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## Bridge hearing tonight . . .



NEW BRIDGE - New York State Department of Transportation will conduct a public hearing this evening (Wednesday) at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Room of the Lewis County Trust Company, State Street, on the proposed state construction of a new High Bridge, on Route 12, Outer Dayan Street, at the edge of the Village of Lowville.

The hearing is expected to be well-attended, with both proponents and opponents of the new span voicing their opinions about the replacement of the aged and deteriorating bridge, which is shown in the top photo. Actually, opponents to the project do not oppose the bridge itself but a number of residents on Clinton Street wish to have the Town of Lowville close off the Clinton street exit to Route 12 along the bridge approach, as shown by the arrow in the top photo. The lower photo shows the sharp incline of the Clinton Street exit, as it now exists.

It appears that those who wish to close the exit from Route 12 onto Clinton Street are motivated by their desire to prevent increased traffic along Clinton Street which might result from the new span and improved exit. Some claim their motivation is the dangerous incline of the Exit onto Route 12, which makes entering the state highway from Clinton Street considerably hazardous.

However, Francis Campbell, regional design engineer of the State Department of Transportation at Watertown, said today that the dangerous Clinton Street exit would be eliminated with the construction of the new bridge and approaches.

Mr. Campbell said that motorists will actually have to drive uphill, along a grade of minus two percent, for about 25 feet before entering the new bridge approach on Route 12. In addition, for an additional 85 feet towards the present steep hill at the end of Clinton Street there will be a gradual slope of about two percent. This, according to Mr. Campbell, will completely eliminate the dangerous exit as it now exists.

Residents along Clinton Street have already petitioned the Town Board of Lowville, which must make the final decision to close the street or leave it open. The board is currently studying the proposal.

One of the primary objections to making Clinton a dead end street is due to the fire hazard it would create. Clinton provides the only means of getting fire and emergency vehicles along Route 12 in the event Dayan Street becomes blocked. In addition, it provides

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## Tax Warrants Down \$49,941

Tax warrants totaling \$3,052,395.18 have been levied by the 18 towns of Lewis County for 1973, a decrease of \$49,941.07 below the 1972 tax warrants.

These facts were announced today by Mrs. Dorothy Kotel, clerk of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

Tax bills for all property owners of the county have been mailed out.

Of the total amount levied by the towns, a total of \$1,897,607.84 is charged for county purposes, while \$1,194,787.34 is for town purposes.

A complete breakdown of the individual warrants in the towns, including the total tax levy, total county contribution, and actual town budget, in that order, is as follows:

Croghan - Total, \$434,283; county, \$302,463.54; town, \$131,819.73; including general, \$16,664; outside village, \$500; highway, \$34,410; Erwin Plan, \$15,460.86; machinery, \$3,189; miscellaneous, \$50,426; Croghan Fire Protection, \$6,700; Beaver Falls Fire District, \$2,539.03; Beaver Falls Light District, \$1,918.04.

Denmark - Total, \$256,689.22; county, \$164,676; town, \$94,511.50; including general, \$18,232; part town, \$246,500; highway, \$9,331; Erwin Plan, \$11,115; machinery, \$31,046; miscellaneous, \$21,542; fire protection, \$3,000.

Diana - Total, \$109,691.02; county, \$106,611.08; town, \$63,000.98; including general, \$18,894; outside general, \$1,850; highway, \$5,041.86; Erwin Plan, \$11,713.68; bridges, \$2,686.35; machinery, \$4,469.50; miscellaneous, \$10,115.57; Diana Fire Protection, \$4,100; Natural Bridge Fire Protection, \$362; Natural Bridge Light District, \$116.52; Diana Refuse and Garbage District, \$3,761.50.

Greig - Total, \$173,722.91; county, \$92,206.02; town, \$81,516.74; including general, \$15,314.29; highway, \$10,151.78; Erwin Plan, \$15,042; bridge, \$500; machinery, \$11,635.70; miscellaneous, \$22,172.62; Fire Protection, \$6,500; Brantingham Water District, \$200.

Harrisburg - Total, \$64,956.86; county, \$29,675.48; town, \$35,281.38; including general, \$7,476.39; highway, \$3,400; Erwin Plan, \$7,965; bridge, \$200; machinery, \$2,000; miscellaneous, \$5,800; Fire Protection, \$350.

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Highmarket - Total, \$26,190.03; county, \$9,861.63; town, \$16,328.40; including general, \$6,791; highway, \$2,000; machinery, \$3,500; miscellaneous, \$3,700; Fire Protection, \$350.

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## Fund donation . . . .



UNITED FUND - Lewis County United Fund Business Chairman Kenneth Gordon is seen receiving the contribution from Frank Phelps, manager of the Lowville Plaza Neider's store. Looking in is United Fund treasurer, Rodney Persons. This contribution will help towards the \$35,000 goal.

The annual meeting of the Lewis County United Fund will be held January 18, at which time a report from the general chairman, Dick Riani and Bill Hunt, will be presented.

## 188 Give At Blood Clinic

A total of 188 units of blood were donated Jan. 11, when the Syracuse Regional Red Cross Blood Center bloodmobile visited the Beaver Falls Community Hall, according to Mrs. Doris Pokorny, Chairman.

There were 203 persons registered, with 15 deferrals and 25 first-time donors. Eighty-five units were donated for specific requests.

Volunteers who helped make the clinic a success were: Recruiting, Mrs. Velma Farney and Mrs. Margaret Robinson; publicity, Mrs. Janice Ebersol; nurses, Mrs. Ann Martin (chairman), canteen, Mrs. Lydia Zehr and Mrs. Margaret Widrick (co-chairmen), luncheon, Mrs. Irene Yousey (chairman); physician on call, Dr. Elbert Lehman; Carol Wirtick, Adeline Kirsh, Edgar Fitzgerald, Maureen Hulbert, Esther Mosier, Ruth Adams, Evelyn Colombo, Sam Kieffer, Lois Mosier, Stanley Bush and Kenneth Austin.

Croghan Area - Brad Kuhl, Mary Jane Morrow, William Morrow, Craig Martin, Fr. Cary Kean, Richard Zehr, Lena Mar Yousey, Daniel Zehr, Edward Lyndaker, Carolyn Vorkler, Dalton; Unloading and reloading, in charge of Norman Schulz; setting up - facilities, in charge of Royal Schwendy; ambulance, furnished by Beaver Falls Fire Department and was at the hall all day with two drivers in attendance - Elmer and Ernie Smith.

The clinic is of course a total community project with many all-day volunteers and many who worked faithfully for days before.

Industries represented were: Beaverite, 25; Latex, 19; Clinton, 18; J.P. Lewis, 12; B.R.C.S. Fa-

culty, 11; High School Students, 10; A complete breakdown of the donors is as follows:

Beaverite - 25 - Donald Martin, Terry Walker, James Snyder, Calvin Andre, Elmer Golden, Susan Zehr, Pam Baumgartner, Jim Zehr, David Montgomery, Judy Montgomery, Francis Kukar, Bruce Ritchie, Mary Smith, Edred Lehman, Cameron Purcell, Adeline Kirsh, Edgar Fitzgerald, Maureen Hulbert, Esther Mosier, Ruth Adams, Evelyn Colombo, Sam Kieffer, Lois Mosier, Stanley Bush and Kenneth Austin.

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## SL Teacher To Retire

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of South Lewis Central Schools was held on Thursday, Jan. 11, at the South Lewis Junior-Senior High School. The board accepted the retirement notification of Mrs. Clark Chase, English teacher at the junior-senior high school, effective December, 1973. Approval was also granted for a leave of absence for Mrs. Hazel Bush, a bus driver in the school district.

Reports were given to the board concerning receipt of the refund of contract costs previously paid to the consulting firm hired to examine the school district bus routes.

Effective February 1, 1973, the price of extra serving of hot dogs, hamburgers, and fish-in-bun in all schools of the district, will be as follows: hamburger, 20 cents; fish-in-bun, 20 cents; and hot dogs, 15 cents. There is no change in the price of regular school lunches.

Clifford Reinhard gave an extensive report on the Language Arts program and other curricular programs under study in the school district. He indicated that the elementary teaching staff has done considerable work in writing objectives for the K-3 Language Arts program. Intermediate level staff, Grade 4 through 6, has also completed much of its task.

Approval was granted for a workshop for all staff on February 9, 1973. There will be no classes on this day; however, staff K through 12 will be working on curriculum. Two additional half-day workshops were also approved, one scheduled in April and one in June.

The board also approved a two-week summer workshop proposal for four teachers and administrative staff to revise and expand the entire K-6 Language Arts curriculum.

Authorization was given by the board to borrow \$700,000 in anticipation of State Aid not due until mid-April. This borrowing is necessary to meet obligations of the school district until that time.

New staff appointments acted on by the board are as follows: Spencer Myles, bus driver; custodian; Ira Cobb, bus driver; Gary Eckerson, bus driver; John Knollman, bus driver.

The board has approved participation in the Bus Driver Training Program, which is sponsored by the Lewis County BOCES.

A resolution was also passed

permitting the employment of retired teachers as substitute teachers in the district.

Several board members will be attending the Central New York School Board Institute meeting in Syracuse on January 25.

The board again voted to join the New York State School Boards Association.

Eligible voters in the school district are reminded of the vote scheduled on Monday, January 22, from 1 to 8 p.m., on two propositions. One proposition deals with the transfer of funds from the present Capital Reserve Fund to the Capital Fund. This is necessary to finance the local share of the elementary building renovations which were approved by the voters last August. The second proposition requests approval for the purchase of three school buses at a total cost not to exceed \$40,000. These buses will be financed through the usual obligations and are required to replace buses which are presently ending their services in the district.

This proposition would ordinarily have been submitted to the voters at the Annual Meeting in June; however, at that time there appeared to be a possibility of cutting down the number of vehicles in use in the district. The district has been unable to reduce the number of vehicles in use.

## Merchants' Promotion

The downtown Lowville merchants have announced a joint program for shoppers' convenience and savings which is to start today. The promotion consists of a number of quality items to be offered at significant savings to shoppers on Wednesday through Saturday of each week. Many of the items, all listed on pages 6 and 7 of this week's Journal, are offered at savings of up to 50 percent and more.

According to a spokesman for the Downtown Lowville merchants, this is a part of their continuing effort to bring quality merchandise to the consumer at economical prices with courteous personal service.

A resolution was also passed

## Higher Milk Prices Seen

Lewis County and adjoining dairymen can look forward to higher milk prices in 1973, according to Hugh Worden, Lewis County agricultural extension agent. But, they also will face increases in production costs.

Many dairymen will face higher feed costs as the wet harvest season in 1972 reduced the quantity and quality of feed harvested on Lewis County farms. With this combination, coupled with higher grain prices during the winter feeding season, production costs will be pushed up sharply on many farms. Government emergency feed and loan programs, however, will help many farmers hold down the increase in feed costs.

Milk production in New York State in 1972 was down 2.4% from 1971 and Cornell economists predict a decline of 3.0% in 1973. They base their prediction on a decline in milk numbers in 1972 and in part to a reversal in the long term upward trend in milk production per cow. Milk production per cow averaged 10,485 pounds in 1972, down 0.4% from 1971. 1972 is the first year since 1957 in which the level of production per cow has not increased from the previous year.

Farmers are expected to cull their herds heavily during the new year because of the poor feed situation and favorable milk cow prices.

The farm price of milk in New York increased for the tenth consecutive year during 1972. The blended price in the New York-New Jersey market was \$6.25 per 100 pounds of 23 cents above the 1952 level. Prospects for 1973 are for a further increase of 25 to 30 cents per hundredweight. At the same time, farms

## A'dack Board Convenes

The regular meeting of the Adirondack Central School board of education was held Tuesday evening, January 9. The minutes of the December 12 meeting were approved, together with the general fund, school lunch fund, federal aid bills and the treasurer's report.

An area pistol team was given approval to utilize the rifle range under the Boonville K-8 gymnasium with the proviso that the group insures itself to cover injury to any of the participating members.

A lease between the Adirondack Central School and the Adirondack Chapter of the Future Farmers of America was approved which involves turning over 60 acres of land on the high school site for a period of five years. The FFA Chapter will be able to sub-lease much of this area to an interested farmer over a period of five years through the process of bidding, with the board of education.

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can expect to pay 5 to 6 percent more for their production than in 1972.

With this situation, Lewis County farmers can maintain their net incomes only by improving the productivity and efficiency of their operations. This will be a difficult task for many farmers who now face a poor feed situation.

Poultrymen can look forward to a significant increase in egg prices during the next six months. New York wholesale large egg prices for the year 1972 will average about 34.4 cents per dozen, only slightly above the average level of 1971. The period from May 1971 until October 1972 probably represents the longest sustained period of low prices in the history of the egg industry.

Egg prices have strengthened sharply during the month of November and during the first half of 1973 they will likely average well above the depressed levels of 1972.

Maple producers can look forward to favorable prices for products during the new year. High bulk syrup prices during the season and a continual gain in public acceptance for maple products has exhausted our supply.

## District Scouting Dinner

About 60 persons attended the Annual Black River District Scouters' Dinner held Tuesday, January 9, at St. Peter's Church Hall, Lowville.

Recognized were Richard Raymond, District commissioner; Barry Worczak, Lyons Falls, Camp Porteferry Official; James Shea, district chairman; Richard Katz, council commissioner; Dr. Lawson Rutherford, council vice president; William Crossman, district scout executive; and Lee Bassett, Jefferson-Lewis Council executive.

In the absence of Maurice Jones, Camp Porteferry director, Mr. Worczak narrated a slide presentation of the area scout camp near Harrisville. Mr. Denlon showed a film of the 1973 National Jamboree scheduled for August in Idaho and Pennsylvania. Several district scouts are expected to attend and others interested should contact their scout leaders.

Mr. Bassett spoke on the challenges, commitments and accomplishments of adults associated with scouting and presented annual scout awards for three years of continuous registration, training and participation. Fred Scott, Natural Bridge, Ben D'Amico, Camp Drum, and Mr. Worczak, Scout-

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## Hearing On Syrup Licenses

A Department of Agriculture and Markets hearing will be held Thursday, February 1, with regard to the licensing of food processing establishments under new rules and regulations of the department which take effect this year. Also under consideration will be special regulations concerning the operation of maple syrup establishments.

The hearing will be held beginning at 9 a.m. on the Eighth Floor Hearing Room of the Department, located in Building 8, (Income Tax Building) on the State Office Campus, Albany.

Approximately 24,000 food processing establishments not presently covered by other laws will be required to register under the new licensing regulation, unless they are granted specific exemption by the commissioner.

"In the case of maple syrup producers," said Commissioner Frank Walkley, "we recognize the short seasonal nature of processing for this product makes impractical the application of stringent manufacturing practices." The commissioner indicated that special rules will be established for maple syrup producers.

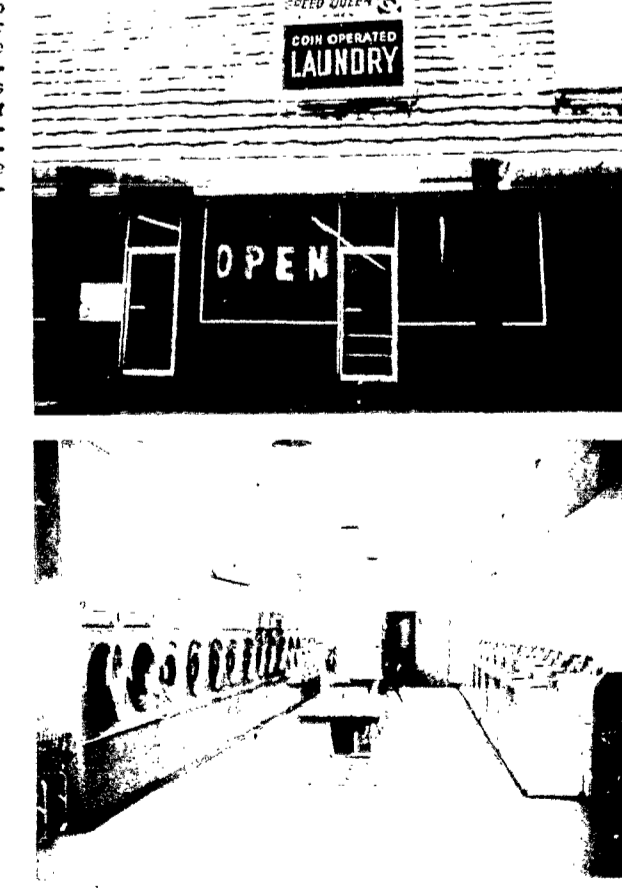
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## Week Of Prayer

Each year a certain time is set aside in January when Christian denominations particularly pay heed to how important it is to stand together as members of Christ's family, the Church. This year the dates are January 18 through January 25. As a Church, Christians are called by God to be living witnesses of His love in the world; as this Christians cannot do if they stand divided. The 1973 theme is "Lord, Teach Us To Pray."

To observe Christian Unity, a men's breakfast will be held on Saturday, January 20, at 7:30 a.m. in Trinity Parish House. Men from the various denominations of the village and area are invited to attend. A short program will follow breakfast. In past years, this time together has been well received, and so it is hoped the men will again support the event.

On Sunday, January 21, the ministers of the village will exchange pulpits and speak on "What We Hold in Common as Christians."



LAUNDRAMAT OPENS - Modern Coin-Op Laundramat, operated by John Fogarty, Elm Street, Lowville, and located in Lowville Plaza at the "Y" will hold its grand opening this week. The new facility is the second to be operated by Mr. Fogarty in Lowville. Another laundramat is located next to the former P & C Market on Shady Avenue, Lowville. The Lowville Plaza laundramat

includes 20 Speed Queen top-loading washers, color contrasted in white and green, four Speed Queen Super 20 front-loading washers, two Milnor giant 35-pound capacity washers and 12 Speed Queen dryers. Door prizes at the grand opening will include an electric can opener, electric percolator and meat grinder. Registration for the prizes starts today with the drawing set for Saturday Noon.