

**WHO NEEDS STORE-BUGHT INSTRUMENTS AND A HALL?** Shown here are boys and girls of Mrs. Virgil Fockett's second grade class practicing for the square dance and rhythm band concert with which they will entertain their parents Friday. (Journal photo by Ed Hengstbeck.)

Parents of the children of Mrs. Virgil Fockett's second grade class will be treated to an original demonstration of creativity on Friday afternoon at 2:30 when the children will perform in a rhythm band using home made instruments.

With oatmeal boxes for drums, strings of spike nails, foil pie pans, washboard and a "chime" of hangers, bells, and a variety of other ingenious devices the youngsters will be put through their paces by student director

George Cole. Another group will do a square dance number with recorded music and caller. The children have practiced for this demonstration during their music and art periods with the assistance of music instructor Helen Haupt and Mrs. Skinner, art instructor.

Educators feel participation in such group activities develops imagination, muscular coordination, an ear for musical pitch, a sense of beauty and creativity, a spirit of recreation and brings

out the talents of the very young. In another demonstration of youthful planning, the kindergarten classes of Mrs. Leon Fliss will entertain their mothers at a Mother's Day tea on Friday at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

All the planning has been done by the children and they will serve their mothers punch and cookies. Each has made a corsage to pin on his mother. These same groups of children were accompanied on a train ride to Charle

## School Board Postpones Vote on Special Tax Levy

Complications have arisen to make it unlikely that the proposal for a millage increase for new school buildings will be submitted to the voters at the regular election June 10. It appeared this week that the school board would have an emergency meeting last Friday afternoon, just before member T. H. Lyon left on a month's vacation trip to Alaska, to rescind its previous action setting the millage vote for June 10. The 15-minute meeting was held at the home of Board chairman Roy Sprague because he was confined to his home with injuries suffered in an accident Tuesday.

It was the status of the Wilcox school (No. 3) of Brookfield townships that upset the election schedule. Wilcox is a closed district, sending its students into Eaton Rapids. Under state law, Wilcox must annex to an operating district by July 1, 1957, or the County Board of Education will order it annexed.

The County Board notified the Eaton Rapids board last week that, unless Wilcox acts, it will be annexed to Eaton Rapids after the July 1 deadline.

Under a Michigan attorney general's ruling, the local board was told, any district annexing to Eaton Rapids after the millage election need not accept the special tax levy. Thus Wilcox could legally enjoy a "free ride" while the rest of the district was paying the 5-mill building and site fund tax for 5 years.

To eliminate this possibility, the Eaton Rapids board decided Friday to hold up the election until the status of the Wilcox district is settled. At the same time, the board voted to accept Wilcox for annexation, the same as the other 10 closed districts recently annexed.

Wilcox now has 60 days to vote on whether or not it wants to annex with Eaton Rapids. If this vote can be held within the next two weeks, there is a bare possibility that the millage question can still be submitted to local voters on June 10.

Otherwise a special election will be held later, probably in August or September.

Wilcox was one of the 11 closed districts notified last Winter that the Eaton Rapids board would consider their petitions for annexation. It was the only one that failed to get its petition in before Jan. 14 deadline and, as a result, was not considered. The other 10 districts, since then, have voted overwhelmingly for annexation and are now a part of the Eaton Rapids system.

The local board's regular May meeting is scheduled for Monday night in the high school. Coal bids for next year are to be opened at that time. Otherwise, with Lyon absent, only routine business is expected.

### PROCLAMATION

The week of May 13 to May 18 is hereby proclaimed Clean-Up Week in the City of Eaton Rapids, by authority of the City Commission.

During this week, all streets and grounds of the winter's accumulation of snow, ice, and slush, and respectively, to be cleaned up, thereby eliminating fire hazards and beautifying our city.

The City will cooperate in this effort by picking up any trash left at the curb in suitable containers (not cardboard boxes) during Clean-Up week. City trucks will make several trips through the city for this purpose.

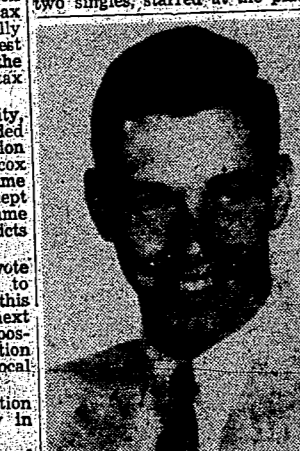
Please cooperate in this Clean-Up campaign so that we can make The Only Eaton Rapids on Earth as beautiful as possible for the observance of Michigan Week starting May 15.

May 1, 1957  
Carl Comps, Mayor

### Baseball Team Loses To Charlotte, 13-6

Charlotte high school continued its athletic dominance over Eaton Rapids with a 13-6 baseball victory there Tuesday afternoon.

The Greyhounds got 7 hits to 11 for the Orioles, but again contributed to their own downfall with 5 fielding errors. Sage, Lane and Peterson shared the pitching duties for Eaton Rapids while Dick Reese, with a double and two singles, straddled at the plate.



**DICK PETERS**

Dick Peters, son of Mr. and Mrs. Deitrich Peters of Route 3, was recently elected president of the Central Michigan college student body, the highest student office at the college.

Dick has won a number of high honors during his years at Central Michigan. He is a past secretary and past president of International Circle K, college branch of Kiwanis, president of the Junior class, and member of Tau Kappa Epsilon honorary society. He is student assistant at Robinson hall dormitory, student assistant for Central Michigan's college food service and is enrolled in ROTC.

He is enrolled in the secondary education school majoring in history to prepare for teaching. His minors are English and physical education.

Dick is a graduate of Eaton Rapids High school.

### Hospital Benefit Horse Show Set

Something new in the way of entertainment for Eaton Rapids will be staged here Sunday, June 16, by the Eaton Rapids Rotary club as a benefit for the new Community hospital.

Tickets at 50 cents each are now available from all Rotary members or can be purchased at Gibson Ford Sales, McCurley Real Estate and Colgan's Shoe Store, 17 W. National Home, starting at 1:30 p.m. Spectators are being promised three hours of trick riding, racing and jumping by members of the Huron Valley Saddle club, co-sponsors of the event with Rotary.

Children from the National Home will be honorary guests. A portable TV set and outdoor motor will be given away.

### Pre-School Tots Register May 15

Each year the Eaton Rapids school holds a pre-school conference and registration session during which those youngsters who will enter kindergarten the following September are registered.

The registration of children at the pre-school conference is mutually beneficial, as it comes at a time when the activities necessary to opening school are not involved.

At this time materials are distributed that will be of value in preparing the child for school. The health examination forms are also given out and questions answered as clearly as possible.

This year's pre-school conference and registration will be held on May 15 from 9-11 in the morning. Parents are urged to bring their children to the "open air" building.

Parents whose last names begin with letters A-K inclusive, will register in Mrs. Fasset's room. Parents whose names begin with the letters L-Z, inclusive, with Mrs. Fliss in room 110.

It is hoped the parents will make full use of this opportunity to ask questions and exchange information.

### 20 Windows Broken At Bay Window

Vandals broke 20 windowpanes at the Bay Window school on Kinneyville road sometime Tuesday night or early Wednesday.

The damage apparently was done with two beer bottles that were found inside the school building. Sheriff's officers reported that they obtained "good" fingerprints from the bottles.

The building itself apparently was not entered and nothing was taken. The teacher, Mrs. Stella Slade, discovered the destruction when she arrived at the school shortly before 8 Wednesday morning. Classes were held Wednesday as usual in the "open air" building.

The vandals hammered the panes out of some 17 storm windows and broke three of the regular windows. School authorities said 14 country schools in this area have been broken into recently. In all of these cases, however, robbery apparently was not the motive, with small amounts of cash and some equipment being taken.

### TASTY FOODS DELICIOUS BREAKFASTS, DINNERS, AND HAMBURGERS, HOME-MADE PIES.

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## City May Move Garage, Build New Parking Lot

Plans to create a new 100-car driveway parking lot by moving the city garage to city-owned property at the sewage treatment plant site, were discussed by the City Commission at its meeting Monday night.

The Commission proposes to build a modern concrete-block garage building adjacent to the sewage plant, and to demolish the old frame building on West Knight street at the end of Hall street, now serving as a city garage. The new parking lot will occupy the area bounded by West Knight, the West alley and Spring brook, which is owned by the city.

Present plans are to block off it and have entrances from both Knight street and the alley. Parking will be free, as in the other city lot on Hall street.

Commissioner Richard Hall said he will have a tentative plan drawn and rough cost estimates prepared on the new garage for the Commission's next meeting. A date for taking bids on the work will be announced later.

The garage is to be approximately 50 by 100 feet, with stalls for eight trucks or other motor equipment. These stalls will occupy about half of the building. The rest will be used for supply storage and vehicle maintenance.

A simple type of concrete block construction with concrete floor and a flat built-up roof is contemplated.

The present city garage is a frame building approximately 70 years old and, according to the commissioners, is a "dangerous fire hazard to the downtown section. It was designed as a horse living stable and used for that purpose for many years before the city bought it about 1940.

In other action, the Commission

## Notes and Anecdotes

Rumors are flying (pleasant ones this time) of further industrial expansion for Eaton Rapids in the near future. One new plant for sure, possibly two before the snow flies again.

The one plant, with jobs for 40 to 60 people, is just about a certainty at this writing. The other is still in the talking stage — but a strong possibility.

Count up the new plants — Allied Products, General Aluminum, River Raisin — that have come here in the past two years, plus those here previously and you'll probably agree that Eaton Rapids is "a good place to work" as well as a "good place to live".

The sympathy of the entire community has gone out this week to Ray Goody and the four children in the untimely loss of their wife and mother. Neighbors and friends are rallying around to try to help, but there are always so many who have no one except another can do for children of that age.

## Nine Girl Scouts Win Curved Bars

Nine Curved Bars, highest award in Girl Scouting, were awarded in impressive ceremonies Sunday at the First Methodist church, marking the annual May Presentation of awards of the Eaton Rapids Girl Scout association.

A total of 46 Brownies took part in Fly-Up rites, elevating them to Intermediate Girl Scouts. Many other awards were also given for Scout work completed during the past year.

Girls winning the coveted Curved Bars were Carol Webb and Karen Brown in the Home-making field, under the direction of Mrs. Lynwood Webb; Patsy Aitken, Karen Bender, Sheila Browne, Evelyn Davidson, Kay Leightner, Glenda Newsome and Sandra Thuma in the Citizenship field, under the direction of Hazel Clough.

The girls came forward, escorted by past Curved Bar Scouts, George Fuller, Patty Hodges, Sandra Hansen and Kay Carstens, and were pinned by their respective mothers.

New association president, Mrs. William Spence, welcomed the Scouts and adults, and the Rev. Donald Winegar gave the invocation.

During the program, Sarah Christman played a piano solo and a girl's choir of Scouts and Brownies from the First Congregational church sang several songs.

A total of 225 girls from 17 troops took part of these, 90 will go to Scout camp this summer, led by the candy and cookie sales recently held and money received from the Community Club.

Seven 5-year pins were awarded to adults for five or more years of service to Girl Scouts. Receiving the pins were Marion Bentley, Alberta Brown, Elma Mattson, Maxine Robertson, Maurine Webb, Joann White and Geraldine Spence.

Many new leaders will be needed to lead the recent Fly-Ups and questionnaires have been sent to parents to determine the number of new troops necessary and the willingness of mothers to act as leaders.

## Mother of Four Killed in Crash West of Town

Funeral services for Mrs. Maxine L. Goody, 31, who was killed in a tragic accident Tuesday evening, will be held at 2 p.m. Friday from the Pettit Funeral home, the Rev. Floyd Robinson officiating. Burial will be in Rose Hill cemetery.

Of the eight children injured in the accident, only Karen Goody, 7, remained in Stinson hospital Thursday, and her condition was reported "much improved". Four of her own children and four children of their neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. Orville F. Hall, 311 Leonard street, were with Mrs. Goody.

The victim was the wife of Raymond J. Goody, who was at work at Burholder's Standard service at the time of the accident. The family lives at 315 Leonard street.

The accident occurred six miles west of town on Spicerville highway, a half-mile west of the Wilcox road. Sheriff's officers said Mrs. Goody apparently lost control of the station wagon in loose gravel. The car swerved off the road and plunged into a 12-foot drainage ditch.

The officers said that, fortunately, the car landed upright and none of the children was thrown out. Dr. Eber Sherman pronounced Mrs. Goody dead at the scene. Justice L. F. Baker, acting as coroner, said she apparently died instantly.

The four Goody children injured were Raymond, Jr., 11; Sandra, 8; Karen and Gary, 6. The Hall children were Laura, 13; Charlotte, 9; Shirley, 6, and Orville, Jr., 2 years. All eight were taken to Stinson hospital in two Pettit ambulances. Most suffered only bumps and bruises and were released after treatment. Laura Hall went home Wednesday.

Mrs. Goody reportedly was on her way to Narrow lake to pick up a family friend at the time of the accident.

Surviving Mrs. Goody, in addition to the husband (and four children), are her father, Henry Lambert, and brother, George Lambert, both of Eaton Rapids; a sister, Mrs. Emmet Maxson of Parma; and two half-brothers, Perry and Roland Butler, in the state of Washington.

Born near Springport, Mrs. Goody attended the Eaton Rapids schools and lived all of her life in this area.

## MSU Honor Society 'Taps' Joyce McNamara

Miss Joyce Anne McNamara, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. McNamara, 313 King St., Eaton Rapids, was tapped for membership in Tower Guard, sophomore women's honorary society, at the annual May Morning sing held May 1 on the Michigan State university campus.

Tower Guard selected 35 new members, chosen on the basis of character, scholarship, leadership and service. The society performs such services as work at registration, volunteer tutoring and reading to blind students.

Both Tower Guard and Moriah Board, senior women's society, tap new members at the May sing in front of Beaumont Tower in an M. S. U. tradition dating from 1935.

Miss McNamara, an elementary education major, is pictured with Miss Evelyn Carlson, Tower Guard president from White Cloud.

### U of M to Honor 2 Local Students

The University of Michigan will honor two students from Eaton Rapids at the annual Honors Convocation this Friday morning at Hill auditorium in Ann Arbor.

Gretchen Webster, sophomore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Webster, Route 4, will be honored for her election to Wyvern, top junior women's honor society. Mary E. Vance, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. M. A. Vance, Route 4, will receive junior honors in the School of Nursing.

Both girls are graduates of Eaton Rapids high school. Parents are invited to the annual ceremony.

### Hospital News

**BIRTHS**  
May 1, a daughter, Mari Jo, to Mr. and Mrs. Myrl Hawley; May 3, a son, Scott Douglas, to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Clarke; May 7, a daughter, Cynthia Jo, to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hector.

**ADMITTED**  
Mrs. Thelma Rathbun, Mrs. Lena Orr, Mrs. Marilyn Antes, Mrs. Lucy Leonard, Karen Goody, Tall Gruber, Wayne Hoch, Hubert Pekkala.

**DISCHARGED**  
Mrs. Mary Scripper, Mrs. Joyce Noble, Mrs. Elsie Beardslee, Mrs. Juanita Kirchen, Mrs. Bonnie Brown, Deanna Moffitt, Betty Ackmann, Shirley Hall, Roy Keeler, Roy Love, William Finch, Carl Wolfe, James Squires, Roy Sprague, Neil Richardson.

## Daryl J. Orr Stricken at Work

Daryl J. Orr, 47, a resident of Eaton Rapids for over 25 years, passed away at Stinson hospital last Thursday, May 2, after suffering a cerebral hemorrhage while at work.

Mr. Orr, who had been employed as foreman of the weave shop at Jackson State prison for nearly three years, was stricken while at work and rushed to the hospital here. He passed away only a few hours later.

Mr. Orr was born February 23, 1910 at Onslow, Iowa, and came to Eaton Rapids in 1931 as a former Horner Woollen Mills employee. He was a member of Masonic Lodge No. 63 F & AM and the Baptist church.

Surviving are the widow, Arlene; two sons, Danny and Carl; a daughter, Elaine, all at home; the mother, Mrs. M. E. Klinkel, and a sister, Mrs. Wilma Christie of Eaton Rapids.

Funeral services were held Sunday at the Baptist church, the Rev. Floyd Robinson officiating. Arrangements were by Skinner funeral home. Interment was in Rose Hill cemetery.

## Band Will Repeat Popular Candy Sale

By popular demand, High school band members and members of the Band Boosters club will repeat their recent candy sale. The outstanding product they sell is so well liked that they always have a demand greater than they can supply.

The new sale will take place on Monday May 13, from 6:30 to 8 o'clock. Anyone missed may call 3051 for delivery.

### Griffith Honors Mothers-Daughters

The Griffith church held their first Mother-Daughter banquet Thursday evening, May 2, with 79 present from the Griffith, Pope and Charlesworth neighborhoods.

A delicious dinner was served from tables tastefully decorated with Spring flowers.

The program, with Mrs. Richard Charlesworth as toastmistress, included special music by two Alton college girls, a vocalist and her accompanist; a number by the Griffith church girls quartette; toasts, and a short playlette; and a short playlette.

Gifts were presented to the oldest mother present, Mrs. John Bannister, 85; the youngest mother, Mrs. Dorr Ellsworth; and the mother of the largest family (seven children), Mrs. Robert Bowden of Lansing, (mother-in-law of Rev. Lambert, McClintock).

Mrs. Chet Betz was in charge of the arrangements for the banquet, and men and boys of the church did a fine job of serving.

### Williams Receives Ensign Commission

Theodore G. Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth P. Williams of E. Knight st., and husband of the former Annette Miller, was commissioned Ensign on graduation from the Navy's Officer Candidate school May 3 at the Naval station, Newport, R. I.

The 18-week course for college graduates and outstanding fleet personnel includes Naval sciences, military drill, navigation, seamanship, weapons, and marine engineering.

Ensign Williams and his wife have made their home in Newport since he began his studies there.



**GRAND RIVER RAINBOW**—Deke Miller got to work a little early Tuesday morning and went fishing for a few minutes before the dam in back of Foot 2 Custer station. The 17 1/2 inch rainbow he's holding here was the result. Although there are supposed to be trout in Spring brook, no one knows how this beauty got below the dam in Grand river. Deke maintains his success was due to use of his special "red" angleworms. He mixes ground crick dust with the earth in his worm box and says the worms come out "brick red". (Journal photo by Ed Hengstbeck.)

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