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## Four-Way Races Develop For Area School Boards Kent City Sparta

Four residents of the Kent City Community Schools District filed petitions with Secretary Andrew H. Anderson by the 5 p.m. deadline for filing Saturday.

The four submitting petitions are Arthur H. Johnson, Oscar DeJong, George Edgar and Mrs. Mary Holmes. Of the four, only Mr. Johnson presently is a member of the school board.

The four will vie for two posts which expire this year. They are the posts held by Mr. Johnson and that held by Andrew H. Anderson who is retiring after 18 years on the board.

The school election will be held Monday, June 10.

## GOP Women To Sponsor Kitchen Tour

Partianship will give way to kitchens from 1:30 to 4:45 p.m. Thursday, May 23, when the Sparta Women's Republican Club has scheduled its bi-annual kitchen tour.

Four North Kent area women have opened their modern and attractive kitchens for the tour which is conducted as a money-raising project for the club. A fifth home also will be open throughout the afternoon to serve tea to the touring women as well as a location to stop and get acquainted.

Kitchens on the tour are in the homes of the following: Mrs. Robert Walker, 9133 Fruit Ridge Ave.; Mrs. Eugene Ostman, 4504 13-Mile Rd.; Mrs. L. Edmond Eary, 222 Harper Dr. and Mrs. Keith Brevitz, 115 King Blvd. (Pictures of each of these kitchens as well as additional information about the tour is on pages 8 and 9 of this newspaper).

Tea will be served throughout the afternoon at the home of Mrs. William Schaefer of 8920 Kenowa.

Another feature of the tour will be that cakes, cookies and bread will be sold in each of the participating homes.

Mrs. John Schaefer is chairman. Mrs. Lee Moore is ticket chairman. Tickets are \$1 each and can be purchased at any of the homes where maps also will be available. There is no set order of homes to follow in the tour.

All women of the North Kent area are cordially invited to participate.

No man should part with his own individuality and become that of another.

CHANNING

## Sparta Area Schools District voters will have a field of four candidates from which to elect school board members to fill the vacancies created by Larry Reed and Melvin Rogers who are not seeking reelection. The annual school election will be held Monday, June 10.

The four who filed petitions with Secretary Melvin Rogers by the deadline at 5 p.m. Friday were Dr. Maynard DeYoung, Allan Witbeck, Mrs. L. Edmond Eary and Robert Peck.

## Sparta to Trade With Wixom for Mayor's Exchange

Monday is Mayor's Exchange Day! Sparta's village President David J. Johnson will trade places for a day Wixom Mayor W. E. McAtee.

Officially known as "Government Day", Monday is set aside for the exchange of mayors by communities throughout the state as part of Michigan Week celebration May 19 to 25.

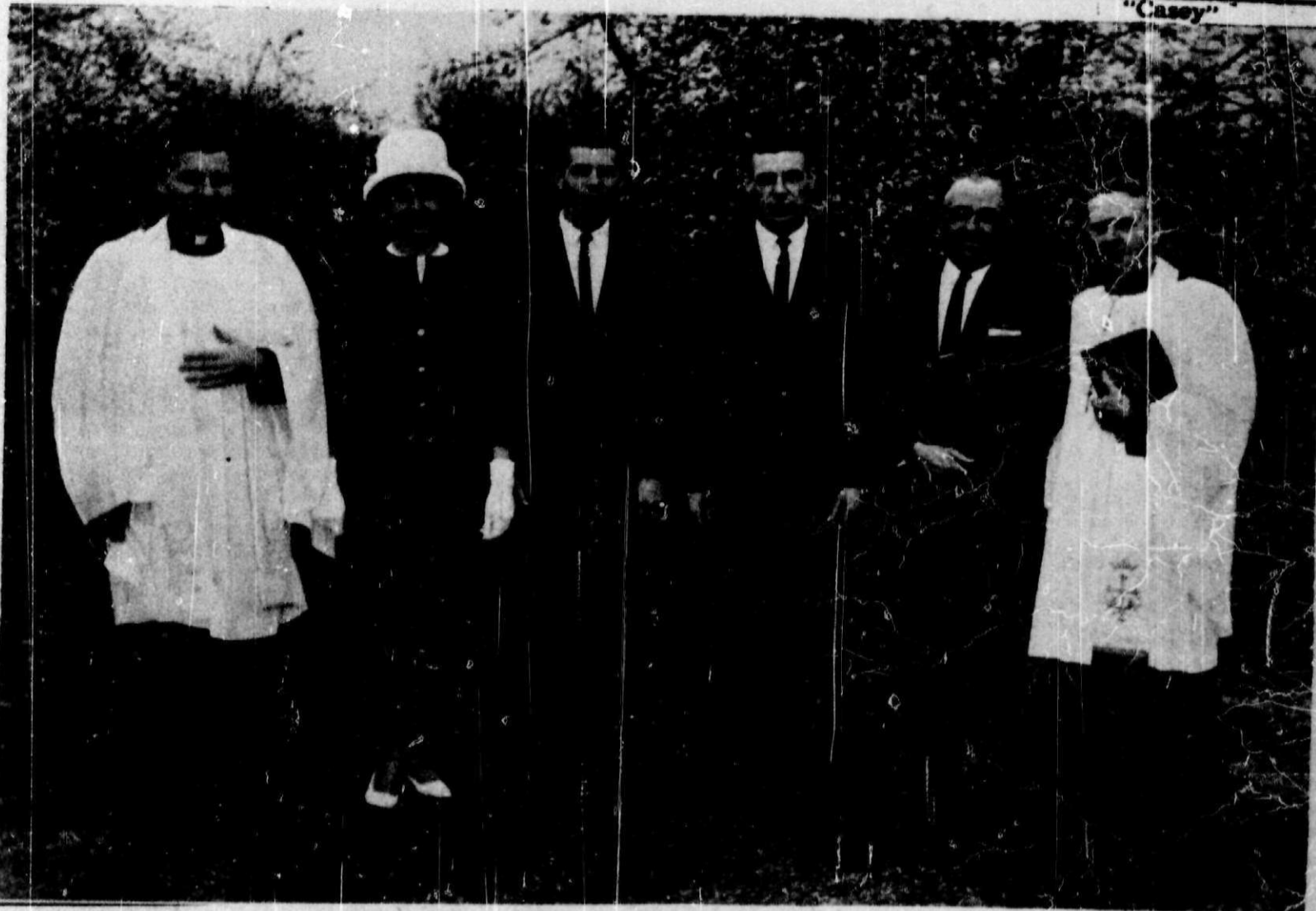
The visiting delegation from Wixom will include Mayor McAtee and several officials from that community. An informal day is being planned for them by Supt. of Public Works Roy Burgett and the village councilmen. Their day will start at 10:30 with a "get-acquainted" coffee hour in the village chambers followed by visits to local industry, the high school, Sparta government offices and the surrounding fruit storages. A view of the flowering apple orchards is also a part of the itinerary. They will be guests of the Rotary Club at noon and the exchange visit will be concluded with a dinner in the evening.

Village President Johnson will be accompanied to Wixom by Councilmen Harry Carlson, Elgin Gorby, and Police Chief Gene Heugel.

Wixom, a city of approximately 1700, is situated 20 miles east of Brighton in the Kensington Park area near Detroit. It has three manufacturing plants and twenty-five businesses. Its principal industry is the Wixom Assembly Plant of the Ford Motor Company.

## ATTORNEY TO TALK SATURDAY ABOUT OBSCENE LITERATURE

Charles H. Keating, jr., a Cincinnati attorney who is the founder and National Chairman of Citizens for Decent Literature, Inc., will speak twice Saturday, May 18, at the Sparta High school. Sponsored by a Catholic youth group, Mr. Keating's



"BLESSING THE BLOSSOMS", the annual service of praise, thanks and to ask God's Blessings for the coming crop, was held last Sunday at the Herb Reister and Sons Orchard, located at the corner of Gooding and 16th Ave. Shown (left to right) are Rev. Roy Schroeder, Pastor of the Peace Lutheran Church; Gail Robinson, State Apple Queen; Herbert Reister, jr.; Harland Reister; Herb Reister

ter and Rev. E. A. Hessler. Gail, whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Robinson of 14-Mile Road, will leave Friday with three other girls for a tour to help promote Michigan apples. The 10-day trip will include visits to Chicago, Ill.; Nashville, Tenn.; Washington, D. C.; New York City and Boston, Mass. The trip is sponsored by the Michigan Apple Commission.

## 'Help Me to Help These' is 1963 Diocesan Fund Theme

"Help Me to Help These", caption of the official 1963 Diocesan Development Fund poster, dramatically pictures Bishop Allen J. Babcock with a young resident of St. John's Home, and an elderly resident of the Little Sisters of the Poor. Pictorially it shows the broad scope of help needed for the less fortunate, from virtually the cradle to the grave.

Symbolizing these needs, as the main objective of the ninth annual D. D. F., the Bishop announced that the main goal in the present campaign, as it was last year, is the earmarking of funds for the building and operating of a new Home for the Aged, at a site close to St. Mary's Hospital in Grand Rapids. This is a joint effort with the Sisters of Mercy, who operate this and three other facilities in the Grand Rapids diocese.

In 1960 and again in 1961, the talks will be at 7 p.m. for the youth of the area and at 8:30 for adults.

Citizens for Decent Literature is a national organization which has gained world-wide recognition for its approach to the control of obscenity and pornography.

major project was the new St. John's Home, recently completed. Other beneficiaries of the annual drives include the education of seminarians to the holy priesthood; assistance in the Diocesan Confraternity program and the Mission program.

During the past ten days, five pre-campaign dinner meetings were held in Gaylord, Traverse City, Cadillac, Grand Rapids and Muskegon. At each of these gatherings the Bishop summarized the receipts and expenditures of last year's appeal, and pleaded for a one per cent of the yearly gross income from all wage earners as a fair pledge for the coming campaign.

The drive is slated to start Sunday, May 19, and continue through the week. The motivating sermon on the Fund will be given by pastors in all of the churches and missions throughout the diocese on the opening day of the drive.

PHOTOGRAPHY  
Sparta Women's Republican Club kitchen photographs were taken by Casey Studio.

## Kent City School Voters May Ballot On Expansion

Kent City Community School District voters are expected to have presented to them at the annual school election Monday, June 10, a ballot proposition calling for a school expansion program.

The issues involved in the proposed proposition will be aired at 8 p.m. Monday, May 20, when a Citizens Meeting has been scheduled in the high school gymnasium. School board members and faculty will be on hand at the meeting.

The proposed ballot proposition would call for two new elementary classrooms, elementary all-purpose room and cafeteria, secondary vocational education building, remodeling of the present shop for a library and visual aids center and completion of existing locker rooms.

## FARM BUREAU INSTALLS TOLL FREE TELEPHONE

The Kent City Farm Bureau has installed a toll free telephone which now makes it possible for persons with Comstock Park, Grand Rapids and Conklin numbers to reach the office, according to Manager Lyman Clark.

## Girl Scout Awards

Receiving her Curved Bar Award from Mrs. William Sutter, Girl Scout Leader, is Karen Belcher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Millard E. Belcher of 215 S. Union St. Karen, who is in the eighth grade at the Sparta Junior High School, received the Curved Bar Pin and Patch for achievement in homemaking. Equivalent to the Eagle Award in Boy Scouting, the Curved Bar is the highest award in the Girl Scouts. In the picture to the right, Karen is shown with five Girl Scouts who received their first class badges. They are (left to right), Karen, Vicki Reyburn, Alice Crofoot, Mary Alice Pitsch, Ruth Ann Brevitz and Ann Sutter. The presentations were made last week in the Sparta Civic Center.





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## SO THEY TELL ME . . . .

(Formerly Sparta Locals)

by SUE BRAND

Sir Winston Churchill at 88 is quitting politics. Most men want to retire at 60; he worked 60 years. Billy Graham is curbing his missions. United States troops are involved to save Laos. American finally conquered Mt. Everest at 29,028 feet. A trip to Mars is under study. Mother's Day a smashing success!

Other news? Why of course - around Sparta we find that Mr. and Mrs. James Bellamy had as dinner guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Clarence VanDerMeer, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Filkins and Mrs. Bessie Burkhardt.

Sunday the Gordon Ostmans' attended the Lions State Convention in Lansing. Gordon will be the president of the Sparta Chapter.

Mrs. Gerald VanBelkum and her daughter Susan, with Sharon Loewe, Mrs. Charles (Casey) Vowels and her daughter Esther, went to the Civic Auditorium last Saturday for

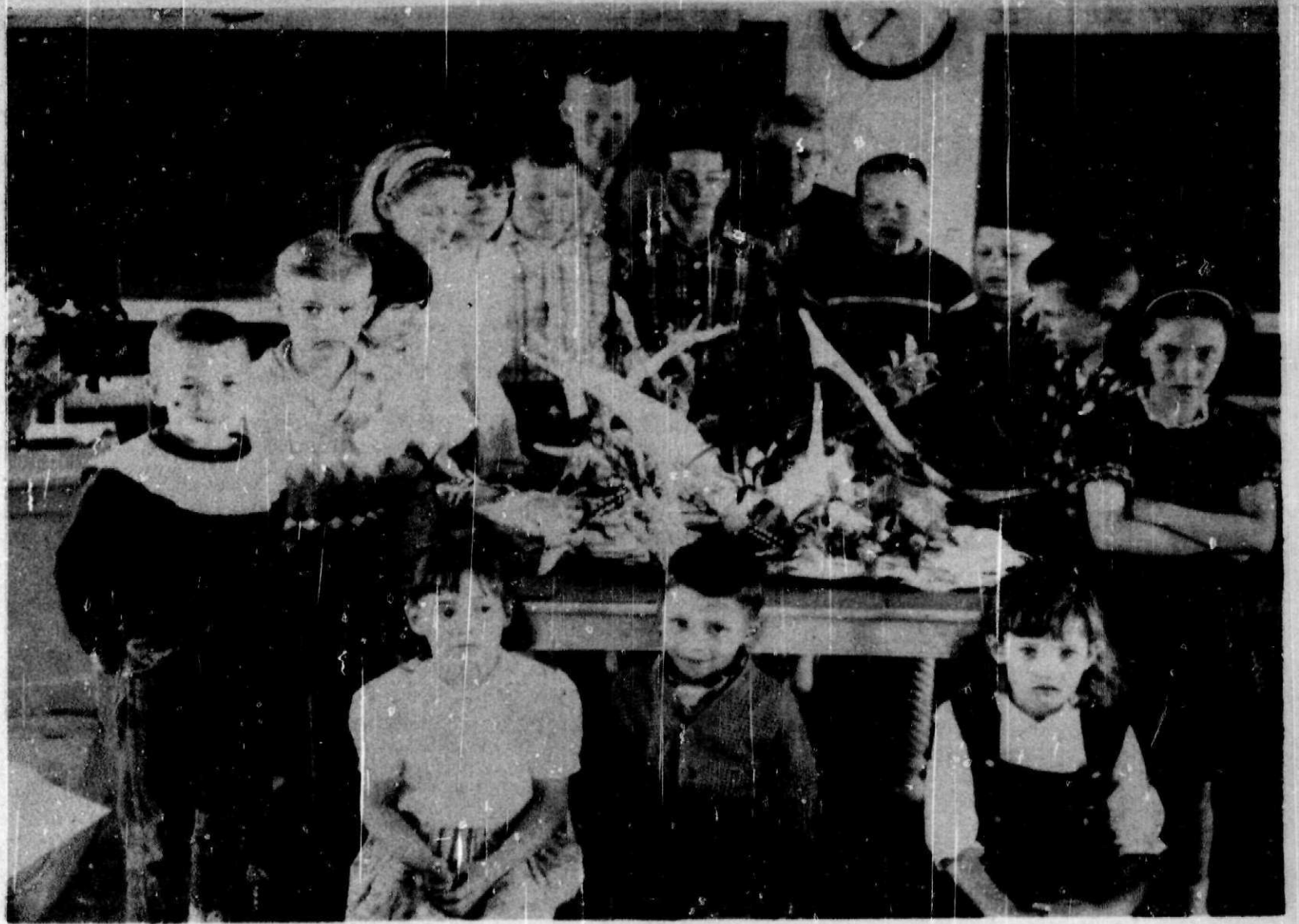
the Spring Shower of Stars.

Jerry Woods, his wife, and children, now of Brunswick, Ohio, are spending the week at the Charles Vowels' home.

Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Ostman went to Lansing to attend the funeral of Mrs. Frank Lundberg a former Sparta resident.

Panhellenic Council and Interfraternity Council of Ferris Institute, Big Rapids, presented the Seventh Annual Greek Sing at the Starr Auditorium on Monday evening. The Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity and Theta Tau Omega Sorority won the trophies for first place divisions. Theta Tau Omega Sorority was directed by Penny Weston, daughter of the E. M. Westons of Sparta. Paula Lundquist, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Van Lundquist of Sparta, sang with the group.

Visiting their mother, Mrs. Otto Hall, on Mother's Day were Mr. and



Students at the Half Moon Lake School in Casnovia Township recently went to Croton where they picked up drift wood from the Muskegon River. The many and varied pieces of driftwood were decorated attractively for Mother's Day gifts which are shown on the above pictured table. The children are (left to right-seated) Cindy Thompson, Perry Hernandez and Tammy Robart; Standing (left to right) are Tyrone Murphy, Steven Hart, Marilyn Hernandez, Janet Hart, Mary Hernandez, Leslie Bull, Dale Freeland, Jimmy Thompson, Mrs. Marian Gee, Dennis Freeland, Mario Hernandez, Greg Carlson and Charlotte Thompson. Interest in decorating driftwood began with Mrs. Charles Murphy who accompanied the children to Croton with Mrs. Phillip Carlson and Mrs. Gee.

Mrs. Oliver Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Otis Johnson and family.

Dr. Jay Dean traveled to Cleveland, Ohio, last Sunday to attend a one-day seminar on Children's Vision conducted under the auspices of Ohio State University and the American Optometric Association.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Webber and family spent Mother's Day with Mr. and Mrs. J. Winchell of Croton. They also celebrated Mrs. Webber's birthday.

Barbara Warner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Warner, came home from Western Michigan University to be with her parents for Mother's Day. Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Warner of Rockford also joined them for Sunday dinner.

Dial 4518 when ever in doubt of the weather. This number will give you the exact temperature at the time you are calling.

Mrs. Clyde McClain drove to Muskegon to be with her daughter, Mrs. Gordon Benham and family Saturday night.

The Robert Stiles' drove to LeRoy to spend Sunday with Leah Stiles.

Mr. and Mrs. Gale Taylor and children, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Taylor and children, Mrs. Jared Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Taylor and children spent Sunday at Ida Limbackers

in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Titus and family and the Edward Willoughbys' of Owosso had dinner at the home of the Carl Willoughbys' Sunday. The Titus twins are now 18 months old.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Titus, Mr. and Mrs. Barth Freeland of Kent City and Mr. and Mrs. William VanderZanden and son of Kent City celebrated Mother's Day by going to Long Lake for a picnic supper.

The Gerald Smiths' entertained Mr. and Mrs. Leon Stedman of Grand Rapids and Mrs. Florence Smith on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Van Leeuwen had a crew at their home Sunday. Mrs. John Golub, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Ryder, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Schav of Grand Rapids, Dr. and Mrs. Gilbert Gillinsky of Battle Creek, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bergstrom of Grand Rapids.

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County of Kent, Michigan, who is not already registered may register for the SPECIAL COUNTY ELECTION to be held on the 18th day of June, 1963.

Registrations will be taken at the office of the Township Clerk each working day until Monday, May 20, 1963.

THE LAST DAY FOR RECEIVING REGISTRATIONS will be Monday, the 20th day of May, 1963, on which day the said Clerk will be at his office between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 o'clock p.m., Eastern Standard Time, for the purpose of receiving registration of electors qualified to vote.

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