze. M-21 was block- and other organizations came to their aid with clothing. Myron Henry, owner of their apartment found room for them in another one of his buildings.

No Serious Injury

In the confusion of the fire, one of the fire trucks knocked over a ight post and it fell on Gerald Parker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Parker, X-rays were taken but he was found to be uninjured.

Clare Phillips, fireman, fell from a ladder, but landed in a pile of snow and was unhurt. Frank Stephens, Lowell Police

Chief, missed all the excitement as he was up north on his day off. Early radio reports had said

Christiansen's and Avery's and also the Levee were burning and another report even said that all

Not Much Insurance

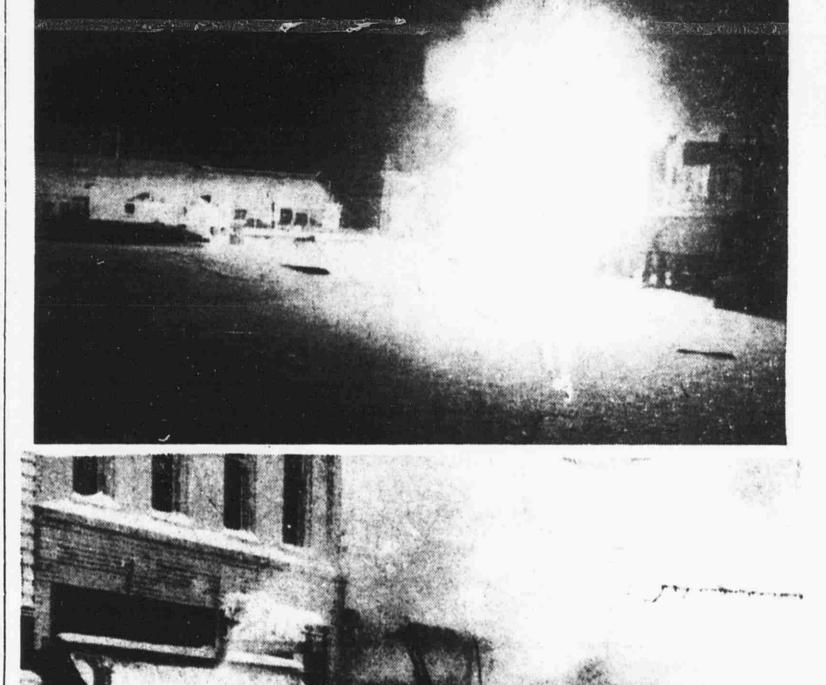
Molly Wepman who suffered the biggest loss, of \$40,000, didn't recover much of her merchandise because she felt that the fire wouldn't come as far as her store However, Mrs. Wepman and several others were able to get out some shoes and her charge-account book. She plans to open temporarily in one of the Bruce Walter buildings across the street.

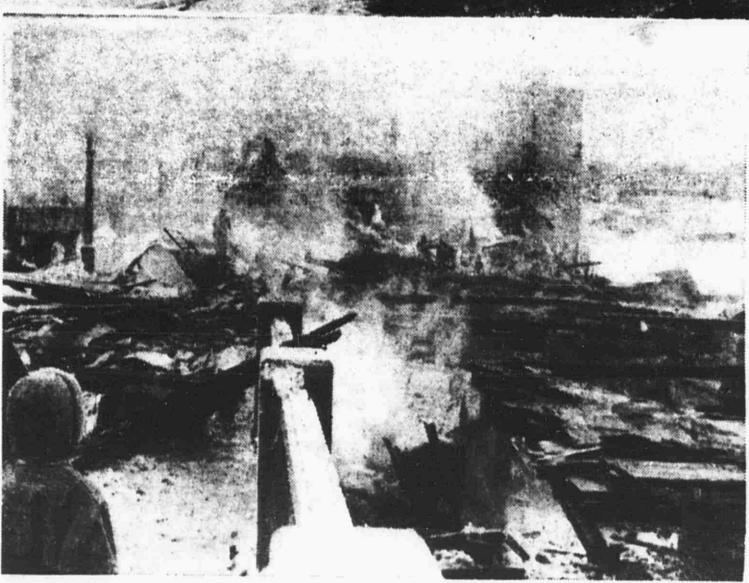
Myron Henry of McCords lost four of the buildings in the blazethe two barbershops and the empty buildings, which were formerly a candy store and the Fashion Box. Mr. Henry had a little insurance but not enough to cover the buildings entirely. He has no immediate

Charles Barber, who operates Barber's Watch Repair in back of Bernie's Barbershop, lost all his equipment but he plans to open again with Bernie Bedell in the east Bruce Walter building, Tentative plans have been made to open on Friday, January 17. Earl Noah lost \$900 in barber-

shop equipment and is planning to open again at 209 East Main Street. The Lowell Village Council requested the Street Department to remove the debris so the sidewalk can be cleared. They also contacted the State Highway Department to assist in constructing a railing.

Several of the owners have indicated that they would like to rebuild but no definite plans have





Top view is a picture taken shortly after 7:00 a, m, on Thursday morning, January 2 showing the big start the fire had before the fire department arrived. Flames roared into the sky lighting up the entire area. Light poles forty feet from the buildings caught fire and had to be extinguished by Utility plant line superintendent, John Jones. The second view is one of the firemen concentrating their entire supply of water on the

Wepman store next to the Avery building. Firemen from Lowell, Ionia, Saranac, Ada, Cascade, and Grattan all worked to halt the blaze at this point. The lower view is one on Thursday afternoon after the fire was practically extinguished except for a few smoldering areas. Nothing is left of the seven stores except for a small portion in the front of the Wepman buildings; all the rest





Payless Paydays May Come to Lowell School

Walter Gumser, superintendent confident all money will be forthof Lowell Schools, at the school coming, but there may be a delay. July 10, 1958 board meeting on Monday night announced to the board that un- The superintendent announced less payments come from the state that the State Finance Commission paydays may come to Lowell before bids can be taken, has quit schools. After the May 15 payroll processing applications because of the school will have a balance in lack of funds. Nothing can be done operating funds of only \$702.88, until the bonds are processed. Un-During the next few weeks some til something is done in Lansing. \$102,037 in state funds should come Lowell will be forced to get along in. If this is not made available with the facilities now available. the May 30 payday for the teach- It may force some half-day sesers may be a payless one. Super- sions next fall. There is little hope

intendent Gumser says that he is now to have the addition voted in February ready before December.

Council - Manager Type Government Selected For New City of Lowell

der its proposed city charter. Its of the city for at least a year. first decision was that they favor- Discussion of salary for the goved a council-manager type organi- erning body was finally decided zation, that the council be either that if a 7 man council is used, 5 or 7 members. This is still un- it would be \$60 for members and decided. They would be elected \$100 for mayor; if a 5 member from the entire city. Two year council, it was to be \$100 for memterms was agreed best with a ma- bers, \$150 for mayor. jority being elected each year, low- How other village officers would est vote getter to only have a one- be named is being discussed at the

elections. Non partisan election of his advice will be needed.

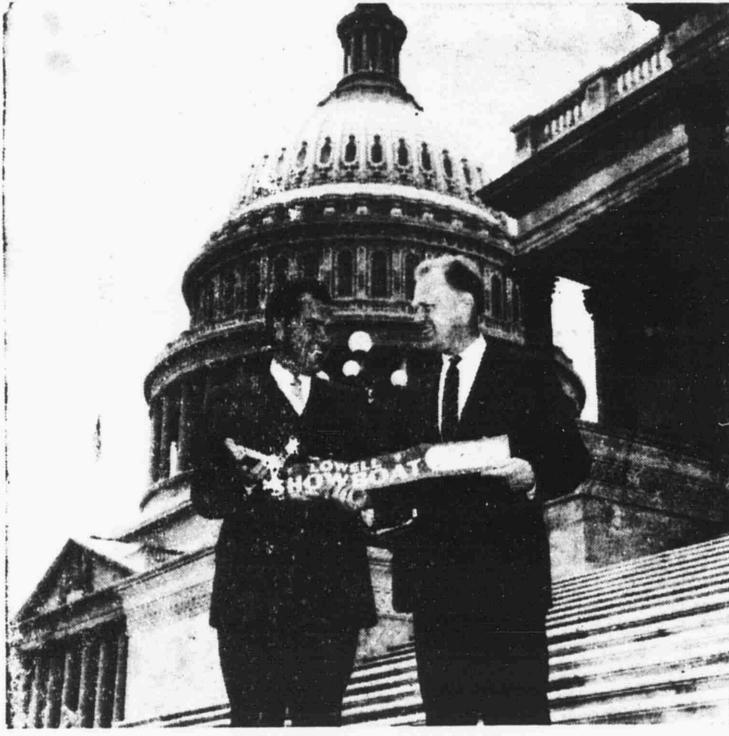
Lowell City Charter Commission the council and justice of peace in their first four meetings have with no primary, nominating pemade several important decisions titions with at least 20 more than 50 signatures being reregarding Lowell's government un- quired, members must be residents

next meeting. Donald M. Oakes The group favored having the has been employed by the commayor chosen from the council by mission to act as consultant to the its members. The election date ap- group. He is a former city manproved was the first Monday in ager of Grand Rapids and will April to be the same as for State | be in attendance at meetings when

Firemen, trucks, hoses, police cars and ambutime this year when a fire broke out at 11 a.m. Sunday morning in the Ralph Townsend Store, The fire was not discovered until minutes before the glass in the front windows burst into the street. Frank Baker, Fire Chief, reported that the fire started in the rear of the east unit of the three stores, near a oil burning heating unit. Besides

the near destruction of the Townsend Store, the C. H. Runciman building on the east was damaged by water and smoke, also supplies of the Sortex Division valued at near \$10,000. The Roth Furnistock will be sold to clear the store for redecorating. Hills Shoe Store also suffered some smoke

Nixon Receives 500,000th Lowell Showboat Ticket



Lowell, Michigan-Vice President Richard Nixon is presented the 500,000th ticket to the Lowell Showboat to be held July 21 through July 26. The ticket, which Nixon is

holding, was hand engraved on solid silver. It was presented by Congressman Gerald R. Ford, honorary Admiral of the Lowell Show-

Sept. 3, 1959

Lowell Votes to Become City

In a fine summer turn-out of south boundary of the city is the Pre. No. 2 282 141 138 3 voters Monday the citizens of Low- area north of Grand River to the ell and the area to the west and M-91 bridge then the territory lysouth voted to become a home ing south of Grand River to the rule city, 551 voters approved the Grand Trunk Railroad right of way incorporation of Lowell as a city to the point where the east boundincludes all the former village plus the total area of the village. the area south of a line running along Foreman Road to Nash Ave.,

Total Yes No Spoiled then south to Grand River. The Pre No 1 269 145 122 2

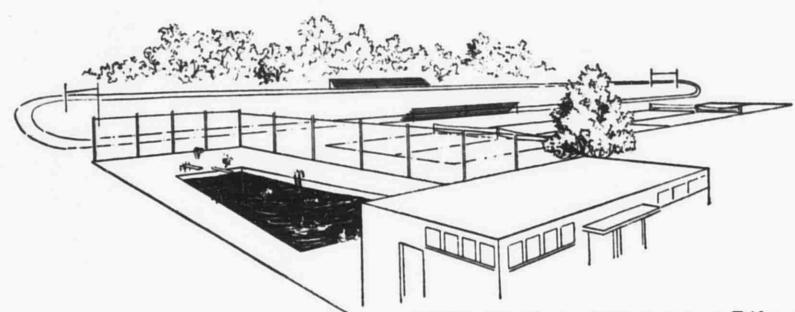
Vote on Commissioners Commission members elected Court, 209,

by 286 Yes and 260 No, a majority ary of the village would intersect. Monday must be sworn in within of 26 votes. The area of the city This will add about 40 percent to ten days. They are directed by Other candidates for the commission received votes as follows: statute to prepare a charter for Elmer Schaefer, 195; Charles Hill, the new city and submit to the 190; Stephen Neshit, 190; Walter voters in a 90 day period. If a Gumser, 173; Harold Jefferies, 161; George Dev. sr., 137: Frank Mc-

commissioner is unable to fulfill Mahon, 131; Earl Evans, 127; John his office he may resign and the Abraham, 123; and Donald Macremaining members may choose a Naughton, 118,

The newly elected charter commission members will hold regu-The nine members elected Monlar meetings during the next three day are as follows: E. C. Foreman. months while they frame a char-331; Herbert Elzinga, 325; Dr. Orter. The commission is empowered val McKay, 313; Wesley Roth, 287; William Jones, 284; Peter Speerto fix the election date on the new charter and do the necessary things stra, 259; David Coons, 250; Dr. connected with the nominations and Robert Regan, 228; Richard L. holdings of elections for the first elective officers. Before submitting the proposed charter to the electors of the city the charter commission shall transmit the charter to the Governor of the state for

Plans Set for Swimming Pool, Field and Pool House



Nov. 26, 1959

Plans are complete and bids are being received on Friday of this week at the architects, of Lowell's long awaited swimming pool sponsored by the Lowell Lions Club, The pool, to be built as shown in artist's view above, at the northwest side of the foot north of the tennis courts and extending across what is now the track. The field and pool house will be built on the west side of the track just north of the 4-H exhibition building. The pool of a spreading design to give more room at the shallow end for children and beginning swimmers. The diving end of the will be 50 feet wide, the pool will be 821/2 feet long, allowing five competitive lanes for contests and exhibitions, A modern structure 62 x 74 is being built for a combination field and pool house. This building will house dressing rooms, showers, rest rooms and maintenance quarters for operating the swimming pool during June, July and August. The building during the remainder of the year will be used for high school football, cross-country, wrestling, baseball and track. These quarters will provide a long recognized need for dressing rooms at the field. Part of the expansion program will be the construction next spring of a quarter mile cinder track around the football field. The Lions Club have committees that will be calling on business, industry and citizens of the community to obtain donations to help construct the swimming pool, A total of nearly \$75,000 must be raised for the entire

Plans Approved for New State Savings Bank Building on East Main Street

Bernard C. Olson **Named Lowell City Manager**



The Lowell City council this week announced that Bernard C. Olson has been named Lowell's first city manager. Olson, 36, is presently city manager of Rockford where he has served since 1958; before coming to that city he was administrative assistant in Escanaba and Sturgis

Bernard Olson, whom Rockford

calls, "its friendly city manager" was born in Gladstone, Michigan, September 24, 1924, living in that upper peninsula city until graduating from high school in 1942. He worked briefly in Detroit before entering the Army in April of 1943. While serving in Europe in World Was II he lost his right leg.

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He returned to his job in Detroit after being discharged from the army and married Christine Diotte in June of 1947. He entered Kalamazoo College in 1958, graduating with a bachelors degree in education. After completing his formal education in public management he served as assistant to the city manager in Escanaba and Sturgis.

onald G. Gerard, M. D. egins Medical Practice



Donald Gorden Gerard, M. D. entered the general practice of medicine last Friday with Dr. Orval McKay at 311 E. Main Street. Dr Gerard was born in Hart Michigan, on July 26, 1930, and has lived in Grand Rapids since He attended South high school,

Grand Rapids Junior College, and enlisting in the U.S. Army during the Korean War in 1951, While with the armed forces he

attended the Infantry Officers Candidate School and served as company Commander in the 101st Airborne Division Following his discharge as a 1st

Lieutenant in 1953. Dr. Gerard attended Calvin College and then the Wayne State University College of Medicine, from which he graduated with the class of 1959. Dr. Gerard was elected to Alpha

Omega Alpha, an honorary medical fraternity, and to Sigma Xi, an honorary science society. He completed his internship with Butterworth hospital on Thursday, He was married in 1955 to the

former Donna Mae Walters of Grand Rapids. The Gerards have three children: Philip, 4; Rebecca, 112: and John, born last January. The Gerards recently moved to

their new home on Grindle Drive. Their phone number will be TW 7-

Directors of the State Savings Bank have approved the plans

for the new banking building to be constructed on East Main St.,

Harry Day, Executive Vice-President and Cashier announced this

week. The new bank building will be started as soon as possible

this spring and will be completed by September. It will feature

white brick, granite and aluminum and glass in a modern styling.

The building is 110 x 53 and will be the long way to the street

on the 132 foot building frontage,

Ground breaking ceremonies for the new Lowell Gospel Chapel will take place this Saturday afternoon, August 29 at 4 o'clock. The traditional first shovel of dirt will be dug and appropriate remarks will be made, Lowell Gospel Chapel is sponsored by the Eastern Avenue Christian Reformed Church of Grand Rapids. Evangelist Henry Buikema serves as pastor of this group which at present meets in the City Hall at 10:00 a. m. every Sunday. The new chapel will be erected on the 3-acre plot of ground purchased last January from Geo. R. Lundberg just west of the village limits on M-21. The new chapel will be contemporary in design. The exterior will be of brick with redwood trim. The first floor will con-

sist of an auditorium seating 160, the narthex, a pastor's study and wash rooms. The auditorium will have multi-colored glass windows. The greatest length will be 60 feet and the width across the front will be 56 feet. The auditorium width will be 36 feet and the length 42 feet. The interior will be of open beam design with oak trim. The basement will consist of an assembly room which can be divided into 4 class rooms, plus 4 regular class rooms, full kitchen and boiler room, Mr. Harvey Weemhof is the architect, Mr. Dan Vos is the builder. All are welcome to the ground breaking ceremonies for Lowell's newest



Asks Reorganization of Showboat; Says It Has Outgrown Original Board

the community and they should all tions in the community.

pointed out that Showboat had was some discussion. Members of outgrown its original beginning and the board from the American Lethat now the operation was divid- gion objected to sharing control ed among all the organizations in with the council or other organiza-

The City Council in a resolution share in the management. The city The entire discussion came about to act on the council resolution. All passed Monday night at the regu- council voted unanimously on the when the directors representing the members of the American Legion Lowell Board of Trade and the and Lowell Board of Trade make Showboat Inc. reorganize to give There was a meeting on Friday American Legion disagreed on the up the stock holders of the corporaa broader representation of the evening with members of the board distribution of Showboat funds. tion and it will be on their vote city on the board. In the discussion of Lowell Showboat Inc. and the A general meeting of Lowell that changes could be made in the

William Jones, Mayor of Lowell. City Council at which time there Showboat Inc. may be called soon by-laws of the organization.

Million Dollar Industry Wants to Locate in Lowell

Attwood Brass Works of Grand Rapids announced this week that they would like to locate a
new million dollar plant in Lowell, if the site they
have selected can be made available. The company

Attwood Brass Works of Grand Rapids aned as suitable residential building sites by F. H. A.
a few trucks. Traffic to and from the plant can be a smaller tax bite on the individual citizen; will prorounced this week that they would like to locate a
recently. The land floods during high water and benew million dollar plant in Lowell, if the site they
have selected can be made available. The company

to be filled. manufactures marine hardware and would have in The council on Monday night asked the Zoning borhood. excess of 250 employees in their proposed Lowell Board to rezone the area from residential to indus-

laying between the river and the cemetery was the boats.

locate in this community but will have to look else- Grand Rapids. There would be no big impact on the no buyer expearing. The company engineer, Edward Ward, who is where, their spokesman said. The Boyenga propertown as the move to this community is anticipated Businessmen of Lowell feel a real need for new in charge of the relocation of the plant said that ty it was revealed has all the requirements they are the officers of the organization had looked over looking for; inside the city, water and sewer avail- expected to gradually be assimulated into the sur- who now work outside have little or no loyalty to many sites in and around Lowell but the property able, located on a body of water where they can rounding area. This is the first industrial plant to show the merchants of the city, many of their purchases known as the Boyenga farm at the north village limits build a marine to display their marine hardware on a positive interest in Lowell in many years and every are made outside the area. Community loyalty is

Investigation by the Village officers and Lowell real estate values in the area just from the demand plant with gross payroll of over a million dollars a trial; this action was taken by the zoning board on Board of Trade have established that this is an ideal for dwellings for the employees who will want to year. Their coming to this community depends upon the willingness of the citizens to change the zoning of the zoning of the citizens to change the zoning of the zoning of the citizens to change the zoning of the citizens the zoning of the citizens the zoning of the zoning of the zoning of the zoning of the

citizen of the town will benefit if the location is made what is needed now! Let's all speak up and invite only one the company would consider. This river bottom land has been used for farming and was reject- and aluminum fittings that can be shipped out with tax basis that will enable the town to operate with on the citizens of Lowell.

King Mill's New Flour Blower Is First Of Its Kind in Michigan



A new piece of flour transporting and disbursing equipment was put into trial operation last Thursday by the King Milling Company of Lowell. Looking like a giant hot-dog sagging in the middle, the 40-foot aluminum trailer transported 10 tons of pastry flour from the local mill to the Hekman Biscuit Co. in Grand Rapids and blew the entire load into the Hekman storage silos in a little more than 10 minutes.

Before and After Pictures of Lowell's New Street Lights



When Frank J. McMahon threw the switch last Friday night, in a brief ceremony. Lowell's business district became one of the brightest anywhere. Above is a before and after picture taken by the Ledger. The picture inset in the upper left corner is one taken early Thursday night with a 3 second exposure that only shows lights of approaching cars. The other picture is one taken just after the lights were turned on at 1/10 of a second exposure, 170 times faster yet, everything on the street is brightly lighted. The citizens who got up early, or in late, had a preview of the new street lights when some unauthorized person turned them on about

Frances Jefferies Succumbs After Long Illness; Former Ledger Publisher

ly joined in East Lansing, On

A former publisher of the Lowell Ledger, Mrs. Frances D. Jefferies, passed away at her home on 504 Lincoln Lake Avenue Friday morning, August 18, following a prolonged illness. She was 70 years old. Frances Della Peer was born

on July 18, 1891, at the Livingston County farm home of her parents, Jacob and Catherine Peer. She was the youngest in a family of two boys and three girls.

Her schooling was obtained in county schools, the South Lyons High School, and the Jackson

Business School, In 1920 she graduated as a registered nurse from the Foote Memorial School of Nursing in Jackson

In 1926 she was married to Remick G. Jefferies and lived in Lansing until coming to Lowell in 1930, at which time her husband den Lore Club. purchased the Lowell Ledger. At Her greatest interest and enjoythe death of Mr. Jefferies in 1952, ment, however, was in her af-Mrs. Jefferies became the publish- filiation with the Order of the er of the Ledger until her retire- Eastern Star, which she originalment in 1957.

Along with her assistance on the moving to Lowell she transferred newspaper, Mrs. Jefferies served her membership to the Cyclaman as President of the Lowell Wo-Chapter No. 94, which she served men's Club from 1939 until 1941 as Worthy Matron from 1936 to and also as President of the Gar- 1937

to 1954, and she was an officer in the Grand Chapter of the Michigan Eastern Star from 1954 to Mrs. Jefferies was also a member of the Lowell Congregational

Surviving are one son, Harold, and two grandsons, Kirk and Deny Precious Scot, all of Lowell, and one sister, Mrs. Edward Chase of Jack-

She was President of the

Kent County Association from 1953

Oakwood cemetery.

midnight Thursday.

Services for Mrs. Jefferies were Beer License

with the Rev. David Debbink of- to deny the request of Lawrence snow storms. store on North St.

> cil stated, because of the traffic the 1960-61 winter season, and enforcement problem in a res- Set Dates for Board of Review they had no objection to granting on Richmond. the permit, but the council held that the view of the neighbors car-

ried more weight.

Commend Street Dept. The council passed a motion of commendation for the fine work the street department has done in held Monday afternoon at the The city council at its regular keeping the city streets in pass-Roth Funeral Home in Lowell, meeting Monday evening voted 5-0 able condition during the ice and

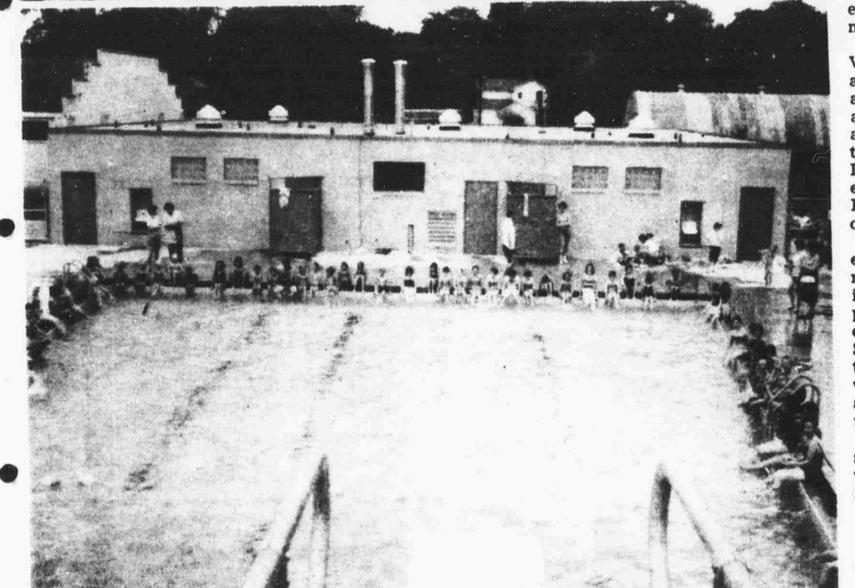
ficiating. Interment was made in Precious for a SDM, beer and wine It was reported to the council take-out license for his grocery that the city has already used more salt this year in keeping the The action was taken, the coun-streets free of ice than in all of

idential neighborhood; and on the The city council set March 6 basis of a petition signed by 48 and 7 as the dates for holding the residents in the immediate area. City Board of Review meetings. Mr. Precious presented a petition Members of the board are Harold signed by several hundred stating Englehardt, Wesley Roth and Ther-

Weather Cooperates for Brilliant Swimming Pool Opening

The long awaited day when the Frank Twining King Memorial pool opened last Thursday to the public with the weather breaking to give us 90 degree temperatures, over 300 were on hand for the first open free swim. The crowd was so great that the swimming period was divided to give everyone a chance. The pool opened Monday for its 12-week season and the hot weather brought overflow crowds to the open swim. On Tuesday with a free morning open swim, afternoon swim period and family swim at night along with the classes the pool had 583 admissions. Wednesday, the cooler weather is expected to cut down the attendance, but with busses bring in outside groups, a large number is expected. Some changes are bing made in the pool schedule, but the pool staff and the Y group are well satisfied with the handling of the large groups during the opening days.





Select Site for New High School



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ages running from 80% to over 90% turning out in this big gest election ever. In the nation Senator John Kennedy won by a large electoral vote but his total popular vote was only about 2% more than Vice-President Nixon's.

L & P Pioneer,

Frank McMahon, Passes

All Lowell was saddened to hear When Frank took over manage of the death Friday in St. Mary's ment of the plant there were only hospital of Frank J. McMahon, 88, 100 customers, the plant grew to former superintendent of the Low- nearly 2,000 customers during his ell Light & Power plant and com- operation. The original plant con-

Frank McMahon was born in and store lighting and a 75-kilo-Vergennes Twp., attended school watt generator for power. Its out at Parnell and came to Lowell as put today would not carry any a boy. In 1891 he was operating one of the factories in Lowell. a grocery store on Main Street Frank managed the plant during and while at this job became in- times of adversity, dams washedterested in the Lowell Light & out, and demand for power grew, Power plant which was establish- making constant expansion necesed by the village in 1896. In 1902 sary. Lowell pioneered the use of Frank was made superintendent electric water heaters and ranges of the Power plant.

executed via bicycles, horse and them. rig, cutters and by foot, The or- In 1952 Frank retired as superership was fought on "lights on Sunday and after midnight" which tive in community affairs. the private owners refused to provide. The people of Lowell voted the first hydro-electric plant,

included one other man and we welfare. did everything, checking meters, collecting bills, trouble calls, digging of post holes and running

long before the large utilities Service in those days work was would even consider promoting

iginal ownership of the municipal intendent of the plant, but during power plant here over private own-Great Humanitarian

Frank McMahon was a booster a bond issue to \$23,000 to build for Lowell and a man every citizen could call on in time of need for help of any kind. Day or night Frank McMahon in his many for help of any kind. Day or hight stories of those days, said "We he put the needs and demands of his community about of his community about of his community about of his community. worked day and night, the staff his community ahead of his own



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

Park Named in His Honor On September 30, 1959, a testimonial dinner was given Frank McMahon with Congressman Gerald R. Ford as the principal speak-

The Board of Education of the Lowell Area Schools announced at their regular meeting Monday evening their intent of purchasing the property beloning to Mr. Al Blaser as the site of the proposed high school. It is located on Foreman St., just off Lincoln Lake Ave., with Beach Street coming to a dead end on the property. The property extends to the south to the line of trees between Howard and Elizabeth Streets.

Letter to the Editor

Letter to the Editor:

prior to Showboat Week.

It would be wise to review the

Jesters whether they be clowns

in the circus or endmen in a

minstrel show have long relied on

exaggerated make-up as part of

their routine. Unfortunately, black-

The entire center section of the elevator was in flames by

6:30 a.m. as Herbert Elzinga and William Christiansen, sr., watch

from the south side of the plant Soon after this picture was taken

help from Saranac, Ionia, Cascade and Ada arrived and the flames

were brought under control. The loaded railroad cars shown on

the track along side the plant were removed during the height

ing after the fire was brought under control early in the after.

noon, This picture taken at 4 p. m. reveals the gutted interior

of the elevator. Wooden bins that filled the building were pulled

apart by the crane so that firemen could put out the fire which

broke out in shooting flames when a new section was ripped away.

The crane is still at work and there are still fires deep in the

Work started with a crane to pull down the walls left stand-

of the fire with man power and a truck,

wreckage of the building as the paper is printed,

use of blackface by the endmen

face smacks of Jim Crow to many.

Although an affront may not be

intended, if offense is taken by

some because of a part of the

Showboat routine, then it may be

argued that the offensive part

should be ommitted. This is partic-

ularly true in a family show such

as that represented by the Lowell

Showboat. But this is not the im-

judgment. This is a time of conflict, and hasty action often accompanies such a time. If a Negro group were to picket the Showboat. we could work out the disagreement over a bargaining table. But if anger against an unintended insult precipitated violent, destructive action, the ill-will generated would long outweigh the gain of any

It is much easier to recommend that a change be made than to suggest what the change should be. Preferably, it should not destroy the minstrel show flavor, but would white-, red- or bluefaced end men be in harmony with the minstrel tradition?

agreement worked out later.

Traditionally Lowell avoids the consideration of problems unless events show them to have been long urgent. It might be well to consider this present one somewhat

Very truly yours, Thomas B. Hill, M. D.

Sept. 12, 1963

1964 Robert E. Lee Will Sail

1963 Showboat Shows Slim Profit; New Seating Plan To Be Studied

The 31-year-old Lowell Showboat construction, of lighting, sound, on into 1964 now that the sponsor- came to \$6,690.97. ing organizations have met to iron The publicity figure was \$4,422out disagreements and pledge re- 57 with other miscellaneous exnewed support of the event.

Forty Lowell citizens were pres- thousand dollars. ent at the annual meeting of the Total income for the 1963 show Lowell Showboat Corporation last was tabulated at \$25,130.40, of Monday evening in the American which \$509.94 represented a bal-Legion building to discuss the fu- ance on hand from 1962. Of the inture of the Robert E Lee.

Board of Directors were filled, and Johnson said. \$1,000 was set aside to conduct (The financial report revealed study of the grandstand seating. that the 1963 Showboat made a Also discussed at the meeting come total, \$23,409.80 was realized was a financial report which re- bills may reduce this figure. vealed that the 1963 Showboat had made a slim \$340 profit.

Directors Elected

were re-elected, as representatives of the American Legion, to their run, posts on the Board.

term, and DeGraw was tapped to each night because large blocs of fill the one-year vacancy.

Chamber of Commerce were Harold Jefferies, three-year term, and Leonard Jackson one-year term. held by J. Jerald Roth, Jefferies had served on the Board in the police officers, etc.

Commerce and the American Le- people. The Showboat grandstand gion are alloted five members has a capacity of 5,484 seats. each on the Board.

Other directors, and the expira- Following the reports came a

Ex-officio members on the Board "Negative" publicity in the Ledare the Commander of the Ameri- ger and the Grand Rapids Press can Legion and the president of was attacked, and the lack of comthe Chamber of Commerce.

Financial Report

Mrs. Lylia Johnson, bookkeeper for the Lowell Showboat, was presfinancial statement

Expenditures for the 1963 show Dave Clark, Jr., proposed that totaled \$24,785.90, Mrs. Johnson re- the Board of Directors appoint a ported, with \$8,050 for the profes- committee to investigate within the sional entertainment being the big- next 30 days the problem of seatgest single expense.

Mrs Johnson said that the total intertainment expenditures were 79.671.49 Cost of boat and seat

penses totaling an additional four

come total. \$23,409.90 was realized Vacancies on the Showboat's from the sale of tickets, Mrs.

Tickets Tabulated

Mrs. Johnson also presented a George DeGraw and Roger Bieri break-down of ticket sales for each right of the Showboat's six-night

Her figures could not accurately Bieri will serve a three-year reveal the size of the audience the grandstand are set aside each Elected to represent the Lowell year to seat such groups as newsboys and Mary Free Bed patients. The ticket report, however, did

reveal how many tickets were ac-Jackson fills the seat formerly tually sold and how many individual passes were given to newsmen. On Saturday night, for example

The co-sponsoring Chamber of ticket-holding attendance was 4.094

Lengthy Discussion

tion dates of their terms, are Guy discussion period in which many Quiggle, 1964, and Richard Bieri, of those present stood up to make 1965, for the Legion, and C. H. suggestions for the improvement of Runciman, 1964, and Stephen Nis- the Showboat and analyze the reabet 1965, for the Chamber of Com- sons behind the recent slump in Showboat attendance and profits.

munity participation in the event was listed by many as the cause

of the Showboat's ills. Others told of the need for improved seating arrangements if the ent at the meeting to read the Showboat is to attract people year

Nov. 28, 1963

JOHN F. KENNEDY

1917 - 1963

This community along with

the entire nation suffered a real

sense of loss with the death of

President John Fitzgerald Ken-

Flags in the community will

December 22 in his honor, but

the loss to the nation and every

Memorial Services Held

ices were held on Monday noon

in the Congregational Church for

President John F. Kennedy, Par-

ticipating in the services were

The Rev. Kenneth Culver of the

Church of The Nazarene, Henry

Buikema, pastor of Calvary Chap-

el. The Rev. Keith Bovee of the

Methodist Church, and pastor of

the Congregational Church, The

were in attendance at this me-

'Cow-lision' Halts

M-91 south of Lowell.

the animal in his path

damaged in the collision.

Converse was not hurt; he was

on the police report as "not dead

The youth was told to appear in

court to explain why he was driving

without an operator's license.

north of 36th Street.

at the scene."

morial service.

Special Union Memorial Serv-

nedy last Friday.

funeral services at noon.

period of mourning.

New Power Switched On

electric power last week when Electric Cooperative into the local

The King Milling Company in the heart of the City and the Cities Service pumping station at the south-east edge of town were the first Lowell companies to receive the new power after the first stage of the switch-over was completed; last Wednesday.

On Friday residences and business establishments on the east side of the City were cut into the

Black-Out Sunday A. M.

Jake Callier, acting superintendent of the Lowell Light and Power Co., warned residents, on the west side of town this week that the power plant will be sbut down this Sunday morning between the hours of 6:00 and 10:00 a. m.

Also affected by the power of the Grand River.

At this time electricians will hook up the west side of the City with the new Wolverine

system, and next Sunday the end of the transition process will come when the west side has been con-

The power purchased from the Wolverine Electric Cooperative, Big Rapids-based concern will be used by the local municipal utilwell's present power supply.

The power will flow into the City lines through a \$92,525 sub-station and transformer installation recentsermons on his death Sunday, On ly constructed on the west bank

considerably greater than the pre- municipal plant.

Lively 70-Year History

Since its founding almost 70 its early years years ago, the community-owned light plant has been both a bone houses toppling into the river, a dam would cost \$23,000.

rilmen complaining that "we have er Co. was born. George S. Converse, 15, went out been taxed an extravagant price A year later-in September of for an unlicensed drive last Thurs- for the last five years for the light- 1896—the new power dam was a day evening, but came to an ing of our village."

of Kent County Sheriff's Deputies- grumbled, "the lighting has not the Village with appropriate cerewhen he collided with a cow on given . . . good service to the ma- monies and much rejoicing. jority of our citizens."

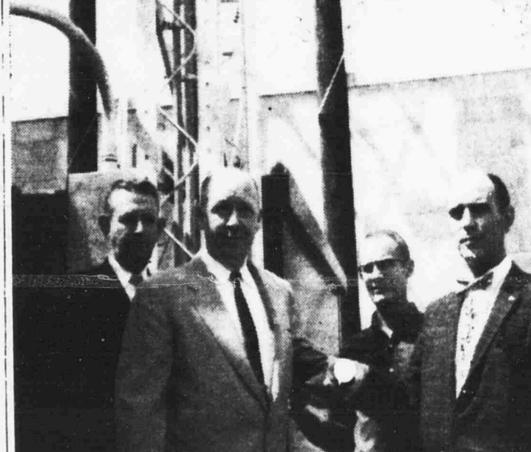
The youth, who lives at 12917 Calling for "a halt in such ex-Vergennes, Lowell, told investiga- travagance of the people's money." vehicle, causing him to fail to see before the Council, electric power to operation. was being supplied to village resi-The accident, which occurred at dents by "The Lowell Water and quite as low, naturally, as many 10 p. m., took place 300 feet Light Co.," a privately-owned busi- wished. ness headed by O. C. McDannell. Five months prior to the time

Council Takes Action

traveling alone at the time of the mishap. His automobile though still drivable was extensively raised by "a large per cent of the power lamps being used. Tax payers of Said Village," de- The first five lamps installed in The cow, owned by Robert M. Barnes of Segwun Ave., was listed

Dexter G. Look, was sent out to lamp up to 20 would cost 90 cents investigate existing light plants in a piece each year. Ovid Dowagiac, Niles and other Main Street merchants could Michigan villages.

Lowell tapped a new sour . New Link With Wol erice Co-op switches were thrown and current started feeding from the Wolverine Latest Step In 68-Year L & P Saga



It was all hands to the switch as Wolverine Electric Cooperative power was brought into Lowell's new \$92,525 Riverside Drive substation for distribution into local lines last Friday. On hand to throw the switch that hooked up the east side of the City were Jake Callier, acting superintendent of the Lowell Light and Power Co. and member of the Light and Power Board; G. Ralph Townsend, mayor of Lowell; King Doyle, member of the Light and Power Board: and John Keen, manager of the Wolverine Electric Cooperative, Absent when the picture was taken was Orval I, Mc-Kay, MD, third member of the Light and Power Board. The switching-in of Wolverine power will be completed Sunday morning when the west side of town is booked up.

municipal plants visited we found paid only a dollar a year for each ity to supplement and stabilize Lo- not one but what is being operated 16 c.p. lamp, successfully and as a credit to the city, and all making money above

when they operate at capacity. project that he earned a reputation six years. He was followed by Wal- was rebuilt." as the "Father of the Lighting do Francisco, who lasted only

The sub-station installation and With Bergin, he gave a great the practice of purchasing power deal of time and energy to securfrom a co-op source are the most ing flowage rights, planning and recent developments in the long erecting the dam and guiding the and varied history of the munici- community's lighting venture as it went through the emergencies of

of contention and a source of pride When Lee and Bergin had com-Rev. Charles C. Davis. Over 200 for the people of Lowell, and the pleted their extensive pilot study story of its growth has been en- and reported back to the Council, livened with electrocutions, power they estimated that the proposed

few fires, disastrous floods, and The Council approved of the sum other such dramatic events. and presented a bond proposal to The saga of the Lowell Light and the public at a special election on Power Company began in 1895, December 20, 1895. The people in when over 200 Lowell residents turn overwhelmingly approved of banded together and fired off a the project-by a margin of 363 to Unlicensed Driver hotly-worded letter to their coun- 68—and the Lowell Light and Pow-

abrupt halt—and to the attention Furthermore, the letter writers completed, and it was accepted by

There was less rejoicing, howting officers that he was heading the citizens declared that "what ever, over the new power rates north on M-91 when he was blind- we demand is economy, not style," which had been set by the Council ed by the lights of an approaching At the time the letter was put long before the new dam went in-

The rates were low-but not

the first switch was thrown, it had been determined that the flat rate The Council, somewhat alarmed for residence lighting should be by the hue and cry that had been based on the number of 16-candle-

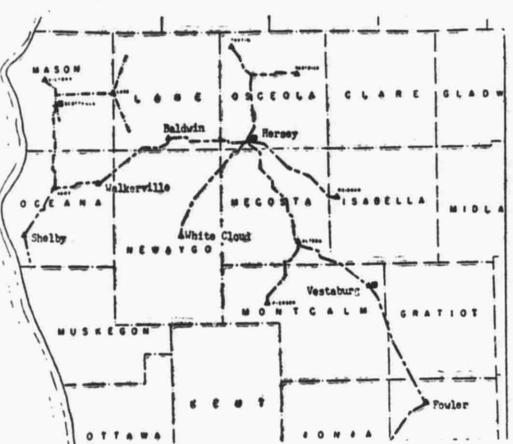
a home would cost the owners just A committee, headed by druggist \$10 a year, and each additional

light their establishments with the Mr. Look reported back in No- much brighter arc lamps at a cost vember of that year that "Of the of \$45 a year each, And all public halls, churches, and lodge rooms

First Superintendent

First superintendent at the light light plant plant was Carl E. English, who four years later doubly insured his other, even more disastrous Act of the Flat River just above the Encouraged by this report, the place in Lowell history by driving God Council, on Mr. Look's motion, ap- through town in the first "horse- In December of 1917, quicksand When in complete operation, the pointed J. Edwin Lee and Christo- less carriage"—a two-cylinder, air- undermined the power house and fly at half staff until Sunday, new sub-station can handle up to pher Bergin to investigate costs cooled contraption with a surrey it fell—lock, stock, and generator 5,000 kilowatts, a power stream and site possibilities for a Lowell body made by the Lowell Cutter __into the river!

citizen will go far beyond this sent 4.936 kilowatts generated by Lee, a pioneer resident of Lowthe local diesel and hydro plants ell, became so interested in the plant's payroll at \$900 a year for ment, "in 1918 the power house



Plans for new class rooms are up for discussion on Nev. 30

be held on November 30.

Superintendent Nisbet produced the fifth Friday figures which 343 junior high students and 1157 included in the previous figures. ng 214 freshmen will enter the

room space, most recently build- ering.

cussed at length the needs and and 6th grades) on the west space in the elementary school A survey of the junior high at the meeting Monday night. school building is underway and A special meeting devoted ex- building additional rooms at the clusively to this discussion will east side school site has also

Power Co to construct a 4-inch in the elementary schools. Alto gas main across the playground has 205 students in grades Kin- at the elementary school was dergarten through 5th which are turned down by the board. Plans Nisbet said that a record break- reasons are behind this refusal nigh school next year. The ele-band camp in late August next mentary school is short four year for the Lowell High School

is expected to be the same next rector Orval Jessup was requested to bring in more information. Several plans have been dis- The board agreed generally that cussed for obtaining more class- this was an idea worth consid-

Runciman Co. to Rebuild

The raging water that year took the top right off the power dam. Again repairs had to be made and the river banks raised before the plant could go back into operation. A timber flume and a wooden waste gate decayed and had to be replaced with concrete in 1909.

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three short months before leaving

Lowell to accept a position with

In 1902 Frank J. McMahon took

over the reigns of the Lowell util-

ity, a position he held for fifty

years until he retired in 1952 and

Moore resigned in 1958 and was

succeeded by Roger Westenbrook,

who in turn was succeeded in 1961

by Jake Callier, the present acting

Since 1896, when the Lowell

Light and Power Co. began gen-

erating a paltry 75 kilowatts of

power, the plant has had its ups

Shortly after the plant was built,

a flood took out the east bank of

the river and, in addition to re-

placing the bank, a flood gate had to be installed at considerable cost.

And another flood-the fabled June flood of 1905, when waters

were so high that boats could be

rowed all the way up Main Street

to the door of the Methodist par-

sonage-nearly put the municipal plant out of business for good.

superintendent.

and downs.

was replaced by Thomas Moore.

the Grand Rapids Edison Co.

And that took another \$17,000. In 1915 it was decided that the old wooden power house should be replaced with a more modern tile and cement structure. The following year, new copper lines had to be installed, and in 1917 an additional \$10,000 was spent for a new generator, water wheel and

Plant Topples

At this point the citizens of Lowell thought the epitome in modernity had been achieved by their But they hadn't counted on an-

Frank F. Coons succumbs at 85

Services were held Sunday afternoon at the Lowell Methodist Church for Frank F. Coons. who died at Clark Memorial Home in Grand Rapids on April 24. Reverend Keith Bovee officiated. Burial was made in Oakwood Cemetery on Monday

Mr. Coons was born in Bowne Township on September 24, 1878, the son of A. Lewis and Elizabeth Coons. He graduated from Lowell High School in 1896 After serving as a railway mail clerk for about twenty years, he joined his brother. Harvey, in the clothing business. In 1920 he was married to Edith M. Mange, who preceded him in death in March, 1963.

He was a long-time member of the Lowell Methodist Church, where he taught an adult Sunday School class for many years. He served as Secretary of the Lowell Board of Educa-



tion for twenty years, and as Secretary of the Lowell Building and Loan Association from 1932 to 1954. He was a charter member of the Lowell Rotary Club, serving as its secretary for the first nineteen years, until his ill health forced him to retire ten years ago. Mr. and Mrs. Coons moved from Lowell to Clark Memorial Home in 1958.

lishers for the third time.

Showboat is dead!

"Showboat" will not sail in s iail chance that the summer 1965 if the recommendation of the Board of Directors is accepted at the annual meeting on Monday, September 14,

The future of Showboat was fully discussed by the board at their last two meetings and in view of its losses for the past three years, there is no other way to handle this annual sum-

Final figures presented to the board have revealed a loss for 1964 of \$4,000; the operating costs of the '64 show were over \$29,500 with income of only

Dropping Showboat for 1965 is in reality a nice way of saying that Showboat is dead! Only a miracle will bring Showboat as we knew it back in 1966 or any other year.

The board in making its de- future time when the final fate cision, realized that there is a of Showboat will be decided

event staged every year since 1932 with the exception of the war years, can be revised. All the equipment in the way of seats, stage, etc., are to be kept until after next year. The boat which is reaching a stage where little can be salvaged is expected to be broken up and removed from the river Annual Meeting to Act

decision will come next Monday at the annual meeting. This meeting is open to all members of the American Legion and the Lowell Chamber

Final action on the board's

The Board in its recommendation to the annual meeting have agreed that the cash assets of the corporation be left intact in the bank until some

Looking Back.. through the years 1963-1972

By Thad Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Some major happenings took place at the Ledger in the years 1963-1972, in the community and on the national

The country saw many young men lose their lives in the Vietnam War.

Doyle named as alternate delegate to national Democratic convention

District at the National Democratic Convention in Atlantic City August 24.



Announcement of Mr. Doyle's selection was made following congressional caucuses Friday night at the state convention in

Delegates from the Fifth District are A. Robert Kliner, Lillian Kiel, and Elaine Wilson, all Smith of Holland. Alternates, be- the convention.

front.

The Ledger changed pub-

Charles R. Doyle, Lowell's sides Mr. Doyle are Margaret "Mr. Democrat," has been DeVos of Grand Rapids, John chosen as an alternate delegate Annulis of Wyoming and Malrepresenting Michigan's Fifth colm Furguson of Spring Lake. Alternate delegates, Mr. Doyle

> explained, attend the national convention and, in the event that a regular delegate is unable to participate, assume the responsibilities and voting privileges of regular delegates. Mr. Doyle said that as far

> as he knew no citizen of Lowell had ever attended a National Democratic Convention in an official capacity.

Mr. Doyle 36 is a native of Lowell and has been active in the Democratic party for many years. He has served on the Democratic County Committee and also on the Lowell Village Council.

He graduated from Lowell High School in 1946 and attended Hillsdale College, where he took his degree in sociology and history. After leaving school, he worked in the Muskegon Bureau of Social Welfare for several years, and then operated an auto agency in Lowell for nine

At present he is associated with the Wolverine Electric Cooperative as a property buyer. Mr. Doyle is married, has three children, and resides at 523 Lincoln Lake Ave. Mrs. of Grand Rapids, and Lawrence Doyle will accompany him to

Harold Jefferies sold the paper to Detroit newspaperman and businessman, Fran Smith The change in publishers

also parlayed into a contrast in looks and style. Smith transformed the Ledger printing process, as he changed it over to offset printing. He also modernized the paper, changing from the home town community style paper and gave, it more of a daily newspaper look. The Ledger name was changed to the Ledger - Suburban Life and the coverage area was enlarged.

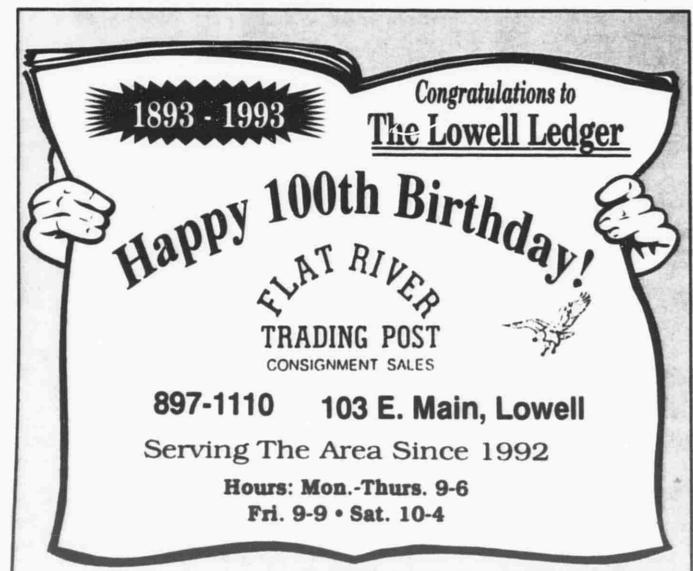
Smith kept the Ledger for roughly three years before its ownership was reverted back to Harold Jefferies. Jefferies hired Carol Sebastian to act as the paper's editor.

During this decade, the Lowell Showboat experienced some lean years, following years of much success. By the end of the 10-year period some re-growth and enthusiasm had surfaced again.

Lowell was shocked by the unexpected death of C.H. Runciman. The 79-year old civic leader killed himself at his of-

Lowell School's finds itself in need of \$750,000. It also has expansion needs that need to be met which coincide with Lowell's increase in population.

John F. Kennedy is assas-



Chamber of Commerce reaffirms Showboat support at meeting

At its regular October meet- ating a NEW controlling body ing the Lowell Chamber of Commerce considered the present plight of the Lowell Showbost. After considerable discussion the following resolution and proposal was unanimously passed, announced Marcel Kropf, Cham-

"That the Lowell Chamber of a General Manager and a four Commerce reaffirms its support man operations Committee; pluof the Lowell Showboat and rec- the Committees found necessary ommends that every effort be in the past to make Showboa made to assure its continuance."

boat to an interim board made tal community. Such board to be functional for only one year. ate the necessary ingredients Annual meeting should then work out a way of re-incorpor-

Each committee should be giv-1. That the present Showbrat should first be cleared by the

2. This interim board, repre-

sentative of all interested groups

Council, Women's Clubs, Flow

er Clubs, Industry. School Board, etc.) should then appoint

organization can be implemen our community. The Chamber stands ready to help in any way

June 4, 1964

Council votes to deed Recreation Park area to Lowell Area Schools

In a resolution on Monday night the Lowell City Council, voted to take the necessary legal steps to deed over that portion of Recreation Park that contains the baseball diamond. football field, track and tennis courts to Lowell Area Schools. Members of the School Board were present at the meeting. They explained that in order for the school to make capital improvements to the area it was necessary to own the land.

This part of the park has been under control of the school and the lights and track improvements have been made on a rental basis, this is not entirely satisfactory, Superintendent of Schools Stephen Nisbet, told the council. In the future, major improvements will be difficult to finance in this manner.

The council in agreeing to turn over this portion of the park to the school asked to include a reversion clause in the deed which would return the land to the city if the school should stop using this area for recreation purposes.

Authorize Sewer & Water

After a hearing on extensions of sewer and water mains on Beech and Hunt Streets the council voted to have the City Manager spread the assessment roll for this project. The council also gave preliminary approval to the Birchwood Manor Plat being developed by Dean Manigold and Ivan Blough. Eight lots on Hunt street are in the first section to be approved. The council voted to purchase

17.4 acres of land on Foreman Street for the development of water wells from Benjamin Gratz and wife for \$600 per acre. The first well on this property is expected to be in operation by early July.

Discuss Highway Plans A planning director of the State Highway Department will be in Lowell Thursday, June 11, at 10 a, m, to meet with the council planning commission. county road commission representatives and Chamber of Commerce officials.



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Charles R. Doyle new postmaster

Charles R. Doyle, 523 Lincoln Lake Avenue, Lowell, received official word this week of his appointment as acting postmaster in Lowell on September 1st. He will succeed George Hale who has served as postmaster since 1949.

Doyle is a native of Lowell, graduating from Lowell High School and Hillsdale College, and he served in the U.S. Marine Corps. Mr. Doyle operated a Lowell automobile agency until 1961; for the past several years, he has been on the rightof-way buying staff of the Wolverine Cooperative Electric

Mr. Doyle was a Democratic candidate from this district for the State Constitutional convention in 1961 and for a State Representative in 1962. He is now serving his second time on the City Council, having been elected this spring for a two year term. He has been active in local civic groups, and County and State Democratic organizations.

According to recent rulings, his civil service position as postmaster will not be in conflict with his office in city government, as city elections are on a non-partisan basis

Boston Red Sox sign Dilly on bonus contract

Don Dilly, former Lowell High School baseball, basketball and football star, has signed a bonus contract for \$10,000 with the Boston Red Sox

The 6 ft., 200 pound athlete will fly to Florida in time to report at the Red Sox minor league base at Ocala, on March 14. He will be playing for the Boston Farm Club at Waterloo. Iowa, in the Midwest League,

Dilly has played three years in the United Baseball League at Kimble Stadium with the Ionia Chevies. He also played football for two years in the Big Ten with Indiana Universi-

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dilly, sr., Lincoln Lake Avenue, Lowell



New Chrysler dealers

Bruce McQueen announced father, Edward McQueen in the this week that he has sold Mc-Queen Motor Co., which he has been associated with since 1923, to Marcel Kropf, who has been sales manager for several years, and Alfred "Duke" Thomet, who has been in the sales department of Jackson Motor Sales for several years

The new business will be known as McQueen Motor Co.,

In turning over the reigns of the business to these two young men, Mr. McQueen expressed his confidence in their ability to continue serving the community in the family tradition

iness, after returning from service in World War I. His father was in the livery

Chevrolet and Pontiac Auto bus-

business for many years and moved into the car business as the horses were replaced. The McQueens took on the Chrysler line of cars in 1934 Bruce, in retiring, expressed

his enjoyment of doing business with the people in the community over the many years, and hopes that his successors will receive the same fine patronage he has. For the next year Bruce said he will be busy wind ing up the affairs of his busi-Bruce McQueen was born and ness and beyond that he exraised in Lowell and joined his pects to find plenty of interests.

The high school which was

constructed to handle a student

enrollment of 600 will pass that

figure this fall and be over 700

in 1966 The building was plan-

ned for additions to handle a

class load of 900. Planned for

construction will be 3 class-

rooms and an additional science

room, on the east end of the

front wing of the building. The

shop size will be doubled by an

addition on the south side of

the present shon and a new

gym entrance will be part of

this addition. Cost of these ad-

ditions is expected to be \$215,-

At Alto the present building

will be enlarged by adding 4

classrooms This will give the

school 11 rooms which will al-

low for two grades, one through

five and a kindergarten which

will serve two classes, morning

and afternoon Besides the class

rooms a library and office will

he part of the addition Cost of

this addition is estimated at

Additional Cost

School accountant and tax

School needs \$750,000

to cost \$450,000

· A new elementary school, additions to the high school and the Alto Elementary school which will be needed to handle the growing student enrollment in the district will cost \$750.000, the school board revealed Monday. The special meeting on Monday passed a resolution asking for voter approval at the school election on Monday, June

School Superintendent, Stephen Nisbet anticipates growth of at least two additional classes in each of the kindergarten thru fifth in the next year This will be from additional children brought in the district through the reorganization of Kent Countv schools and through the anticinated growth in the school age population. At the present time element-

ary students are being housed in the Junior High Building and one kindergarten class is being Church. Classes are at maximum size and there will be a real squeeze this coming fall when enrollment in the elementary and high school will jam all available space.

New Elementary School

The greatest expenditure planned by the board will be for 11 classrooms plus all purpose room, office, library and Elementary school to be located on the south end of the high school site This building will take care of all the present elementary children on Lowell's west side and provide room for bus sfudents. The huilding will be designed by high school architect Donn Palmer and is estimated

\$110,000.

consultant Fred Sherk has analvzed the taxes necessary to nay off \$750 000 bond issue and come up with the following estimates: If the honds are sold at 3.3 percent which is about what the last school bond issue sold for the district would have to nay 8.05 mills in 1965 and 8 20 in 1966 However if the bond were sold for as much as 4 percent (not considered likely) the taxes necessary would be 8.34 in 1965 and 8.45 in 1966

Gee's Hardware sold to Cary's

The business and real estate of Gee's Hardware have been purchased by Cary Stiff it was announced this week.

The hardware business which has served the community for the past 50 years was operated until last spring by the late

M. W. Gee. Since that time the business has been managed by Sam Meyers under the administrators of the estate Old Kent

Mr. Stiff has taken over the operation of the hardware and reported that he does not plan any immediate changes except to increase the store's inven-

One of the store buildings is presently occupied by Cary's. Carv's.

Cancel plans for 1965 Showboat; delay election of new officers

ell Chamber of Commerce and the Clark-Ellis Post American Bieri, Dave Clark Jr., Stephen Nisbet, and Harold F. Jefferies. Legien were on hand Monday The president of the Chamber night for the annual meeting of Lowell Showboat, Inc., when of Commerce and the Commandthe group voted to not held a er of the American Legion are ex-officio members of the board Showboat in 1965.

the cash or equivalent be in-

of the board."

vested, the assets such as the

Founder Speaks

Previous to this resolution

N. E. Borgerson, one of the or,

iginal founders of Showboat,

moved that this meeting be ad-

journed to November 4, when a

dinner meeting, with at least

200 members of the two parent

organizations be present, to de-

cide the question of postponing

Showboat: and that a study be

made of the constitution and

by-laws of the corporation with

the plan considered to enlarge

its membership. This resolution

was voted down by an 8 no to

4 yes margin; many present ab-

Norm Borgerson did manage

to delay the adjourning of the

meeting by a resolution that

called for meeting again on No-

ves-0 no, several abstaining.

Directors whose terms expire

this year are Walter Gumser

and George DeGraw from the

stained from voting

The vote, to postpone the 1965 Reports Reveal Losses show, was not unanimous; with Mrs. Lylia Johnson gave the 4 present voting to hold a Showsecretary and treasurer's report boat in 1965 and 17 voting which listed total income for the along with the directors' recom-1964 Showboat of \$29,616.49 (this mendation to postpone the show. includes \$4,000 in bonds cashed The resolution reads: "In as and a \$2.000 loan from the much as the 1964 Shewboat Program lost approximately \$4,000 Total disbursements were and due to the condition of the

boat and the bleachers which remaining to be paid, which both need extensive repairs: it will leave a cash balance of is the recommendation of the Showboat Board of Directors The Showboat Corporation has that the Showboat Corporation itself be kept intact but the an-

\$28,426.68 with \$1,154.80 taxes

\$13,000 in bonds and certificates of deposit remaining after this nual show be postponed for the vear's losses were paid. 1965 season. We recommend that

Discuss Future

In the discussion period, before voting on the resolutions caliope, boat, bleachers, etc., be offered, Norm Borgerson talkcared for the best of the ability ed of how to cut expenses to fit income; and Elmer G. Schaefer discussed the need for more participation by community, industry, and business to provide the leadership necessary to

make Showboat a success. Dave Clark, jr., a member of the board of directors, pointed out that to move Showboat to a new site, with ground seating, a new boat, our own sound system and lighting, it would cost approximately \$29,000. The Showboat has no way of borrowing this much money, he stated.

Leonard Jackson spoke of the efforts that this year's Show-boat organization and the good show offered; this, he said, is discouraging to not be able to at least break-even in revenues.

Most Agree on Postponment Most agreed that to postpone vember 4, for the election of the Showboat for a year was new members to the board of very likely to be the death of directors. This passed by an 18 the show in Lowell.

The same problems will still face whom ever wants to revive the show in future years. American Legion & C. H. Run- Only a miracle can save Showciman and Leonard Jackson boat from extinction.



Postmaster George Hale retires

George and Dorothy Hale, familiar faces around the Lowell Post Office for many years, will be leaving there soon. Mr. Hale is retiring from his position as Postmaster this summer.

After serving sixteen years as postmaster of Lowell, George graduates of Western. They were Hale will be retiring August one of the first married couples 31, 1965. Mr. Hale began his to graduate from the University. Civil Service career with the

In October, 1956, Dorothy Hale lege became a postal clerk. She is nine years of service in the igan in Ann Arbor. post office.

ment for Mr. Hale as government regulations require Civil In 1938 they moved to Lowell, Service employees to retire up- bringing their family. Phyllis, on reaching seventy years of age. This retirement must be They bought the big white house made at the end of the employee's birthday month.

George Hale was born and raised near Grand Haven and graduated from high school there. He served in World War I. 1914-1918 After his discharge, George attended Western State married Dorothy in 1921.

Mrs. Hale said that there Department of Labor in 1945. were only three other couples He was commissioned as post- on campus at that time, which

Both he and Mrs. Hale are

master at Lowell August 1, seems strange today with families on the campus at any col-Mr. Hale also did graduate also retiring in August, after work at the University of Mich-

After graduation both the Hal-

This is a mandatory retire- es taught school in and around Muskegon and Grand Rapids Bonnie and Allen with them. with the tower, 314 South Hudson Street, where they have lived for the last twenty-seven

They say that they plan to spend the winters in Florida or Arizona but will continue to make their home in Lowell and University, where he met and grow sweet corn in the summer

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Death takes

community leader

Dan A. Wingeier, 63, died un-

expectedly Saturday evening

when he was stricken by a

heart attack. He died in Butter-

worth Hospital. Services were

held on Tuesday afternoon at

the First Methodist Church with

the Rev. Robert Webber officia-

ting. Interment was made in

D. A. Wingeier had been a

banker in the community for

nearly a half century. He be-

gan work in the Lowell State

Bank and was Executive Vice

President and a director of the

State Savings Bank, its successor, when he died.

Oakwood Cemetery.

Dan A. Wingeier

June 30, 1966

John Gabrion offered principalship of Jr. High

The Lowell Area School Board at their last meeting approved the hiring of a new principa for the Junior High School.

John Gabrion, who has been offered the post, is a 1952 graduate of Central Michigan College and received his Master's Degree from Western University

n 1959 He taught at Milford for three years, and has been at Grand Rapids' Lee School for the last ten years. All of his teaching experience has been in the area of junior high school.

Mr. Gabrion is married, and he, his wife and three daughters live in Grandville, Mich

Aug. 18, 1966

ber of the Rotary Club, former Chamber of Commerce President, director of the State Savings Bank and a director of the Lowell Savings & Loan Associ-

Among his many community activities were Past Master of Lowell Lodge F. & A. M.; member of Shrine Saladin Temple in Grand Rapids. He was a member of Lowell Congregationat Church and served on the church boards.

His death came only a short time after he returned from several weeks fishing trip to Upper Michigan. He suffered an attack at his home on Wednesday evening. He died early Saturday morning in Butterworth Hospital.

Services were conducted on Monday afternoon, the Rev. Charles Davis officiated. Interment was in Oakwood Ceme-

He is survived by his wife, Ruby; three sons, Donald of Hastings, Richard and Jerald both of Lowell: 10 grandchildren; two brothers, Dr. Emil Roth, and John, both of Grand Rapids: four sisters, Mrs. Anna Weifheimer, Mrs. Fan Wenger, both of Grand Rapids, Mrs. Elsie Zahm of Lowell, Mrs. Vere (Edith) Parks of Boise, Idaho: several neices and neph-

Council approves sewer and water extension over citizens protest

sewer installation and a \$3,050 water main extension on Beech Street despite the protest of property owners.

Two weeks ago the council ordered the special assessment roll for the sever extension to be re-drawn to include Richard Curtis' property, which was left

On Monday night, at the public hearing approval was given by the council after some protests by property owners, Nellie Covert, Bob Perry, Ed Young, Gordon Newell, Richard Curtis, Manigold & Blough and Leonard Jackson were asked to pay \$2.05 per front foot. Lawrence Martis and Don Beachum who are already booked up to city sewer were given a smaller assessment.

Blasts Water Extension

When it came to the water reain extension there was a such greater protest heard. Miss Emma Covert was present at the meeting to speak against the fairness of making 11 people pay for something none of them were presently

going to use. Miss Covert said, if this project was good for the city as the council members stated and not wanted by almost all those being assessed, the city should pay the entire cost. The city is paying 25 percent of the cost.

Miss Covert also came out against council members or former council members benefiting from their position or in-Iluence. She claimed that this entire water extension was for the exclusive benefit of Manigold and Blough who are developing lots.

Leonard Jackson said the extensions were instituted in his behalf to get service for his new home in the Manigold and Blough development.

Miss Covert replied to Jackson that he might better put in his own well. She said that she would not drink the stuff that comes out of the water mains

Herb Reynolds volunteered that at no time since he had been on the council had either Manigold or Blough ever ap-

er council members made no statements.

Former city head

and businessman.

Wesley Roth, dies

Wesley A. Roth, Lowell civic

leader and businessman died

anexpectedly Saturday morning

. fter being hospitalized on Wed-

Wes Roth operated a funeral

home and furniture business in

Lowell for over 30 years, he

was a member of the city coun-

il and village president for 20

years. He was a charter mem-

nesday after a heart attack.

Richard Curtis made no particular protest of being included for some \$200 of sewer assessment; he did say that if the city would include the assessment in his water bill over the next few years he would never know the difference. He said his last bill for sewer and wat-

The water extension was also voted by the council and the following were assessed \$2.01 per front foot: Arnold Wittenbach, S. J. Ayres, F. R. Everling, Gordon Newell, Nellie Covert Gary Rivers, Manigold and Blough, Dean Manigold, Ronald Carey, Lawrence Martis, Max Chittendon were assessed a smaller amount because they presently have city water serv-

Sell Lee Securities

City Manager Olson reported that the city had sold some \$35,000 of Lee Fund Securities and along with Mayor Wittenbach felt that these funds should be invested in either Boston Fund or Investors Di-

Specialist Four Thomas V.

(Tex) Ford, jr., 22, son of Mr.

and Mrs. Thomas V. Ford, 822

Lafayette Street, Lowell, be-

came the city's first casualty

The family received word on

Saturday that he had been kill-

ed by small arms fire on Thurs-

day, February 16, while serving

as a machine gunner with Com-

pany C. 2nd Battalion, 8th In-

fantry, part of the Fourth Di-

The Ledger has been inform-

ed that the body is now in the

United States and the family

has asked to have Tex interred

at Arlington Memorial Ceme-

of the war in Viet Nam.

'Tex' Ford is killed

in Viet Nam action

The Lowell City council on proached him to help get the versified Mutual Funds. A salis made for investing in these funds, they reported.

King Doyle sitting in the audience, suggested they investigate the investment companies who make no sales charge and can be purchased on the New York Exchange.

Peter Speerstra, president of the Lowell Savings and Loan, told the council that all or part of these funds could be invested with 512 and 6 percent return in the local company

The Council took no action on investing the \$35,000 until after further investigation.

Codify Ordinances

It was voted to contract with Gulf Publishing Company to the codification of City Ordinances at a total cost of \$1,500. The city Council also authorized the city manager to purchase a calculator without go-

ing through bidding procedures. A portion of Water Street along side the King Milling Company was ordered vacated to allow King Milling to install new electrical service equip-

tery, Virginia. A memorial Mass

is being planned to be held at

his friends received his nick-

name by being born in Texas

on January 1, 1945. He receiv-

ed most of his schooling in Lo-

well and graduated from Lowell

high school in 1963. He was a

fine athlete and very popular

He enlisted in the United

States Army and arrived in

Viet Nam in August of 1966. He

was with the Fourth Division

in the Pleiku area of northern

Viet Nam along the Cambodian

with his fellow students.

Tex, as he was known to all

St. Mary's Church, Lowell.



David Fluger home from Viet Nam

reveal's army's success in combat

Sp3 David Fluger, son of Mr.

and Mrs. Ralph Fluger of Low-

ell, was home from fighting

with the 1st Calvary in Viet

Nam to celebrate the New Year

ell Ledger this week, he report-

ed that in his opinion "the war

was going well for the U.S.

and the men in his unit were

doing a real job in winning the

war." In daily contact with VC

units in his patrols on route 19.

across the small country, he

said, "the enemy was smart

and tough, but the Americans

with fine help from the South

Fluger revealed that the spir-

its and morale of the men in

his unit were high and they

were satisfied with the way the

war was being conducted. He

also revealed that the casual-

ties to his division were to a

large extent from disease and

accidents that occurred in com-

bat with green troops. He point-

ted fire by U. S. artillary and

dropped mortar rounds into the

American troops to make them

think that their own artillary

made finding a dry bed and

comfort difficult. Fluger said.

"he went through 3 pair of

boots and lost 20 pounds in the

four months he was there. The

food was mostly C rations and

many men were sick from ma-

leria and other tropic diseases:

clothing and shoes rotted al-

"The ammunition and fight-

ing supplies were plentiful,"

Fluger reported, but beyond

to avoid them.

tended target.

Viet Namese were winning."

when they wandered off and fell to snipers or booby traps that were everywhere.

Viet Namese villages along route 19 had tunnels and underground bunkers in nearly every house. Fluger's patrol unit often tried to force the VC out of their tunnels, but many times the enemy died underground rather than come out and fight.

No Use for Peace Creeps

"The peace demonstrations by ed out that the clever Viet College and other youth in Cong took advantage of the this country were well known fear the GI's had of mis-directo the fighting men in Viet Nam". Fluger said. The reaccontempt for the peace creeps. "Least of all," Sgt. were dropping short of their in-Fluger revealed, "was any desire to have them sent to Viet Nam to join the fighting forces." Most of the GI's in Living conditions were hard Viet Nam wanted nothing to do on the men. The mud and rain with the individual that cared so little for his country that he did not want to fight.

Fluger said, "he 'Lucked out' in the Plea Mea fighting that killed over 400 Americans in one week of fighting." During the battle, that many of the 1st Cavalry were in, he was on a road patrol about 30 miles from most while you were wearing the most severe fighting. There were hundreds of injured and sick brought out after this week of fighting.

Glad to be Home

that there was nothing extra. Men built their tents up as Sgt. Fluger enlisted for 3 high above the ground as posyears in the army and spent sible to get out of the mud 14 months in Korea where he and avoid the snakes. Boa conwas engaged in several border strictors 24 feet long and poifire fights. He was moved into sonous vipers were numerous, the 1st Cavalry Air Mobile after but most Americans were able returning from Korea and went to Viet Nam to serve as the

> Mrs. Gerald (Sue) Phillips of Lowell, and Sheryl Jane at Michigan State University; his paternal grandmother, Mrs. Cathleen Harvey of Grand Rapids; Mrs. Oscar Moore of Lowell; and a host of friends.



Jan. 11, 1968

Veteran

At Helm

Newsman

Tax Increase Voted

Root-Lowell Corp. reveals plans to build new factory

Root-Lowell Corporation, revelopment Co., to allow the

The 20-acre site, under option by the company, is located just across the C & O Railroad tracks on Foreman Street. All but five acres is zoned industrial, and it is for this portion the zoning change was request-

Brush told the Council that the company has expanded in the past few years and now has 200 employees, and operates from six separate buildings.

To insure economical operation the company must consolidate their operation, and a new modern building of at least 80,- cussion the 5 members agreed Highway Department require-000 square feet will be neces- to accept the City Manager's ments to connect to M-21.

The operation is a light clean quested a change of zoning on manufacturing that fits well in- round the need to build up 5 acres, owned by Lowell De- to the area, just west of the funds for future use by the new high school. The site se- city. This was mainly concerncompany to erect a new factory lected has a water main run- ed about the \$10,000 for the age connections are within 300 is now \$40,000 in this fund. feet. Most important is the location along the railroad rightaway which will give the company the needed railroad sid-ing.

> zoning change request over to the City's Planning Commission the city. City Manager Olson for their approval.

Tax Increase Voted The City Council met in spe-

cial session on Monday after-

The discussion centered a-

ning through the property and storm sewer program. Manager sewer and surface water drain- Bernard Olson said that there which would pay for some of Jud Wilterink was at the

meeting, representing Calvary

Church, inquiring on improving The Council voted to turn the the road along the church property, so as to turn it over to reported that he estimated the cost of improving the street and connecting it with M-21 at

This is \$800 higher than the noon to set the budget for the estimate in 1964, but the incoming year: after a brief dis- crease is mostly due to State

New Publisher Purchases Ledger, Suburban Life

Dan Wingeier has served the community in almost every capacity; he has been President of the Chamber of Commerce: director and treasurer of Showboat; a member of the Board of Education; held most lavman's offices in the First Methodist Church; been a member of the Lowell Masonic Lodge since 1925 and held most offices in the lodge and chapter.

He was a member of the board of Clark Memorial Home headed many charitable fund drives in the community. At the time of his death he resided at 119 Althen Street, Grand Rap-

Druggist Buys Store

A young man with an eve to the future and the desire to incorporate friendliness along with business, has taken over ownership of Christiansen's Drug Store in Lowell

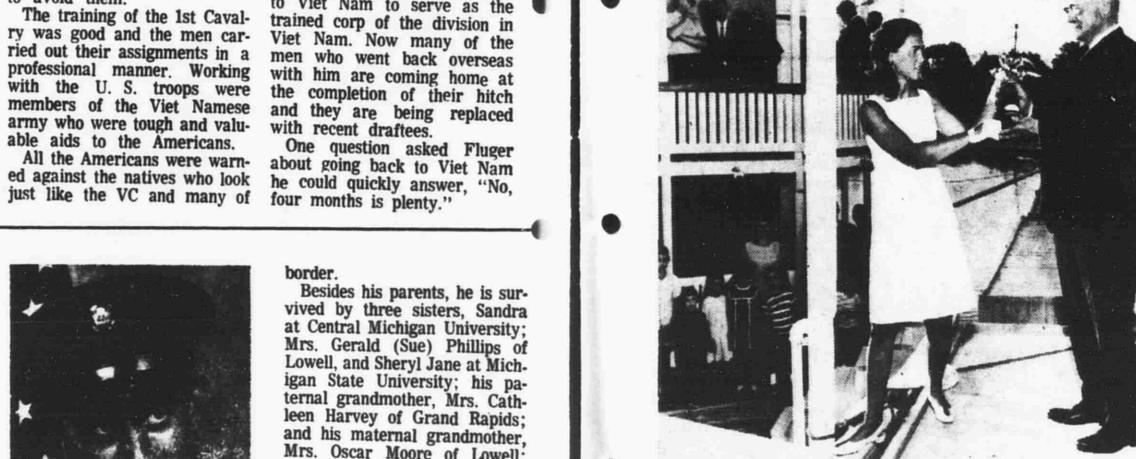
Charles E. Lippert, who prefers to be known as "Chuck." took over Chris' as of August 1, and plans a merchandising revolution

Lippert 28, is from Hillside and is presently residing in Big Rapids with his wife Diane, and their two children.

He attended Michigan State University and graduated from Ferris in 1963 with a Bachelor of Science degree

He then spent two years with White and White Pharmacy in Grand Rapids, and more recently was manager of Southland Pharmacy in Big

Lippert plans to remain affiliated with Rexall, and introduce more modern merchandising practices into the



C. H. Runciman, interlocutor of the Lowell Showboat for 25 years, is pictured here with Miss Christine Doyle, at the christening of the Robert E. Lee XXXV Monday night. This is the fourth boat that has been constructed over the 35 years of Showboat. The boat that was cut up for scrap this spring was built in 1946 and faithfully carried the cast for 20 years. The new boat, wider and of heavier construction, is built entirely of treated lumber and is expected to survive as long as the '46 model.

venture into the publishing field, the 44-year-old Mount Clemens native has been active in newspaper and public relations positions for the past 21 Smith started his career as

have been owned and operated by Harold F. Jefferies of Lowell, who assumed management ed the Suburban Life in 1955. Though this is Smith's initial

Purchase of the Lowell Led-

eran Detroit-area newspaperman, was announced today. The two weekly publications

ger and Ada Suburban Life by

Francis E. (Fran) Smith, vet-

of the Ledger in 1946 and found-

editor of the Cuvahoga Falls (0.) Weekly News in 1947 and was named Sports Editor of the Mount Clemens Daily Monitor Leader and weekly South Macomb News (later joined as the Macomb Daily) the same year.

In 1952, Smith joined the sports staff of the Detroit Times as writer and deskman. He covered a wide assortment of events, including college and professional football, high school football, basketball and minor sports, professional and sandlot baseball and college and professional basketball.

He left the Times in 1957 to become Director of Public Relations for the Detroit Pistons Basketball Club of the National Basketball Association and was elevated to the position of Director of Staff for the club in

Smith resigned from his position with the Pistons to enter private business in Mount Clemens in association with Lou Van's Men's Store in 1965.

He returned to public relations late in 1965 as Director of Public Relations for Windsor Raceway in Canada, a position he held until establishing his own PR firm in 1967. Among his accounts were Dixie Speedway near Flint and Owosso

Now in its 75th year of continuous publication the Lowell Ledger has been owned by the Jefferies family since 1930 when Remick G. Jefferies purchased the paper from its founder, Frank M. Johnson. Harold Jefferies assumed management of

fore his father passed away. Smith says that two major factors entered into his decision to purchase the Ledger and Suburban Life.

the Ledger in 1946, one year be-



FRANCIS E. SMITH

this opportunity enables me

to realize a lifelong ambition.

But, more importantly, ex-

tensive studies indicate great

potential for growth in the

area and this respresents an

interesting challenge to those

charged with the responsibility

of heralding events leading to

Smith plans to move his wife,

Betty, and their 11 children to

the Lowell area sometime in

late spring. One son, Bruce, is

a junior at Michigan State Uni-

versity and another son, David,

is enrolled in VISTA (Volunteers

in Service to America) and is

Daughters Kathy, 19, Karen

16; Kim, 12; Kay C, 10; Keely,

8; Kelly, 7; and Kerry, 4; and

sons Kevin, 14; and Kent, 9,

all reside at 327 Esplanade

Drive in Mount Clemens.

serving in Des Moines, Iowa.

this development."



Stacy, 4, and Davis, 16 months

Long-Time Civic Leader's Death Shocks Community

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Shocked, dazed and dismayed.

These were the words of long-time friends and associates of civic and business leader Carleton H. Runciman, Sr., who died early Tuesday afternoon of self-inflicted pistol

Word of Mr. Runciman's death caught the city completely by surprise. Within minutes, telephones in the Ledger office were jammed by calls from community leaders seeking to substantiate the story.

Services for Mr. Runciman will be held Friday at 2 p. m. at Roth Funeral Home in Lowell with Reverend Robert Webber of First United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will be in Oakwood cemetery.

Several friends disclosed that Mr. Runciman was despondent over continued poor health and sale of the C. H. Runciman Co. just hours before by J. P. Burroughs, Inc. of Saginaw, which purchased the concern in 1963 for a figure estimated in excess of \$1,000,000.

The latest purchase had been negotiated by King Milling Company of Lowell, whose property abuts the Runciman plant A milling company spokesman said that Burroughs had offered to sell the Runciman storage facilities and that the transaction had been completed late Monday.

King Milling had announced plans last month to construct

Burroughs on Tuesday released nine-month figures indicating that its total operations through September 30 showed a profit of just 3c per share on profits of \$48,000 from gross sales of \$21,125,000. Over the same period in 1967. the company returned 31c per share sales of \$20,825,000 and profits of \$446,000

At the time of his death, Mr. Runciman was a director of J. P. Burroughs and maintained his office here. He reportedly was not active in actual administration of the plant

Several hours before his death, Mr. Runciman had attended a meeting of the Board of Directors of State Savings Bank, of which he served as chairman. Fellow directors indicated he was in good spirits throughout the meeting.

Grief-stricken friends, many of whom had known him since he established the firm bearing his name in 1917, paid solemn tribute to Mr. Runciman

Speaking on behalf of the city, Mayor Arnold Wittenbach expressed the feeling of its cit-

"We are all deeply shocked Lowell will greatly miss Mr. Runciman. He was one of the great civic leaders of this community. We extend heartfelt sympathies to his family and his many friends and associates.

Plans to observe a period of official mourning were incomplete late Tuesday night

Mr. Runciman came to Lowell in 1917 and quickly became prominent in business and civ-

In 1920, he was elected to the Lowell Board of Education and began a 38-year period of service with that body For 36 of those years, he acted as

president of the board, and almost four decades of high

school graduates received their

diplomas from Mr. Runciman's

As head of the board during those many years, Mr. Runciman provided the Lowell school system with steady leadership and an outstanding record of educational achievement. The citizens of Lowell felt a great loss when he had to announce his retirement. but he said at the time that, although he felt that it was time for new leaders to take on the responsibilities of edu-

C. H. RUNCIMAN

nity would never diminish

young people of the commu-

Lowell paid a small tribute

to Mr. Runciman's service on

the school board by naming

one of the units in the school's

ever - expanding educational

complex "The Carleton H

Runciman Elementary Build-

Adding luster to Mr. Runci-

man's many years of commu-

nity service was his long ten-

ure as admiral and interlocu-

tor of the Lowell Showboat

When the Showboat was found-

ed in 1932 to relieve the bore-

dom of the Depression he

was instrumental in guiding it

on its successful maiden voy-

For the following 22 years.

Aside from guiding the show

at a fast pace and exchang-

ing jokes with the endmen.

"Runci" contributed much be-

headed for several years after his retirement as interlocutor. The son of James H, and cation, his interest in the Elizabeth (Hartigan) Runciman, Carlton H. Runciman was born on a farm near Chelsea, Michigan, on August 14, 1889. He graduated from Chelsea High School in 1908 and entered Ferris Institute in Big Rapids, withdrawing in 1909 because of the death of his

> Mr. Runciman then enrolled in Michigan State Normal College (Eastern Michigan University), from which he received a Life Certificate in 1911. During his college years, he participated in both track and football for two seasons. He was football captain in his

hind-the-scenes effort to Show-

Each year he put in long

hours of practice with the end-

men, he attended Showboat

chorus rehearsals to whip up

enthusiasm and often climaxed

the practice sessions by treat-

ing everyone to sodas at

He served on many commit-

tees connected with the Show-

boat, including the entertain-

ment committee, which he

boat's success

Chris's

final year, and his interest in Eastern's football teams remained unflagging.

In recognition of his contributions to Eastern Michigan athletics, "Runci" was, in 1960 presented with the gold-inscribed, homecoming-game football commemorating almost 50 years of attendance at Eastern's homecoming games. The presentation was made by the University's president at Blodgett Memorial Hospital, where Mr. Runciman was at the time recovering from knee surgery which had spoiled his home-

Always a loyal alumnus. board of directors of the Michigan State Normal College Alumni Association, and through his efforts and cooperation with others the Veterans Memorial Chimes were made possible for Ypsilanti. In 1952, the college awarded him an honorary doctorate of laws both for his contributions to his alma mater and for his

Mr. Runciman could be seen in the pilot house of the Robmany years of public service ert E. Lee as the boat rounded the bend each night during Showboat week. White uniform always spotless, manner dignified and at the same time jolly, he never missed a performance during the 114 trips the boat made during those

'Mr. Lowell' Widely Known

Lowell police report that the incident occurred at about 12:15 p. m. in Mr. Runciman's office at the plant, located on South Broadway.

They were called to the scene after three employees reported hearing the shot that terminated the life of the man affectionately known as "Mr. Lowell"

The employees . . . Harold Kelly, Doris Draper and Jacqueline Raison . . . told Chief Avery Block they rushed to the office and found Mr. Runciman mortally wounded.

They called Dr. Donald Gerard at once, then notified police. Chief Block immediately requested assistance from the Kent County Sheriff's Department. Detective Robert Tanner answered the request as did Kent County Medical Examiner Dr. Ramon Lang, who pronounced Mr. Runciman dead on the scene of self-inflicted chest wounds.

baseball championship, and at Saginaw Arthur Hill he coached a first-rate football team.

On June 24, 1913, he was united in marriage with Miss Gladys Needham of Saginaw. To this union were born two children, Carlton Jr. and Jane K. (Mrs. Carl A. Mapes), In 1917, the Runciman family moved to Lowell, where Mr. Runciman had purchased the Jakeway Elevator the previous year, following the untimely death of Charles Jakeway in a railroad-crossing accident.

In 1960, Mr. Runciman was named chairman of the board of directors of the State Savings Bank of Lowell. Previous to that appointment he had

been the president of the bank for nine years, and before 1951 he had been vice-president since the bank's organization

The C. H. Runciman company was consolidated with J P Burroughs, Inc. in July. 1963 and the founder continued to serve the new parent corporation as a member of its board of directors.

Because of his efforts in advancing Lowell's widely-known community project, Mr. Runciman became known as "Mr. Showboat," and many were the newspaper stories across the state that pictured the genial interlocutor in his white uniform and gold braid.

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Offset! What's That?

By Don MacNaughton Mechanical Supervisor

If this issue of the LOWELL LEDGER-SUBURBAN LIFE has a different appearance, it's because it has been produced by an entirely different process called offset printing. Under the offset method, all the news and advertising ma-

terial to be presented is "pasted up" on a page-size special pa-The entire page is then photographed and a negative is processed, which in turn is

er this plate is developed, it is ready for the offset press. The offset process makes use of the well-known fact that oil and water do not mix.

coated with a thin film of chemically treated water, which adheres only to the portion of the plate which does not print Next the plate is inked, but the greased-based ink will stick only to that part of the plate

surface which did not accept the watered film, that is, the This inked image is then et, and from the rubber blank-

set" to the newsprint, ready for you to read.

Boys Home

With simple, informal ceremonies, the The home is located several miles south-

The Honey Creek Christian Homes, Inc.

Purpose of the organization, the Rev. Mr. Blossom stated, "is to provide homes for boys from 8 to 14 years old, who are

can lead only to maladjustment."

them to become better citizens." Mr. Blossom is a former pastor of Plainwell Baptist Church, where he served for 11 years. He has also served in pastorates in New York and in Illinois, as well as serving as chaplain for Starr Commonwealth.

9 9 May 8, 1969

OK 4.7-Mile Reconstruction of M-21

The second phase of a program designed to improve M-21 between Lowell and Grand Rapids has been approved by the Michigan State Highway Commission.

Construction is expected to begin in the fall of 1973 on widening and reconstruction of 4.7 miles between I-96 and the existing four-lane dual highway in Ada.

The commission announced this week that it has approved an engineering report,

including design changes at the Forest Hills Avenue intersection that were made as the result of a public hearing held last July.

Cost of the project, exclusive of rightof-way and engineering, is expected to be about \$3-million.

A total of 2.2 miles will be widened to five lanes with curb and gutter to be installed in residential, commercial and industrial zones. The remaining 2.5 miles will be reconstructed as a four-lane divided highway with an 80-foot median separating the

A five-lane bridge is to be constructed over the Grand Trunk Railroad to replace the 42-year-old two-lane span now servicing traffic on M-21

Highway officials say that local traffic is to be maintained during the construction

Olson Quits as City Manager

the state seeking superinten-

dents right now," said Pace.

"I plan to check them out."

Pace is the third member

City Manager Bernard C. Olson, who had held the position for 8½ years, formally announced plans to resign at Mon-

day night's session of the Lowell city

Olson informed council members that

he has accepted the position of general manager with Contractors Alignment Systems, Inc., a Grand Rapids-based company specializing in use of laser beams

for installing sewer and water lines. Council took no action to accept or reject the resignation, though it was appar-

ent that the matter had been discussed informally prior to the meeting without serious objection from any of the five

nation, effective June 30, to

of Education.

Monday night,

age votes.

Pace said:

the Lowell Area School Board

The board is expected to ac-

cept the resignation when it

7:30 at the senior high school

meets next Monday night at

Pace announced his decision

to resign following an execu-

tive session of the board last

The move was not totally

unexpected in view of the dis-

trict's continuing financial dif-

ficulties following successive

defeats in August and Novem-

In his letter to Board Pres-

"I herewith submit my res-

ignation as superintendent of

"I have enjoyed my three

years in Lowell and sincerely

appreciate the cooperation

placement will be gladly giv-

"I do appreciate your sup-

port during the trying period

of debt and millage defeats

and wish you only the best

'or the future.'

schools, effective June 30, 1969

ident Dr. Robert Reagan,

ber of special operating mill-

Olson declined to make a formal state-

ment, but indicated there had been no disagreement with the council on basic matters of city administration.

"In fact," he said, "I have enjoyed my relations with this council."

Olson's decision to resign from municipal government was not totally unexpected. There had been indications several weeks ago that several council members were not entirely satisfied with Olson's administration and that he had been instructed, informally, to take necessary steps to correct the situation.

Though hesitant to go into details, Olson said that "other factors were involved" in his decision to resign.

Councilman Herb Reynolds, in a statement issued Tuesday, said he felt that reasons for Olson's resignation "should be investigated quite thoroughly."

New Setback

Lowell's educational program, already suffering from lack

There are many in the community who disagreed with poli-

What a few appear to realize is that Pace, the board . . . in

Extreme taxation by Federal and state governments has de-

Governor George Romney, in his farewell address to Michi-

He made it abundantly clear that voters not wishing to ac-

This is a message that the Lowell board sought, twice un-

We do not believe that the board of education has acted wise-

We do not believe that Superintendent Pace has been correct

Nor do we necessarily believe that opponents of school mill-

What we do believe is that a malignancy of discontent and

If the resignation of Superintendent Pace will serve to half

its spread, then the act of resignation, in itself, will have served

the cause to which he has given unselfish devotion and dedica-

age are bent on injuring the educational welfare of the commu-

disconcert has been permitted to spread much too far.

successfully in the last six months, to deliver to the voters of

cept the responsibility of providing adequate local funds for edu-

fact, the entire education structure of this community and many

others... have been victimized by forces they are almost help-

pleted pocketbooks of the average taxpayer. The tendency,

therefore is to strike back against local taxation.

erage taxpayer is that dealing with school revenues.

cation must be prepared to face the consequences.

all of the policies of his administration.

confronting residents of this state

ly in all of its decisions.

of citizen response to obvious financial needs, will absorb still

another setback next Monday when the Board of Education meets

to accept the resignation tendered this week by Superintendent

cies established by the board during Pace's administration.

Lowell Superintendent

Submits Resignation

Pace said Tuesday he was

not certain of his future plans.

but indicated he would seek to

remain in school administra-

"I don't believe the council should accept at face value everything that has been told us," said Reynolds. "We should make more than a cursory investigation."

The underlining reason behind Olson's resignation is believed to be a lingering feud between he and City Clerk Mrs. Laura Shepard that dates back at least a year.

At that time, Olson recommended to the council, as part of the 1968-69 budget, that administrative assistant Mrs. Gladys Alexander be appointed city treas-

Council declined to go along with the

recommendation in view of Mrs. Shepard's long tenure as clerk and treasurer. Several times over the past 12 months there were indications that the city manager and clerk were not in complete harmony on a number of matters.

Mayor Arnold Wittenbach said he hoped there was still a chance that difficulties in city hall could be cleared up.

"We recognize there is a problem there," he said, "but wonder if it really is so serious that it can't be resolved." Olson said he hoped to report to his new position not later than June 15, but agreed that he might stay on until the close of the fiscal year June 30.

Council gave no indication that it had a successor in mind and will contact the Michigan Municipal League and City Manager's Association to seek a replacement.

fore taking the Lowell position, Olson recently completed 10 years as a member of the City Manager's Association.

he plans to continue residency in Lowell.

April 7, 1969

said that no contract had been formalized with Hagen nor had a definite salary been established but added "that terms we have generally discussed are satisfactory to the board and to Mr. Hagen.'

role on or before May 1, at which time the board will release James C. Pace from the remaining weeks of his contract. scheduled to expire on June 30

Pace has served as superintendent for three years and resigned several months

Pace was appointed as superintendent in August 1966 succeeding Stephen Nisbet. who had served in that capacity for six years.

connections with the Lowell

system in the last six months.

Assistant high school princi-

pal and athletic director Dale

Hollern resigned last summer

to accept a position in Dear-

born, Business Manager Rich-

ard Williams, whose appoint-

ment brought much criticism

to Pace and to the board, was

relieved of his duties before

school opened in September as

the board sought to reduce op-

Dr. Reagan, contacted Tues-

day, said he would decline

comment on Pace's resigna-

tion until the board meet Mon-

erating costs.

day night.

Prior to coming to Lowell, Pace had been superintendent The one form of local taxation DIRECTLY involving the avof North Huron School in Kinde, Michigan, located in the Thumb Area, for four years. gan Monday, dwelt at considerable length on school problems

A graduate of Montpelier (O.) High School, he received his Bachelor's Degree from Bowling Green University in 1950 and his masters degree from Eastern Michigan University in 1958.

Pace began his career in education as coach and teacher in Ohio following graduation from Bowling Green. He later served nine years as principal in the Adrian system.

Married and the father of five children, he served with the U. S. Navy in the Pacific for 27 months.

Pace has been active in community life in Lowell He is a member of the Rotary Club, serves as captain of the Lowell Police Reserves and is a member of the Lowell Planning Commission.

Formerly city manager at Rockford be-

Married and the father of five children.

Principal Awarded Top Role

Carl Hagen, who has served as principal of Lowell High School for the past nine years, will become the new superintendent of schools for the Lowell Area School

Announcement of Hagen's appointment to the position was announced at Monday night's meeting of the Board of Educa-

Board President Dr. Robert Reagan

Hagen is scheduled to assume his new

Hagen has been a member of the Lowell

faculty since receiving his Bachelor of Science degree from Michigan State University in 1947. He taught vocational agriculture for 12 years, served as assist ant principal for one year and has been head administrator of the high school since 1960.

Dr. Reagan said that Hagen was selected from a field of 40 candidates for the job. ten of whom were interviewed in the past few weeks.

"We feel that Mr. Hagen's long experience with the school system and his background in administration makes him an ideal person to fill this vital job," Dr. Reagan said.

Hagen, 48, was born in Sturgis, Michigan and attended schools there. He was graduated from Sturgis High School in

He attended Michigan State University from 1939 to 1943 prior to enlisting in U. S. Army during World War II. He rose from the rank of private to that of captain before his discharge in 1947. Two of his four years in service were spent in the European Theater of Operations.

Hagen was awarded his Master's degree in administration in 1960 from Michigan State University.

used to expose a pre-sensitiz-ed thin aluminum plate. Aftcoming attendance record.

Mr Runciman served on the

and outstanding achievements. Following graduation from college, Mr. Runciman went on to become superintendent of schools at Millington for two years and then taught in the Saginaw school system for one year before becoming superintendent of schools in Grosse Isle for 312 years

At Millington, he coached the town's boys to a state The printing plate is first

actual printing surface, or "imtransferred to a rubber blanket it is transferred or "off-

Sound complicated? It isn't really. It's all done with cylinders that roll against each other and the whole process happens so fast that its all just a

Honey Creek Is Opened

first cottage of the Honey Creek Christian Homes for Boys at 11591 Grand River (Old 16) was opened Sunday afternoon, with the Rev. Gordon C. Blossom as director.

east of Lowell. was organized May 1, 1968, under the Michigan State corporation laws. The original signers of the corporation serve on the board of directors.

presently living in an environment which

have received from the board. staff members and community. "I am using this early method of notification in order to give the board an opportunity to find a replacement prior to my leaving. "Any assistance that I am able to give in finding a re-

"We hope to be able to assist these boys by bringing them out into the open 'country' where living is more simple and natural, and where at the same time we can provide spiritual guidelines which will help

> Pace's three-year term as top administrator of the growing system has been one of the stormiest in the school's

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Appointment of John Joly, 30, to serve

as editor and assistant to the publisher of the

Joly, former editorial-circulation super-

Ledger-Suburban Life was announced this

visor for the Detroit Free Press, will take

Fran Smith, who purchased the news-

handling the financial operation of the com-

side, including the "Village Smithy" column

Smith plans to devote time as well to

public relations and advertising in the De-

Joly comes from a newspaper family.

News for more than 30 years and his older

brother has published three weekly news-

zines and newspapers. He is a journalism

graduate of the University of Detroit and

In announcing Joly's addition to the

staff, Smith said he hopes to intensify the

paper's editorial coverage and expand its

"When John was in town last week,"

Smith said, "he was quite impressed with

the communities we serve and with the

paper. I'm glad he's decided to join us."

In addition to assuming overall editorial

responsibility, Joly will handle most of the

paper's advertising and print shop work and

Mrs. Joly, a daughter, Jennifer, 2, and

write a weekly column, "Ham on Wry."

a son, James, 1, will move to the Lowell

area from Detroit in early July.

circulation in eastern Kent County.

Joly has written articles for several maga-

His father was a linotype operator at the

Lansing State Journal and The Detroit

papers in California.

a journeyman printer.

paper in 1968, retains ownership of the

Ledger-Suburban Life and will continue

pany. He will contribute to the editorial

on his new assignment Monday.

School Superintendent Dies In Wabasis Lake Boating Accident

By CARY STIFF II

Carl Hagen, 49, superintendent of Lowell Area Schools for the past 11/2 years and former principal of Lowell High School for nine years, drowned Saturday in a boating accident at Wabasis Lake in northeastern Kent County.

According to Lt. Clair Durfey of the Kent County Sheriff's Department, the mishap occurred shortly after 1 p.m. when Hagen, who had been fishing alone, apparently fell from his outboard-equipped aluminum rowboat into the lake. His body John Joly to Become was not recovered until shortly before noon Sunday.

Durfey said authorities first were called to the scene at 1:30 New Editor Monday p.m. Saturday by Lorence K. Broman of 1310 Walnut N.E., Grand Rapids, who has a cottage at 11836 Wabasis Lake Drive, near the Wittenbach Landing.

Broman told the investigating officer, Deputy John Orange, that he had been raking leaves in front of his cottage when he noticed Hagen's boat behaving erratically. No one appeared to be in the craft at the time, he said.

Fearing something had happened to the boat's occupant, Broman notified the Sheriff's Office. The boat, meanwhile, had

Broman then went out onto the lake with a piece of rope and towed the overturned craft to shore, Durfey said. Through its registration number-MC 1844 BB-it was traced to Hagen.

An officer was dispatched to Hagen's home at 315 N. Jackson St., Lowell, where a family spokesman confirmed that the superintendent had gone to the lake to fish. Further confirmation came from two of Hagen's friends, Bob Perry and Junior Ayres, who identified some of the school official's property

Investigation showed that the throttle on Hagen's 18-horsepower outboard was wide open, and officers theorized he had been jerked off balance when he had started up the motor. There were no known witnesses to the accident, Durfey said.

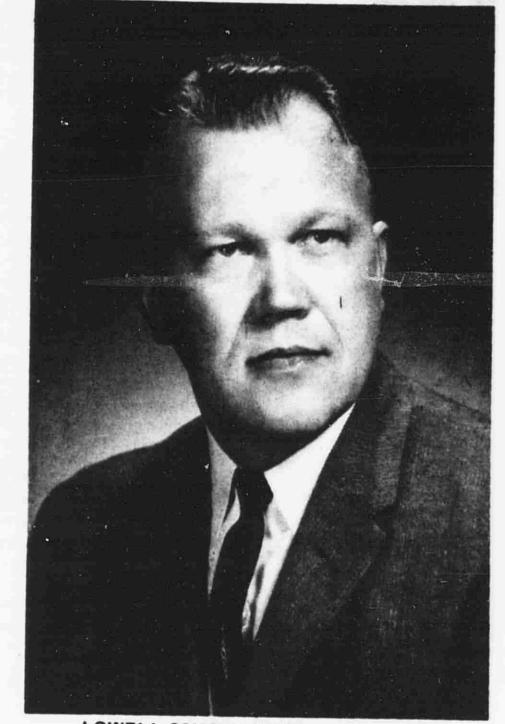
Eight Scuba divers, including two Michigan State Police officers, searched for Hagen's body until nightfall Saturday, Durfey said. Search operations were resumed Sunday, and the body eventually was recovered from 35 feet of water by Sheriff's Deputy Edward Baker and State Trooper Donald Fett of Grand Haven. Lowell police participated in the search.

Dr. Bernard Kool, Kent County medical examiner, ruled that the death was accidental due to drowning. The body was taken to the Roth Funeral Home in Lowell.

Funeral services were to be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the First United Methodist Church of Lowell, 621 E. Main St., with the Rev. Dean Bailey officiating. Burial was to be in Oakwood Cemetery, Lowell.

All Lowell Area schools were to close Wednesday in memory

Carl John Hagen was born Nov. 28, 1920, in Sturgis, Mich. He graduated from Sturgis High School in 1939 and then attended Michigan State University until 1943, when he enlisted in the U. S. Army. He quickly rose in rank from private to captain before his discharge in 1947. Two of his four years in service were spent in the European Theater of Operations during World War II.



LOWELL SCHOOL SUPT. CARL HAGEN

Drowning Victim Saturday

In 1947 Hagen completed the requirements for his bachelor of science degree from MSU (then Michigan State College) and joined the Lowell High School faculty. He taught vocational agriculture for 12 years, served as assistant principal for one year and then became high school principal in 1960. In April 1969 the Board of Education selected him from among 40 candidates to succeed James C. Pace as superintendent of schools, and he assumed his new duties the following month.

At the time of Hagen's selection as superintendent, Dr. Robert Reagan, school board president, remarked: "We feel that Mr. Hagen's long experience with the school system and his background in administration makes him an ideal person to fill this vital job."

Hagen was awarded his master's degree in administration from MSU in 1960. At various times during his career he had

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The Strike at Eberhard's---What It's Doing to Lowell

Six area Eberhard super markets, including one in Lowell, remained open as a strike by 139 members of Local 20, Retail Store Employes Union, began its second week.

The cashiers, produce and stock clerks set up picket lines at six of the firm's markets last Thursday when negotiations over a new contract broke down.

The strikers, about 16 of whom are from Lowell, passed out a letter to the shoppers urging them to shop at another store.

No new negotiations were scheduled at midweek and attmepts by the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service aimed at bringing the two sides in the dispute together were suspended.

Reached by the Ledger-Suburban Life in Detroit, Secretary Treasurer John J. Nolan, who is the union's bargaining agent here, said he was ready to meet with the company as soon as Eberhard's was ready to respond to a proposal Nolan said he spent more than five hours preparing last Friday. "They rejected it and walked out," he said.

L. V. Eberhard said his company was studying the union's counterproposal and hoped to meet with the union before the weekend. A spokesman for Eberhard's said the stores were operating as

usual with supervisory and nonunion personnel. He said that there was no sales slump at the stores and reported "business was normal." But in Lowell, the parking lot of the Kroger Company store five blocks from the struck Eberhard super market on Main Street was full most of the day. By midweek, many of the stores shelves were empty and trucks were unloading at the back of the store more oft-

A spokesman for Kroger said that the Lowell store was "pretty busy" and that all of the stores employes were working. "We've even got our part time people working full time," he said.

An attorney for Eberhard's said the firm was awaiting the call of a federal mediator but that no meetings were planned before then.

Nolan said that he was pleased with the response to the union's strike in Lowell. "We've found that Lowell is a good union town and that when shoppers see local people on the picket lines and they'll honor them . . . they'll shop someplace else.'

He said he was in Detroit to talk to officials of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters about support for the union's strike.

Labor laws forbid a secondary boycott by the Teamster's union but Noian said that he hoped teamsters officials in Detroit would let the union's members know about the strike and let them decide individually whether or not they want to honor Local 20's picket lines.

Beginning Monday, he said, strikes will begin to receive strike benefits-(checks) from the union's strike fund. He declined to say how much each striking member would receive, but said, "I don't think anyone is going to lose more than a week's pay."

In Grand Rapids, Nolan's wife, who is acting as his secretary, said that the strikers would also be eligible for food stamps when they began collecting the strike benefits.

Nolan said that only 14 of contract issues have been settled and the sides have 25 still unresolved. The major stumbling blocks are wages and vacation schedules.

Senior Citizen Housing Project Gets Underway

July 9, 1970

Construction of the long-awaited Schneider Village, a 24-unit apartment for senior citizens, was underway in Lowell today with workmen pouring footings even before the contracts had been formally sign-

Scheduled for completion by late summer or early fall, the privately-financed project features one-bedroom apartments in two different sizes that will carry month ly rentals of \$85 or \$75 for persons qualifying to occupy them.

Site of the project is between Grand and Bowes Road west of Hudson and east of Pleasant.

Lowell Area Housing is the name of the organization which is handling the construction, but monies used are derived from earnings accumulated from the Schneider Trust Fund.

Phil Schneider, who serves as one of the trust officials, said that approximately \$150,000 in earnings have been pledged to- ity Building of Grand Rapids.

ward the project, which carries a price tag of \$227,000 for basic construction and \$248,974 with the inclusion of carpeting and ceramic tile baths.

The balance of the money is being locally financed through State Savings Bank of Lowell, according to Schneider, and will be repaid through additional carnings from the trust and from rentals.

There will be four apartments in each of six units, which have been arranged as a horseshoe overlooking a court. A feature

of the courtyard area will be paved parking along with shuffleboard and horseshoe pits, Schneider said.

The brick veneer structures will be centrally heated and each unit will contain laundry facilities. All wiring in the project will be underground.

Robert Keifer of Kalamazoo is the architect. Low bidder for the contract was Qual-

Jefferies Takes Publishing Role Again Former Ledger-Suburgan Life publisher



1945. In 1954 he founded the Suburban Life to serve the Ada-Cascade-Forest Hills area. He served as editor and publisher of both papers until 1968.

Harold F. Jefferies is preparing for a new

served the area since 1896.

M. Johnson.

team to operate the newspapers that have

The Jefferies family operated the Led-

Jefferies took over from the founder, Frank

Harold Jefferies succeeded his father in

ger beginning in 1930, when the late Rem

Fran Smith, publisher of the combined papers for nearly three years, has now left to do public relations work for the Windsor Raceways in Windsor, Ont., Canada.

This week the paper has as guest editor Cary Stiff II, who is here on vacation from the Denver Post. Stiff is a former Ada resident who graduated from Lowell High School, Dartmouth College and Columbia Graduate School of Journalism. He has been on the staff of the Post for the past six years.

At Hallowe'en, Too

Prices of ordinary household brooms will probably rise because of a small harvest of broomcorn, from which brooms are made.

JEFF AT OLD STAND

May 28, 1970

Planners OK Re-zoning for Mobile Home Park

Plans for construction of an elaborate mobile home park in Lowell were forwarded to the city council with a favorable recommendation by the city's planning com-

The development, projected to be built on the south side of M-21 west of Valley Vista Drive, was considered by planners to be proper usage of the land.

Doug Dok, representing Lowell Devel-

opment Corporation, had requested a change in zoning from residential to C-3 general business district, which is established in the city ordinances to accommodate a mobile home park.

Attorney Larry Howard, representing Mrs. Evelyn Denny, asked that a parcel of his client's land, which abuts the proposed

mobile park, be considered for similar re-

The monthly meeting of city planners drew a turnout of more than 35 residents of Valley Vista, several of whom questioned the desirability of a mobile home park in Lowell.

Many of them apparently turned out as the result of a handbill circulated Sunday which outlined some of the same questions. A number also appeared confused as to the exact location of the proposed park site.

Mrs. Laura Rogers sought and received assurance from the planners that there was virtually no chance of re-zoning on the north side of M-21, in the basic Valley Vista residential area, for a mobile home park.

Dok also outlined a plan to the commission and to assembled home owners indicating the desire of Lowell Development Corporation to assist in establishing a recreation facility for Valley Vista in the area of Sibley Drive (extended).

John Ramjeet, manager of Cumberland Leisure Estates located in Lowell Township, was on hand and answered a number of questions posed by Planning Commission Chairman Ralph Townsend and other members of the panel.

The vote to forward a favorable recommendation to the city council for C-3 rezoning was unanimous, 7-0.

As Dr. Orval McKay of the commission

told the large audience:

"It is our responsibility to determine land usage and I can't see any other use for this piece of land."

Dok told the planners that he projects

a 142-lot park with parking available for almost 300 cars, a swimming pool, tot lot, tennis courts, basketball courts and pool nouse, plus a community house and office.

Value of the completed project, he said, would be in the area of \$150,000.

In other action, the commission heard reports on a request (since withdrawn) to amend the zoning ordinance to permit 10foot marquees or canopies and approval by the zoning board of appeals to permit a request for variance by Michigan Bell Telephone to allow expansion of its facilities.

Other elected members of the board of directors, James Congratulations to The Lowell Ledger

Doyle Resigns As

Showboat Head

Showboat for the past six years.

William S. Doyle offered his resignation as President of Low-

ell Showboat at their meeting last Tuesday; he has been head of

"Better Than Home Cooking" Backwater Cafe

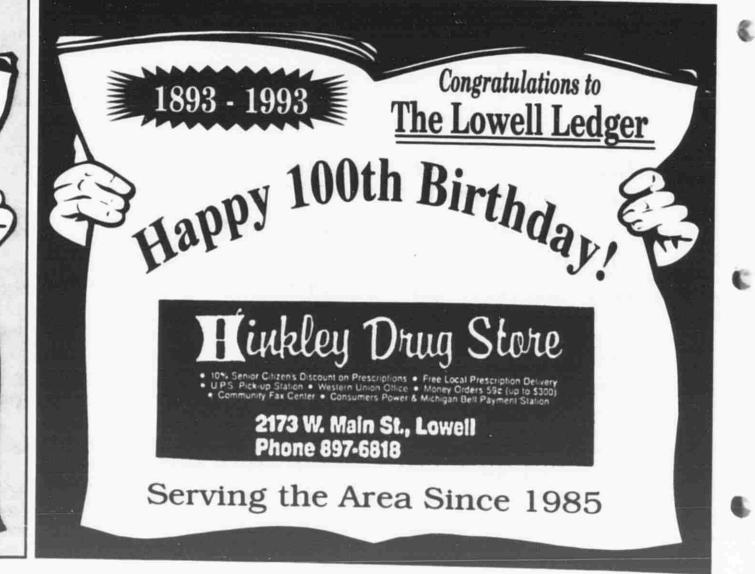
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Cook, Keith Caldwell, Barbara Curtis, Mike Doyle, Roger Roberts, Terry Bambrick, Dr. Clark Vredenburg, Larry Wittenbach and Dee Doyle accepted his resignation with regret. Doyle, in his farewell report to the board, said that Lowell

had received over \$50,000 in six years advertising and the organization is in better shape financially now than it was when he took over in 1965.

The organization meeting of the board will be held on Thursday, January 14, at the Root-Lowell Manufacturing offices. The board voted to send a letter of appreciation to all the many individuals and groups in the community who made the 1970 show such a great success.



Jan. 28, 1971

Ernest Foreman, Poultry Expert, Dies at 75

Community Mourns Loss of Civic Leader

Lowell-area residents today mourned the loss of Ernest C. (Ernie) Foreman, a highly-esteemed and longtime citizen of the community who passed away suddenly at his home on Gee Drive last Saturday at

Mr. Foreman was born June 5, 1894 in Collingwood, Ontario, attended elementary and secondary schools in that community, and later graduated from the Ontario Agricultural College at Guelph, Ont.

He taught at Guelph, after which he became superintendent of the O.A.C. Poultry Plant. In 1915, he came to Michigan to assume duties as manager of the Michigan Poultry Farm in Lansing. In 1916, he became Poultry Extension Specialist with Michigan Agricultural College.

Granted a leave of absence in 1919 to complete studies for a degree, he graduated in 1921 from the Ontario Agriculture College, and later obtained a B.S.A. degree from Toronto University.

Mr. Foreman returned to Michigan State
University as an instructor in 1922-23,

King Milling Co., that brought him to Lowell. after which he was made Professor of Poultry Husbandry, and given charge of the Poultry department.

It was at this time that he met and induced John Hannah to enroll in Michigan State. The rise of John Hannah, of course, to the presidency of Michigan State, was a source of considerable pride to Mr. Fore-

In his work in the field of poultry, Mr. Foreman developed a method called "Head Culling" and was largely responsible for the selective breeding methods which developed a high strain of laying hens. He also developed a new type of poultry house which was called the Foreman Poultry House and brought out new feed formulae for laying

It was through his work in feed formulae with Charles and William Doyle of the

Mr. Foreman started a small hatchery in Lowell in 1925 on East Main. Later he moved to the west end of town in order to enlarge his poultry farm. Using his own discoveries in breeding and bird selections, his poultry business was an instant success.

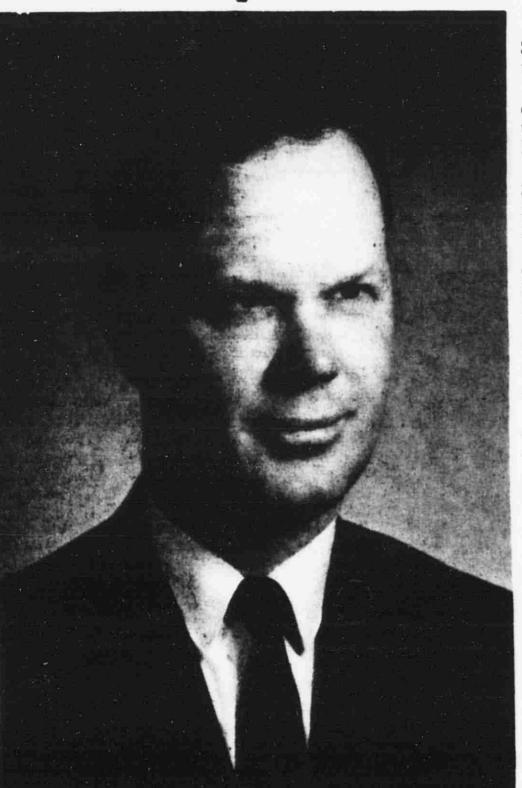
He not only developed his own large flock but worked out a cooperative program with farmers in the surrounding area.

In a few years he made the Foreman Poultry Farm one of the best known in the United States and Europe. Foreman-produced hens won prizes in nearly every state, including many first-place rankings for his contest birds. He won hundreds of trophies, awards and cash prizes from celleges and the feed industry.



Takes Over February 1st

New Superintendent Named



The appointment of Leonard Sinke of Marlette as the new Superintendent of Lowell Area Schools, has been announced by the Lowell Board of Education.

Sinke's appointment fills a vacancy caused by the untimely death of Superintendent Carl Hagen, last November. Until now, the school's superintendentship has been temporarily filled by Donald Kelly.

The new school chief will assume his duties at Lowell Area Schools on Feburary 1. His moving plans to the Lowell area are indefinite at the present time, and will depend on the availability of housing.

Mr. Sinke has served the last three years as Superintendent of the Ubly Community Schools, located in the thumb area of the state, about ten miles south of Bad Axe. Ubly has a population of approximately 950.

Prior to his work at Ubly, he served principalships at Leslie Intermediate School (1963-1965), Leslie High School (1965-1966) and Marlette High School (1966-1968). He has 16 years of experience in education; seven as an administrator.

His educational background includes three degrees from Michgan State University. His undergraduate work for a Bachelor of Arts' degree was in History and English, his Master's degree in History, and his Educational Specialist's degree in Educational Administration.

Mr. Sinke's family includes his wife, Evelyn, a Remedial ! Reading teacher; two daughters, Diane, a registered nurse, and Suzanne, a sixth grade student; and one son, Jan, a chemist for the Goodyear Rubber Company.

Sinke was born and raised in the Grand Rapids area. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Peter Sinke of Moline.

Before entering the educational field, Mr. Sinke spent three years in the Navy; serving most of this time in the South Pacific.

During the past few years, he has been active in community service organizations. He has been a member of both the Kiwanis and Lions Clubs.

His vast specialized experiences in the educational field will be a credit to the area's school system. The School Board will officially greet him at their next meeting scheduled for Febru8)

ERNEST C. FOREMAN

HURTS SCHOOL Feb. 11, 1971

State Aid Payment Cut By 40%

School Districts in Kent County have been handed a hard blow to their budgets by the State - a blow that has forced some systems into deficit spending and a possible cutback in educational services.

The proposed two percent state aid reduction, on the heels of the recent Supreme Court Decision on textbooks and materials, has caused some area school administrators to speak out against the plan.

Lowell School Superintendent Leonard Sinke said the new ruling would cost the school system here between \$20,000 and \$30,000.

The State Aid payment, reduced by 40 percent for the month of February was the main topic of discussion at Monday night's school board meeting. One hundred nineteen thousand and ten dollars was received in state aid assistance, whereas the regular amount would have been \$198,350, Sinke revealed.

It is unpredictable at the present time, until a further study has been made, just what an effect this cutback will have on

the school's current obligations.

Future Needs Discussed

A discussion on future school needs was made by the Board Monday night. Enrollment projections for the years 1971-1973 were studied and the present building usage and future building needs were looked into during the two-hour long session.

There was also an explanation made concerning the Michigan School Bond Loan Program and how it could help with the financing of future building. This program is designed to provide property tax relief for districts like Lowell. Under this program. the state would provide the major portion of monies needed to finance new buildings in the Lowell district.

Board member, Dr. R. Siegle made a motion to make application for an approval by the state for a school bond issued, which was seconded by Dr. D. Gerard. The motion was passed

In other decisive action, the Board's president, Dr. Robert Reagan presented a request received from the Grand Rapids Art Museum for the Lowell Area Schools system to participate by the North Central Evaluation committee.

in the support of their program. The request calls for payment of 5 cents per student, or \$135, which the Board agreed upon.

The program consists of art talks accompanied by visual materials covering a variety of art appreciation subjects, such as basic detign; design in everyday objects, African Art, American Art and landscape. These phases of the program are geared for children in grades two through sixth.

Approves Transfer

The Board also approved a transfer of property, assessed at \$4,000 from the Lowell District to the Forest Hills Public School District. The property is on the Lowell side of the boundary, and is owned by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hooker and Mrs. Henry Stevens, co-owners.

Attendance at the Kent Intermediate Budget Hearing this Thursday, February 11, will be made by the Board's secretary, Harold Metternick, and the school's superintendent, Mr. Sinke.

Plans were also formulated by the Board for the visit which will be made to the school system on February 23, 24 and 25

Aug. 26, 1971

Gerst Purchases Roth Mortuary

David Gerst, owner of O'Brien-Gerst Funeral Home on Cascade Road, S.E., announced acquisition of Roth Funeral Home at 305 N. Hudson Street in Lowell.

"The mortuary will be renamed Roth-Gerst Funeral Home under the new management," Gerst said.

A native of Traverse City, Gerst graduated from Wayne State University in 1954, and had been associated with the Harper-Mulligan Funeral Home in Detroit for the past 10 years.

The 40-year-old Gerst served in the Marines during the Korean War and attained the rank of sergeant. He and his wife, Joyce, and four children, Susan, David, Mark and Pamela, reside in the Forest Hills area.

Named Manager

Herbert M. Reynolds has been named by Gerst as Managing Director of the Funeral Home.

Reynolds, a native of Lowell, graduated from Lowell High School and attended the University of Minnesota where he graduated from the School of Mortuary Science.

After a 5-year tour in the Army, Reynolds purchased and directed his own Funeral Home for seventeen years in Columbiaville, Michigan.

Reynolds and his family reside on North Hudson Street,

Reynolds returned to Lowell and joined the Roth firm in 1963. Since that time, he has been active in civic affairs. He has been a member of the city Council, and is a member of the Lowell Methodist Church.

The funeral home was purchased from the J. Jerald Roth family following his untimely death in July of this year.



Roth-Gerst Funeral Home at 305 N. Hudson Street, Lowell.

May, 1972

Attwood Corporation Names New General Manager

HERB REYNOLDS

Donald Rocheleau has been named vice president and general manager of Attwood Corporation, a Steelcase subsidiary. The appointment was announced Friday by David D. Hunting, Jr., president of the Lowell

Rocheleau succeeds Hunting as general manager. Hunting will continue as Attwood president while serving Steelcase as senior vice president-subsidiaries, a new

Associated with Attwood since 1966, Rocheleau has been manager of marine sales since 1968. Prior to that, he was merchandising manager. He resides at 821 Grand River Drive, Ada.

Rocheleau is a native of Detroit and was associated with the Kroger Company in Grand Rapids and Atlanta, Georgia, as advertising and sales promotion manager before joining Attwood.

A Steelcase subsidiary since 1964, Attwood manufactures marine hardware and die cast parts for the appliance and automotive industries.

Mayor for the City of Lowell.

ting of the New Year for the City Council.

James Hall and Vince McCambridge.

Mayor Anderson

14 years at 216 Riverside Drive.

Lowell Has

New Mayor

Carlen Anderson, 705 North Monroe Street, will be the new

Anderson's installation, as head of the City's governing unit,

took place Monday night at the re-organizational and first mee-

Taking their new seats on the Council, also, were the two new Council members elected during the August election . . .

Dr. Herbert R. Mueller, local optrometrist, was elected

as mayor pro tem. He has resided in the City for the past

A Lowell resident for eighteen years, Anderson is employed

as an engineer with the Kent

County Road Commission.

He replaces the current May

or Harold F. Jefferies, who

will still serve as a council

In 1953, Anderson graduat-

ed from Lowell High School

and attended Wayne State

University. He is married

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Anderson made a few com-

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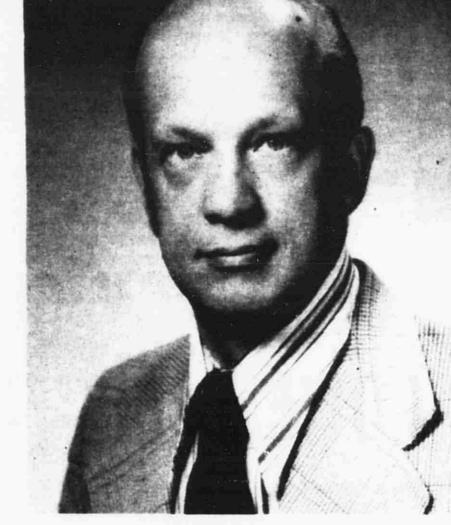
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ROCHELEAU

Lowell's

Business

Coon's Clothing, the oldest retail busines sin Lowell continuously owned by one family, is celebrating its 80th anniversary this fall.

Oldest

Retail

In 1892 Alexander Lewis Coons and his son, Harvey, then 22, opened a men's clothing store, in spite of their inexperience and the fact that there were already six other such stores along Main Street. The building in which they started their enterprise had previously been occupied by a branch of the J. L. Hudson chain of dry goods stores.

Another son, Frank, who had been a railway mail clerk, came into the business about 1920, the year of his father's death, and Frank's son, David, the present owner, joined the firm in 1946.

The Coons store also houses the office of an even older business entity, the Lowell Savings and Loan, which was organized in 1888 and has been in its present location at least since 1928, when Harvey Coons was secretary. Frank Coons was elected to this position upon his brother's death in 1931, and David succeeded him when he retired in 1954.

OPEN LETTER from

DAVID GERST



Dear Friends.

We are occasionally asked if we welcome families of all religious sects to use our funeral home. The answer is definitely, yes. We have provided our service to members of all the various faiths in our community and we have the cooperation of all of our good clergymen in honoring this tradition.

ROTH-GERST FUNERAL HOME

LOWELL, MICHIGAN

Help The Nation!

Cut Your Energy Bill

You can help your Nation's energy conservation efforts, live comfortably, and save money too.

Each of us can help accomplish these worthwhile ends-on a daily basis in our own homes, and where we work. All we need do is practive conservation habits that help save energy.

As our country continues to grow, we must face up to the fact that energy of many kinds is in short supply. It's time to tighten our fuel belt and stop wasting electricity and heat. This in turn saves oil, gas and coal. Save energy, and you save money.

America now consumes about 29 percent of its energy in industry, 25 percent in transportation, including getting back and forth to work, 21 percent for residential and commercial purposes, and 25 percent for utilities. But the Nation can keep warm, get to work, and keep industry humming with much less energy than is now being used.

An OEP energy conservation study shows that there are many ways you can help conserve fuel and electric energy at home, on the road, and on the job. Here are

Weatherstrip and caulk around windows and doors. Properly applied, this can keep out cold air and seal in warm air so effectively that your family's heating bill can be cut 15 to 30 percent. It's easy and inexpensive to install weatherstripping at movable joints and to caulk the frames of all windows and doors.

Install storm windows or insulated glass to cut in half the heat that is needlessly lost through the windows in your house.

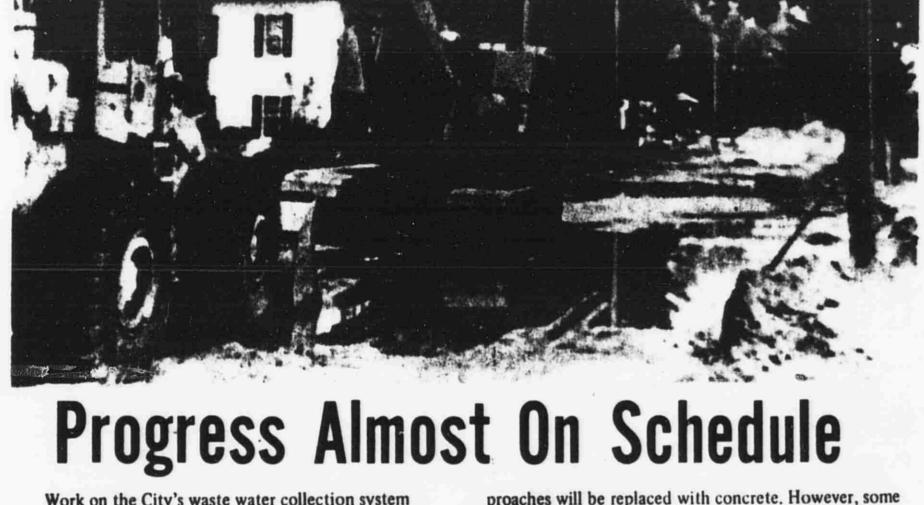
Increase insulation in your attics and walls when possible. You cannot afford to have less than the equivalent of six inches of good thermal insulation over your

Install wood sash windows whenever possible. Wood is a poor conductor of heat and moisture and therefore an excellent natural insulator. In comparative tests with other sash and frame materials, wood rated a much better insulator than metal. In tests with an outdoor temperature of 20 degrees, interior wood sash registered a warm 59 degrees; metal, a chilly 32 degrees. A costly 22 percent more heat was lost through metal windows with an 80 percent glass area than through wood sash windows of the same size. Also, weatherstripped wood windows with insulating glass stayed free of condensation in outdoor temperatures of 30 degrees below zero, while moisture formed on metal sash windows in temperatures of 20 degrees above.

Keep your heating and air conditioning equipment in top operating efficiency. Vacuum dust and lint from air intake registers. Replace your furnace air filters every two to four months or when they become loaded with dust or lint. Have the heat exchange surfaces of your heating plant cleaned when needed and have the combustion air adjustment checked or improved by service professionals.

In homes and apartments without storm windows, close draperies at night. This results in some deflection of drafts and more comfort.

Regardless of where you live and work, turn off electric lights, TV, radio and other electric utilities when they are not needed. Every kilowatt-hour saved is a benefit to you and your country. Try to avoid prolonged use of major appliances during "peak-use" times -in the early morning and during late afternoon and early evening.



Work on the City's waste water collection system and street improvement program is progressing almost on schedule.

Lowell City Manager Blaine BAcon reports that the wet weather slowed progress on the curbs and gutters, but that work has continued on other phases.

By co-ordinating the entire program of the present construction and the future expansion of the treatment plant, the City is saving money on fill. All "acceptable material"-fill that does not contain pieces of blacktop, concrete or large rocks, is being sent to the treatment plant site for use in the plant expansion.

This type of fill is expensive and a substantial amount is being saved. Material that cannot be used by the City is the property of the contractor.

Restoration of property is an important part of any engineering project. The requirements for the City stipulate that all lawn areas removed will be seeded. Fertilizer will be added and the areas watered once. In addition, any shrubs and plants that are removed will be re-

According to the specifications, paved driveway ap-

Nov. 1, 1973

proaches will be replaced with concrete. However, some driveways are paved only to the property line and have gravel approaches. These approaches will be replaced with gravel. Bacon suggested that property owners who would like to have gravel approaches replaced with concrete to call his office. He will keep a list of names and contact the contractor to see if there is the possibility of obtaining a lower price if the work can be done at the same time as other concrete work.

He also expressed appreciation for the cooperation of city residents regarding water service interruptions and some difficulties in gaining access to driveways. Every effort is being made to keep these inconvenienc-

Construction is expected to continue for six months. Williams & Works of Grand Rapids are the consulting engineers, Gillissee Constrctuion Company of Grandville is the contractor for the storm and sanitary sewers and Segard Company, also of Grandville, is installing water main improvements on Amity Street.

The project is financed through the Kent County Papartment of Public Works.

No Christmas Lights

ENERGY CRISIS HITS LOWELL LIGHT AND POWER

in an open letter to the customers and owners (the people of Lowell) of the Lowell Light and Power Company, released Monday, the seriousness of the world's fuel oil shortage was pointed out, with more specific emphasis being placed on the energy crisis that has hit

According to Light and Power officials, on September 1, Consumers Power Company informed them, that they would 'not' be able to supply the power company with fuel gas from that date through March 30, 1974.

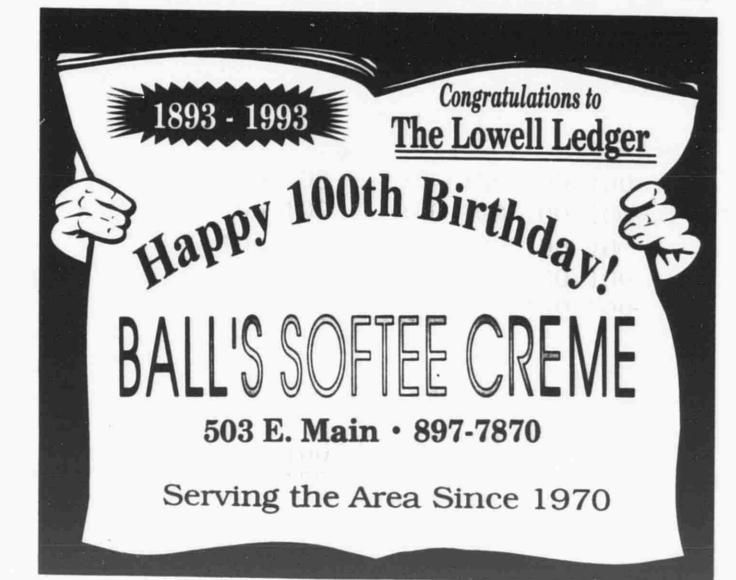
Therefore, the Light and Power Company is entirely dependent upon fuel oil to run the generators which

supply this community with electricity.

Fuel oil sources, already swamped with supply requests, offer no guarantee that they can furnish the power company with all the oil necessary.

Thus, the power company points out, it is vital that every customer economize his use of electricity to the best of his ability.

In their economizing plea, the company has asked all Lowell-serviced customers, plus the Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce to eliminate all outside Christmas lighting this year as an important step in saving



Aug. 7, 1975

persons attended.

crowd of spectators.

those within ear-shot.

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as well as they did.

nity, aren't we?"

promoters of the rock groups.

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Rock Concert

Riot control procedures were used to queil disturb-

ances created by a hundred or so persons at the close

of last Saturday's Rock Conert at the Showboat Am-

The rock fans, who had sat through an all-day driz-zle, allegedly felt cheated; they hadn't heard what they had paid \$6 a ticket to hear.

Recordings were reportedly played during the first half of the concert, when the performers were reluctant

A canvas canopy erected over the stage the previous night was blown down in Saturday's early morning

Four groups had been scheduled to play at the con-

cert, which drew well over the anticipated crowd and

who began arriving before noon. An estimated 5,000

The refusal of the Blue Oyster Cult to take to the

It was 6:30 p.m. before any live music was played.

stage, following a shortened performance by the REO Speedwagon, further angered the already unhappy

It was at this point that rocks, bottles and chairs be-

gan to fly and it was reported the group threatened to burn the stage and the Showboat.

Threats of greater violence forced Lowell Police

Chief, Barry Emmons, to request additional help from the Kent County Sheriff's Department and the Michi-gan State Police. Twelve State troopers responded from Rockford, Grand Haven and Lakeview and

twelve more County deputies were sent to aid Lowell's fourteen police and reserve officers. Eight County units

and chairs and were able to persuade about half to

leave peacefully. The remaining 30 to 40, eventually

moved outside the amphitheatre, regrouped, and ad-

ing their money back and making various threats to

vanced toward the Lowell Police Department, demand-

However, it was found that earlier reports of van-

dalism were found to have been somewhat exaggerated.

A ride through the City about 12:30 a.m. found, on the

clink of glass being swept up by volunteer citizens broke

the stillness of the night at the litter-strewn scene on the east bank of the 'Flat.'

truck reportedly belonging to the REO Speed wagon group was arrested for leaving the scene of a personal

period, reached for comment Monday, said he "was

right anger to one near-the-scene resident who didn't

crowd, and added she didn't think it would have hurt a few more of the townspeople to have "gotten out with a shovel and broom-after all, we are a commu-

surface at least, calm and quiet prevailing. Only the

owners to close their establishments at 11 p.m.

were already standing by in the area.

Police moved in amid the flying glass, bottles, rocks

to go on stage with electronic equipment during the

· Ends In Riot

SHOWBOAT TO BUILD NEW AMPHITHEATRE

Nearly 200 enthusiastic boosters attended the Lowell Showboat Corporation's Kick-off dinner at Deer Run Golf Club last Saturday night, to see the proposed plans for a new \$60,000 amphitheatre unveiled. * The new facility, which will include a permanent

stage area, will be erected just north of the current site. Two thousand of the new seats in the amphitheatre will have backs on them, and the new section of seats purchased by the Corporation in 1973 will be incorporated into the plans.

Groundbreaking ceremonies are expected to be held sometime in April, with the completion date set for July 15, just three days shy of the opening of the 1974 show, which this year will star comedian, impressionist, singer and dancer, George Kirby, July 18-20, and a vo-cal group, The New Christy Minstrels, July 25-27.

Master of ceremonies for the kick-off dinner, Showboat Chairman Charles Lippert, revealed anticipated plans for a fund-raising drive to finance the cost of the project, urging everyone to step out of their spectator status and become a participant in a very real way-by making a contribution to the Showboat amphitheatre. At this point, Donald Rocheleau, president and gen-

eral manager at Attwood Corporation announced that a donation of \$5,000 to the Showboat will be made by Attwood Corporation and Steelcase, Inc. Also joining in the contributing segment was past Showboat president, Norm Borgerson, who pledged \$2,000 and Mrs. Ruth Richmond, who pledged \$1,000 in memory of her husband. Theron.

Jack Beggs, chairman of business contributions, revealed that to-date \$7,650 had been pledged by Main Street businessmen; with his committee yet to contact several more.

The announcement of a \$100 check received from Vice-President Gerald R. Ford was also made. Architects. McMillan, Palmer, Fritz and Associates have agreed to do the design and blueprints for nothing.

The Showboat has been a community project for more than 40 years and the entertainment in its moncy-making days raised funds for community projects. Interest in the show has dwindled a bit in recent years, but Chairman Lippert feels the enterprise again has caught the fancy of everyone in town.

"One thing we want to emphasize is that this is a complete, total community effort," Lippert explained. "We're going to get this back to as complete a volunteer effort as possible. It is through the work of these volunteers that we hope the new amphitheatre will be

Deeming the kick-off dinner a success, the Showboat officials are now setting out to secure the funds needed by implementing a fund drive this week. Information on a new amphitheatre and pledge cards are scheduled to go out in the mail this week.

Special guests at the kick-off dinner were Congressman and Mrs. Richard Vander Veen of Washington, D.C. and their guests, Dr. and Mrs. Waterman; current endmen, past endmen, the Showboat queen, and the Show-boat Board of Directors.

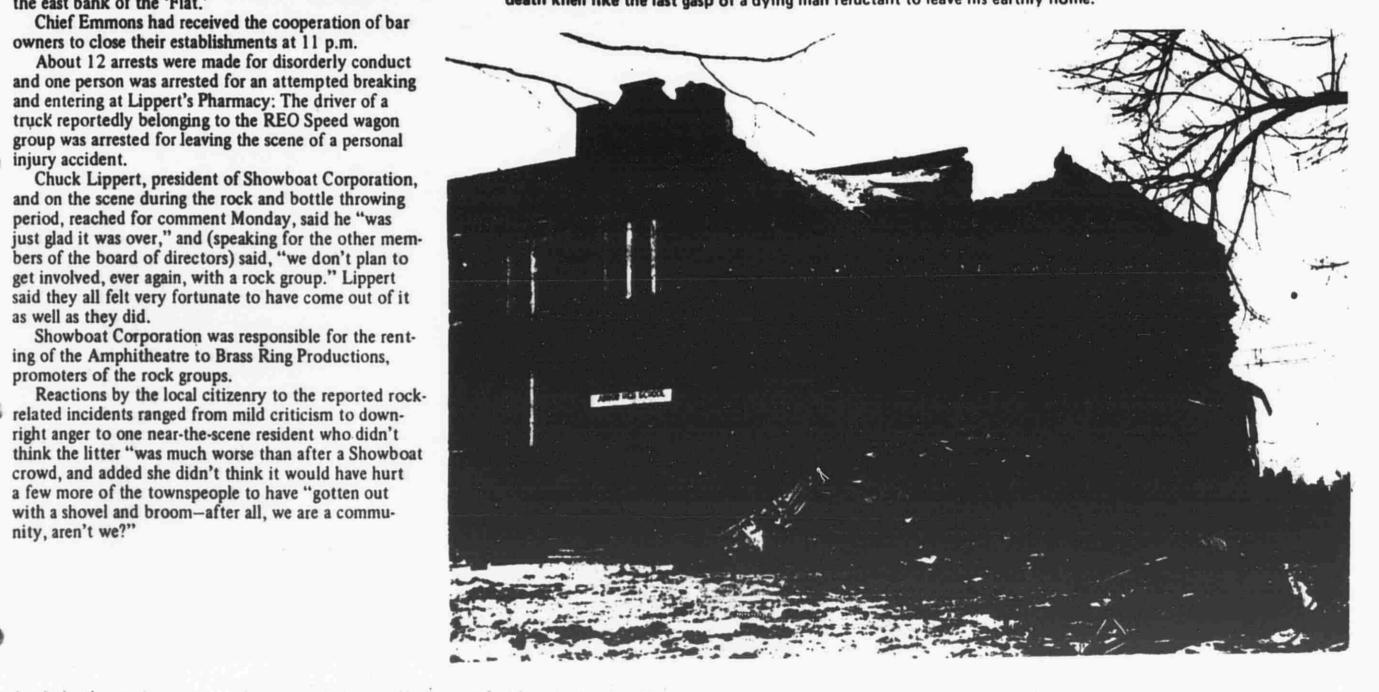
Jan. 10, 1974

The Past Buried In Rubble



Memories were evoked in the minds of many as they passed the site of the old Lowell High School and watched the walls come tumbling down. Whether they were happy memories or otherwise, they are now but a part of the past, buried in the rubble of brick and mortar.

At exactly 1:35 p.m. on December 28, 1973, the old school bell rang for the last time, tolling its own death knell like the last gasp of a dying man reluctant to leave his earthly home.



Debris from demolished mobile home is

Saturday's storm caused inconvenience and

a lot of clean-up work, but, thankfully, no tra-

A fence and sidewalk heave from the force

of an uprooted tree.

scattered along roadside and across fields, car-

ried by the heavy winds which hit the Lowell

area early Saturday morning.

UNEXPECTED STORM HURLS HIGH WINDS OVER LOWELL C

The sun came out Saturday, briefly, but it did little to lighten the spirits of Lowell area residents as they were cleaning up the aftermath of a tornadic-like storm that hit this area shortly after mid-night Friday.

While most area residents slept, or were gathered before the boob-tube engrossing themselves in the late movie featuring Elvis Presley in "Jailhouse Rock," the outside temperatures rose to an all-time record high of 57, and winds estimated to be gusting at 60 miles per hour, or more, swept the southern part of Michigan. Some January thaw!

According to the National Weather Bureau Service, the disasterous happening was the side effects of a major storm centered over Lake Superior that hurled high winds to the east and heavy snow and blizzard condions to the west.

During the storm's rampage, buildings were demolished or heavily damaged, mobile homes overturned, trees uprooted, and utility poles were snapped, leaving many homes without heat or lights.

No major injuries were recorded here, where the area was deemed the hardest hit in the Kent County radius. About one-third of the City was immobilized from 12:48 a.m. until 6 p.m. when the electrical current was completely restored.

Many businesses on the West side of the City found themselves closed for business Saturday as the Lowell Light and Power crews worked diligently to replace the downed power lines, re-enforce power poles, and remove trees hindering the electrical travel-ways.

Citizens left without power congregated at the high school or spent the day with friends who were fortunate enough not to be affected by the storm.

Just Jesting . . .

Considerable damage was done to the roof and chimney at the George Dey residence on Lincoln Lake Avenue when an uprooted tree hit the residence.

Teenagers watching the late show, heard what sounded as though the chimney was falling in. One of them remarked, in jest, "Oh, it's probably a tree falling!" not knowing how right she was. One occupant of the

household is said to have slept through all the excite-

Night owls and early morning risers were surprised to find streets blocked and the west side of town in darkness when they returned home or planned to de. their grocery shopping?

fast at Keiser's Kitchen, found there was to be no 'hot' coffee or the sizzle of bacon and eggs.

Out-Of-Order? . . .

wasn't getting any heat and learned the cause as he

Those attending the fish fry at the Lowell Masonic

One plus result of the storm was the wind-fall of wood garnered by the felled trees for fire places or wood-burning stoves. A nice savings at today's prices for a cord of wood, but only if the tree that provided the wood did not cave in your roof.

Bundled up in heavy winter attire, the crew at the Lowell Post Office sorted the mail with the aid of four gasoline lanterns, ensuring the day's deliveries.

Many residents reported uprooted trees, on both sides of town, fences were lifted from their stationary spots and windows were shattered.

A barn at the Groen farm on Bowes Road was leveled when the walls collapsed and the roof fell down on the foundation. Several cars parked at the Nelson Stormzand residence on Main Street were heavily damaged when a tree made its thundering landing.

area was on 36th Street, owned by William Eggleston, where the winds twisted a mobile home off its setting, tipping it over. A major part of the porch was torn off the Eggleston home, and debris of all kinds sidelined 36th Street as the storm moved on.

The Franciscan Sisters reported the loss of their barn





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Saturday, those whose day is started with break-

One Lowell resident, Dave Carter, kept turning up his electric blanket during the night, wondering why he shivered and stumbled out of bed in the morning.

Lodge Saturday evening dined by candlelight until pow-

One of the homes hardest hit in the rural Lowell

on Downs Road, north of Lowell.



Several cars were damaged by fallen trees but, fortunately, there were no reported personal injuries.

A bird house rests precariously but survived its ride earthward.

Ledger Has New Editor



This week, editorship of the "Ledger" changes as Carol Sebastian, who has served the paper in several capacities for many years turns the reins of editor and publisher over to Roger K. Brown of Saranac.

As you have probably noticed, the paper's name has been changed to "The Grand Valley Ledger". This has been done due to the fact that from now on news coverage and circulation will be extended into the Saranac area and rather than isolate the name to any one community, Mr. Brown feels it would be better to generalize the name.

Mr. Brown comes to the "Ledger" well qualified, having spent his entire life in the family publishing business. He graduated from Saranac High School in 1968 and attended a course in Printing Technology at Ferris State College for one year. In 1970 he enlisted in the U. S.

Army and served overseas with I Corps in Korea.

He is married to the former Terese Powell, also a graduate of Saranac High School. Mrs. Brown attended Central Michigan University for two years, specializing in business.

The couple have two children, a girl, Angela, 2, and an infant son Casey. They currently reside at 393 S. Bridge Street,

Nov. 20, 1975

Borgerson's Death Shocks Community

his untimely death.

Prominent Lowell businessman and leader, Norman E. Borgerson of 219 North Washington Street, passed away Friday, November 14, very unexpectedly at Butterworth Hospital in Grand Rapids at the age of

A native of Suttons Bay, he was a graduate of Eastern Michigan University and a member of the Michigan State Constabulary, the forerunner of the Michigan State Police.

After Army service during World War I, he came to Lowell as a school teacher. He became postmaster and served from 1923 to 1935 when he went to Lansing with the Michigan Department of Public Instruction.

Borgerson was appointed the director of the first high school teacher's driving training institute, held in Lansing in 1938, and directed 24 of the institutes during the next 15 years. At one

time, it was estimated that the program which Borgerson had started resulted in the training of nearly 500,000 driver education students in the State of Michigan.

Borgerson was also a key figure in the establishment of the 1955 Michigan legislation which required that all persons under 18 years of age complete an accredited driver training course before obtaining a driver's license.

Under President Dwight Eisenhower, Borgerson was a member of the White House Commission on Safety and was a member of the National Safety Council for many years.

He retired from the State scene in February of 1960 as deputy state superintendent of Public Instruction and entered the antique business with his wife. Leona, which was originally started in 1939.

They operated the Cranberry Urn Shop on Lowell's East Main Street and maintained a wholesale antique outlet in the building formerly occupied by the First Baptist Church of Lowell. Together, they traveled worldwide collecting and selling antiques until her death in January of 1973. After that time, he was very active in the business until

In 1932, "Norm" was among the group of directors of the Lowell Board of Trade considering the advisability of putting on a Showboat Minstrel show on the Flat River. As momentum grew, the first show went on stage in August of that year. In 1933 at'a joint meeting of the village government, Lowell Board of Trade and the American Legion, it was voted unanimously to make Showboat a vearly event and Norm was elected as the show's general

manager, a position he maintained until the 1960's.

Also, the year 1932, saw Norm head the Lowell Centennial program, plus he headed almost every Lowell organization including the Board of Trade and the American Legion.

Besides his many Showboat activities. Norm was very active in the Lowell Rotary Club, being a charter member, and served the organization in almost every

Norm is survived by one son, Dr. Norman E. Borgerson. DDS, of Ann Arbor; two brothers, Raymond of Lowell and Harold of Higgins Lake; three sisters, Mrs. Evelyn Elko of Lowell, Miss Florence Borgerson and Mrs. Hazel Axford, both of Greenbush, Michigan;

and three grandchildren. If one searched for a lifetime, they'd never be able to find the adequate words that would give full credit to all of the accomplishments Norm Borgerson made to the community of Lowell.

A great man of many talents, he paved the road for many projects and organizations. He filied many shoes, which will be hard to fill, and he will be greatly missed by everyone in every walk of life.

June 3, 1976

Intriguing Memories Hidden Behind The Walls of The Strand

"Stately stands the trees we pass every day . . . never missed until taken away."

Three years before the Village of 'Lowell celebrated its centennial year. Harvey J. Callier built a structure in Lowell that, when completed, was heralded all over the state as "Michigan's Most Beautiful Small Theatre.

Today, the structure still stands on Lowell's West Main Street, partially filled with memories of a by-gone era when a night at the movie house was the only form of exciting enter-

been altered in the way of things to do, but the Strand continues its role in the community . . . and today is the only remaining small town indoor theatre in Kent County, outside of the metropolitan Grand Rapids

Callier who visualized the need for such a facility in a growing area, had originally planned to build the Strand in Saranac. The basement was laid, on the site which now houses the post office, but technical snags were met, forcing its removal to Lowell.

When Callier's "Strand" officially opened on June 12, 1928, it housed 514 opera chairs, a domed ceiling, shutter-sound

controlled organ loft, a stage curtain detailed with local advertising, and four dressing rooms in the basement.

One "star's" dressing room was installed at stage level, and another above stage level had an arched ceiling and a small window over-looking the stage and parts of the auditorium.

The back portion of the building four stories high, held the fly loft, and a unique system of controls, ropes and sand bags, for the scenery and curtain

Found in the second story above the main lobby area were several offices; one for a lawyer, a beauty salon, and the manage-

The pages of history tell us the first 'grand opening' showing was: pictures, illustrated news, comedy and a newspaper drama "Telling the World," introducing scenes of Chinese riots. The entertainment concluded with a vaudeville act put on by a quartet of dancing girls.

One year later, in 1929, the Strand became known as the "Home of Vitaphone talking Pictures.

The flavor of New York style premiers blended into this small village as Mrs. Bill Havsmer fought the heat of the organ loft to produce the music for soloists

such as Orrin Sterken, who pre-empted for the stage action.

All grandeur broke loose when celebraties made personal appearances, such as Laurel and Hardy, Daisy and Violet Hilton, the famous Siamese twins, joined at the hip, and, a little later the WLS Barn Dance from Chicago.

It was during the early 1930's that action on the screen began to overpower the live stage entertainment . . . people began to become more enthralled with the quick action of stars like Conrad Nagel, Douglas Fairbanks, Gloria Swanson, Eddie Cantor, Wallace Beery, Jackie Cooper, etc.

George Roberts, now assistant Lowell Postmaster, who

once had the fever of theatre life in his veins, worked for Callier, and recalls that there were four changes of shows a week: Sunday-Monday, Tuesday-Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday-Saturday.

"Tony Kropf, Bud Myers, Clark Morse and myself kept things moving along, working at the theatre. It was a good experience.

Two years before the adorable Shirley Temple began to charm the audiences, Lowell High School's Class of 1935 held their graduation exercises in the Strand; the only class to do so.

The Strand stage was also used for high school plays, when the village hall was being used by other groups.

The dressing room walls, today, still are etched with such names as Bill Doyle 1935, Ann Rodgers, Margaret Niles, Herb Reynolds 1935. Bob Henry 1939, Joe Heil, Pauline Christoff, Judy Hank, Bud Myers, Kay, Marion and Maxine.

In 1940, the thermostatically controlled organ was returned to the Page Co. and the last of the live stage shows were held.

The depression years saw the introduction of "Screeno" and "Bank Night," games similar to today's bingo, which drew standing room only crowds; some staying only long enough to try for the jackpot prize which could range anywhere from \$25 to \$200 dollars.



Feb. 10, 1977

Lowell City Council

The February 7 meeting of

the Lowell City Council was a

long one that covered no less

Item number four, which was

a request from Sr. Neighbors,

Inc. for financial help from the

city, was debated for roughly 45

minutes. A representative of

Senior Neighbors, Inc. said that

\$8,000 was needed for opera-

tions over the next eight

According to the representa-

tive, \$6,000 had been raised

from a local fund, and the city

was requested to put up the

other \$2,000. The shortage of

operating funds has come about

because of the county not pro-

viding adequate monies for this

The representative said that

she was quite sure that this

budget deficit would be remedi-

ed at the county level for next

After looking over the Cen-

year's operations.

year's operations.

than 18 agenda items.

City To Help Fund

Senior Neighbors, Inc.

Bonds Are Signed For Water Treatment Plant

Representatives from the State and Federal governments joined Lowell city officials Wednesday. June 30, in the completion of the financial arrangements for the new municipal water treatment plant.

The \$1,390,000 project is financed with local funds on hand and a low-interest Farmers Home Administration loan in the amount of \$1,310,000. Mayor Robert Christiansen signed the bonds prior to the loan

The new plant is the major part of the three-step project to provide Lowell residents with what city officials describe as "water as soft as Lake Michi-

Quada reviewed his sugges-

tions for porposed changes in

the city's traffic ordinance. A

permit system for persons who

must park on city streets from 2

a.m. thru 6 a.m. is one of the

major items in the ordinance

change. A public hearing on the

The Planning Commission

proposed to the City Council

that city property on Gee Dr. be

designated as a park. The

council tabled action on this

until it is determined if any of

the property will be used on the

proposed Gee Dr. to Main St.

connector road. This will save

the problem of having to rezone

Jackson Motor Sales, as the

low bidder, was awarded the

contract of a new police cruiser.

The council approved installa-

tion of air conditioning in the

The council approved a res-

olution setting March 7 as a date

for a public hearing concerning

a request from Attwood Corp.

for industrial facilities exemp-

In the city manager's report

Quada stated that the D.P.W,

had finally de-thawed all of the

frozen water lines in the city

Quada also said that the city's

new radio system was ready to

be shipped and that Motorola

was waiting to hear from the

F.C.C. for approval of Lowell's

request for a frequency.

the property if it is needed.

ary 21, 1977.

gan." City Manager Ray Quada explained that the water in the big lake is of very good quality and is frequently used as the standard for Michigan com-

The new plant will have a capacity of 1.75 million gallons per day, and is estimated to be sufficient to service the city until the year 1995.

in addition to the plant, the total project includes the development of three new, high volume wells, some additional water mains and a new storage tank to assure an adequate flow in case of an emergency such as a major fire.

According to Quada, the project is scheduled for completion

New Mains

Quada also announced that construction on the new mains would begin Thursday. The pipe will be installed on the north side of Bowes Road from the plant site to Schneider Manor through the apartment complex to the intersection of Grand and Brook Streets.

Construction will continue on Brook and Amity Streets between Grand and Main. The last installation will be a 12" main from Jefferson Street up to the elevated storage tank.

He also stated that every

effort had been made to avoid tearing up the new streets. "Most of the construction is along unimproved streets and private easements.

We do have crossings at three places along Bowes Road and two on Brook Street, but we will pay close attention to the repair of the pavement so that the surface will remain in good condition.

The construction of the mains is expected to take about 30

Aug. 26, 1976

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Looking Back.. through the years 1973-1982

by Marc Popiolek Contributing Writer

The seventies brought the end to the war in Vietnam and the beginning of cable TV, an energy crisis and the Gus Macker Tournament.

The Gus Macker of today was started in the driveway of Scott McNeal in 1973. The tournament would not get much press coverage until 1976, but would grow to such

large numbers it would have to move to a new site by the end of this decade.

The energy crisis would grip not only the country but also the Lowell area. The Ledger was filled with articles and ads explaining the best way to save energy and why it is needed. The crisis included rationing electricity and gasoline. Lines would form at many local gas stations be-

cause of the shortage.

The showboat made news several times. Vandalism played a big part in the history of the showboat. On Halloween night 1976 the showboat was damaged severly due to a fire. Also at this time a new amphitheater was constructed

The weather was not kind to citizens with major storms hitting the area in the summer as well as the winter. The centuries worst blizzard crippled the city in 1978.

and our future employees.

And finally, the cooperation

by local officials, and especially

the Grand Rapids Area Cham-

ber of Commerce played a major

role in our decision. Bill Doyle

and Tony Jarrett were always

ready with the right information

when we needed it, and they

helped us every step of the

William Dovle is vice presi-

dent of Union Bank and Trust

Co. and serves on the Chamber

Board. He is also chairman of

the Chamber's Metropolitan

Area Economic Committee and

a past chairman of the Cham-

ber's Business Development

Commerce.

Cable TV was introduced in the late 70's and by 1982 Lowell's Light and Power Company was given the right to operate the Lowell's Cable system.

The Ledger went through some major changes, first a new editor, Roger Brown was named and then the Ledger scaled down in size. In the following decade it would change its name back to the Lowell Ledger instead of the Grand Valley Ledger.

"We wanted to set up opera-Fourth, we are assured of tions as quickly as possible. adequate housing for ourselves

> The plant occupies 15,000 sq. ft., with 100,000 sq. ft. of outside storage area surround-

Principals in the new firm and their credentials are: Donald J. Deltrick: President, Bachelor of

Plant Metallurgist, 21 years Manager of a large Commerical

Anthony Jarrett is director of economic development for the Grand Rapids Area Chamber of

The Chamber's first contact with Michigan Wire was in April, 1976, the firm looked at several sites before selecting

igan; 7 years experience as

Donald R. Fizer: Vice President and Plant Manager, 8 years

Former Ledger Editor **Harold Jefferies Dies**

Funeral services are being scheduled to be held this Thursday afternoon, July 14, at the First Congregational Church of Lowell, at 2 p.m. for Harold Francis Jefferies, former editor and publisher of the Lowell

Ledger for 20 years, and Lowell City Councilman. Mr. Jefferies, 60, of 504

Lincoln Lake Avenue, Lowell, died suddenly Sunday afternoon, July 10, enroute to a Traverse City Hospital, after

suffering an apparent heart attack at his cottage on Torch Lake, where he was vacationing with his family. Dr. Richard Greenwood of the First Congregational Church of

Lowell will officiate at the services, and interment will follow in Lowell's Oakwood Cemetery. The son of Newton and Fran-

ces (Peer) Beech, he was born August 24, 1916, in Jackson, Michigan. He came to Lowell in 1930, when his father, Remmick Jefferies, bought the Lowell Ledger. He graduated from Lowell High School in 1934. He studied journalism at

Grand Rapids Junior College and served with the Army Press Corps in Japan in 1945, as a correspondent for the "Stars and Stripes.

He became managing editor of the Ledger in 1948, and took over the ownership of the business upon the death of Mr. Jefferies in 1953.

When he sold the newspaper in 1968, he became a right-of-

Deitrick said, "and that required an existing building.

Chemical Engineering Degree University of Detroit: Master of Science in Metallurgical Engineering, University of Mich-

Heat Treating operation which included facilities for annealing, pickling, lime coating and phosphate coating of bar coil stock.

experience as Superintendent of

Cold Extrusion operation, including coating line, 6 years Manager of a phosphate coating and plating plant.

way buyer for the Kent County

Road Commission, a position he

held for seven years. For the

past year, he has worked part-

time for the Department of

Public Works as a right-of-way

his community in many capaci-

ties. He served on the Lowell

City Council from 1968 to 1977;

serving a one year term (1970-

71) as mayor. He was the

council's representative on the

Lowell City Planning Commis-

Besides being on the Board of

Directors of the Lowell Savings

and Loan Association, he was a

member of the First Congrega-

tional Church of Lowell, having

served as a trustee for six years

He was a former member of

the Lowell Board of Trade,

serving as its president in 1955,

and was a past member of the

Lowell Rotary Club, Lowell

Moose Lodge, the Michigan

Press Association, and the

Clark-Ellis American Legion

For many years, he was

publicity chairman and secre-

tary of the Board for the Lowell

He is survived by his wife, the

former Florence Kidder whom

he married on June 20, 1963;

and two sons, Kirk of Ports-

mouth, Virginia and Scot, of

Post 152 of Lowell.

Kalamazoo.

and a deacon for seven years.

sion from 1970 to 1975.

Besides his work, Jeff served

Wire Processing Company * Sets Up Operation Here

coating of bar coil stock are

among the present services

In the near future, Deitrick

expects to add annealing and

phosphate coating of bar coil

stock to his list of customer

offered by the new company.

Michigan Wire Processing Company, Incorporated, specialists in the storage and processing of hot rolled bar coil stock, announced recently that it was establishing its new manufacturing operation in a 15,000 sq. ft. facility in Lowell, 138 Water Street

The announcement was made by the company president, Donald J. Deitrick, who said his firm will begin operations with six employees. He expects that number to increase to 12 within four months, and to 20 within 14 months, depending on sales.

> Michigan Wire Processing was incorporated on May 28, 1976, to service the cold heading industries. Pickling and lime

"We are in a position to receive and store hot rolled bar coil stock," he said, "and then

process it to the customer's requirements. This service greatly reduces the inventory and handling costs of our customers because they no longer will need the large amount of inside storage space previously

"We are basically a customer

Second, the Lowell site gives us a suitable existing building and the assurance of sufficient utilities to meet our current and future requirements.

service operation. We service

Michigan, Ohio, Indiana and

Deitrick cited several factors

that were instrumental in his

firm's decision to locate in the

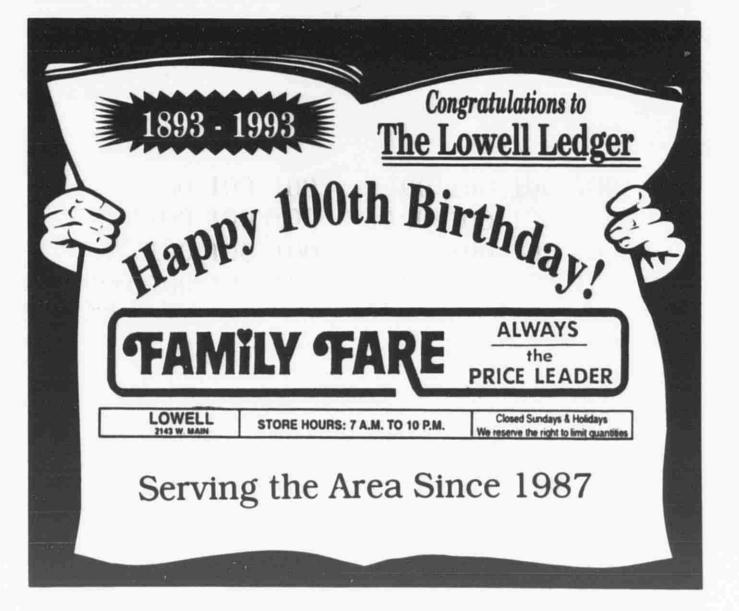
"First", he said, "the Grand

Rapids area offers us a good

geographical base for our opera-

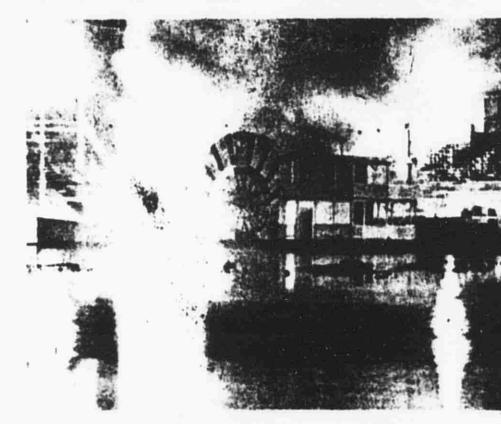
Grand Rapids region.

Third, the Grand Rapids area has an excellent labor climate and good workers.



Three Arsonists Arrested

Halloween Far From Quiet In Lowell



the stars," each summer, was the target of arsonists early Sunday morning. The camera of amateur photographer Paul Miller of Riverside Drive recorded the fire, just after it broke out.

one adult and two juveniles on arson charges stemming from fires set within the City limits.

About 12:30 a.m. (October 31) a fire broke out in the lower section of the Lowell Showboat.

Street, where 10 large boats were in winter storage. Damage to the structure and contents may go as high as \$65,000.

with flammables.

Nov. 6, 1977

The State Fire Marshall, and confessions by those arrested. confirmed earlier suspicions by officers that the fires were set

Lowell firemen were quick to

respond, but Showboat officials

predict that this act of arson has

A second fire, set by the

arsonists, was discovered in the

Dairy Barn at the Lowell 4-H

Fairgrounds on South Hudson

caused well over \$3,000 in

those persons involved is pending further investigation, and the possibility of more arrests." Police Chief Barry Emmons

"Release of the names of

While the little kids were out trick or treating, as usual, seemingly unconcerned about the miserable rain and cold, the Lowell Police were kept busy squelching minor incidents, and investigating destructive acts of major concern.

The Lowell Showboat, which houses the "minstrel show under

Things were far from quiet Saturday night and early Sunday morning (Halloween) in Lowell, as a small group of youths from the city and surrounding areas showed all their finer points of upbringing when they staged a display of destruc-

Lowell officers have arrested

docked on the Flat River, adjacent to the Riverside School on North Monroe Street. 1893 - 1993

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ter's budget Councilman Harold Jefferies noted that about \$2,-000 would cover the annual rent and utilities for the center. It was also brought out that other out-county cities such as Grandville and South Kent were furnishing a building and utilities for their Senior Neighbors operations, with the rest of the operating funds for these centers coming from the county.

Jefferies questioned the fact that with \$6,000 coming from this unnamed local fund and \$2,000 from the city, Lowell's center would not be aided at all by the county. City Manager Ray Quada

suggested that the city fund \$250 per month for a period of sixty days and in that time he would check into the matter and provide more details to the council. This was made a motion and approved by the council.

A public hearing was held concerning the city's application for 1977 community block grant funds. Quada stated that the city planned to apply for funds for; city parking lot improvement, land purchases west of Valley Vista for a Gee Dr. to Main St. connector road, community center improvement, and recreational park improvements. There were no comments from the audience and the hearing was closed.

Put Into Operation On Tuesday

Early Tuesday morning valves were opened and Low-ell'sinew 1.3 million dollar water. treatment plant began pumping

Feb. 10, 1977

What's A "Cozy Corner"

It all started when my wife bought me a roll top desk as a gift. I moved it into my broom closet sized office, and as I always did with my old desk, I began filling and covering it with exchange papers, catalogs, memorandums, etc.

When past editor and publisher of the Ledger, Harold Jefferies say the new junk covered roll top desk in my tiny office, he immediately commented, "that looks just like Uncle Marcus' Cozy

"Who is Uncle Marcus, and what is this cozy corner business."

Jefferies explained that his father bought the Ledger from E. M. (Uncle Marcus) Johnson in 1930. At the time Johnson was running the Ledger, the office was on the main floor of the Lowell Moose Lodge. The front door of the building was inset from the sidewalk which created a small office at the front of the building. This office was sided on two sides with glass and open to the rear of the building, in it sat Johnson's junk covered roll top desk and the area was dubbed "Uncle Marcus' Cozy Corner."

Jefferies went on about Uncle Marcus. It seems that he was a fiesty, holier-than-thou fellow who was forever taking a jab at someone, especially the editor of the rival "Lowell Journal."

On occasion a citizen would take offense to Uncle Marcus' comments, and disrupt the tranquilty of the cozy corner. For the purpose of quelling such disturbances. Uncle Marcus kept a baseball bat next to his junk covered roll top desk.

So, as coincidence would have it, Jefferies ran across a 1928 vintage picture of Uncle Marcus in his cozy corner. The picture appeared in a thirty-fifth anniversary supplement to the Ledger. and Jefferies stumbled upon it only a week after the subject of Uncle Marcus' Cozy Corner came up.

So, here it is, Uncle Marcus' Cozy Corner . . .



Why all this carrying on about Uncle Marcus' Cozy Corner? I have owned the Ledger for over a year now, and for that year, I have been promising myself to start writing a weekly column. Newspaper columns require a heading that should say something about the columnist, such as; "LaBelle at Large" by Tom LaBelle; "Stiff Lip" by Cary P. Stiff, Jr., etc. My problem was, what do you do with a name like Roger Brown? This cozy corner thing has fascinated me, so, being short on originality I have decided to steal Uncle Marcus' "Cozy Corner." Good, bad or otherwise you will see this heading in the Ledger every week . . .



corner

By Roger Brown

The heading will be followed by hopefully, an interesting comment on this, that or the other thing. If you happen to take offense to something that I might say in the column, please don't bring a baseball bat when you come to see me about it because, unlike Uncle Marcus, I won't have one.

water to the residents of the City. Water from the new plant on Bowes Road is promised to be as soft as the water in Lake Michigan.

Dave Jansen, water plant operator stated Monday that the plant is softening the water to

about 6 to 8 grains of hardness which he said is about the same level of hardness achieved with most home water softening un-

The raw well water is softened by pumping it into the plant's huge clarifier where lime and alum are added. The chemicals then react with the hard elements in the water and precipitate to the bottom and are

removed as a sludge. Following detention in the clarifier the water then goes into two-layered filters. The top laver is charcoal for the removal of taste and odors, the bottom layer is a fine grade of sand and gravel. The water is chlorinated as a final protection and stored in a 500,000 gallon storage tank on the plant site.

As it is needed, the water is pumped to the City's old 500,-000 gallon storage tank atop reservoir hill and at the same time the new storage tank will be replenished by the treatment plant. The use of both storage tanks should supply all the City's current needs, even on peak usage days in the summer nonths. The treatment plant is capable of supplying yet another storage tank should the city grow to the point where more

water is needed. Construction on the project began a year ago after City residents approved a bond ref-

erendum on the project, which is financed entirely with local funds. The Farmers Home Administration provided low-interest loan funds for the bonds. Williams and Works of Grand Rapids are the consulting engineers. Triangle Associates Inc. of Grand Rapids are the contractors on the new plant; Globe Industrial Contractors constructed the ground storage tank and Reigler Well Drilling

Company of Muskegon are the contractors on the new wells. As was pointed out previously

in the Ledger, "Lowell water customers will probably experience some inconveniences during the changeover from the old system to the new." Following is a list of things that water customers can expect and some pointers that may help you in this transition period. You may want to clip this section for future references:

DURING CHANGEOVER PER-IOD WATER WILL BE RUSTY! 1. NEVER TURN HOT WA-TER ON FIRST!!! Turn cold water on and allow to run until

2. Before washing clothes, allow water to run in at least two locations in the home until it is

3. If you do not presently have a water conditioner in the home, experiment with varying amounts of laundry detergent to avoid the possibility of over-

4. If you have a water conditioner in your home, check with your manufacturer's representative to determine whether or not changes should be made in settings or chemicals.



Councilman Art Warning, City Manager Ray Quada, and Mayor Robert Christiansen ceremoniously "turn on the water", from Lowell's new water treatment plant.

5. If mains are being flushed in your area of the city, turn an outside faucet on to help keep rust and other solids out of your internal plumbing.

6. Check pipes frequently for leaks, particularly where slow leaks have occurred in the past.

7. Avoid the use of outside sprinklers, particularly if the spray comes in contact with buildings or structures.

AFTER TRANSITION IS COM-PLETE

1. Depending upon the condition of your internal plumbing, i.e. deposits of rust and iron bacteria, weeks or months may be required before those particles cease being released in your water. Continue to observe the suggestions above.

2. Pay close attention to water softeners and conditioners. As the pipes are cleaned of debris, you may be able to adjust chemical feeds and salt

3. Continue to observe pipes for leakage and repair immedi-

4. Watch for increased water pressure which may cause line ruptures. While the pressure will not increase as a result of new construction, those homes where lines are currently clogged should receive greater pressure as debris flakes off inside existing plumbing.

The City has begun an aggressive flushing operation that will expedite the removal of rust and scale from the water mains. Within a few weeks, or if the mains in your neighborhood and your internal plumbing are in particularly bad shape perhaps a few months from now, Lowell's sometimes smelly, usually rusty and always hard water will be only a memory.

May 19, 1977

Arie's Era Ends With Retirement

After serving hundreds of homes and families in Lowell for nearly 48 years, Arie Leeman of 1115 East Main Street, retired April 1, thus ending the days of homemilk deliveries in Lowell.

"Arie" born, raised and schooled in McBain, Michigan, came to Lowell in 1929, after reading a help wanted newspaper advertisement.

He came here in September. applied for the job at Highland Hill Dairy, owned by Neil Cameron, and started to work immediately.

"At that time," Arie recalls, "there were five dairies serving Lowell-Highland Hill, Melody Farms, Ryder's, Fuss' and Speerstra's."

In 1940, the Leemans, Arie and his wife. Ruby, took over the ownership of Highland Hill. Until the early 1950's, the staff at Highland Hill Dairy milked their own cows and did their own processing. "it was at

this point," Arie explained, that all small dairies around the country were either consolidating or disappearing."

Down through the years, helping the Leeman's around the house and in the dairy were

Lowell Has Treated Water . 19 Area Residents Are Shovelling Out, Following Century's Worst Blizzard

The worst blizzard in history slammed into Michigan last Thursday, shutting down entire towns as fierce 60 mile per hour winds blew up to 10 foot drifts in

An avalanche of emergency declarations fell from county and municipal governments as the blizzard conditions closed schools, offices, factories, airports, stores, government buildings and highways.

The snow began accumulat ing rapidly shortly before 10 p.m. Wednesday and continued to pile up through the night Area residents found themselves virtually "snowed-in" when they awoke Thursday morning. Before the day ended and the snow had subsided. was time to start digging out.

And dig they did; most residents finding themselves totally unprepared for winter's savage attack. Most households inadequately supplied with groceries. made desperate attempts to find a grocery store open or someone with transporation to buck the drifts to get them there.

When they did reach a store, they were lucky to pick up what they needed, for groceries were limited, due to the inability of delivery trucks getting through. Items that went the fastest according to area grocery store owners were beer, cigarettes, milk and bread.

About four a.m. Friday morning a 75-100 foot section of roof over a hallway in the east wing next to the gymnasium, at the Lowell Middle School collapsed under the weight of the snow, breaking the hot water pipes and extensively flooding the building. The mishap was not discovered until around 8 a.m. leaving a four hour period for the water to run.

Drifts in excess of six feet covered the area where the roof came down, and the damaged area was filled with approximately three inches of watery slush caused from the heat from the gymnasium wall.

Donald Kelly, Superintendent of Schools, said Monday the damage was covered by insurance, but predicted that the insurance company would more than likely file a lawsuit against architects, engineers and others involved in the construction of the building four years ago.

The damaged area has been reconstructed, as of Monday, with the steel beams intact, the deck on and waiting for the roofers. The steamfitters, according to Kelly hoped to have the heat back on Monday, although it will be some time before air and electrical repairs will be completed. "Possibly within two weeks the collapsed area will be back in use."

"No exact dollar value has been put on the amount of damage to date," Kelly said. He complimented the city's DPW department, bus drivers, teachers, and other volunteers who worked to clear the area of snow and debris."

Lowell city crews began snow removal efforts Wednesday night shortly after the snow started to fall and logged nearly 200 overtime manhours in its effort to stay ahead of the blizzard.

By midday Thursday, it was apparent that keeping northsouth streets open would require all the available equipment. No attempts were made until Friday morning to reopen east-west streets. Lowell City Manager Ray

Quada reported Monday that the total cost of the City's snow removal efforts is not yet known, but it is expected to have a significant impact on the budgeted amount for handling snow removal throughout the

City crews will continue their efforts to remove snow from parking lots and areas of high traffic concentration. "Much to the dismay of many

homeowners who have shoveled their driveways," Quada explained, "the city crews will be widening the streets to allow adequate traffic movements and consequently plugging drive entrances."

Vehicle owners are being asked "not" to leave their cars

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and trucks on the streets during the upcoming weeks, so as not

to hamper cleanup efforts. The old adage that the "mail must go through" didn't prove to be right this time, as no incoming mail was received at the Lowell Post office from

Thursday a.m. until Sunday

living in the rural area, Bill

Condon, made it in on his

evening. In-town carriers able to walk to work Thursday morning made it to the post office on Broadway Street, and only one carrier

heavy-duty farm tractor. From Thursday until Monday, there were no rural mail deliveries, with only limited service being made in the business district of the city.

NO MAKE-UP

In a decision handed down by the State Board of Educ. Monday, it was announced that school districts closed due to the storm, would not be required to make up the lost days at the end of the school year.

"Throughout the whole ordeal, there was a tremendous effort by everyone involved," explained Lowell Chief of Police Emmons. "We met every emergency situation that arose." A shuttle service was set up and with the help of snowmobilers, 4-wheelers, private contractors, the street department, reserve officers, and the rescue unit.

"The situation became a little tough when we were called upon to evacuate a man from the Montcalm Road area who had to be transported to the hospital." Several emergency vehicles got bogged down in giant drifts, before the man was hauled by horseback into an area where emergency vehicles could reach him. The rescue unit was called out four times during the storm.

"There's so many people to thank for their cooperation, that if I started mentioning them, one by one, I'd leave someone out," Emmons said. "I do extend my thanks to everyone who came to the aid of those stranded, snowed in, and pitched in to avoid any type of tragedies."

One of the vital suppliers to many homes in the area, Norgas Propane Company on Lowell's

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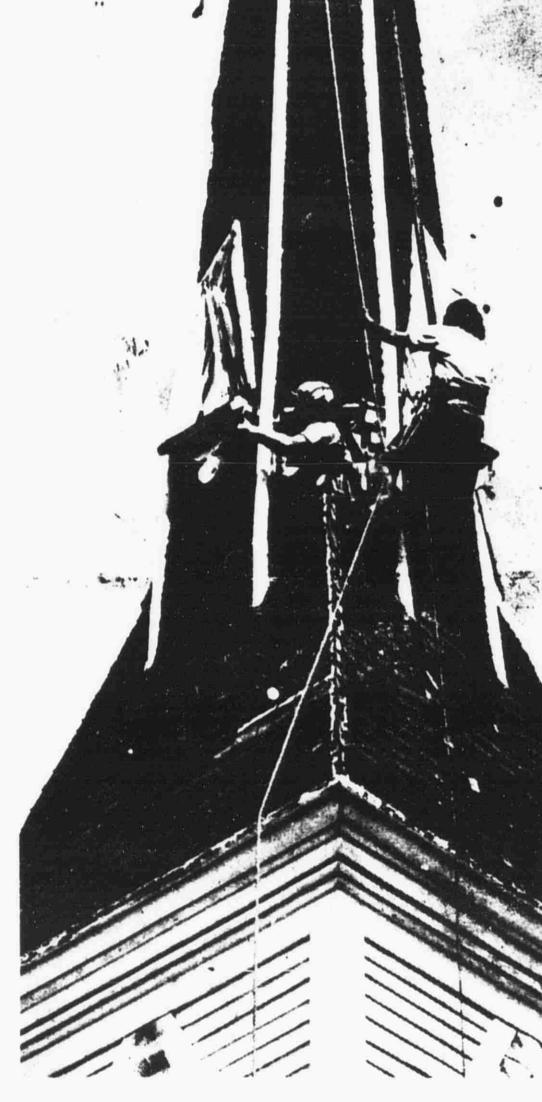
West Main Street, started digging their trucks out late Thursday afternoon, getting the job accomplished by Friday. Back on the road, they worked all day Saturday and Sunday to reach the customers in-need.

People in Saranac were found digging themselves out Friday and supplies at area super-

markets were holding up fairly well, according to Max Tullis, Village President.

As of Friday afternoon, Tullis indicated the village had received no reports of any serious problems and that streets were open with "snow removal people doing a tremendous

Lightning Hits; Steeple Damaged



The steeple of the Lowell St. Mary's Catholic Church was torn down Wednesday, June 28. The steeple struck by lightning, was severely damaged during a thunderstorm the previous Sunday evening or early Monday morning. For safety reasons it was imperative that the steeple either be

Father Richard Lawle, pastor of the church, said that the decision was made to demolish the steeple ir view of the fact that the church hopes to begin construction on a new building in the near future. The church on Lincoln Lake Avenue, was dedicated in June 1879 and was constructed at a total cost

Storm Rips Through Lowell

At precisely 4:30 a.m. on Saturday, August 19, a tornado, or at the very least, an incredibly strong wind struck at the very heart of Lowell. As the sun rose, residents stared in disbelief at their beloved Showboat which lay in splinters atop its own dock and stage. The huge steeple that has graced the Methodist Church for over one hundred years lay in the church yard. Everywhere lay mammoth shade trees, limbs, electrical wires, and debris of every description.

Miraculously ... virtually no injuries were reported, the only exception

known to the Ledger were minor cuts and bruises suffered by the occupants of a mobile home which was tipped over by the storm. Everywhere were close calls, if this tree had tipped that way, or if the steeple had toppled the other way or if they hadn't gotten up to close the windows. Nearly everyone in the section of the city battered worst by the storm begins their recount of the ordeal with "thank God .

The people of Lowell may have been lucky, but the property did not fare so well. The single most expensive bit of destruction dealt out by the storm was of course the famous Lowell Showboat. According to boat maintenance chairman Jim Hall, the boat must have been lifted to a considerable height (15-20 feet) and then flipped upside-down to rest on the concrete stage. Needless to say, the Showboat is in splinters and if replaced, will have to be done so board-by-board. Initial cost estimates a new Showboat range from fifty to sixty thousand dollars. The Showboat is not (M-21) east out of town for at practical.

of the Showboat. A workday is most places. scheduled for this Saturday. There is considerable contro-August 26 at 8 a.m. City trucks versy as to whether the storm have been lined up to haul away was in fact a tornado or merely a the debris and anyone able to, is terrific straight line wind. One urged to come and help. Please would be hard pressed to find a bring crowbar, hammer, broom. Lowell resident who would call it gloves, etc.

Attwood Corporation announced tional Weather Service in Grand on Monday, that Attwood will Rapids insists that it was be donating \$2,000 toward re- straight wind. placing the Showboat. Roche- Whatever it was, the damage

Other fund raising campaigns trees, power lines, debris and are already being planned and the curious onlookers. Volunnews of some of these will teers from other municipalities appear in future Ledgers.

bers however, are not so opti- of at least these: the Kent Co. mistic, knowing from past ex- Road Commission, Kent Co. perience how difficult it is to Sheriff's Dept., Muir Fire raise such large sums of money. Dept., Bowne Twp. Fire Dept., Several Showboat supporters and the Michigan State Police. doubt if a new boat can be
The curious who had swarmfinanced and built in time for ed into town from all over the next year's program.

Church was also hard-hit as its ger, Ray Quada shut off M-21 landmark steeple was toppled from Montcalm Avenue to Hudby the storm. With many volun- son Street. All M-21 traffic was teer hands working all day routed north to Fallasburg and Saturday, the gapping hole in then south again with no one the church tower was sealed off allowed into the heavily damagand the church was readied for a ed area. 5 p.m. wedding ceremony. Nor- At the time the storm hit. mal services were also held on electrical power was lost to

To try to list any more of the the west side where damage damage specifically would be was slight, power was restored futile as the destruction was so in about an hour. The east side extensive. A rough description of the city was a much different of the storm's path would show story, many businesses and it moving west to east and residences did not have their angling slightly to the south power restored until Sunday. with the worst damage com- The Lowell Cut-Rate (Gary's mencing west of Richard's Park. Quality Meats) had the Ada then across the Flat River to the Beef Company haul away all of Showboat then intersecting their perishable meat so that it Main Street in the vicinity of wouldn't spoil. Many other bus-



The Lowell Showboat which less than a month ago was steaming around Cattail Bend in all her giory, was reduced to the above pictured mass of rubble by the windstorm. The light towers at either end of the stage incredibly escaped being damaged and must have been missed only by inches when the debris from the Showboat was hurled past. A volunteer work day is scheduled for Saturday, August 26, to

More Storm Photos On Back Page

insured because the cost of least a mile causing severe insurance is far too great to be damage to either side of the road. The swath of destruction But already, many steps are left by the storm ranged from being taken for the replacement one to two city blocks wide in

any thing but a tornado while Don Rocheleau, president of chief meterologist for the Na-

leau accepted chairmanship of a was done and repair and cleancommittee to seek donations up operations began around the from area manufacturers and city even before dawn. Lowell's other businesses, also to be police, fire, D.P.W. and scores used for replacing the historic of volunteers put in a long weekend clearing the streets of also aided in the clean-up Many Showboat board mem- operation. The Ledger is aware

state, became such a problem The Lowell United Methodist that at about noon, City Mana-

about 90 percent of the city. On

did not open Saturday-or at ers, driving all the way to Lowell buzzing everywhere as neighbor least closed early.

The storm seemed to bring help. It was reported to the the brush, limbs and trees. everywhere were people helping House cooked and donated foor ordeal was probably best sum

to do whatever they could to helped neighbor with clearing out the best of most residents as Ledger that Lucchesi's Pizza As bad as it was, the whole

however they could. There were to the volunteer clean-up crews. med up by Paul Erickson, owner reports of a couple from Detroit And Lowell sounded like a of Paul's Showboat Restaurant, who are avid Showboat support- lumber camp with chain saws when he said, "we were lucky."

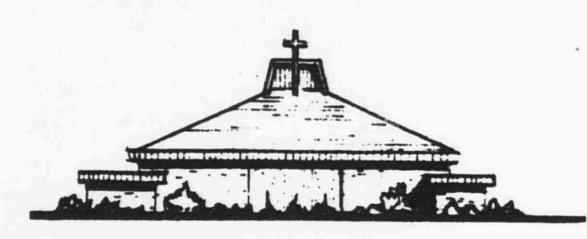


Ripping the steeple off from the First United Methodist Church of Lowell was one of the most sensational bits of destruction that the wind dealt out. The belfry portion of the steeple is more than Lipperts, then following Main inesses on Main Street simply 100 years old, but the very top section of the structure was erected in 1967.

Will Break Ground In Spring



SOUTH ELEVATION



EAST ELEVATION

St. Mary's Catholic Church of Lowell will break ground in the spring for their new church which will be situated at Amity and Howard Streets. The East Elevation shown here will face Amity and the South Elevation will face St. Mary's elementary school. The latter includes plans for the rectory at the left of the South Elevation drawing. The low central portion is the main entrance to the large church vestibule. Entry to the church and chapel is made through the vestibule as well as entry to the offices, rectory and eventually to a parish hall, to be constructed in the future.

Ledger changes size, heads, price

If you haven't noticed some changes in your Ledger this week, there's something wrong with your eyesight.

The most notable change of course, is the size. We have gone from a broadsheet format to what is called a

tabloid or tab format. There are many advantages to this from our standpoint, one being that the tab size is easier to work with and gives the paper twice as many pages, allowing for more flexibility. An example would be that in the past we have always had to combine society notes (weddings and such) with the church news. Now each can have their own page in most cases.

From the advertiser's point of view, the tab size is advantageous because the page size is smaller and an ad is not as apt to get "lost". Also, because there are more pages, we will be less forced

to put two restaurant ads or two automobile ads on the same page.

We feel that most readers will appreciate the tabloid format also. The smaller size makes the paper easier to read whether you are holding it or spreading it out on a table or desk.

If there are so many advantages to the tabloid size, why then haven't we gone to it before this? Well, mostly tradition. The Ledger has been in existence since 1893 and has always been a broadsheet paper, and that's a long time to get into the habit of being a broadsheet.

You may have noticed that we have changed the type

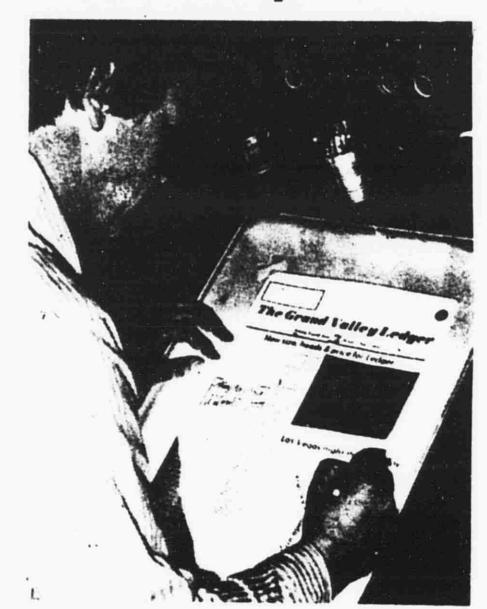
face used in our headlines and that we have gone to a "down style" head. Down style simply means that only the first word in a head and proper nouns are capitalized. Our old format was upper

and lower with the first letter in every word being capitalized in our headlines. We feel that the down style heads are easier to read and make for a cleaner looking paper. You may also notice that the heads are centered instead of being flush left.

As long as we were changing things, we also decided that it was time to change the price of the Ledger. We have raised the newsstand price from fifteen to twenty cents and the in-county subscription rate from \$5.00 to \$6.00. Out of county subscription rates have also gone up. raising from \$6.50 to \$8.00.

Now before you get excited about the price increase, let us tell you when these prices were last raised. On July 4, 1974, the Ledger went from ten to fifteen cents on the newsstand and from \$4.00 to \$5.00 for an in-county subscription. We all know what has happened to other prices since then.

We hope you enjoy your new Ledger. We're certainly excited about it and are looking forward to working with the new format.



Ledger Editor, Roger Brown begins work on the front page of the paper's first tabloid size issue. Much work has gone into the changeover from broadsheet to tab size.

Work begins on island park

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Some of Lowell's old-timers may remember when the island in the Flat River below the Main St. dam was cleared off and used as a park. But, for most of us, the island will be a new and interesting park.

The gity has applied for and obtained a four person crew with 100% funding through the Comprehensive Employment Training Act. (C.E.J.A.) for the purpose of clearing off the island and finishing the riverbank rehabilitation along the east side of the river. The project was scheduled to begin Tuesday morning following final approval by the City Council on Monday night. The C.E.T.A. employees are slated to work on the project for a full eight months.

Transportation to the island is a problem that has not

yet been resolved. When the island was cleared before, a catwalk was constructed along the railroad trestle which crosses it with steps leading down onto the island. This is again a possibility. A bridge across the short distance from the east bank to the island has been proposed. Because of the heavy flooding in the spring, such a bridge would have to be cither removeable, or built so

A small, hand-operated ferry tethered on a cable from the shore to the island. is another possibility being looked into.

soundly that the cost would

almost certainly be prohibi-

Because of the spring flooding, any permanent development of the island will be limited. For now the city's plans for it are pretty well

confined to clearing it, planting grass, and hauling some picnic tables out there.

There are actually two islands involved, the northernmost being the smaller measuring about 100' x 175'. About 30' downstream is the larger island which measures nearly 1,000' in length and varies from 60' to 230' in width. There are other islands farther downstream, but there are no immediate plans for their development.

This was the impression of a veteran Showboat worker as he watched the new Robert E. Lee. decked out in red-white-andblue bunting, cruise the Flat River on her official Maiden Voyage last Friday evening.

As the Mississippi River style paddle wheeler churned the Flat River, music supplied by the Showboat Orchestra on board filled the air. The banks were lined with well wishers from Lowell and nearby communities. They, too, were proud, pleased and excited that what seemed so impossible nearly a year ago was steaming graciously up the

As 166 passengers walked the decks and leaned over the rails. friends exchanged greetings and "posed" for those on the river side with their cameras flashing. Nearly 200 of those on the banks during the first run hurried to Riverside Amphitheatre to climb aboard for the second journey, and those aboard took their places on the banks with their cameras.

On the first run, the brand new Robert E. Lee ran amuck on one of the small weedy islands that dot the river while 12 press and TV members recorded the first voyage and its minor misadventures. It took a shifting of passengers from one side to the other, a pull from the Kent County Sheriff Department's patrol boat and a little leverage from the crew with planks to get the boat back on course. The delay was only 10 minutes but it brought chuckles from the passengers.

There was added excitement on the second voyage when the 93 foot boat came too close to the bank and hit ground. It damaged one of the front boards but officials said the damage was slight and would be fixed immediately.

When both of the 40 minute runs were completed. Showboat officials proclaimed the craft ready for the 1979 edition of Showboat. This year's star is standout vocalist and popular TV personality and vocalist Leslie Uggams. She will headline a heavy cast of entertainers for Showboat Week, July 23-28.

"We were pleased and thrilled about the new Robert E. Lee.

The test cruises were nearly perfect and there is no major work left to be done on her. She's ready for Showboat Week at last," explained Jim Hall, one of the designers of the \$67,000 stern wheeler.

The Maiden Voyage provided several firsts for many area Showboat workers. It marked the first cruise ever for Ed Kiel who has served in many capacities on the Showboat committee for over 25 years. It was also the first trip ever on the Showboat for Gerry Buck, wife of veteran endman Forrest Buck.

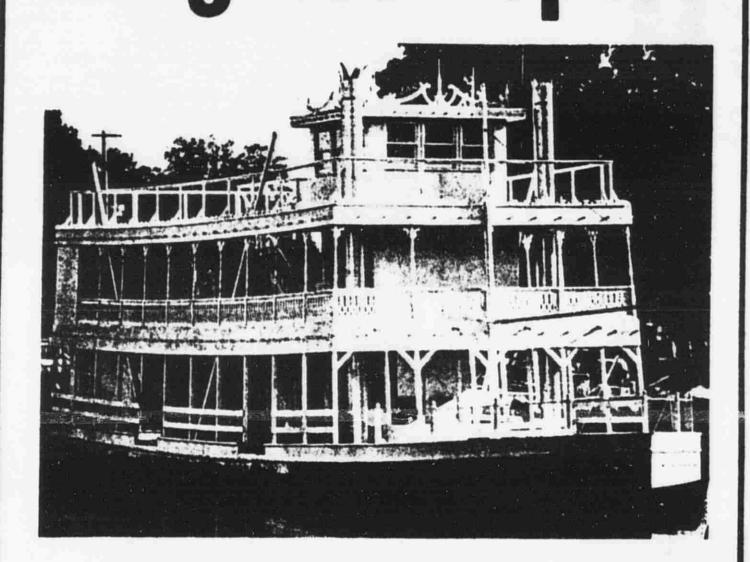
"This trip was much smooth er than the one in 1932. It was like floating on glass," said Lowell's Marion Cary when he stepped off the boat after its first run. Cary was aboard the shakedown run of the first Showboat in 1932 and his family surprised him Friday night with a ticket to get him on board again. "I thought we were just coming over here to watch and along comes my daughter with a ticket," said Cary with a wide

For hundreds of people who witnessed the Friday unveiling it was a night to remember. The picture of the devastation caused by a heavy wind storm last August 14 contrasted sharply with the stately riverboat. For a while last summer it appeared that the 45 year Showboat tradition was scuttled but community pride salvaged at least the spirit of the shattered Robert E. Lee. The community made the commitment to rebuild the boat. only bigger and better.

Thanks to the hard work and many community projects, more than \$60,000 was raised to build the Robert E. Lee. The revenue taken in on Friday was deposited in the Re-float the Showboat campaign fund.

As the new Robert E. Lee was cruising the river, memories of chicken dinners, raffle tickets, Vegas Night, planning sessions, painting sessions and all the hours of hard work of countless people were foremost in the passenger's minds. And as the riverboat docked. Lowell area residents looked forward with pride to the greatest Showboat Week ever.

1993 Special Centennial Issue — Page 82 Progress Report



Paint, paint, and more paint is the order of the day at the new Lowell Showboat these days. Ivan Blough and his crew have just about completed their work on the boat with the exception of finishing the interior of the star's dressing room which now has the green light. Because of the donation of a \$1,000 credit memo at Erb Lumber and the donation of drapes and carpeting by two Grand Rapids firms, the Showboat Board of Directors has decided to expend the \$500 needed for labor on the project.

Painting the boat between now and Showboat time is still the biggest hurdle. The two coats of white are nearing completion and the volunteer painting crew is getting ready to start applying the various colors.

The electricians on the job are nearing completion of their work and are scheduling a test of all the circuits sometime this week.

First Time In Lowell System

Sept. 4, 1978

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Lowell Education Association's negotiating team proclaims their availability to negotiate with this huge sign. Looks like they will have to wait for a State mediator to arrive before the Board will agree to any further talks. Pictured are, L-R: Gail Lycos, Lillian Stoner, Gary Rivers, Gwen Eskes, Margaret Hoats and Tim Hawkins



MIGHTIE MONTH March could well be called Michigan's "mightie" month, It

"might" snow, it "might" rain, it "might" be sunny and mild and/or all of the above.

It's certain that February has been the coldest month in many a year. The Associated Press reports that four of the five Great Lakes are frozen over for the first time on record. Lakes Superior, Michigan, Huron and Erie went solid across the top over the weekend. The Flat and Grand Rivers are solid as well. Area enforcement agencies caution that walking on the ice, however, could be dangerous since it is frozen at uneven depths.

Warmer temperatures are predicted this week but area residents are unsure whether their outdoor thermometers will register the change. They may be permanently bent at 20 below!

SPECTACULAR

One of nature's most spectacular events—a solar eclipse—will be visible from nearly all of North America including Michigan on Monday, Feb. 26.

Optometrist opens practice here

Dr. David G. Durkee

Herbert Mueller, O.D. has announced his association with David G. Durkee, O.D.

Dr. Durkee, formerly from Fremont, MI, attended Michigan State University as an undergraduate studying medical technology before attending professional school. He graduated with high honors from the Ferris State College of Optometry in May of 1981, after four years of extensive classroom and clinical instruction.

Dr. Durkee's internship at Ferris State lasted one and one-half years before his senior externship to Detroit where he examined patients and conducted research. His

research with lasers and the human eye was cited for one of thirteen awards given nationally for outstanding optometric research in 1981.

While attending Ferris Dr. Durkee was involved in many professional student organizations, including Omicron Delta Kappa, a national honorary leadership society.

Dr. Durkee is pleased at the opportunity to be in Lowell, an area he feels he knows well. His father, Gordon Durkee, is formerly of Ionia and Lake Odessa and his mother, the former Shirline Tucker, is a native of Saranac. He has many relatives in the Lowell area.

Besides practicing here, In doubles action two of he also instructs senior op-Lowell's three teams adtometry students from Ferris vanced to semi-finals and State at Jackson State Prison finals competition. The team one day a week. Dr. Durkee of Janet Merriman (senior) specializes in General Optometry, Pediatrics, Contact and Amy Hill (freshman) lost in the semi-finals in three Lenses, and some work with the partially sighted. He is sets to Mount Pleasant after defeating a very tough Big also available to speak on a Rapids team. The first variety of vision care topics doubles team of Diane Ritto any church or community tenger (junior) and Kristine group upon request.

Examinations are by appointment only, and can be made by calling 897-7780.

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Aug. 12, 1981

Retiring after 15 years with Ledger



Marguerite MacNaughton

This Friday will mark the

end of over fifteen years that Maggie MacNaughton has worked at the Ledger. Maggie will be joining her husband Don "Mag" Mac Naughton in retirement and is no doubt looking forward to life at a bit slower pace than a newspaper office. Maggie has been the Led-

ger's principle typesetter during her years here with her experience dating back to keypunching ticker tape to be fed into the old Linotype's teletype system. From there she became the principle typesetter on the Ledger's IBM composing equipment when the paper went offset in 1968 and in 1975 Maggie

was trained on and has since operated the business' Compugraphic computerized typesetting equipment. Some of Maggie's other duties have included secretarial work, bookkeeping and being a receptionist. To say she is going to be missed here is putting it mildly.

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The Ledger will be hosting an Open House in Maggie's honor from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. on Friday and it is hoped that her many friends and acquaintances from over the years will stop by.

Lowell City Council Jan. 21, 1981

Bridge closer to a reality

A new bridge over the Grand River at Division Street in Lowell came one step closer to reality Monday night at a public hearing to assess the type of bridge to be built and the environmental impact of such a bridge Several people were in attendance at the hearing held during the Lowell City Council's regular meeting of January 19. Those voicing opinions were unanimously in favor of the proposal from the City's engineering firm recommending the demolition of the old bridge and the construction of a new structure on the same site.

Most of the preliminary paperwork required by the state and federal governments for funding have been completed and a tentative

Girls win

tennis bid

Last Friday and Saturday

the Arrow girls tennis team

competed at the regional

level with girls seeded in four

Competition for singles

was in Greenville and

doubles took place at Belding

on Friday. All finals took

place at Greenville on Satur-

state

of seven flights.

schedule calls for wrapping things up by March 10 of this year and opening bids on April 21. If no serious delays are incurred, demolition of the old bridge could begin in May, construction of the new bridge could start in early summer with completion coming by early December of this year. The bridge proposed for

Associates of Alpena calls for a structure consisting of four 90 foot spans fabricated from pre-stressed concrete slabs. The spans will be supported by five pylons, each sunk four feet below the river bottom. The bridge will be 33 feet wide consisting of two twelve foot traffic lanes, two six foot walkways, and an-

Schneider (senior) won all

the first day's matches and

In final competition on Saturday they lost to Fre-

mont and were forced to

settle for runner-up to the

champions after a tough

In singles action, Lowell

boasts two regional cham-

pions. Junior Tawnie Knott-

nerus won the first singles

flight by defeating an oppon-

ent 'rom Petoskey. This im-

proved Tawnies' season rec-

ord to 21-0. Number two

singles player, senior Fran

Saboo also received regional

champion honors by beating

a strong player from Luding-

Over-all the team placed

second in a field of twelve

teams. Fran Saboo's point

over Ludington was a big one

due to the tie between Lud-

ington and Lowell with all

matches concluded except

the second singles flight.

ton in three sets.

made it to the finals.

construction by R.S. Scott

date the railings. The railings will be concrete with an aluminum upper rail allowing motorists to view the river. The total span of 360 feet is longer than the existpassage of river even during flood stage, a Department of Natural Resources requirement. The south end of the bridge will be about five feet higher than present, to allow for free water passage during the river's flood stages, and the north end will be located slightly east of the present location to allow a better view of traffic approaching

other two feet to accommo-

from the north. Total construction cost of the new bridge is estimated at \$974,000, including ap-

proach work. The City's share in this is, all of the engineering costs plus ten percent of construction costs estimated to add up to \$65, 000 to \$70,000.

Although it seems like a long time since the bridge was closed in March of 1979.

especially to those who used the bridge regularly, the procurement of funding has progressed much more quickly than most other municipalities needing new bridges are experiencing.

City Manager Ray Quada gives credit to the City's engineering firm, Fishbeck, Thompson, Huber and Carr for their efforts in speeding this project through the state and federal bureaucracies.

Aug. 21, 1981

Still no agreement reached in school/union negotiations

There is still no formal sources, financial matters were nearing settlement at agreement between negotiators for the Lowell Area the negotiations table. Thor-Schools Board of Education ny issues to be resolved are and its teachers, leaving the items such as layoff and district's schoolchildren somewhat in limbo.

According to Superintendent Don Kelly, negotiators met last Monday, Aug. 17, without coming to final agreement. There have been no formal negotiations since but a meeting is set for this Friday, Aug. 28.

Unless something drastic happens this weekend, school is scheduled to open on Monday, Aug. 31. Adjusted starting and dismissal times for each school are as follows: Alto, 9:00-2:30; Bushnell, 8:50-2:20; Runciman/Riverside, 8:50-2:20; Middle School, 9:00-2:35; High School, 8:55-2:30.

According to Ledger

recall language, notification of layoff, class size language

and transfer language. Sev-, eral of these items are regarded by the board as purely management rights, thus the disagreement.

Last week's issue of the Ledger contains full school opening information, including bus routes. The information is also contained in the Lowell Area Schools News-

letter which should reach all district homes this week.

Unless there is public notification to the contrary, via radio and television, the buses will roll on Monday morning for the beginning of the 1981-82 school year.

Macker Tourney is set for next week

Watch out ... the Macker Explosion is coming! On July 9, 10, and 11, 1982 the city of Lowell will be taken over by basketball fanatics for the Ninth Annual New and Improved One and Only Original "Yes, We're Building an Empire" GUS MACKER All World Invitational Three-on-Three Outdoor/Backyard

Basketball Tournament. Last year's event drew 825 players and thousands of spectators to the corner of Elizabeth and Amity streets in Lowell. This year over a thousand players are expected. Everyone plays in the Macker, from college and pro stars to junior high players and their 50 year old coaches. The Macker Alumni list includes such well known basketball stars as: Val Bracey, Iceland semi-pro, Melvin McLaughlin, CMU, Ben Tower, MSU. Dennis Bell. New York Knicks, Glen Sudhop, Argentina semi-pro, Linnell Jones, St. Louis Streak, Laurie Byrd, EMU, Garde Thompson East Grand Rapids H.S., Tim Ludwick, Ionia H.S., and thousands of others who, in nine years, have made their own niche in Macker history

The 1982 tournament offers a great variety of activities, starting with the Fourth of July Parade on Sunday and finishing with the tourney finals on Sunday, July 10. Monday, July 5 is Macker Backyard Hoop Day and the official opening of Mackerville. Tuesday the 4th Annual Macker Hall of Fame Game takes place, in which Macker oldsters go at it one more time. Thursday the camp finishes up and that evening the ever popular 4th Annual Miss Macker Beauty Pageant goes on. Friday, Saturday, and Sunday Basketball reigns supreme as the 1982 Macker kicks into high gear.

April 21, 1982

Budget cuts are deep

There were 150 to 170 people in the audience at the Monday evening meeting of he Lowell School Board. The large group made it necessary to move the meeting to the Middle School Choir

The School Board didn't have much good news for the

district's teachers or for the crowd as they laid off a long list of teachers and teacher aides. The administration notified all the teachers who MAY be laid off on Friday.

The teaching staff cuts were deep, about one-sixth of the entire staff with twothirds of those coming from

the fine arts areas.

According to Superintendent Don Kelly, the board action essentially established which positions would be vacated since those who meet seniority and other criteria may "bump" into

other positions where possible. Thus, the final list of teachers who will not return in September will be quite different from the list included here. However, the following list represents those who were either laid off or may be laid off.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TEACHERS: Nancy Knechtel, Robert Rodenhouse, Cnythia Gilette, Carol Titcombe; and 3 of the following-James Bedi, Robyn De-Graaf, Gary Goff, Sarah Gunbberg, Kim Lum, Ronald MacPherson.

MIDDLE SCHOOL TEACHERS: Roger Mac-Naughton, Melvin Weaver, Paul Shamblin, Mary Karen Lanbert, William Stouffer. Mary Schramm, Russell Bacon, Sandra Michael; and one from the following-Kathy Lynch, Paula Murphy HIGH SCHOOL TEACH-ERS: Robert Rice, Sharon

Pollice, Ned Henley, Al

Dood, Jack Ogle, Jane Gillespie, Laurie Kuna; and half-positions-David Steghuis, Robert VanBelois, Virginia Weber, Marsha La-Haye, Peter Siler, Karen

Pizarek. A total of 39 non-certified personnel were also notified of impending lay off.

When asked by a member of the audience how much the staff cuts would total in dollars, Kelly replied that they would account for almost half of the \$850,000 the board will have to cut from last year's \$5.6 million bud-

Kelly seemed unclear about the savings from administrative cuts recently made, because the schools will only realize a savings of one administrative position and the difference in administrator salary versus teacher salary since three of the four administrators will "bump"

back into the system at another level. He estimated the dollar amount at \$75,000.

Several spokesmen from the audience asked why a millage question to maintain the curriculum and staff was not being put before the voters. Kelly answered that "there are too many variables up in the air to consider it now, for example, Proposal A, teacher negotiations and other factors." He estimated that it could require between 3 to 6 mills to maintain the district at this year's level. Kelly noted that the budget is over 70 percent salaries and that other costs are quite fixed, such as heat, lights, and busing.

"Extra curricular activities account for one-half percent of the total budget," said Kelly, "about the cost of three teachers."

New restaurant to open here soon

Within a few weeks, unsuspecting pedestrians on Main Street in Lowell will be sorely tempted to spend good time and money in the unabashed indulgence of their appetites.

The temptation for area residents will be Rivertown Mall's new restaurant, A Bit of Europe, too, which, according to mall co-owner Muriel Dilley, is scheduled to open the first week of December

Dilley admits that, as yet, the restaurant looks years from completion. But she expresses confidence that the early-December target date can be met.

As the name suggests, the new restaruant is related to the A Bit of Europe restaurant on Cherry Street in Grand Rapids. According to Dilley, Sonja

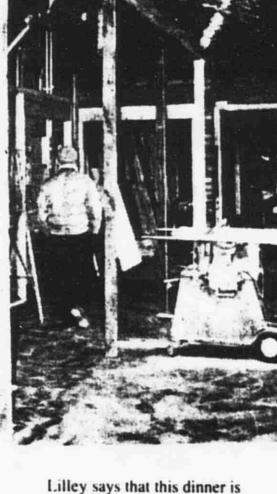
Dreyer, Former chef of the Grand Rapids restaurant, will be heading operations in Low-

A Bit of Europe, Too, is planned to accommodate 110 diners. Patrons will be seated either in the main dining room, which overlooks the Flat River, or in the interior of the mall French cafe-style.

The restaurant will include a private dining room which may be reserved for special occasions. Dilley says that at least two reservations for this room have already been made. · A small bar is also planned

which, in addition to a full line of beverages, will include imported wines and beers.

The menu will be posted outside the restaurant Europeanstyle, and will feature a Royal European Dinner. For \$30 a couple may sample "very adequate portions" of three menu



one of the more expensive meals. The planned menu will include meals in a wide range of

> "We want fine dining for evcryone," she says.

She adds that those impatient for opening day may make reservations by calling 897-8401

Light & Power gets nod for cable TV franchise

fits the main motive for their of the Light and Power mold a cable TV system that decision, the Lowell City Company, which of course is suits their needs perfectly. Council voted unanimously owned by the city, A fifteen to award the city's franchise year payback schedule places for sable TV service to the profits for the system at over Lowell Light and Power Com- 1.6 million dollars. Besides pany. In the Power Com- the potential revenues for the pany's proposal the standard city at a time when state and 5 percent of annual gross federal aid is dwindling, franchise fee will go to the Mayor Dean Collins feels city, plus 50 percent of all that municipal ownership is

With the potential for pro- profits will go into the coffers for the people of Lowell to profits. The other half of the also a "super opportunity"

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Not willing to go down

without a fight, representatives from North Ottawa Cablevision and Liggett Broadcasting were on hand to present one final appeal in favor of independant ownership. Gary Van Volkenburg of North Ottawa Cablevision pointed to potential problems such as a possible monetary loss instead of profits, upcoming competition from home rooftop dishes and the fact that the proposal from Lowell Light and Power was the first ever prepared by their consultants. Daverman

and Associates and that their

projection of profits was "very optimistic". Van Volkenburg went on to say that a company such as North Ottawa with several systems in operation is much more capable of operating a cable TV

system than a municipality. Dr. Orval Mckay speaking on behalf of the Light and Power Board rebutted Van Volkenburg's comments about profits by stating that cable systems must be profitable or the independents wouldn't be fighting so hard for the franchise. McKay also proposed that since the system will be owned by the people of Lowell, it will be especially responsive to the community and the schools.

the system that needs to be ings. contracted out. Liggett also The Light and Power Compromised his full cooperation pany did not offer a timetable if he should be awarded a for construction of the sys-

City Manager Ray Quada initial hook-ups in late sumaddressed the opinion of mer or early fall with complesome around the community tion in early 1983. that the townships and school system hadn't been given enough opportunity to participate in the decision of which company would get the franchise. Quada pointed out that all public hearings

Bob Liggett's remarks regarding the franchise were were that he was disap- printed two weeks in advance pointed that the council had in the Grand Valley Ledger not chosen his company, but and that representatives would like to offer his serv- from the school and Lowell ices in the future for work on Township were at those hear-

franchise in a neighboring tem, but two of the companies that did called for

Looking Back.. through the years 1983-1992

by Marc Popiolek Contributing Writer

The Eighties proved to be a bad time for Lowell, businesses closed, storms ripped the city, a showboat is canceled and the Gus Macker bids a found farewell to the city.

The Strand Theater, a landmark for decades, fell on hard times. The theater closed its doors for a while in 1983, it did reopen as a club but eventually closed again. 1984 saw

the Strand open as a furniture store but would convert to a multi-use facility.

1987 saw the end of true Lowell tradition, the Gus Macker Tournament left the streets of Lowell for Belding. The tournament went through tough times during the eighties, citizens became irate over the increased size and traffic and the tournament was taken to court in an effort to control its size.

This era was interesting

because for all the people and business leaving the area just as many came into the area. Burger King, McDonald's and Hardee'swere just a few of the new businesses entering the area. Merchant's and leaders of the community for decades called it quits.

Another interesting aspect of this time were the number of accidents in the city. At one point the Ledger reported about one to three accidents a week for almost two months.

To solve this problem the city finally put up a needed stop light along Main St.

The nineties brought Desert Storm, talk of a new high school and a proposal for light industrial site in the township. It also shows a move to make the township more urbanized. Talk of new industries along with a new high school and condominium sites could move the area into a more upscale and modern township, although some people will sure enough fight progress.

Board decides against 1983 Lowell Showboat

ary 16 and 23, the Lowell Show- year's show and was projected to the balance owed to four indiboat Board of Directors issued a have an even greater impact in viduals in the community who shocking news release to all area 1983. 1983. The news release is as fol-costs involved in bringing top-\$3,000 to \$13,000.

Feb. 2, 1983

boat, Board of Directors an- tive for this non-profit organiza- gies this year on projects to pay nounced their decision not to tion. In addition, the cost of ad- off the indebtedness, such as produce their annual riverboat vertising in various statewide their raffle of a 1983 Camaro Zshow this July and instead pursue media has soared in recent years. 28 which is already in progress. nancial indebtedness.

financial burden which already board spokesperson. stands at \$45,000

seen as an important factor af- phitheatre and the riverboat itfecting attendance. The problem self. Approximately \$14,000 is

notch family entertainers to the Plans were made by the Board Members of the Lowell Show- Showboat have become prohibi- members to expend their ener-

other methods to relieve their fi- The fourth reason given by the There are 5,000 tickets to be sold Board for their decision revolves at \$10.00 each. Second prize The decision was made at a around continuing high mainte- will be \$1,000 and third prize special Wednesday night meet- nance and insurance costs for the will be \$500.00. The drawing ing of the directors to discuss op- sternwheeler built in 1979 after will be held on July 4, 1983 at tions for this year. Citing four high winds demolished the old Lowell's holiday celebration at major reasons for their decision, riverboat and damaged the am- the Lowell Fairgrounds. Ticket Board members came to the phitheatre. "Vandalism of the holders must be 18 but need not painful conclusion that to pro- showboat has been a continuous be present to win. Tickets are ceed with plans for a 1983 show problem and repair has become available by sending a check or would only further increase their too costly," said Ray Quada money order payable to the Low-

Hard economic times for of \$45,000 reflects unresolved boat Raffle, P.O. Box 56, Low-Michigan and its residents is costs of building both the am- ell, MI 49331.

Following meetings of Janu- was somewhat evident at tast owed to the City of Lowell with have endorsed personal notes on media on Thursday, January 27. Secondly, the ever-increasing behalf of showboat ranging from

ell Showboat and a stamped self-The outstanding indebtedness addressed envelope to: Show-



July 27, 1983

Strand closes after 55 years here

After 55 years as Lowell's entertainment center. The Strand Theater is closing its doors. When built by Harvey J. Callier 1928, The Strand was heralded as "Michigan's most beautiful small theater". Present owner Robert DeNolf, has operated the theater since 1972 as a family run business. DeNolf blames the impact Lowell's new Cable TV system has had on the Strand's attendance as the principle reason for closing.

DeNoIf has to keep attendance records for liablility insurance easons, and his records show a sharp decline since the introduction of cable TV here. DeNolf acknowledges the fact that he has never been able to get "first-run" movies, but he said he used to have a steady clientele of people who didn't mind waiting to see the movies to avoid Grand Rapids crowds and traffic, and "repeaters", who would come to The Strand to see favorite films that they had already seen in the city. DeNolf theorizes that these same people are just waiting for the films to pop up on cable. And more simply states DeNolf. "people that used to be theater patrons, now have twenty odd channels on their TV's instead of four, and are just staying home"

DeNolf is keeping an open posture about the Strand, however. "There is a possibility that we may reopen for a limited season, or for a special engagement for a certain film now and then". says DeNolf. The doors are closing, but the fixtures and equipment will remain for the time being. "Things can always change", says DeNolf.

There is a lot of history behind the walls of the Strand that was very aptly summed up by Carol Sebastian in a 1976 feature that appeared in the Ledger. We feel



it is quite fitting to reprint that feature now. Stately stands the trees we

pass every day...never missed until taken away.

Three years before the Village of Lowell celebrated its centennial year. Harvey J. Callier built a structure in Lowell that, when completed, was heralded all over the state as "Michigan's Most Beautiful Small Theature.

Today, the structure still stands on Lowell's West Main Street, partially filled with memories of a by-gone era when a night at the movie house was the only form of exciting enter-

Since that time, much has been altered in the way of things to do, but the Strand continues its today is the only remaining small town indoor theatre in Kent County, outside of the metropolitan Grand Rapids area. Callier who visualized the

role in the community....and

need for such a facility in a grow-

ing area, had originally planned to build the Strand in Saranac. The basement was laid, on the site which now houses the post office, but technical snags were met, forcing its removal to Low

When Callier's "Strand" officially opened on June 12, 1928. it housed 514 opera chairs, a domed ceiling, shutter-sound controlled organ loft, a stage curtain detailed with local advertising, and four dressing rooms in the basement.

was installed at stage level, and another above stage level had an arched ceiling and a small window over-looking the stage and parts of the auditorium

One "star's" dressing room

The back portion of the build ing four stories high, held the fly loft, and a unique system of controls, ropes and sand bags, for the scenery and curtain drops.

Found in the second story above the main lobby area were several offices; one for a lawyer. a beauty salon, and the manage-

The pages of history tell us the first "grand opening" showing was: pictures, illustrated news, comedy and a newspaper drama "Telling the World," introducing scenes of Chinese riots. The en-

tertainment concluded with a vaudeville act put on by a quartet of dancing girls. One year later, in 1929, the

Strand became known as the "Home of Vitaphone talking Pic-

The flavor of New York style premiers blended into this small village as Mrs. Bill Haysmer fought the heat of the organ loft to produce the music for soloists such as Orrin Sterken, who pre empted for the stage action.

All grandeur broke loose when celebraties made personal appearances, such as Laurel and Hardy, Daisy and Violet Hilton, the famous Siamese twins joined at the hip, and a litle later the WLS Barn Dance from

Chicago. It was during the early 1930's that action on the screen began to overpower the live stage entertainment... people began to become more enthralled with the quick action of stars like Conrad Nagel, Douglas Fairbanks. Gloria Swanson, Eddie Cantor, Wallace Beery, Jackie Cooper, George Roberts, former assis-

tant Lowell Postmaster, who once had the fever of theatre life in his veins, worked for Callier and recalls that there were four changes of shows a week; Sunday-Monday, Tuesday-Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday-Saturday

"Tony Kropf, Bud Myers Clark Morse and myself kept things moving along, working at the theatre. It was a good experience.

Two years before the adorable Shirley Temple began to charm the audiences. Lowell High School's Class of 1935 held their graduation exercises in the Strand: the only class to do so.

"Stately stands the Strand we pass everyday...never missed until it's taken away."

About 1,000 Lowellites were

rudely awakened Sunday morn-

ing and forced to evacuate their

homes. Lowell sewage treatment

Mant operator Frank Martin was

making a routine inspection and

lab analysis of the city's sewage

treatment plant at about 8:00

A.M. Sunday when he disco-

vered a chlorine gas leak at the

facility. Martin said, "I saw a

green cloud drifting near the

ground on the northeast end of

the building as I drove up", "I

knew right away what it was, and

sounded the alarm". Martin is

also the city fire chief, and with-

in minutes two volunteer fire-

ment wearing breathing appar-

atus were inside the building and

immediately shut off the leading

In the meantime police and

fire officials, along with city

manager Ray Quada determined

tto the leaking copper line.

1,000 residents evacuated by chlorine gas leak

that the deadly chlorine gas was drifting off to northeast and called for an evacuation of the city's east side. The sewage treatment plant is located about two blocks south of Main Street on the west bank of the Flat River. About sixty volunteer firemen, regular and reserve police, and emergency medical personnel began blocking streets, and alerting residents by going door to door and by using the public address systems on city vehicles.

People evacuating their homes were told to drive to the high school or middle school parking lots and wait for an "all clear" East/west traffic through the city was re-routed to the north, and all streets in the endangered area were blocked. The "all clear" came shortly after 10:00 A.M. and the city returned to normal, with the only exception being the sewage treatment plant.

Martin estimated that about 400 pounds of the chlorine gas leaked from the corroded soft copper line leading from one of four 1,000 pound tanks located in the facility. The chlorine is used as a disinfectant in the sewage treatment process, but when it contacts metals it is highly corrosive. The chlorine gas impregnated everything in the facility,



Lowell sewage treatment plant operator Frank Martin holds the culprit piece of soft copper tubin that corroded through the caused the leak. The 1,000 pound tank that the tube was attached to contained only an estimated 400 pounds of chlorine gas when the leak developed. The tank was empty by the time the mishap was discovered.

Dec. 7, 1983

Six businesses closed or closing this month

A rash of merchants located in the west end of Lowell's central glosed, or have announced their closing in the near future. Bif's Ranch House on Riverside Drive just north of Main Street will close as of Saturday, December 10 and The Video Wizard will close on Friday, December 9. B

& M Furniture located at 221 closed last week, and next door, Riverside Fireplace Shoppe has not been open for nearly three weeks. The House of Townsend has been in the process of going out of business for some time, and has recently been operating in conjuction with Larry the Liquidator. Larry has announced

that the going out of business sale will last just seven more days, and a big auction will be held on the premises on December 16, 17 and 18. Following the auction the Townsends will close the doors on the business at 216 WEst Main that they have operated for 53 years. And just ell Sunoco gas station has

The closing of these six businesses combined with the already vacant Hill's Shoe Store, Dick and Owen's Barber Shop and the vacant building on the corner of Broadway and Main bring the total of closed or soon to be closed businesses in this section of the city to nine.

Owners of these businesses cite various reasons for closing, but all obviously boil down to the bottom line; no profits. Mel Byington, owner of B & M Furniture said, "There's a lot of traffic in this town, but nodoby stops to buy". Byington says he hopes to reopen his store in another community in the spring. Stanlee Johnson, owner of Riverside Fireplace Shoppe, Inc. says that he is closed "temporarily", but can't comment any further about

the future of his business. Bif Tickfer, who owns and operates Bif's Ranch House says that her only alternative to closing was to open evenings, but she decided that there were too many hours for too little profit to attempt that. Tickfer also noted that there is tremendous competition in the restaurant business in Lowell, and "we all have the same things". The building and equipment is owned by her father, and they are looking for someone to

lease the business. We were unable to contact anyone regarding the Sunoco station, and do not know exactly when it closed, and if there are

any plans to reopen it. In talking with the owners of most of these businesses the age old problems of parking, proximity to the malls, and the recent suggish economy seemed to top the list of their reasons for closing. In many cases there also seemed to be an apprehension

about the proposed mall, and the incrased competition that it might bring. In an effort to update the status of a west end mall we found that things are pretty much in a holding pattern.

The property just west of the new apartment buildings near Valley Vista that was rezoned for commercial use as a proposed site for a mall earlier this year, has been sold. The East Lansing Realty and Development Co., owned the property and saw it through the rezoning process while proposing the construction of a 55, 800 square foot mall. Once the property was rezoned, East Lansing Realty sold it, or at least sold an option on it, and that it is now under the control of Family Foods, a Grand Rapids based grocery chain. A spokesman for Family Foods said that the purchase of the property was merely speculative, and that they

had no immediate plans for it. Anthoer 27 acre parcel further west on Main Street, and owned by developer William Shurlow

of Caledonia is also a possibilty for a new mall. Shurlow and a partner, William Hitchcock own a 66,000 square foot mall in Caledonia. Hitchcock says that they are actively pursuing a mall on their Lowell Property, but they are not going to make any announcements until they are actually ready to begin construction. As Hitchcock said, "There is no way of knowing when that might be, it could be this coming year, or much further down the

Lowell City Manager Ray Quada says he expects most of the recently vacated buildings will reopen housing new businesses that will be able to make a go of it.





Cumberland Manor announces major expansion

Feb. 15, 1984

Arlin Maas, owner of Cum-

erland Manor, a 74 room, re-

rement home, unveiled an am-

tious plan calling for the adi-

n of 232 rooms over the next

veral years. Maas addressed

e members of the Lowell

wiship Planning Commission

their meeting of Monday, Feb-

ruary 13 and outlined his expan-

sion plans. Maas' proposal calls

for the construction of seven new

buildings, giving the Cumber-

land Manor acreage at 11535 E.

Fulton the appearance of a small

college campus in the architect's

rendering of the completed pro-

ject. When complete, the phased

complex will offer housing for

persons newly retired through

As explained by Maas, the

project will be phased over the

coming years, with the construc-

tion of a 20 room facility to begin

this April. The first addition will

be located just off the southeast

corner of the existing building,

being long and narrow with its

length running north and south.

The second addition will be

extended care in older age.



This is an artist's conception of how Cumberland Manor will look in a few years. The view is the perspective of looking westward along M-21. When complete, the "reffrement village" will offer efficiency housing for those in their early retirement years, and extended care facilities older, more dependant residents.

nearly identical to the first, and will be located off the northeast corner of the existing building. Next to be constructed will be two professional buildings, probably doctors' offices, that will be located directly east of the two new 20 room buildings. The last part of the complex will be the construction of two large buildings, each four stories high and containing 96 rooms. These structures will be located at the foot of the hill, north of the present building., Finally, a com-

munity building will be built more or less in the center of all the buildings. It will house a store, restaurant, recreation facilities, etc. All buildings will eventually be connected by covered walkways.

The site plan calls for a curb cut toward the eastern edge of the property, and a drive will run to the north between the two 20 room buildings and the professional buildings. The present drive will be extended to service the larger units.

Though not detailed in this proposal, Maas envisions duplex and quadplex housing nestled in the hills, rounding out the retirement village concept. Maas's architect, Dick Wiggins, even mentioned the idea of a few golf holes on the site.

The township re-zoned the property about nine months ago so that it complies with such a facility, but asked that they be allowed to review plans prior to

Following the presentation by Maas and Wiggins, the planning commission voted to issue a letter of approval pending a review of the final construction draw

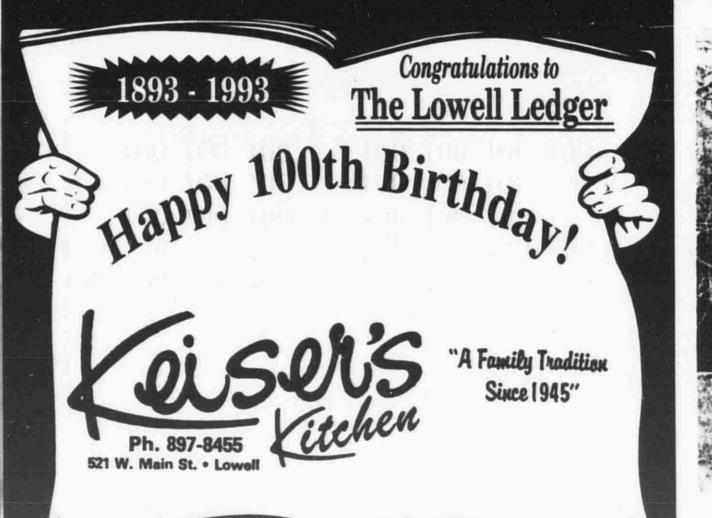
Cumberland Manor is currently hooked to Lowell's sewer system, but city water is not yet available there. Wiggin's said that the future additions will likely tap into the city sewer, and hopefully city water will someday be available.

60 M.P.H. plus winds topple hundreds of trees



Garages appeared to be a popular target for the huge trees as they were toppled by wind gusts of 60 miles per hour and more on Monday. This garage is located at the William Mercer residence 931 North Monroe.







This big willow tree was uprooted in the backyard of the Dennis Anchors residence at 1027 Lincoln Lake Ave. and it placed neatly on next door neighbor Jerry Persha's basket weave fence.

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DINNER

HOURS:

5pm-7:30pm

Mon.-Thurs.

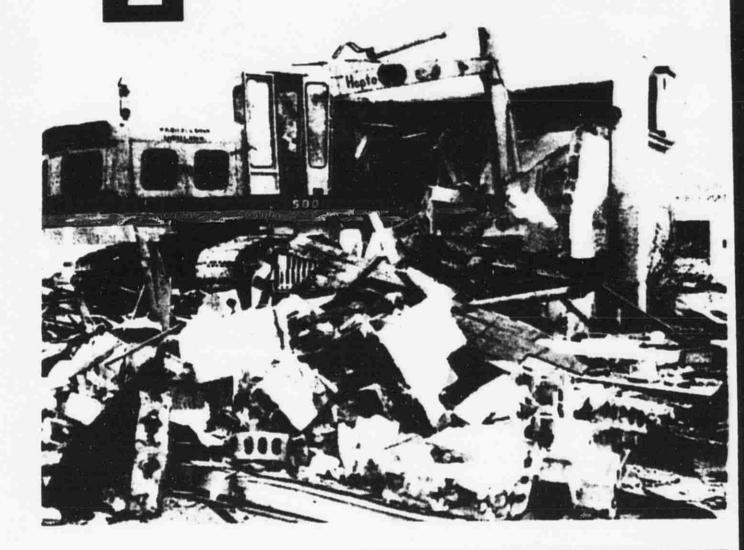
5pm-9pm,

Fri. & Sat.

"Rosie's" makes way for 7-11

A Lowell landmark was leveled by the heavy equipment of O.E. Bieri & Sons Construction last Wednesday. The Rosie-Drive Inn was razed to make way for a new 7-11 convenience store. The property was recently sold to Garb-Ko, Inc., the area's franchise representative for 7-11. Construction is expected to

The former car dealership was converted into a restaurant by Mac and Rosie Fonger in 1967 Rosie operated it for fourteen years until she sold it in 1981 The restaurant was then named J.R.'s Family Restaurant and later named the "In" Place when it was re-sold in 1983.



New plant will employ 15

"One man's trash is another man's treasure," is an old quip that has found new meaning for Don Fizer, President of Michigan Wire Processing. The ten year old Lowell based company has found a way to recycle one of their primary wastes, and also produce a marketable by-prod-

Sulfuric acid is the primary chemical used in the company's process of cleaning and treating huge coils of steel for various steel manufacturers. Fizer explained that as the steel is processed the acid retains iron particles until it reaches a point where the acid is too saturated to be used further. The used acid is hauled away by a disposal firm, reduced to a sludge and buried in a landfill. This process is neither efficient nor environmen-

tally sound, according to Fizer. Beginning in early October, Fizer hopes to change all this when a new reclamation plant goes into operation on Michigan

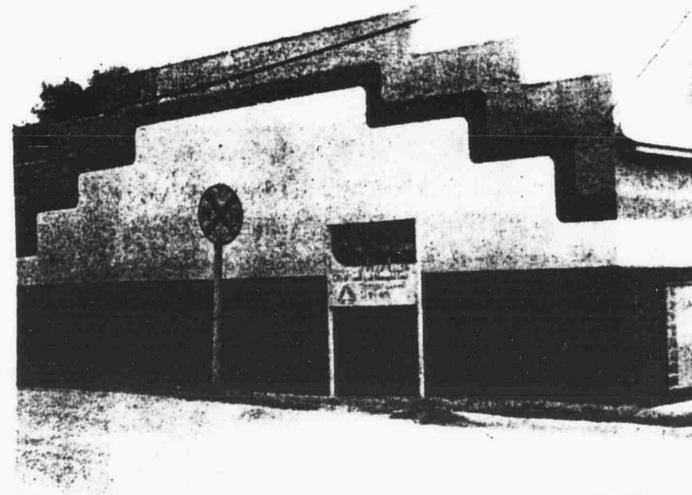
Wire property on West Main Street. A huge 68' x 100' building is now under construction and special equipment is due to arrive next week. Fizer says setting the equipment is not a major task. "We just have to plumb it in and put it to work," Fizer said. Costs for the project are ex-

pected to total \$640,000. The Lowell City Council approved Public Act 198 tax relief for the project which allows for a 50% break in property taxes over a twelve year period. Such tax relief is tied to the creation of new jobs, and Fizer claims he will hire fifteen people to run the plant in a year's time and also

add about four more truck drivers to his trucking firm.

The new plant will remove the iron crystals from the used acid. The acid can then be re-used for wire processing, and the iron residue can be sold to fertilizer companies to be used as an ingredient in their products.

Formal Opening of LAAC Center



The west end of the old Sortex building has been diligently remodeled and re-painted by members of the Lowell Area Arts Council. The building, the use of which is donated by the King Milling Company, is now the home of the LAAC. It will be used for art shows, classes, performances and as an office for the Arts Council.

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Strand Theater to

become a

furniture store

Since 1919 the Strand Theatre has catered to Vaudeville stage acts and lovers of the silver screen. In September of this year the building will open its doors to a different audience, furniture

Steve Larkin, owner of Larkin's Saloon and the future Strand Furniture, bought the theatre from Bob DeNolf four weeks ago. He is hoping to open the only store of its genre in Lowell in September.

"It should be a great convenience to the people of Lowell. Larkin said. "Being the only furniture store in Lowell, people won't have to travel 20 miles to Grand Rapids to buy furniture."

Before Larkin can begin working on the building, he must show the city council his plans. He doesn't expect the city to re-"I'm not going to do anything

major to the building," Larkin said. "I'm having some tiles and cracks in the walls and ceiling repaired, and I'm taking the screen out, but nothing major."

Larkin is planning to remove the seats in the theatre and sell furniture from where audiences once sat. He is going to tier the slope in the theatre into three

The chairs in the theatre will be sold to "anyone who wants to buy them," Larkin said. "I'm going to sell them to local people first and antique dealers also, but I've definitely got to get rid of

Larkin added that he will probably remove the marquee outside the front of the building and add old-style awnings to keep the historic flavor of the

"It's got a lot of history to it," Larkin said. "I want to keep that historic feeling there."

ional held at Hudsonville High School last Saturday. Lead by three individual champions and one runner-up, the Arrows compiled 77 1/2 points to win their first Regional Championship

since the 1964 season. Taking a close second was OK White rival. Northview, with 60 1/2 points, followed by Big Rapids with 54 1/2 points, Catholic Central with 52, and Belding with 48 points.

Lowell's three individual champs were Jim Johnson at heavyweight, Carl Pratt at 105, and Tony Huver at 138. Taking second was Brett Kirby at 155.

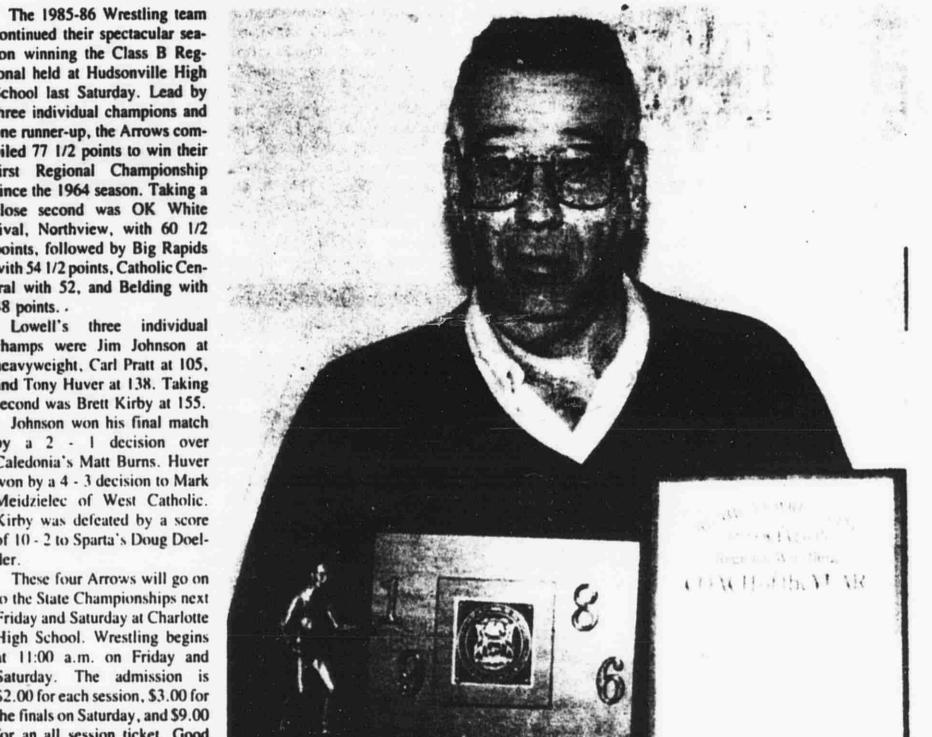
continued their spectacular sea-

son winning the Class B Reg-

Johnson won his final match by a 2 - 1 decision over Caledonia's Matt Burns. Huver won by a 4 - 3 decision to Mark Meidzielec of West Catholic Kirby was defeated by a score of 10 - 2 to Sparta's Doug Doel-

These four Arrows will go on to the State Championships next Friday and Saturday at Charlotte High School. Wrestling begins at 11:00 a.m. on Friday and Saturday. The admission is \$2.00 for each session, \$3.00 for the finals on Saturday, and \$9.00 for an all session ticket. Good Luck Arrows!!

Congratulations go to Coach Rivers on being selected Michigan Regional Coach of the year. Good Job Coach!!



Lowell Wrestling Coach Gary Rivers displays his team's Regional Tournament trophy and the Regional "Coach of the Year" award which was presented to Rivers at Saturday's tournament.

Macker dumps Lowell for site in Belding

Grapplers win Regional Title;

Rivers is Coach of the Year

After nearly two hours of heated debate in a sweltering Runciman' gymnasium, Ivan Blough of Lowell put a point blank question to Gus Macker representative Mitch McNeal. 'Is there a glimmer of hope for a Gus Macker Tournament in Lowell for 1987?" Blough asked. McNeal's reply was a sim-

ple, "No". At that, the approximately 200 people who attended Monday's Lowell City Council meeting began to file out.

Earlier in the day, tournament founder Scott McNeal, alias Gus Macker, held a press conference on the front steps of Belding City Hall to announce plans to move the fourteen-year-old tournament there. McNeal said the 75 to 80 courts will be set up along Congress St. and some adjoining streets near the city's centrally located shopping mall. McNeal made note of the tree lined streets and grassy lawns as being reminiscent of the tournament's neighborhood beginings.

According to McNeal, sixteen communities contacted him with offers to host the tournament since last Thursday's announcement of a possible move. The Belding City Council met at 7:00 a.m. on Monday, and approved the plan to host the July 3, 4 and 5 tournament. According to McNeal, Belding offered to host the tournament last year when a neighbor filed a lawsuit seeking to cancel the tournament. McNeal says Belding offered to host 1,500 team tournament with open arms. "They have a Labor Day festival that attracts 15,000 people, so they are used to dealing with large crowds. They've offered police protection, help with set-up and clean-up. They've even volunteered to

bring in some portable bleachers for the spectators" McNeal said.

Belding City Manager John Niemela is elated with Macker's decision. "This isn't a new event, so we know what to expect and give for it" Niemela told reporters. "We simply accept the costs as part of doing business. The cost for us is nothing in terms of the gains". McNeal said everyone he's talked to in Belding is thoroughly elated about the

The reaction in Lowe!! was just the opposite. The huge crowd at Monday's City Council meeting wanted to know what went wrong. Lowell Mayor James Maatman opened the meeting with a statement outlining the city's side of the dispute. "I regret Macker's decision to leave Lowell, and I feel it's a gross injustice to their supporters" Maatman began. "Year after year the city has supported Macker. We were co-defendants in a lawsuit and we took the lead in obtaining the necessary permits for their planned move to Main St.," Maatman said, as he

ticked off the positive things the city has done for the Macker.

Maatman also noted the considerable effort the city had put into helping organize this year's tournament. According to Maatman, Macker formally requested the move to Main Street on January 19, and the city has been working with the State Highway Department and Kent County Road Commission since. "We had the permit on May 5, and even got a state requirement for

insurance on all participants waived" Maatman said. Maatman said Macker officials were made aware from the beginning that detour signs and barricades

would be their responsibility. He also said no attempt was made by Macker officials to discuss the permit fee with the City Council.

Maatman asked "Why did Macker wait until the last minute to get their permit every year? Why did Macker promise to

he said "Macker left Lowell. Lowell didn't leave the Macker!" His comments were greeted with a round of applause, sprinkled with a few boos and catcalls. Mary Ann Gwatkin said, "I'm

make contributions to the city,

then not deliver?" In summation

alarmed and frightened about the way you five and one half men are governing our city".



The picture tells it all. Scott McNeal, alias Gus Macker, takes questions from TV news crews on the steps of Belding City Hall. McNeal announced Monday that the fourteenth annual Gus Macker basketball tournament will be held in Belding, an Ionia County community about 15

concept for new

lake park

City Councilman Charlie Doyle said, "It's a nice plan, but I don't think it'll ever be completed in my lifetime." Doyle may be right, but the Lowell City Council took the first step in developing the 40 acre park area purchased from Reith-Riley last year. The site is located on Bowes Rd. and also fronts on the Grand River. The unique aspect of the parcel is that it also

encompasses a 22 acre lake. Working with a \$7,000 grant from the Look Memorial Committee, the Lowell Parks and Recreation Committee has been hard at work developing a plan for development of the site. The plan approved for inclusion into the city's master plan, is merely a concept that is meant to serve as a foundation when applying for state and federal grants. It is important to note that the council did not approve anything beyond

Closes up his shop after 40 years

For over forty years Clark Plumbing and Heating has been the business to call if you had a leaky faucet, plugged drain or inoperable furnace. Not so, anymore. Dave Clark, Jr., owner of the business since 1961, closed the doors at the end of February. Clark and his wife, Betty Lou, are looking forward to their retirement years, and left Tuesday morning for a trip to Florida. The Clarks are heading for Orlando where they will attend a reunion of Dave's shipmates on the WWII aircraft carrier, the U.S.S. Franklin. "I've never attened one of these reunions" Clark said, and added "Betty Lou and I are looking forward to doing a lot of things like this that there just wasn't time for when we were running the business."

The business once belonged to Charles W. Cook. When Cook Dave Clark, Sr. went to work for name to Clark Plumbing and was closed on February 28, 1987.

from Lowell High School in June home. of 1943, and was enlisted in the U.S. Navy in less than two March 26, 1946, and went to Schneider Manor, the Lowell and numerous other schools. He weeks. His wartime service as work in his father's plumbing Bowling Alley, State Savings said four years of drafting and an air/sea rescue specialist teen major engagements in the March, I'd have had 41 years in plumbing and heating projects throughout his career. Pacific. The ship was badly dam- the business, and that's long the company completed. When aged by Japanese dive bombers enough for anybody," Clark Dave Clark, Jr. bought the busi- tradesman and businessman, he on March 19, 1945, as the said. Clark will be 62 in April, ness from his father in 1961 the was also very active in many Franklin was positioned off the and the decision to close the bus- company was installing all the civic activities. He was Comcoast of Japan during raids on a iness was directly related to So- plumbing and heating for the mander of the Clark/Ellis Amer-Japanese airfield. The ship listed cial Security laws. Clark said he community swimming pool and ican Legion Post 152 for eight 22 degrees and had to be aban- made his final decision to liquid- fieldhouse. Clark remembers years. He was the Post Adjutant doned. She was towed back for ate the business at the beginning that the seven man crew on that for 13 years prior to that. Clark repairs, but the crew was sent on of February, and an aquaintance job was about the largest number has been a member of the Post to new duty assignments. Clark scoffed at his plans to liquidate of employees the company ever for over 40 years. He was a was then stationed aboard the the corporation by the end of the had. new aircraft carrier, the U.S.S. month. "At 9:15 on Saturday, Clark has been a master years and served on the Lowell Franklin Delano Roosevelt. He February 28 the last truckload of plumber since 1962 and also Housing Commission as Vice helped train the ship's air/sea re- stuff pulled out, the building was holds an unlimited mechanical President for many years. scue personnel, then accom- vacant, and the business was license for heating and cooling, panied the ship on its shake down closed," Clark said. cruise to Buenes Aires. By this time the war had ended, and



Dave Clark

Dave Clark, Jr. displays one of the construction site signs he saved as a memento of the business that was his livelihood for nearly 41 years. Dave Clark Plumbing and Heating, Inc.

Dave Clark, Jr. graduated Clark had enough points to come The Newell Manufacturing trade by attending engineering plant, Foreman's chicken hatch- courses at Michigan State, solar He arrived in Lowell on eries, King Milling's boilers, energy courses at Jordan College business just three days later. "If Bank and the Lowell Veterinary mechanical drawing in high I'd stuck it out to the end of Clinic are just a few of the major school were also very helpful

> as well as a Class G Boiler Over the years the business license. Over the years Clark has served the community well. says he kept current with the

Not only was Clark a busy Showboat Board member for 14

Historic St. Mary's Church is demolished



Going . . .

The former St. Mary's Church Streets, is just a fond memory plans of the present landowners, fixtures, flooring and windows building located at the corner of now as it was torn down last Wed- Phillip D. Johnson and Lyle were reserved and sold to antique Lincoln Lake and Chatham nesday to make way for new Johnson. Some of the lighting dealers.



Going . . .



GONE!!!

The landmark structure was used for worship until April of 1980 when the people of St. Mary's Church dedicated their new building to the Blessed Virgin. Many precious memories were held of the sanctuary where parishioners had worshipped since 1879, in the recently demolished structure. In June 1879, the date inscribed on the cornerstone, the congregation which "numbered about 200" was happy to see a fine church building dedicated. The building cost \$3,300.00. Before 1927 St Mary's was a mission church when the Reverend Father Robert Bogg was made pastor at Lowell, and that same year the former John Arehart residence was purchased for a rectory.

Forrest "Bucky" **Buck passes** at 79

Forrest Buck passed away Monday at age 79. Affectionately known as "Bucky", it is difficult to think of him without also thinking about the Lowell Showboat. From nearly the very first production in 1932 Bucky was a big part of the Lowell Showboat. He served in several capacities. He was a member of the chorus, an endman, the interlocutor, a board member and historian for the famed Showboat. His collection of memorabilia includes autographed photos of nearly every star to appear on the Showboat. Bucky shared the stage with the likes of Louis Armstrong, Dina Shore, Milton Berle, Pearl Bailey and Tammy Wynette, to name only a few.

A tireless promoter of Showboat, Bucky gave slide presentations and lectured at various functions in the area. He wrote a weekly newspaper column for the Ledger entitled "Whistle Toots" and appeared in a documentary about Showboat produced by TV personality Buck Matthews.

Bucky was named Honorary Captain of the Showboat in 1978, the first year the new boat was used. Bucky's birthday was always celebrated in a gala affair complete with a cake presented during a performance each year. Because of Bucky's enthusiasm, his wife, children and even his grandchildren became involved in Showboat. His son, Terry, even appeared as an endman

with his father for several years. Lowell Showboat President Ray Quada said of Bucky, "He offered a thread of continuity for all of us who have worked on the Showboat." Showboat Interlocutor Gordon Gould termed Bucky's contribution to Showboat as, "Immeasurable." Gould said, "Bucky had a fantastic memory for things involving Showboat, and his wealth of knowledge was a tremendous benefit to me as I became the Interlocutor. Bucky always had the best interest of Lowell and the Showboat at heart during all the years I knew him." Joe Vezino who appeared as an endman with Bucky for 14 years said, "He was a total inspiration to all the endmen. He was full of vim, vigor and vitality and lived for Show-

Besides his interest in the Lowell Showboat, Bucky was also a member of the Lowell Masonic Lodge No. 90 F&AM. He was also an active barbershop quartet signer over the years, and appeared with several different groups. He was also an avid roc-

ound, and the half of his basement that isn't full of Showboat norabiliaia is full of rocks collected over the years.

Ledger purchases Buyers Guide

Lowell Ledger Publisher Roger Brown has announced the purchase of the Lowell Buyers Guide, Inc., a 16,000 circulation shopper published in Lowell for more than 30 years. Brown signed the deal with Buyers Guide owner Elva Ayres on October 30, and took immediate

Brown says that with only a few exceptions, the Buyers Guide will continue to be published as always, using the same staff, phone number, etc. The competing East Kent Shopper's Guide, started by Brown in May of this year, will be discontinued. Brown stressed that many of the combination advertising rates offered through the East Kent Shopper's Guide will still be available in the Buyers Guide.

For instance, display ads placed in both the Buyers Guide and the neighboring Ionia County Shopper's Guide will be substantially discounted. Likewise, display ads from the Buyers Guide can be inserted in the Lowell Ledger at \$1.15 per column inch, a full \$1.00 off the open rate. A discount rate is also available for display advertise-

ments placed in both the Buyers Guide and the south edition of the Buyline, a 15,000 circulation shopper published by the Greenville Daily News. The south edition covers the Belding and Greenville area, and fits together nicely with the Buyers Guide's northern boundary.

The Buyers Guide will continue to operate out of its offices at 202 West Main St. However, the real estate was not included in the deal, and Brown hopes to move the entire operation into the Ledger offices at 105 N. Broadway by the end of November. Some remodeling will be required before the move can be completed.

Publication dates for both the Buyers Guide and Lowell Ledger will remain the same. The copy deadline for the Buyers Guide is noon on Fridays. The publication goes to press Friday evening, is mailed Saturday morning and should find its way into most mail boxes on Monday morning. The Ledger's news deadline is Mondays at 5:00 p.m. and the advertising deadline will remain at noon on Tuesdays. The Ledger goes to press Tuesday evenings, and is mailed Wednesday morning for delivery in Lowell on Wednesday and in outlying areas on Thursdays.

One change that will be noticed in the Buyers Guide is the discontinuance of the "Community Page". Brown explained that the decision was made in an effort to keep costs in line so as to hold advertising rates at their present levels. Thad Kraus, editor of the "Community Page" has been employed by the Ledger, and will work full time covering area news.

The Ledger has been in continuous publication since June of 1893. It was founded by F.M. Johnson and sold to R.G. Jefferies in 1930. The Jefferies family published the Ledger until it was sold to Francis Smith in 1968. In 1971 ownership of the Ledger reverted back to Harold Jefferies. Carol Sebastian published the paper for Jefferies until it was sold to Brown in

The Buyers Guide was founded by Kenneth Ayres in August of 1954. Ayres died in May of 1986, and the paper has since

been published by his wife, Elva Ayres and his son Gary. The Buyers Guide has grown over the years to include complete coverage of Lowell, Ada, Alto and Saranac with coverage of various rural routes out of Belding, Cas-

cade, Caledonia and Clarksville. The Ledger also operates the largest commercial printing business in the area. The plant now boasts three full-time pressmen with complete offset, letterpress. typesetting and bindery depart-

Brown feels the three businesses are very compatible, and share much in equipment needs, personnel skills and technology. "The aquisition of the Buyers Guide puts our entire operation

in a position to grow with the

community", Brown said "Don't look for sweeping changes, because we're dealing with businesses that have been around a long, long time. But, I think Buyers Guide and Ledger readers will see steady improvements over the coming months and years", Brown concluded.

Oct. 21, 1987

Showboat to make a comeback in June

Board President Ray Quada and the rest of the Lowell Showboat Board of Directors tell us the famed Lowell Showboat will steam around "Cattail Bend" at least three evenings in late June of 1988. Quada made the ansouncement at a press conference held last Wednesday at Pockett's Night Club in Grand Rapids. Quada told the members of the local media that the Showboat would make a gala return on June 23, 24 and 25. Quada guaranteed those in attendance that the headliner would be a top notch talent, but a contract had not yet been finalized. "We're working with a couple of different groups right now, but we're not quite to the point in the negotiations where we can com-

mit ourselves to a formal an-

porters. Quada hopes to be able to announce the headliner at a fundraiser slated for Saturday.

nouncement", Quada told the re-

ner" is slated for this Saturday October 24 at Pockett's Night Club. The celebration will begin at 5:00 p.m., and tickets are just

\$20.00 per person. The evening includes a roast beef dinner and entertainment by "Alive and Well". Make reservations by calling Pockett's at 957-5179, Heritage Meat Market at 897-7049 or No Sweat Exercise Salon at 676-3138. All tickets will be paid at the door. Mark your calendar now, you can enjoy fine food, great entertainment and support Showboat all at the same time.

The Showboat Board plans to

that made it so popular in the past. Planners intend to bring back endmen, a chorus, dixieland band, a headline act and a the famous Robert E. Lee sternwheeler. "We're not limiting ourselves in any way", Quada said. "By that, I mean we intend to draw from the entire area, including some top notch talent available in Grand Rapids to fill the endman, chorus and other positions in the production. We want to make the Lowell Showboat the best entertainment of its

kind anywhere".

bring the famed summertime

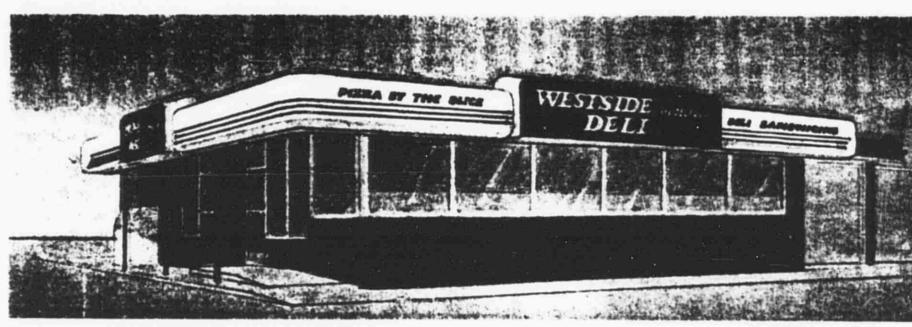
event back with all the trimmings

The Lowell Showboat ran aground in 1982 when interest on a staggering \$45,000.00 debt kept the production from operat-

ing in the black. The Board of Directors opted to cancel the annual production until fundraising events could eliminate the debt. After five years of car raffles, Memorial Day celebrations, donations, etc. the Lowell Showboat is finally out of debt. It owns such major assets as a 4,500 seat amphitheatre and the boat itself, free and clear. Directors now feel that the annual production can again become a profitable venture, and at the same time restore the glimmering "Showboat City" image to Low-

Of course the effort needs the support of the entire community, and anyone willing to serve in any capacity should contact a board member or write to Showboat Corporation, P.O. Box 213, Lowell, Michigan 49331.

Heritage Meat Market will become a "West Side Deli"



Chris Collins, tri-owner and operator of Heritage Meat Market, announced that beginning May 4, Heritage will switch its name to Westside Deli. Collins said that Heritage has recognized a shift in trends from meat markets to prepared foods.

Heritage Meat Market will undergo a face change beginning April 17, and will re-open on May 4 as Westside Deli.

The meat market which has been servicing the community with fresh cut meats for five years, will change over to Westside Deli, a prepared food

"Over the last couple of years the trend has changed from fresh meats to prepared food," Herit-

age tri-owner and operator Chris Collins said. "We'd like to think that we have some foresight Westside Deli will be a fast-food alternative to burgers."

As a carry-over from Herit-

age, Collins says that Westside will also sell the popular ribs and broasted chicken. "Westside brings with it a reputation for its deep pan pizza and submarine sandwiches," he says. "Along with free delivery, Westside Deli

will also sell slices of pizza." The May 4 opening will mark the 20th Westside Deli franchise to open up in Michigan. "Most of them are on the east side of the state. There are two in Grand Rapids with a third expected to open up about the same time we will," Collins said.

Westside Deli originated in 1973, with its first store opening in Mesa.

Keiser's Kitchen, which

started out as a truck stop in

1945, and turned into Lowell's

venerable eating establishment

and oldest retailer, was destroyed

Blair Cahoon, co-owner, said

that the state fire marshall said

the cause of the fire was electrical. He adds that the state fire

marshall suspects the fire started

"We haven't put an amount on

he damages, but to rebuild will

cost \$500,000," Cahoon said.

"We hope to rebuild just as soon.

by a fire Friday, Jan. 8.

n the electrical closet.

as possible."

Fire destroys historic Keiser's Kitchen

Blair Cahoon, right, co-owner of Keiser's Kitchen, watches in disbelief as local firefighters work to put out a fire at the family restaurant that left 40 people without work.

The building was not fully insured because coverage was too expensive. "Few companies are

willing to insure a wood-framed building," Cahoon adds. Cahoon estimated that Keiser's had 1/3 to 1/2 of what

it needs in insurance protection. Firefighters from Lowell, Ada and Alto battled the blaze in the bitter cold from 1:35 a.m. until 8:30 a.m.

"When we got here the fire was already through the roof," Lowell fire chief Frank Martin said. "The roof collapsed into the 165-seat family restaurant.

The fire leaves 40 of Keiser's Kitchen employees, without work, including three of owner. Darlene Westcott's children and their families. There has been three generations of families working at Keiser's.

The freezing temperatures and water left a thick coating of ice on the sidewalk outside of the family restaurant.

"While we were battling the fire, the cold was not too bad. but now that the fire is out, the wet and the cold starts to penetrate through you." Martin said shortly after the fire was extin-

Martin suggested that there were 40 firefighters that battled the fire. 'And one firefighter was treated for frostbite on his toes." Frank Keiser built the main building of the restaurant in 1945

next to their home on the corner of M-21 and Amity Street during World War II, with the idea that a truck stop was needed between Flint and Grand Rapids. In the beginning, the stop was just an extension of Keiser's.

home. It was a very popular stop

for many years, with just a

counter, eight stools, and a few

tables and chairs for seating, but with success came expansion. The first addition was in 1956. The kitchen size and seating cap-

acity was enlarged. In 1962, Keiser's added onto the front. In 1975, the side, and in 1985, the upper half was opened up and seating was



The morning after, showed the aftermath, of a fire that destroyed the building of Lowell's oldest merchant. The state fire marshall report stated that the cause of the blaze at Keiser's Kitchen was electrical.

Gould will take Showboat helm



Gordon Gould takes the helm of the Lowell Showboat as President of the Showboat Board, after over 20 years of involvement starting as an endman in 1966.

Caldwell is C.E.O.



Mr. Keith Caldwell

Mr. David M. Ondersma. President and Chief Executive Officer is pleased to announce the appointment of Keith L. Caldwell to the position of Chief Executive Officer of FMB-State Savings Bank in Lowell, Michigan. Caldwell was appointed President in 1980 and now will assume additional responsibilities of the daily operations. Caldwell succeeds Harold Englehardt as Chief Executive Officer, but Englehardt will remain as Chairman of the Board

Caldwell joined the FMB family in 1967. Prior to joining FMB, Caldwell worked with the Financial Institution Bureau as an examiner. Caldwell attended Albion College, and is a member of First United Methodist Church of Lowell.

FMB-State Savings Bank is an affiliate of First Michigan Bank Corporation. The other affiliate banks include: FMB-First Michigan Bank in Zeeland: FMB First Michigan Bank-Grand Rapids n.a.; FMB-Lumberman's in Muskegon: FMB-Oceana Bank in Hart: FMB-Community Bank in Dowagiac; and FMB-Reed

Feb. 15, 1989

The Wait is Over!

Senior Neighbor Center finds coziness in Hale home

year concern over space or a lack summer. of it, later this month (February),

when a 10-year lease (renewal renovations are needed before clause included) agreement with the Senior Neighbors can make Schneider Manor is signed for its move into the Hale house, acthe use of the George Hale cording to Margaret Dean, Senior Neighbors Executive Di-Space constraints have limited rector of the central office. The \$1,500 of its own money plus to move from its 214 E. Main the number and type of activities work would include installing \$1,000 in memorial funds to the St. location, in May of 1988, folthe Center has been able to offer. barrier-free restrooms; moving central office. Recently the lowing the sale of the Rebekah With this lease agreement, Marj the entrance on existing bath- Senior Neighbors learned that Lodge organization owned build-Snyder. Director of Lowell room because it opens into the the Lowell Rotary Club will con- ing. to Ye Olde Curiousity

Center will put behind it a 13-1/2 tivities could be planned for the with overhead lighting - that ward renovation needs. being the kitchen; and gravel Roughly \$10,000 in necessary needs to be put down for a park- for \$5,500 from the Helen Daley

Senior Neighbors, said a craft kitchen; building an outside tribute \$2,000 toward the work. Shoppe owner, Helen Schaeffer.

Good things come to those class could be started, the exer- ramp; electric wiring so over- needed to be done at the Hale cise class could be reinstated and head light can be provided and house. The Rebekah Lodge or-It was a long wait, but the with the yard space available at ceiling fans can be used. Cur- ganization will also donate Lowell's Senior Neighbors the Hale house, outdoor ac- rently there is only one room \$1,000, which will be used to-

Dean added that it will apply

Monies to cover the cost of The Senior Neighbors' need renovation will come from for a new location surfaced memorial funds and donations. nearly nine months ago. It was The Center has forwarded then that the Center was forced

In need of a place to meet and time to look for a permanent spot, the Center used the Lowell First Congregational Church for a two-month period. During this time, the Center worked a plan out with the school administration to use the graphic arts room at the Lowell Middle School.

During this time, the Center also considered the George Hale house. However, it was determined that a minimum of \$25,000 in renovations would be needed, money the Senior Neighbors didn't have.

"Schneider Manor had not yet completed the deal to buy the house." Lowell Senior Neighbor Director Marj Snyder said. After the deal was completed the Center and Schneider Manor started talking again. An arrangement was worked out shortly after the first of the year.

The lease will call for the Senior Neighbors Center to pay \$200 a month in rent, plus all of the utilities. The plowing and mowing and any outside work will be done by Schneider Manor. The Center will be responsible for the upkeep of the inside. Other than for storage. the upstairs will not be used by the Senior Neighbors

"The Hale house is laved out so that if there is a small group meeting, it can meet in a small cozy place." Snyder said. "If there's a big group, the rooms kind of flow together so no one will feel isolated. Everyone will be together."

An unexpected plan for the Hale house was the announcement by Schneider Manor.



Great Lakes Bancorp of Lowell announced it will be closing its doors effective Oct. 27.

slack for the 40-50 that have Lakes Bancorp does not want to terminate the Lowell branch has ing to readjust because of them," not project the right image. A

Martin added that the lease on ble at the current location.

drive-up teller is also not possithe building is up Nov. 1. "Great VanBoven said the decision to

been mismanaged. "We're hav- continue in this building. It does been known for 30 days.

Fire Station

March 22, 1989

City Council gives project unanimous approval

Plans for a new fire station received unanimous approval from the Lowell City Council at Monday's regular meeting. The new fire and emergency vehicle building will be located south of the Department of Public Works garage on South Hudson. The building site will require extensive fill, but was selected over other sites because of its proximto the city's major

nancial industry and its products,

services and delivery systems.

"A sounder industry requires an

increasing capital," VanBoven

said. He added that it would not

be cost beneficial for the finan-

cial institution (Great Lakes Ban-

corp) to add the products and ser-

"For several years the Lowell branch has not grown to the satisfaction of top management. It has remained in a static posi-

Other reasons for the closure

decision included the current

parking problem and the discus-

sion of removing parking from

While thousands of S&L's are

strong, according to VanBoven

they are having to pick up the

vices to the Lowell branch.

tion," Van Boven said.

in front of the bank.

Dan Durkee of the architecural firm Robert Lee Wold and Associates was on hand to review initial drawings of the proposed building. The station will feature five drive-thru bays with 14 ft. high doors. Also included are restrooms, and a locker room, meeting room, hose drying tower, a small kitchen, a small sleeping area for ambu-

lance personnel, an office for the fire chief and storage areas. site costs \$101,900 and soft costs

Building costs are \$438,300, (achitectural fee, survey, bor-

ings, testing, etc.) \$40,000. Total cost is \$580,200. The building is to be paid off over a five year period using an elaborate formula which includes the City of Lowell, Lowell Township, Vergennes Township, the Look Fund and the Steelcase

The formula breaks down as follows: City (over 5 years) \$199,425, Look Fund (matching city dollars) \$199,400. Vergen-

nes Twp. (over 5 years) \$40,000. Lowell Twp tover 5 years) - \$66,375 and the Steel case Foundation (thru Lowell Ambulance and still under consideration - \$35,000). The Look Fund has already approved expending \$40,000 for the soft

Durkee told the council that his firm should have final draw-

pleted by the end of the year. The building will be con-

structed of split concrete block and metal. The appearance will be similar to that of the D.P.W.

ings and bid specifications ready

by June 1, 1989. Pasquale esti-

mated that the bid could be

awarded by July 1, and with

luck, the building could be com-



Kent County Department of Public Works' officials said frost was responsible for pulling a pipe out of its joint, causing a sewage spill into Denny Hawk's comfield at 64th and Bancroft

The 10,000-gallon sewage spill which was reported on Wednesday, Feb. 17, took 4-6 hours to clean up Thursday, Feb, 18.

"The pipe separated at the mechanical joint causing the spill, which drained into a low

spot of Hawk's corn field," Kent County Department of Public Works' utility worker James Wel-

marink said.

He adds that no streams, lakes or water tables were affected by the spill. "It (10,000 gallons) sounds worse than it is. It is probably no worse than a farmer manure on the

Hawk is not quite as comfortable with that summation. "I just want an answer from somebody knowledgeable." He adds, "I called the DNR Emergency Spillage Service in Detroit and was told that something would be

Ernie Jousma, an Environmental Quality Analyst from the Department of Natural Resources adds, "Ordinarily if we can recover what's spilled we do, but from my understanding, this is not recoverable,"

He continues, "The spill is well isolated from homes and there is no threat of exposure in terms of the ground water."



10,000 gallon sewage spill discovered in Alto

A sewage spill that was reported on Wednesday, Feb. 17, at 64th and Bancroft Avenue in Alto, according to officials was caused due to frost on the pipe. The spillage drained into a low spot of Denny Hawk's cornfield. The spill took 4-6 hours to clean up. However, some of the spillage that was labled unrecoverable, remains.

students at the Middle School

level interested in hockey, but

only three additional players

The memorandum on hockey

1. It would bring ratio of

2. It was felt Lowell was

stated six basic reasons for its

male /female winter scholastic

sports closer to being balanced.

being out-classed and out-spent

when it comes to the above

schools and that its resources

would be better utilized support-

ing Lowell's other 32 athletic ac-

disadvantage because it did not

have a feeder system. Stahr said

only 2-3 of the current hockey

roster participated in GRAHA

Simkins commented that it takes

longer than a year to build a

the season with 17 boys on the

roster. However, in reality, only

12-15 players ever competed at

any time. Vredenburg said that

was because only 15 uniforms

facility exists for practices or

contests. Lowell continues to

rely on Kentwood, Belknap and

Jolly Rogers for games and prac-

tice time. Stahr said if the city

ever provides an outdoor skating

facility to facility for skating in

the winter and a picnic area in

the summer is scheduled for con-

struction this summer), it is un-

known what limitations they

would place on its availability.

5. Currently no local ice

were available to the team.

4. The hockey team finished

feeder system.

3. Lowell was at a distinct

were out for hockey in 1988-89.

Feb. 24, 1988

Keiser's will rebuild at East Main location



Keiser's, coming as soon as the renovation work on the inside is completed.

The Lowell City Council ap- Cahoon adds that being on the proved a variance submitted by quieter end of town, their Keiser's Kitchen allowing the shouldn't be the in-and-out of

20-by-60 expansion of the build- traffic problems that occurred at ing previously occupied by the corner of Amity and W. Paul's Showboat Restaurant. The property, located at the "We've already gutted the in-

southeast corner of S. Division side and are down to four walls, and E. Main, is zoned R-3 (resi- and ready to rebuild, "West said. dential and apartments).

Keiser's requested the vari- Erickson, former owner of Paul's ance to expand the building up Showboat Restaurant, was to 2,000 square feet, allowing finalized on Friday, Feb. 5. Refor extensive renovation. Their novation was then started on evential intent is to petition for Feb. 9, with May 1, the target rezoning the property to commer- date for Keiser's opening.

"Logically, this is the right building we're currently in (109, move. We have three acres and Riverside Dr.). If we can genershould never have to worry about ate enough money to keep it open parking," Chris West said. Blair and pay for the lease while works

Keiser's deal with Paul

being done on the new location,

we will," Blair Cahoon said.

"We have a year's lease on the

the skill level," Vredenburg said one or two teams, no school has

a high level of talent. It only takes 2-3 kids with an above average level of talent for a team

Vredenburg, Simkins and members of the 25 hockey families all pointed to the high interest level at the Middle School. "Many of these kids are involved in GRAHA, (a hockey feeder system in Grand

Tom Stahr, Lowell Assistant Athletic Director, who along with Dick Korb, LHS Principal and Bob Perry, LHS Athletic Director, wrote the report and recommendation to the board, said that a year ago the hockey prog-

Hockey delegated to club status

Board votes 4-1 to discontinue hockey as interscholastic sport

Before Lowell's May board meeting, seven of the O-K league's 32 schools offered hockey. That number is now at six, following the board's 4-1 vote to discontinue ice hockey as an interscholastic sport beginning with the 1989-90 school year, and change it to a club-status sport, should sufficient interest prevail among students and par-

"By reducing it to a club sport the board is basically killing ice hockey at Lowell," hockey supporter, Rich Simkins said. "We teach our kids not to take the easy way out. By reducing hockey to club status the board is taking the easy way out." Simkins and many of the hockey supporters on hand asked the board to do the hard thing, to cooperate

hockey program work. Clark Vredenburg, DDS, who has been associated with Lowell hockey for 12 years, said with the problems we read about kids having today, it's ironic that Lowell kills a program that offers an

and work together and make the

alternative. "There's no doubt the last few years we have had difficulty with "But for the exception of maybe

to excel."

Rapids).

ram said there were roughly 14

6. Hockey is the only varsity sport Lowell offers where the contestants range from freshman to seniors (14 to 19year old). Because of their lack of skill and size there was a sincere concern for their health safety and welfare.

Simkins brought to the board's attention that there have been less serious injuries in hockey than many of the other sports. He also questioned the concern raised in the memo about the kid's health and safety at the interscholastic level, but it was alright for these players to compete at the club level.

Hockey supporters and its players were left with two options, to compete as a club and play other club teams in the Western Michigan area (there are roughly 3-4 teams available at the club level since it is illegal for a club to play a varsity team). Or it was suggested that individually, those interested in hockey could join one of the traveling teams in the area. The school would have no association or control over such individual ac-

Stahr pointed out that of the seven schools, Lowell between the boosters and the school, spent \$6,000 a year on hockey. Northview, the next closest team spent \$9,000.

Vredenburg said that nothing positive was done by the athletic program over the past year to help better the hockey situation. "The hockey family did not enjoy this, and it hurt the prog-

Doyle'e 45 years as President of King Milling has brought continual growth and prosperity.

45 years of continued growth and prosperity!

Under the direction of King and his brother, Mike, the company has grown from 600 sacks of 100 weight of white flour in a 24-hour day with storage of 80,000 bushels, to its 1990 capacity of 5,400 100 weight sacks of flour with storage capacity of 2.8 million bushels.

While King Milling has prospered over this period of time, the number of mills in Michigan dropped from 28 in 1958 to six flour mills in

Naval Ensign King Doyle

was a 23-year old Lowell na-

tive stationed in the Pacific

with plans of becoming a

lawyer like his Uncle, Attor-

ney R.M. Shivel, when his

life's direction was capsized

upon hearing of the sudden

death of his father William

C. Doyle who suffered a

heart attack while on a busi-

When William Doyle died,

his majority interest passed to

his invalid wife, Monica; and

is two sons, King and Ro-

Upon being released from

active duty in the Navy, King

Doyle became president of

the concern, a title he still

"My father had controlling

interest, so I had to go home

and try to run the mill," King

of years out of the Navy be-

fore I became comfortable

with the role. At first, it was

a sink or swim, and trial and

the role of an attorney. So

much so, that after securing

an accounting degree from

the University of Michigan

"I have no regrets about

my life at the mill. I've been

happy. The mill has pros-

pered," Doyle said. "The in-

dustry has been good to me

and I think we've been good

There is no doubt that

to the industry."

he gave thought to tax law.

As a youth, Doyle idolized

Doyle said. "It took a couple

error type situation.

ness trip to Chicago.

land (Mike).

holds today.

he says. "King Milling has always tried to succeed in taking care of its customers and the community." A few of the community beneficiaries from King Milling's growth include the Lowell Area Arts Council and St. Mary's School. Doyle, who puts a big value

principal invested is used to

HAIL! KING MILLING

King Milling under the leadership of King Doyle has enjoyed

Doyle points to the rein-

vestment of money into the

business as the key reason for

success. "Reinvesting the

money is not only good for

the mill and the employees,

but the community as well,"

on education, started the St. Mary's Educational Foundation. The income from the

pay tuition. There is currently a value of \$80,000 on the foundation. Raised two blocks from his

home on Amity Street, Doyle graduated as Valedictorian of his 1940 Class. "I enjoyed school and I took it seriously," he says. The 5-10,

160 pound Red Arrow played end on both sides of the football. "I wasn't particularly good in football, basketball or baseball, but I did manage to letter in three sports."

Doyle started out at the mill working summers while in high school. "I packed flour and swept the floors," he remembers. This year marked the 45th year he has served as the company's president. "I'd like to stay on as president for 50 years,"

Doyle says. The senior Doyle has taken on a lighter load at the Mill since his open heart surgery in 1985. "I've had to cut back on just about everything," Doyle explains." Doyle does however continue to have a

A decision that Doyle and his brother, Mike have remained loyal to, is recognizing what's modern and then keeping up with it. Such a stand has always kept King Milling on the leading edge of technology. A prime example of this is the com-

puter automation system currently being used at the Lowell company. This policy will be con-

tinued by the fourth generation of Doyles - Brian, Vice President and General Manager; Jim, Vice President: Stephen, Director of Project Development; and Paula, a graphic designer.

see King Milling diversify

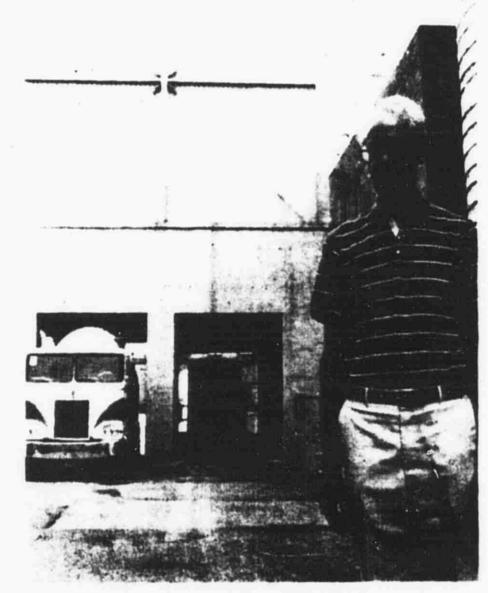
Doyle believes people will

into other Milling areas such as batter mixes. He credits his parents for instilling honesty and hard working ethics in him. It

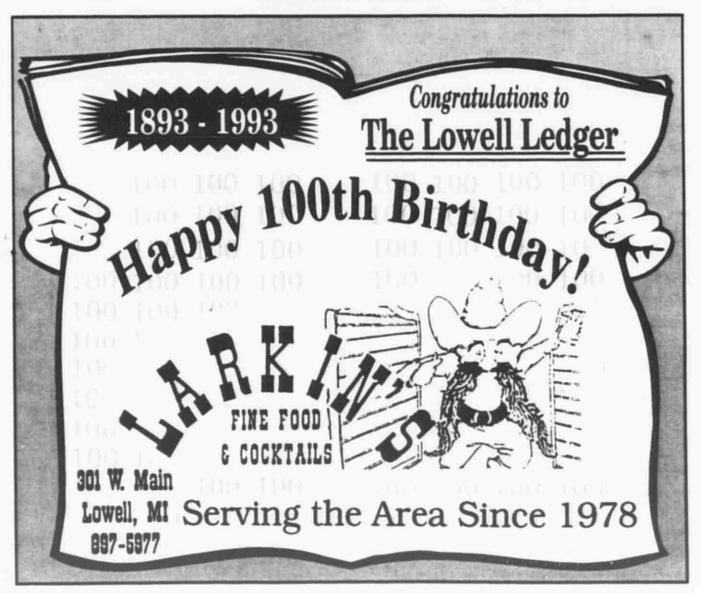
should come as no surprise

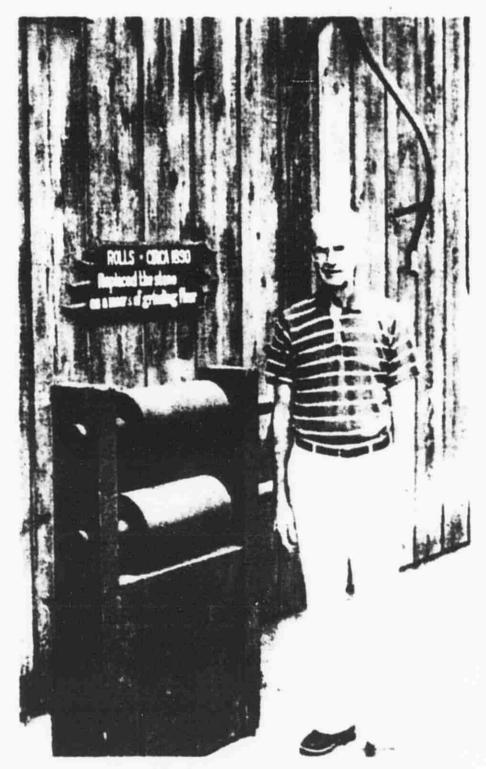
to hear that it was his father who persevered until a new monolithic concrete mill was erected following the fire which burned the Superior Mill to the ground in March of 1943.

It was his loyalty, convichelped him through those tough times, those same traits have helped make King Doyle and the King Milling Company an example for all.



Over the years, the name and words of King Doyle have stood as tall as the "King" sign.





The rolls have withstood the test of time. King Dovle has been directly responsible for many of the changes over the past 45 years. He too, has weathered the test of time very well.



Clear back in the early 1960's, Charles Richard Doyle, even then had the makeup of a political fireball. made his political pitch at the Michigan Constitution Convention and then followed that initiative up with two unsuccessful attempts at state legislative positions.

From these political initiatives. Doyle invoked a visionary question from Lowell's Harold "Scoop" Jefferies, the town reporter, one morning over coffee at the Village Inn. Charlie, are you going to be the next Postmaster here in

Veouple years later, Doyle was appointed Lowell Postmaster by President Lyndon Bannes Johnson's administration. When Jefferies made that comment I had no intentions or thoughts about becoming Lowell's Postmaster, although I had paid my dues." Dovle said. "Actually it was the county committee who made the selection," Prior to 1972's postal reorganization, political favors went a long way in determining appointments. The reorganizational move put more emphasis on a person's qualifications. "Lawmakers loved it because

Doyle closes the door on 25 years. of Postmaster service in Lowell

it eliminated the 'one friend - 100 enemies' status that the created," Doyle says.

The down side to the reorganization, is that small town postmasters are no longer from the local area. They are sent in from out of town. "Of

course a local postmaster would do a better job." Doyle

said. "No one local is going to replace me and the person won't know anything about Lowell. So what will a new person contribute"

Many of the small town postmasters who were appointed through political patronage also dabbled in nepotism (had family working for them)

"I never had a member of my family work for me at the Lowell Post Office. In fact. I have a daughter, Maureen who works for UPS," Doyle explains. The Lowell Postmaster added that some post offices still hold some competitive fires for UPS. "Some still won't give directions to UPS carriers," Doyle laughs.

Doyle is one of a very few Postmasters left who was politically appointed. "The only other one in Michigan that I know of is the Hudsonville Postmaster," Doyle said last Thursday, which served Postmaster after a 25-year

"I've spent 25 years of my life in public service. Now I will go out into private industry and make a fortune," Doyle chuckles.

Doyle, who started working at the Lowell Post Office on Aug. 31 of 1965, is a 1946 High School graduate. He attended Hillsdale College where he graduated in 1952. Between

high school and college he served in the Marine Corps for one year.

"When I arrived as Lowell Postmaster, it was an antiquated business and was run like the turn of the century," Doyle said. "Nothing had changed and change was needed."

During that time, 25-40 percent of the revenue obtained came through taxes. Doyle is quick to add that the post office doesn't get any revenue through taxes now.

The Lowell delivery area has more than doubled during Doyle's tenure. The rural delivery routes have increased from three to six and within the last five years the rural area has grown by 26 percent. The staff has also increased from 14 to 20 which Doyle says is still understaffed.

Doyle's ability to contact

the right people helped him

land the Postmaster position

and in the early 70's when the

doom and gloom talks about cuts surfaced, he again contacted the right people to get what he needed instead of cutting what the Postal Service thought was necessary.

"I tell all young postmasters, especially women, that they must be assertive, because when things go wrong you're going to take the blame, so its up to the postmaker to make sure they go right," Doyle said. "Any bus-

iness is only as good as its employees. They make people on top look good." The Lowell Postmaster of

25 years admits he'll miss coming down to the post office in the morning and seeing the people, but he adds he won't miss the bureaucracy. As an example, Doyle pointed to 1978 when the postal service decided motorizing routes would save money. Then, in 1980 when there was a gas crunch the

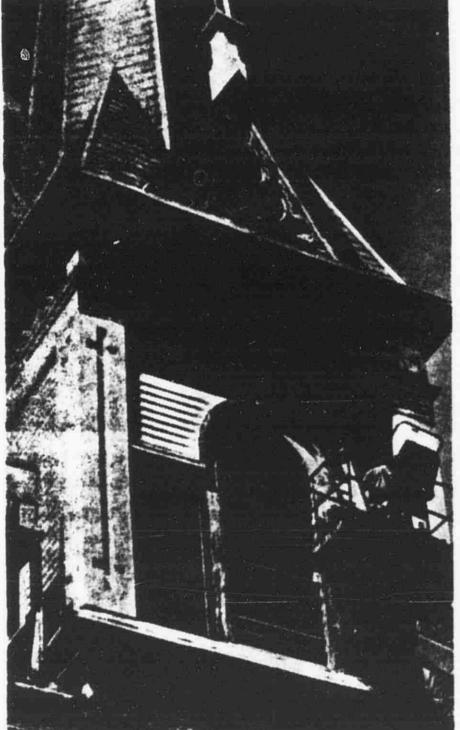
postal service tried to tell postmasters that demotorizing routes would save money. "I held out and when a representative realized he wasn't going to change my mind, he told me 'Charlie you've been around too long, but the younger postmasters don't know," Doyle says.

He adds that all policy comes down from postal headquarters in Washington D.C. "The divisional managers cut costs at my expense to make names for themselves. They only look at money and have no conception of service," Doyle says.

Doyle intends on continuing his role on the Lowell City Council; the Lowell Historical Board; and the local Draft Board of Kent County number 281.

"You can't spend 25 years of your life at something and then walk away from it without missing it," Doyle ex-

114 year old St. Patrick's Church is being restored



Vos Construction is completing the three-month restoration work on St. Patrick's Catholic Church.

character of the church while when it decided to undertake a ond Vatican II.

Retain the tradition and lic Church, 4333 Parnell NE, Reginato. old church.

Wheeler Jr.

tion project was contracted out capital fund drive was also to Dan Vos Construction. used to re-roof St. Patrick's "We've done a lot of churches, School and for the rectory resboth building and remodel- toration. ing," said project foreman, Cliff VanSpornsen.

cludes: taking off the original white pine siding and replacing it with redwood siding; second oldest and continu-Vos Construction will install ously running parish in the all new overhangs with built- Diocese - second only to St. in eve troughs; two layers of Andrews. The church was shingles on the roof will be built for the celebration of back will be repaired; the Trent. steeple will be repaired and Father Wheeler said there repainted; the colored-glass are reports, and/or rumors, that windows will be taken out the St. Patrick Church has been

Father Wheeler joined the States.

The restoration project was Parnell area.

a church with the character being reassigned to a new and tradition that St. Patrick's church two weeks before the currently holds," says its restoration work on the inside Pastor, Father Wayne B. of the rectory was completed.

Father Wheeler points out, The three-month restora- that the \$400,000 from the

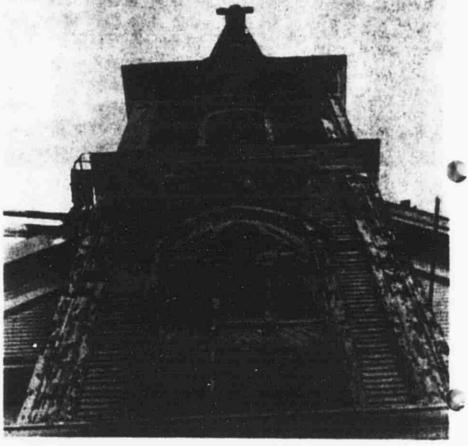
"When all is said and done, the total costs will be roughly The restoration work in- half-a-million dollars," Wheeler said.

St. Patrick's Church is the replaced; the chimney in the liturgy for the Council of

seen in a slide show at a Super

St. Patrick's Church family in The church membership is July of 1990 as Pastor, re- made up of 460 households first Pastoral job to include a farms to the saw mills and placing Father Julian and Father Wheeler says it church restoration project, then cut to size approximately

at the same time accommo- \$350,000 restoration project set in motion by Father Ernest St. Patrick's Pastor said an Portland prior to coming here. served the strong Irish comdating the liturgy of the Sec- on the exterior of the 114-year Bernott several years ago additional capital fund drive Because of the work by Fa- munity of St. Patrick's well. when he initiated a capitol will be needed to raise funds thers Bernott and Reginato, The new redwood siding is That was the mission that "This day and age it would fund drive. Father Reginato for the restoration of the inside the task has been relatively expected to retain that tradition



The work on the outside of St. Patrick's Church will total approximately \$350,000.

pect any work on the inside to plained. "The people of this While various projects Bowl; that Jackie Gleason did begin before next summer. Parish have made a supreme have been completed over the a water color painting of the While the current church sacrifice in order that this years (e.g. - added a balcony, church while vacationing in building is 114 years old, St. project could be possible. new ceilings), Father Wheeler the area; and that on Ripley's Patrick's will celebrate its Their spirit and enthusiasm eastern part of the United 1994, the Church's Sesqui- restored church." centennial year (150th).

faced the St. Patrick's Catho- be extremely difficult to build continued the drive up until of the church. He doesn't ex- easy," Father Wheeler ex- and character

said this is the first major res- Believe It Or Not, it was re- 150th birthday in 1994. "We'd has lessened the burden. I'm toration project. "We're not ported to be the largest open like to have the inside resto- fortunate to have inherited this getting to it any too soon," he area wooden church in the ration work completed by parish and the new rectory and

> The old, weathered white He also didn't expect his pine, that came from the area continues to grow as does the "This is my first job as Pastor. 114 years ago so that the I was an assistant pastor in church could be built, has

Lowell's Board of Education announced that it has reached an agreement for Wittenbach land officials

> The land was originally owned by Everett (Steve) Wittenbach, who later deeded it over to his daughter, Mary Ann Wittenbach Dewey, and his son, Stephen James Wittenbach.

school project. The 180 acres of property sets approximately 1,000 feet further west and less than 1.000 feet north of the Coo-

per/Cook property. The school has agreed to purchase the land for a sum of

Roger Kropf, Lowell Board

of Education President, sim-

ply stated "This is the best

feeling this Board has had in

That statement followed

the Board's proclamation that

it has signed a purchase agree-

ment with Mary Wittenbach

Wittenbach to acquire land as

a building site for its new high

Dewey and Stephen James

six months."

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\$450,000. It will cost the school more to run dedicated water and sewer lines onto the property but the total cost will still be less than the approximate three-quarter of a million dollars that was being asked for the Cooper/Cook properties.

Other key elements in the land deal pointed to by school included: Wittenbachs did not set any buffers or contingencies; the 180 acres allows for future growth when needed; and the architect's design can remain the same.

School officials stated that Steve Wittenbach approached the school board before the condemnation hearing about the possible sale of his land. "The fact that there was not a water and sewer agreement between Vergennes Township and the City stopped any discussion," said Norm Byrne, Chairman of the Building and Site Committee.

When the discussion of

land resurfaced after the school lost its condemnation battle with Qua-Ke-Zik, the School got a commitment from the City that it would be willing to run dedicated lines into Vergennes Township. It also received a commitment from the Vergennes Township Supervisor, James Cook and the Vergennes Township Board that while it did not like annexation, the "common cause is too overpowering not to set aside differences for the good of the community."

Steve Wittenbach again mentioned the availability of his land to school board memher Ray Quada a few weeks ago. Quada took the information back to the building and site committee. "The agreement between the school and Wittenbachs increases the school's opportunities for the future." Quada said. "This will allow future Board of Educations to forego having to go through what it Board has. I wouldn't wish Liat on any

Land Frustration Resolved

school board. Lowell Superintendent Fritz Esch was relieved the land issue has finally been resolved. "I think the cloud that has been hanging over us is beginning to disappear and there may be a silver lining."

Byrne who was instrumental in putting it all together said the Wittenbach land had more usable property, a better road and enhanced building

The Board of Education also approved an environmental site assessment for the property. The cost is not to exceed \$7,000.

Soil boring and title search still need to be completed. "I don't think we, as a board, can tell you this is the best land until we get soil boring results and the environmental study is completed," Quada said.

David Thaler, chairman of the finance committee for the Neighbors Who Care, was encouraged by the amount of

broke out she and her hus-

band. George, sat in front of

the television all the time.

"We wanted to know every-

land and what the agreement means to the school. "I think this will finally put to rest the Qua-Ke-Zik issue. I think people still feared the school might go after the land. The agreement is also going to help

Thaler presented the Board a petition he had signed by residents living along Alden

the millage vote on Sept. 24.

Nash from Foreman to Vergennes. "Of the people living in that area, 80 percent were

Thaler was quick to point out that while the 26.1 millage renewal is important, voters

newal," he said.

favorable to the millage re-

need to remember that the .55 mill increase for one year and the Headlee are also pivotal. "The Headlee affects the

school's state aid and the county allocated funds it receives," he explained.

Nov. 13, 1991

Monuments dedicated here on Veterans Day

Veterans Day was observed in a special way in downtown Lowell on Monday. Two new monuments were dedicated at the Veterans' Park near the river on the south side of Main St.

The monuments honor veterans who served in both World War I and World War II. The inscription on the WWI monument reads, "Dedicated to the memory of those men and women from the Lowell area who served their country in the great war for civilization .

The war to end all war" The WWII monument reads, "Dedicated to all those Lowell area men and women who served their country in the greatest war against tyranny and opression the world has vet seen. May the like never happen again"

About 30 people turned out

for the ceremony. Clarence

Shoemaker from the Rockford

VFW Post and a past State Commander of the VFW was the guest speaker. Wesley Adrianse, a past Commander of the Lowell VFW and Gordon Marshall, Adjutant of the Lowell post, also said a few words. Marshall is co-chairman of the monument project along with Barry Emmons of the Lowell American Legion.

A larger stone and flag pole was dedicated in the park last Memorial Day. Organizers hope to have the remaining three monuments ready for dedication next Memorial Day

Future monuments will honor veterans of the Korean War and Vietnam War.

Missing member of Summerfield family can be found with Operation Desert Storm

"We're doing the right thing," says Lowell's Ruth Summerfield. She then pauses, "No, war is never the a right thing. But I think our approach to this war is cor-

Summerfield has a lot of thoughts on what's going on over in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia. However, her emotions don't always allow her to share them. "Yesterday I was unable to talk about the war. Today, I got a letter from my boy, Jeff, and I feel on top of the world. I can talk to anyone," she explains.

Jeff arrived in Saudi Arabia on Aug. 7. Understandably, he has been foremost on the minds of his close-knit family ever since. "We're a very close family and we're waiting to get the other piece of the family back," Ruth says.
Jeff is a Sergeant over in

Dhahran. He works with the radar and jamming systems. "Prior to the start of the war he worked 12 hours a day." Summerfield explains.

Before being shipped to

Saudi Arabia, Jeff was stationed at the Seymour Johnson Air Force Base in Goldsboro, North Carolina. Summerfield said the letter

took nine days to arrive. "He wrote the letter a couple of

days before the war started. Jeff sounds very upbeat and says they all want to get the

job done and come home." Ruth explains. "His letters keep me going."

The Lowell Graphics owner says when the war first thing. As the war has progressed. I've decided it's more important to get away from the TV. Work helps me do that," Ruth said.

Staying away from the television also helps her avoid the films of protestors shown on the news. "Yes, it bothers me to see protestors burning flags. Many of these people are career protestors. They'd be out there if it was abortion, air pollution...." Summerfield said.

Ruth is behind the leadership of President Bush. "I just

have a stronger feeling about Bush's leadership than that of former President Reagan," she said. Summerfield said her heart goes out to the men, women,

> war and for the U.S. GI's. The Lowell businesswoman is working on starting a group session for local families with men or women in Saudi Arabia. "I think it could help the families of servicemen that just left for Saudi Arabia. In Jeff's letter. he states that the families of his married buddies are having a rough time financially," Summerfield said.

and children affected by the

"I'm not sure anyone knows when this will end. I think the next couple of weeks will tell us a lot," she concludes.

The George and Ruth Summerfield family uses work to help relieve them of their tension and concern for the son and brother Jeff, who is in Saudi Arabia. They are

front, left to right, George, Ruth, back row, volunteer workers. Tom Summerfield. Mark Summerfield and family friend Lisa Eickhoff.

Tourists reaction - "IMPRESSIVE"

The early reviews on the new Lowell High School s' are in, and the 306 school d rict residents who participa no the "Walking Tour" on St day all agree.

"It is very impressive," sa Loveell's Nancy Reinha "Other communities will ta notice '

"The planning that we into it was very efficient," se Lowell's Ruby Leeman.

"I was impressed with he school officials plannaround the environment a took it into consideration said Lowell's Hercul Andrus

Dick Korb, tour coordin tor, along with administr tion, board members, ar WBDC and Owen Ames and Kumball officials, guided 16 groups of 8-38 residents per group through the tour. Each tour took a little over an hour

The tours began at noon

and ended at 5 p.m. The new high school site. still under construction, was framed by the hue array of fall colors and the ever pleasing

Craig Willison, Owen Ames and Kimball said the new high school site will be the future center of Lowell community activities. "This is much more than just a school project, this is a community project."

For Beth Hoag, a seventh grader in the first tour group on Sunday, it will be her high school home for four years. Her class (1997-1998) will be the first four-year graduating class from the new school.

Ruby Leeman's granddaughter Bethany will be a member of the second class to graduate after the new school opens. That's significant in that

Leeman's son, Bob, was a member of the first class to graduate from the current high school on Foreman Street. Ruby is a 1931 graduate from Lowell. "Things have changed a little since then," she smiles.

Reinhart made note that her brothers, Tim and Jerry, were some of the hired excavators for the new high school

"The most pleasing thing that I can see, is the school has land in case of the need for future growth. It's been well thought out for future expansion," Reinhart said. "In Caledonia, thought wasn't given to future expansion and now it needs another new building."

Lowell Area Arts Council member Chris Hodges anticipates the numerous possibilities for the new 725 seat audi-

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temperatures.



Approximately 306 people came out on Sunday to tour the new high school site.

The City of Lowell has it 'its way' Burger King making its way to town

The Lowell Planning Commission established a public hearing for the June 22 City Council Meeting for the purpose of rezoning two lots that set east of Greenridge Realty Inc. for the construction of a Burger King Restaurant.

Lowell City Manager

Dave Pasquale said the request on the part of the Lowell Planning Commission for the public hearing is for the protection of public interest.

Commissioner Brian Brown thought that it was important for the City to listen to the response of the area

neighbors in regards to the projected drives leading into and out of Burger King. However, there is no men-

tion in the ordinance that a special hearing is necessary.

Commissioner Jim Phill ips said that if it is alright for Burger King to put in the drive,

than residents shouldn't have a say or the option to override the decision of legality. Pasquale said that he and

the City attorney see no problem with it.

Larry Christiansen, general

contractor for the project, of LDC Incorporated, said that Lowell Burger King is a 1992 project and provided there are no delays should be up no later than mid November.

He said there are currently five to six Burger King projects underway. All of them are at roughly the same stage. The restaurants that are cleared for construction first will be completed first.

The Planning Commission and the city manager made it clear that the City does not want to mess up Burger King's project time frame.

The typical Burger King is 3-3,500 square feet, Christiansen explained.

Burger King may need a variance on its parking. It is asking for the approval of 96

parking spaces and the transitional zoning ordinance calls for 65. The parking may have to be rezoned.

The restaurant will have a dining room that will seat from 100-120 people. It will have front seating.

The building will be 42 feet wide and 100 feet deep. It will have a painted brick with timberline shingles.

Christiansen said Burger King is very much community oriented. "Burger King trains local people with existing management," he said.

He added, Burger King serves breakfast starting at around 6:30 or 7 a.m. and anticipates it will remain open until 10 p.m. Christiansen said that would depend a lot on business.

Lowell Chamber of Commerce receives City Council's approval on DDA resolution

Revenues to be sought through tax increment financing

It may be the wake-me-up call that a tired Lowell

Monday night, some ambitious and energetic Lowell Chamber of Commerce members went before the City Council asking that a resolution of intent be adopted for a downtown development authority, designating the boundaries of the downtown district, calling a public hearing on the proposed boundaries, and on the ordinance incorporating the authority. The Council passed the resolution unanimously.

The process will involve public hearings, public notification of hearings, and adopting an ordinance notifying the Secretary of State and establishing boundaries. Lowell Chamber of Commerce President Jim Reagan

said a DDA would help halt property value deterioration, increase property tax valuation where possible in the business district of the City, would eliminate the cause of description, and would promote economic growth.

"Our downtown needs help. A DDA is something that could benefit our downtown. If we work together we can accomplish more than individually," Reagan said. "The DDA cannot work miracles. It can only be as strong and viable as its board members. The Chamber believes there are talented, energetic and ambitious individuals who live and work in Lowell who could make the DDA success-

Reagan said one request downtown businessmen made was that DDA revenue be created through tax increment financing and not increased millage.

Tax increment financing is a way for cities, villages, and townships in Michigan, which have established a DDA or local development finance authority, to finance development projects. Money needed to finance development in this manner comes from local property taxes and is used for public improvements such as buying land, constructing and improving streets, sidewalks, lighting, or perhaps parking lots or the public mall of a shopping district.

The money is raised from the tax dollars that are generated by proposed new private property developments and improvements.

Lowell Charter Township and City approve water agreement

service.

Water system will service new school and Eastgate

outline of the agreement was approved last summer.

Lowell City Manager Dave Pasquale says the city and township have been discussing this project for several years, but the need for a water supply to the new high school being constructed on Vergennes Ave. accelerated the project. The new school is slated to open in the fall of 1994. Pasquale hopes to see construction begin on the new water project next summer.

The estimated cost for the city's share is \$1,353,440.00, while the township is expected to spend another \$1.7 million

on water mains and a 500,000 gallon-storage tank. The project will be funded entirely by the sale of bonds to be repaid by revenues from water sales. \$500,000 of the construction cost of the new high school is earmarked to pay Lowell Township for water

The agreement outlines the respective responsibilities of each party, rules of the system and water rate methodology. A joint water advisory com-

advice on the eventual expan-

mittee is to be established for

communication and to provide

The proposed water service area will be bounded roughly by Vergennes Ave., Parnell Ave., Fulton St. and Alden Nash Ave. (see map). Besides the new high school, the Eastgate in the Wood subdivision will be serviced by the new system.

Water rates to the township have been set at \$2.10 per

thousand gallons and will go in place as of June 30, 1994. The rates will then be reviewed and adjusted annually. If there is a dispute over rates, an arbitrator will establish rates using the methodology in the agreement.

Following their vote to accept the agreement, the City Cc. ncil approved \$47,950 to fund preliminary services for their portion of the project.

These services include, surveying, soil borings, routing of the water main, site and floor plans, assistance in special assessments, meetings with the Michigan Department of Health and preparation of construction cost estimates.

School administration closes on land; brings elementary and middle school projects within budget

Mhile it has been considered a done deal for quite some time now, Lowell Schools officially closed on the 185 acres of land on which the new high school will sit.

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The City of Lowell and

Lowell Charter Township

each met Monday evening to

approve a water supply agree-

ment between the two gov-

emmental bodies. A general

The formality of signing all the papers was completed. Lowell Schools paid Steve Wittenbach \$455, 243.87 for its 180 acres. It also purchased five adjacent acres belonging to Adrian Hayes for \$20,000. The total purchase price was \$475,243.87. That came in under the \$500,000 budgeted for the purchase of land.

"We are hopeful of beginning construction by June," Lowell Superintendent Fritz Esch said. "Drawings have not wet been completed on the site plan."

The most significant roadblock now remains the availability of water and sewer. Talks continue between the governing bodies.

Because of the distance the school will have to run pipe to get water/sewer utilities to the land, the approximately \$1.6 million budgeted will fall substantially short of the mark. Esch agreed the school's cost to run the lines could run up to

In an effort to make up for the added costs in providing

water and sewer, to the new high school, Esch said some items have had to be put out as ad alternates.

Because of the anticipated increased cost for water and sewer, four items will be put out to bid as ad alternates. What this means is, if the bids come in low enough so the items can be completed and still remain within budget, the work will be done. If not, the work would have to be delayed until a later

Items that will be bid out as ad alternates include all asphalt paving of parking lots, press box building, and concession building.

These reductions would total \$340,000.

"We're trying to cut and delay projects within the bond issue that we feel we can complete at a later date," Esch said. Project one, the three elementary buildings, reductions of \$187,000 had to be made to bring the project within budget.

Project two, the new Middle School, reductions of \$108,000 will be made to bring the project within budget, according to Lowell School's director of instruction, Jim

Another road block that faces the Lowell School system as well as every other school system in the state, is the decreasing amount of state funding.

The State is now charging schools the amount of FICA tax on salaries which it previously paid. The Governor's Proposal calls for the schools to pay the charge and the State would then pay them back the following year.

Esch said schools are looking at a six-seven percent cost increase in doing business, while the best schools can hope for from the state is an eight-tenths of one percent raise in state funds.

"It will be worse in 1993-94," Esch claims. "There will be another five to six percent increase in the cost of doing business and probably a negative two-tenths of one percent decrease in state funding."

Leaving schools to ponder the inequities of financing for public education. The real imbalance is the state is increasing the amount of programs and requirements it requires of schools.

"It forces local districts to increase taxes to survive and to maintain status quo," Esch said.

Friendly face of the Ledger reflects on 39 years

By Thad Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

He was three-quarters of the way through a book entitled "Fast Copy," written by Dan Jenkins, when he had to put the book, written about newspapers, aside to talk about a newspaper he spent 39 years printing.

Donald MacNaughton describes himself as a man who loves to see results.

Thus, the newspaper and printing business, which evolves around results was a perfect fit. Deadlines demanded results "The deadlines sometimes

made it backbreaking to get the work done, but the work always allowed for creativity," MacNaughton said. From the fall of 1930 until

MacNaughton had a hand in the printing of everything, from a weekly newspaper, to Showboat programs. "I loved the printing business, thus it never seemed like hard work

In the fall of 1930 a young iunior in high school was hired by R.G. Jefferies to come in the morning and empty the ashes from the coal stoves and to swept the floor. Then, in the afternoon, the young

man returned to set type by hand and work on headlines.

Before long he was pulling proofs for copy reading and making the corrections in the galleys (oblong trays that held single column sets of type). "After they were corrected they were ready to be tagged and made up into page forms," MacNaughton said. "We use to feed the paper (pages) into the Gordon Presses by hand - one in, one out, one in...."

MacNaughton was also one of three men that used to spend a portion of Thursday afternoon folding the 1,600-1,800 newspapers

Those days, the Ledger office was where the Moose Club now resides. "Then the Moose Club was upstairs," recalls MacNaughton. "I believe it was in 1951, when Harold Jefferies decided to have the current Ledger building built, and then the office was moved," MacNaughton

The veteran Ledger printer said the move into the new building and changing from the old hand press to the automatic in the early 60's, were probably the two biggest changes that occurred during his 39 years.

"The Heidelberg (the auto-

matic press) helped out a lot. It made a big difference - it helped to speed things up," MacNaughton said.

MacNaughton worked for three of the five Ledger publishers over the last 100 years, R.G. Jefferies, Harold Jefferies and Fran Smith. "R.G. was a hell of a nice

old guy. He knew the newspaper business and was well liked," MacNaughton said. "Harold was more on the ball. He kept a closer watch over things. He modernized things. MacNaughton worked two

years for Smith. "He came from Detroit. He modernized the look of the Ledger, but he wasn't a businessman," MacNaughton said. "When R.G. was publisher we had "Country Correspondents," who used to report on family and community happenings. If a paper did that today, people would laugh at them. I will tell you one thing, it sold a lot of subscriptions.

The retired printer also points out, years ago everything went on the front page. The rest of the paper was filled with feature items.

One constant that has endured over the years with the Ledger is people complaining about what's in the paper. "Today you can't turn around

without readers yelling. It wasn't as bad years ago, but people yelled then when they

were unhappy with something."



Throughout much of the Ledger's existence, the "man behind the scenes" was Don MacNaughton, who was on job at the Lowell Ledger for 39 years... he lived with major stories of the area by bringing them into print for Ledger

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