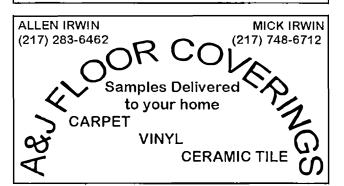
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Schools stick with principal, administrative assistant

Despite requests from teachers and a board member, two Hoopeston Area schools will be led by one person.

The board voted 6-1 Thursday to keep Larry Hill as principal over both John Greer and Honeywell and hire an assistant, rather than hire a second principal.

Supt. Don Dean suggested maintaining the present system for two reasons.

First, he said, the district could save \$18,000 or more not hiring another principal. Second, splitting principal duties would give Honeywell and John Greer principals about 250 students, while Maureen Spisok, Maple school principal, will oversee nearly 500 students next year.

However, teacher Theta Lee said the district would save less money, considering the assistant's salary. She also cited problems with communication, discipline, curriculum and economics as reasons to hire an additional principal.

"We need to have a leader in each building," she said. "We have a team, but we don't have a principal."

Lee's sentiments were echoed by HEA president Quentin Ryder and board member Gary Miller.

"I have a scrious problem with some things we've spent money on of late," Miller said, refer-See PRINCIPAL on other side

Police News



someone took \$50 from her home. Russell W. Catron, 3717 Anna Dr., Apopka,

Doris Hall, 402 W. Maple, reported Friday that

Fla., reported Friday that while his 1988 Freightliner semi was parked at 323 W. Chestnut, someone broke the driver's side wing window and took an Emerson television/VCR combination unit.

No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at 9:28 p.m. Friday.

Chad D. Watson, 718 S. Fourth St., in a 1985 Oldsmobile Cutlass, was turning from the IGA entrance onto Route I when he struck a 1977 Oldsmobile Delta 88 driven by Diane W. Vance. 807 E. Elm, Hoopeston, who was northbound on Route 1.

Donald E. Nelson, 826 E. Orange, reported Saturday that someone pushed over his 1992 Honda motorcycle while it was parked at his home.

Gail Dean Savage, 36, of 516 N. Tenth Ave., was arrested at 12:13 a.m. Saturday at BJ's Pump after a fight. Savage was charged with aggravated battery, disorderly conduct and carrying a concealed weapon. Savage refused treatment at Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital for treatment of injuries sustained in the fight and was taken to the Public Safety Building, Danville.

A black flip phone was turned in to police Sunday. The owner may identify and claim it at the police station.

Weather



Cloudy today with a 30 percent chance of showers. High in the low 50s. Tonight, clearing. Low in the low 40s. Tomorrow, partly sunny. High near 58, low near 43.

As of now, and now is a cold, rainy day, I feel frustrated about gardening. For instance, we got in onion plants, tons of them. There were a coulple of good planting days and then rain and cold. Tell you what ~ come get the plants for 50¢ a bunch and sets for 35¢ a pound. Spread out the sets and heel in the bunches. You'll save a bundle and I'll get some of my money back.

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Bans should be considered after Oklahoma bombing

By LOURDINE FLOREK

Last week's bombing of the federal courthouse in Oklahoma City should really make us take a look at the things we allow in this country.

Considering that scores of people were killed by a bomb made of fertilizer and kerosene, perhaps

our leaders should give serious consideration to banning the sale of those items.

Oh, sure, you're thinking to Second ourself fortilizer yourself, fertilizer and kerosene have useful purposes. It's only when they're mixed in some

McGyver-esque fashion that they become danger-

To which I say too bad. You can never be too careful these days.

So what if fertilizer is beneficial for farmers who depend on the substance to increase production on their farms?

Who cares if kerosene heats people when it's cold?

What we need is a national day where everyone who possesses fertilizer and/or kerosene would bring them to a national gathering place and turn them in.

We would, of course, need an incentive for people to do the right thing. Maybe new tennis shoes or tickets to a local rock concert would work.

While we're at it, perhaps we should also do

away with motorized vehicles.

Yeah, that's right. The stuff was carried in some sort of car, wasn't it?

It doesn't matter that millions of people use cars every day for benign purposes.

> They're also used by those who would harm innocent people and we just cannot allow that in our society.

Cars have got to go. (Just think of the benefit to the .California freeway system!)

The fertilizer, kerosene and car were all purchased sompelace, so perhaps we should put a ban on places selling those things.

Or at least have a five-day waiting period and criminal background check before selling fertilizer or kerosene or motorized vehicles.

After all, isn't that what we do with guns?

Obituaries

KELL - Marvin W. Kell, 89, of Bettendorf. Iowa, formerly of Hoopeston, died Thursday. April 20, 1995 at Genesis Medical Center, East campus, Davenport, Iowa. Graveside funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Monday at Floral Hill Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the charity of the donor's choice. Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Principal continued from other side

ing to adding baseball and softball and plans to build a bus garage. "I'd rather spend money on things that benefit education.

Member Gary Jett disagreed, saying the school wants to add management staff when most businesses are downsizing. "You don't need it, you really don't," he said.

Miller was the only vote in favor of hiring an additional full-time principal.

In related action, the board accepted the resignation of Kathy Keyser, current adminstrative as-

sistant at both schools, and hired Linda Sheppard in the position for the 1995-96 year.

In other action, the board apparoved a developmental kindergarten class next year. The class will be for students who are diagnosed with learning disabilities or other problems.

While other districts have students attend regular kindergarten after a vear of the special class. Dean said the district's goal will be to move students from developmental kindergarten into regular first grade.

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