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# Show Cause Order Issued in Cortland Police Complaint

## Say Schedule Of Six Days Violates Law

CORTLAND—The chief of police and police commissioners must explain why the new police work schedule should not be scrapped next Monday.

The show cause order was issued Monday by newly appointed Supreme Court Justice, Robert W. Sloan.

Petitioners on the show cause order are Patrolmen Robert Trim, Arthur Ludwig and Carl Staley.

Named respondents are Chief Norman McNamara and Commissioners Alexander Milham, John Fabrizio and Russell Bentley.

Attorney Edmund Hoffmann Jr. said he will represent all four respondents in court Monday.

TBA attorney John Gardner, who obtained the order from Judge Sloan, was not available for comment.

Chief McNamara and Commissioner Bentley are reported to be in Florida on vacations. Hoffmann said he doubted if the chief and the commissioners would have to appear Monday. Hoffmann said the show cause is the normal first step in any action.

The order stated in part that the respondents should "show cause why the new work schedule for the Police Department should not be cancelled and replaced by a new schedule which complies with the law."

Hoffmann said issuance of the order does not mean the court concurs with the petitioners. It is the standard procedure. However, if the city does not answer, Hoffmann said, petitioners would win the action by default.

The new work schedule was put into effect Feb. 3. The next day Gardner appeared before the Common Council with several members of the force and told the council that the new schedule was in violation of Section 971 of the 40 Hour Law.

Gardner also asked the mayor to fire the three police commissioners.

The PBA attorney also requested that the new commission then fire Chief McNamara.

Under the old work schedule, police officers have the same days off each week. Under the new system, the day off rotates each week, and at one point, each man receives a four-day weekend, according to Commissioner Milham.

City Atty. Hoffman has requested a ruling by the state attorney general's office on the legality of the new schedule. He was authorized to do so following the meeting of the police commissioners on Feb. 5, the day after the Common Council meeting.

Hoffmann said he has not yet received the attorney general's reply.

Police commissioners said the new schedule was adopted to provide the following improvements: Better coverage of every shift; 2. The elimination of an overload of ranking men on the desk at certain times of the day; 3. Providing a qualified plainclothesman for night duty; 4. Modernization of paper work methods; 5. Providing a sergeant on duty for every shift; and 6. Making two men available for patrol car duty most of the time.

Signatures of 26 out of 30 police officers appeared on the petition to go back to the old system.

The petition states: All those opposed to the new schedule of six days on and two days off with four days off after the completion of four work periods and who wish to have the schedule put back to the way it was 1/1/64 or until such time as a schedule may be presented within the 40 Hour Law, please sign your name in full below.

The legal dispute apparently centers over the words, "any calendar week" as stated by the local commission and "any consecutive seven day period" as stated in the amendment to the state law which the local PBA claims is violated.

## Area Weather

Tuesday, clouding up in most sections and slowly moderating. Highs in the upper 20s and low 30s. Winds light and variable.



Presents Flag

Congressman Alexander Pirnie, R-New Hartford, presented a flag to Cub Scout Pack 23 at the Blue and Gold Banquet here Saturday night. Left to right, Thomas Gunthorpe, Rep. Pirnie, David Gunthorpe and Fred Edick, cub master.

## Signup Under Way

# Shop Training Course Open to Unemployed

CORTLAND—The second section of the machine shop training school being conducted by the Board of Education under a full subsidy by the Manpower Development Training Act, is scheduled to begin March 9.

Applications for enrollment are now being accepted at the Division of Employment, 21 Groton Ave., Cortland.

Classes are from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily for eight weeks. The trainees are taught how to read blueprints, operate basic machine shop power tools and the use of measuring instruments.

The training is open to any unemployed person in the area who demonstrates both the interest and the potential ability to learn the work involved.

Heads of families or households with at least three years work experience will be eligible to receive a weekly allowance of \$38 during the program.

Those persons eligible for unemployment insurance may continue to receive benefits while in training.

## Youth Pays \$25 In Conduct Case

NORWICH—Richard Newton, 18, of Sherburne, appeared in Police Court in Norwich Monday to answer a charge of disorderly conduct. He was fined \$25 upon his plea of guilty.

Richard Dunham, 21, charged with the same offense, will appear in court Wednesday.

The two were charged with fighting behind a local gasoline station one night last week. Both were arrested and released on \$25 bail.

Newton was put on three months probation, besides being fined.

## CCC Veterans Plan Reunion

MASSENA — Former members of Company 229, Camp S-84 Wankenna, Civilian Conservation Corps, will have a 30-year reunion May 23 at the Moose Club.

Letters of information will be sent to those who have signified intent to be present. Earl Henderson is treasurer. About 75 persons have said they would attend. Those interested should contact James A. Frank or George Hoyer.

## Women to Hear Cornell Chaplain

HOMER — The speaker at the February meeting of the Women's Fellowship of the Homer Congregational Church will be the Rev. Paul E. Gibbons.

Mr. Gibbons is chaplain for students of the Congregational Christian, Evangelical and Reformed churches at Cornell University.

Dinner will precede the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Mrs. Robert Briggs and Mrs. William Caddalader Jr. are co-chairmen.

Mrs. Carleton Potter, chairman of the program committee, will introduce the speaker. Devotional services will be conducted by Mrs. Calvin O. Mackey. Mrs. Gerald Twentymen, president, will preside at the business meeting.

## CU Prof to Talk To Garden Club

CORTLAND—The Crown City Garden Club will hear a talk on "Flower Arrangements on a Budget" at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in the hospitality room of First National Bank.

William Cleveland of the State University College of Agriculture at Cornell will give the talk and show a movie on flower arrangements.

Mrs. W. J. Kampney, president, will conduct the business portion of the meeting.

Mrs. Frank San Jule, chairman of the nominating committee, assisted by Mrs. Robert Long and Mrs. Maurice Marbel, will present a slate of officers.

## Spitfires Win, Gain 2nd Spot

ONEIDA — The Oneida Spitfires regained second place in the Central New York Amateur Hockey League Sunday night as Dave Patricia turned in his second shutout of the season.

The Spitfires defeated the Otsego Indians 6-0 on the ice at Clinton for the win. The contest, which saw Oneida perform at its best this season, also saw Chuck Lewis score a three goal "hat trick" for the Spitfires.

Scoring included the three goals by Lewis, two by Bill Babcock and one by Kevin Hanlin.

Assists were by Spinelli, Mack, Winchell, Tefft, Hiscoc, Hanlin and Lewis.

Patricia, in turning in his shutout, had 13 saves for the Spitfires, while the Otsego goalie made 22 saves.

In the second game, Whitesboro defeated the Sangerfield Spartans 6-3.

## Cars Collide Near Cortland

CORTLAND — Police investigated a two-car accident at 8:30 a.m. Monday in the Town of Taylor.

A car operated by Margaret Young, 46, of Union Valley Road, Cincinnati, and one operated by Floyd W. Bush, 32, of Route 41, Cincinnati, collided at Union Valley Road and Route 26. Deputy Duane White-man investigated. No one was injured and no tickets were issued.

## Ithaca College Gets \$5,000 Music Grant

The MENC, Contemporary Music Project for Creativity in Music Education announces a grant of \$5,000 to the School of Music, Ithaca College, for a Music Education Seminar in Contemporary Music for the 1963-1964 second semester.

According to Norman Dello Joio, chairman of the joint committee, the grant was approved as part of a six-year project under a grant of \$1,380,000 from the Ford Foundation to the Music Educators National Conference.

Ithaca College also received \$2,000 for a Pilot-Seminar during the fall semester.

The seminar is designed to train prospective teachers in the technique and literature of contemporary music, to promote the use of contemporary music and to prepare teachers in the presentation of contemporary music to children in the elementary and secondary schools.

Twenty selected music education majors, senior and graduate students will participate in the seminar.

Warren Benson of the school of music faculty will direct the seminar, assisted by other faculty members and a visiting composer who will participate as a lecturer. Craig McHenry is dean of the school of music.

## Orthodox Groups Sponsor Film

ITHACA—Highlights of a film showing the first national Eastern orthodox religious festival that was conducted in Pittsburgh last summer will be presented Wednesday evening in Cornell University's Anabel Taylor Hall.

It is under sponsorship of St. Catherine's Greek Orthodox Church and Orthodox Christian Fellowship of Cornell.

The Rev. John Kluchko of the Holy Trinity Orthodox Church in Elmira Heights will conduct Vespers.

## \$92 Million Item

WASHINGTON — Two Central New York Congressmen serving on the House Armed Services Committee are in disagreement over whether \$92 million should be added to the Defense Department budget request so a new manned bomber can be developed.

The committee report, which was approved last week, provides \$92 million that Defense Secretary Robert S. McNamara did not ask for. The committee instructs McNamara to turn the funds over to the Air Force so it can start developing a strategic bomber to replace the B-52 and a new interceptor fighter plane.

Rep. Alexander Pirnie (R-Utica) supports the majority committee view.

Pirnie said he was familiar with the performance of intercontinental ballistic missiles and knew it was far enough below 100 per cent to warrant an alternative such as the manned bomber. He said the lead time needed to develop a new plane is so long that the U.S. cannot afford to delay any longer.

However, Rep. Samuel S. Stratton (D-Amsterdam), who co-authored a minority report with three other Democrats, opposes spending the extra \$92 million.

The minority view holds that the extra funds, if spent, would be wasted because no clear concept exists yet as to what kind of bomber or interceptor the Air Force wants.

Stratton and his three associates argued that the expenditure is unwarranted at a time when the president is trying to cut all unnecessary defense costs.

Signing the report with Stratton were Reps. Otis G. Pike (D-Long Island), Lucien N. Nease (D-Mich.), and Jeffery Cohran (D-Calif.).

# Area Congressmen Differ Over Planes

# Three Cornellians Charged In Alleged Telephone Fraud

## Official Says They Avoided Paying Tolls

ITHACA (AP)—Three Cornell University engineering students were accused in court Monday of devising an "ingenious" contrivance that enabled them to telephone anywhere in the country without charge.

The case was the second of its kind in recent weeks at an Upstate institution of higher learning.

The three Cornell students were arrested at their fraternity house Saturday night during a demonstration of the electrical device to about 40 other students, police said. One of the students reportedly was telephoning Palo Alto, Calif., at the time.

The other students were not held, but Dist. Atty. Richard Thaler of Tompkins County raised the possibility of further arrests. He said as many as 40 students had used the equipment to make about 150 long-distance calls.

Stuart S. Pattison, 22, of White Plains, Seth J. Stowell, 20, of Troy and Hoyt A. Stearns Jr., 19, of Arcadia, Calif., were arrested in Ithaca City Court yesterday on a charge of fraudulent use of telephone equipment to avoid payment, a misdemeanor.

They were released in \$50 bail each, pending another hearing.

Dayton Garlick, chief security officer of the New York Telephone Co., said the contrivance, while not novel, was "quite an ingenious device."

It was explained that a caller would be able to bypass the telephone company's monitoring equipment by feeding impulses from the 12-tube device into the mouthpiece of the telephone.

Garlick said the device differed from that allegedly employed by a student at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute at Troy who was arrested on a similar charge last month.

Investigators said the recent calls were traced to the Triangle Fraternity House at Cornell after billing irregularities were uncovered.

## Industrial Club Plans Speaker

CORTLAND—The Community Industrial Club of the YMCA will hear Alfred H. Brent of the Pall Corp. at their meeting Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the YMCA.

Brent is director of industrial relations of the Pall firm which is the parent company of the Pall Trinity Micro Corp.

# Man Gets Jail Term, Youth Put on Probation

CORTLAND — One man drew a five-to-eight-year sentence in Attica State Prison and another was placed on probation Monday at proceedings in County Court.

Clifford Warren received the prison sentence. Warren earlier had pleaded guilty to charges of first degree grand larceny and third degree burglary and his sentence was postponed until a report from the probation department could be studied. The charges stem from the theft of a truck.

Lawrence Henry, 19, of Blodgett Mills received a suspended sentence to the Elmira Reception Center and was placed on probation.

Henry was arrested in connection with the burglary of a gun club last fall. He was charged with second degree grand larceny, third degree burglary and two counts of petit larceny.

Judge Liston Coon, assigned here for the month, presided.

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## Caucus Thursday

# Citizens Party To Back Hamill

TRUMANSBURG—Mayor Ed Hamill will be renominated at the Citizens Party Caucus Thursday, according to former mayor Vernon Timerson.

Timerson said the nominating committee had selected Hamill, plus Harry E. Buck and Francis Sarsfield for trusteeships.

The party's candidate for police justice will be Herbert Haight. The latter is running in place of Justice Walter Steenburgh who was said to have declined another term.

Both Buck and Sarsfield have served as trustees and Buck was a former police commissioner.

For years Trumansburg residents dropped their Republican and Democratic partisanship in voting for village officers. The "Pioneer Party" with a hatchet as an emblem is in the field now.

# Tiete Enters Trustee Race In Canastota

CANASTOTA — Vito Tiete, of 409 S. Peterboro St., Canastota, has announced he will seek the Democratic nomination for one of two village trustee posts to be filled in the March 17 election here.

Tiete will seek support of the committee when it meets at 8 p.m. Tuesday in the Municipal Hall.

The meeting of the village Democratic committee was called by Chairman P. J. Connell.

Connell said plans will be made for the village caucus which is scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 22, in the Municipal Hall. Two candidates will be nominated for the trustee posts.

Tiete is a distributor of institutional food products, and has lived in Canastota most of his life. He is married and has three grown children. He is a graduate of Canastota High School and attended Central Business Institute. He has been a member of the police and fire board and also a member of the Airport Commission.

## Unit Changes Time of Meeting

CORTLAND—The time of the meeting of City Home Demonstration Unit 1 has been changed to 10 a.m. Wednesday in Odd Fellows Hall. Members are requested to bring materials for the making of cancer dressings.

# Plan Hearing In Cortland On March 2

CORTLAND — The Board of Public Works set March 2 as the date for a public hearing on the state's request that the city abandon its right-of-way to Water Street.

The state would like to obtain the rights for development of the State University College. The area involved is from the south line of Prospect Terrace to the southern property lines of state-owned property on the east side of Cortland Rural Cemetery on the west side.

When the city abandons its right-of-way it reverts to abutting property owners. In this case it would be the State University College and Cortland Rural Cemetery and does not effect adjoining properties owned by individual Cortland citizens.

In other business the board approved a plan to replace gas mains next summer under Lincoln Avenue.

## Deaths

MRS. BERTHA KEMP  
ITHACA — Services for Mrs. Bertha L. Kemp of 415 Hancock St., who died Monday at Tompkins County Hospital will be at 8:15 a.m. at her residence Thursday and at 9 a.m. in the Church of the Immaculate Conception.

Burial will be in St. James Cemetery, Trumansburg.

She was a communicant of the Church of the Immaculate Conception and the widow of Alvin Kemp.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Rose Morrison of Tonawanda, Pa., and Mrs. Arbuties Sargent of Ithaca; 12 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Friends may call Tuesday and Wednesday, afternoon and evening at the family home.

## HERMAN H. HALSEY

ITHACA—Services for Herman H. Halsey, 51, who died Sunday at his home in West Groton, will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Wade Funeral Home, Locke.

The Rev. Bert Greenleaf, pastor of Locke Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Cobb Cemetery, West Groton.

A farmer and mechanic, he was a member of the Lansing Masonic Lodge, West Groton Grange and Tompkins County Farm Bureau.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Catherine M. Halsey; three sisters, Mrs. Wallace Rodcoe of Moravia, Mrs. John Millman of Genoa and Mrs. Marshall Pruitt of Freeville; a brother, Donald Halsey of Auburn, and several nieces and nephews.

Friends may call Tuesday afternoon and evening at the funeral home.

## EDWARD PARDON

ITHACA — Services for Edward Pardon, 81, of 216 Fayette St., who died Monday at Tompkins County Hospital, will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Shea Funeral Home.

The Rev. Floyd DeFlyer will officiate. Burial will be in East Lawn Cemetery.

Surviving are two sons, Daniel E. Pardon of Ithaca and Harold Pardon of Condon, Ore.; three grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; and a sister, Mrs. Iva Carpenter of Crestall, Ore.

Friends may call Tuesday evening at the funeral home.

# Ithaca Begins Installation of Stewart Sewer

ITHACA—A new sewer installation on Stewart Avenue, preceding the pending pavement improvement, was begun Monday.

Some 2,500 feet of pipe are called for in the program estimated to cost \$28,500. The paving job is figured at \$27,599.

City officials said the sewer project will be done in two parts. The new installation will begin at Needham Place and run 1,459 feet and behind the curb up to Barton Place. It will then follow on the avenue to a point near the Tripphammer Bridge. It is a 16-inch line replacing an old line of six inches.

Vincent P. Hannan, assistant superintendent of public works, who will be in charge of the operation, said he didn't expect any streets would be closed as a result of the project except Needham Place. Parking on Thurston Avenue, however, will be restricted during the work program.

The city crew was pounding away with their jack hammers Monday getting the job going. It wasn't the sewer but the pavement proposal that was a big issue in City Hall a year ago.

# Man Injured In 3-Car Crash

CORTLAND — A 35-year-old Cortlandville man was injured in a three-car accident on Route 13 near the Lime Hollow Road at 6:45 a.m. Monday.

Lynn Sidelinger of Gracie Road was taken to Cortland Memorial Hospital and treated for head injuries.

The accident occurred when a vehicle driven by Robert Reeve, 32, of 6 Joseph St. entered Route 13 and was involved in a collision with a car driven by Bert Stark, 52, of Gulf Hill Road, RD 3.

The Sidelinger auto and the Reeves vehicle then collided, sheriff's deputies said.

Stark and Sidelinger were proceeding north on Route 13. Stark was plowing out the yard of a gas station, police said. Deputy Andrew Kopley investigated.

# Ithaca Collision Hurts 2 Persons

ITHACA — A collision of cars in the parking lot at the Milliken Station in Lake Ridge sent one person to Tompkins County Hospital and another to his doctor.

Mrs. Eleanor Cleaveland, 43, of Aurora, was admitted for examination of facial lacerations.

State police said her car and another driven by Francis Cahoon, 49, of Ludlowville, collided on a curve in the parking area.

# Placid Skaters Win 4 Games

LAKE PLACID — Local sex-tetars fared well in the five-game hockey program in the Olympic Arena Saturday, winning four of the contests.

Playing against South Carleton, Ont., the Placid Pee Wees edged their Canadian opponents, 5-4, but their Bantam six dropped a 3-1 decision to the invaders.

By virtue of their Bantam victory, the Ontario boys copied the international "Silver Sticks" title on a total-goal basis for two weekends of play.

In another afternoon meet, Lake Placid High School took Canton High, 7 to 5.

The local Roamers trounced the Ottawa Police aggregation by 12-1 in the feature game Saturday night. Northwood School trimmed Albany Academy 10-1 in the preliminary contest.

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