

Honor Alvin Benkelman for road building

Alvin C. Benkelman of Elk Creek, Va., was honored at the First Road Test Reunion in Washington, D.C., Jan. 21, for his "highly significant contributions to the science of highway building."

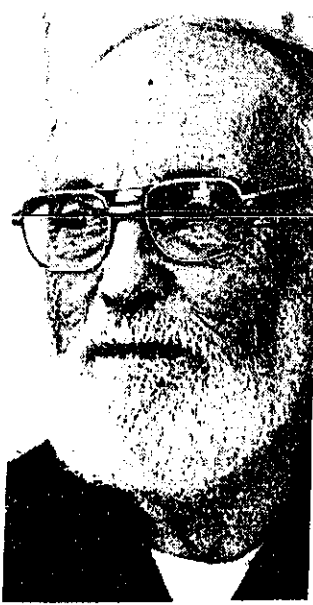
A native of Cass City, Benkelman still has numerous relatives in this area.

A testimonial in his honor, signed by about 50 engineers from the United States, Canada and Brazil, noted his "participation as a senior staff member on nearly every road test of this century." Benkelman was referred to as the "Dean of Road Tests."

A 1914 graduate of Cass City High School, he received his engineering degree from the University of Michigan in 1919. He was honored for his work by the U-M in 1965.

After graduating from col-

lege, he was a pavement and soils engineer with the Illinois Highway Department until 1923.



Alvin C. Benkelman

After that, he did research in physical properties of Portland cement concrete, performance of pavements in service, frost action of soils in field and laboratory and structural design of flexible pavement.

The testimonial presented Jan. 21 recognized Benkelman's "consistent" good judgment and keen perception as a researcher and administrator in the Bureau of Public Roads and as chairman of the Flexible Pavement Committee of the Highway Research Board.

Appreciation was expressed "for the salutary impact that he has had over the years on each one of us through his friendly and wise personal counsel and generous assistance."

Benkelman was invited to the World Bank in Washington to meet with highway engineers from England, Scotland, Iceland and Southeast Asia, who were interested in meeting the inventor of the Benkelman Beam.

The device he invented, used in road construction all over the world, is a device for measuring deflection of pavement under a moving load.

His wife is Olive Scott Benkelman.

Citizens of Tomorrow



Lindy, 4, and Kelli, 2, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Rick Van Vliet, 4583 Koepfgen Road, Cass City.



Heather Anne, 21 months, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David A. Dunn, 6794 Third Street, Cass City.



Jeremy, 3, and Lindsay, 1, children of Mr. and Mrs. John Heater, 6464 River Road, Cass City.



Steve, 10, Darren, 9, and Amy, 5, children of Mr. and Mrs. John Ross, 417 Brooker Street, Cass City.



Roy, 9, Heather, 5, and Rochelle, 10 months, children of Mr. and Mrs. Roy F. Shaft, 4285 Woodland Ave., Cass City.



Stephanie, 7, Matthew, 4, and Sarah, 1, children of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Nicholson, 6619 Houghton St., Cass City.



Jeremy, 9, and Stacey, 8, children of Rev. and Mrs. Harry Capps, 4580 N. Seeger Street, Cass City.



Ed John, 13, Aaron, 3, and Heather, 2, children of Mrs. Amor A. Hewitt, 4181 Sherman Street, Cass City.

Paul Humphrey sentenced to one year in county jail

Paul R. Humphrey, 34, was sentenced to one year in the county jail Monday for violation of probation in 1976.

Humphrey was placed on two years' probation in December, 1975, for attempted preparing to burn. His address at that time was Howard Street, Deford.

Circuit Judge Norman A. Baguley found him guilty Feb. 15 of this year of violating probation of having been convicted in October, 1976, in Bay County District Court of driving with license suspended (2nd offense) and failure to provide a truthful report to his probation officer.

In pronouncing sentence Monday, Baguley credited Humphrey with 81 days served.

No information was contained in the court file to explain the almost four-year interval between the probation violation and the conviction and sentencing of Humphrey's current address.

Also Monday, Duane R. Spencer, 20, of 5807 Fulton Street, Mayville, pleaded innocent to charges of

breaking and entering a motor vehicle and unlawfully driving away a motor vehicle.

His plea was accepted and pretrial hearing scheduled March 24, to be preceded by hearing of pretrial motions. Bond was continued.

Spencer is charged in connection with the entering of a bus Jan. 17 owned by the Juniata Baptist church and the driving away of the church's van.

In cases Feb. 19 before Circuit Judge Martin E. Clements:

Jacqueline DuRussell, 20, of 909 Monroe Street, Caro, was placed on one year probation for attempted larceny over \$100.

She was sentenced to 10 days in the county jail, with credit given for two days served, fined \$100, assessed \$200 court costs and ordered to pay \$500 restitution.

The charge was in connection with an attempt to draw \$500 from the savings account of another woman at a Caro bank. She pleaded guilty to the charge Jan. 21.

James D. Sandoval, 21, of Saginaw, pleaded guilty to attempted larceny in a

building.

The plea was accepted and sentencing scheduled March 17. A motion for reduction of bond was accepted and bond was reduced to \$3,000 personal recognizance.

The charge was in connection with the theft of \$267 from a Richville gas station Dec. 21.

Timothy S. Piazza, 19, of 105 Main Street, Vassar, pleaded innocent to charges of felonious assault and larceny in a building. His plea was accepted and pretrial hearing scheduled March 3. Bond was continued.

The charges stem from an assault on a man in Vassar Jan. 6 while armed with a barbecue fork and theft of cigarettes from a store in that community that day.

Jerry L. Franz, 18, of 3854 Hanes Road, Vassar, was placed on two years' probation for attempted breaking and entering of an occupied dwelling.

Serving of a 90-day jail sentence, with credit given for one day served, was delayed until the end of probation, at which time it may be suspended. He was fined \$50, assessed \$200 court costs and ordered to

pay minimum restitution of \$157.

Franz pleaded guilty to the charge Jan. 21, in connection with his entering a house on Hanes Road last September.

Bluegrass benefit Saturday

Four bluegrass groups will be donating their musical talents Saturday, with proceeds from their concert going to Thumb Area Easter Seals.

The concert will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Kingston High School cafeteria.

Groups or individuals performing will be Al and the Country Fiddlers, Bill Montague, Springtime and the Hula Rangers.

Karen Koester is the concert organizer.

Easter Seals provides therapy, equipment and research to aid handicapped children.

Youth work funds received

There will be a youth employment program in the upper Thumb this summer.

The Thumb Area Consortium has received \$62,704 in federal Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA) funds to begin planning for the program.

It won't be known for a while yet how much money it will receive to conduct the program, but Executive Director Frank Lenard is anticipating the amount will be about \$500,000. That will be enough to provide jobs for about 400-425 youngsters.

If the program is the same as last year, the jobs will be for youth ages 14-21, from low-income families.

The consortium administrative board last Thursday approved a contract with the Human Development Commission in Caro to run what is called the Summer Youth Employment Program this summer. The HDC ran it last year.

It was given \$40,000 of the \$62,704 for purposes of hiring staff, lining up jobs for the youth, setting up hiring procedures, etc.

The jobs are with schools and government and non-profit agencies. Lenard expressed concern that there might be a shortage of jobs in Tuscola county this summer because of problems with another federal youth job program, the Youth Employment and Training Program, which is coordinated in the three upper Thumb counties by the Huron Intermediate School District.

The program is basically aimed at providing jobs and career training for low-income youth during the school year. Due to staffing problems in Tuscola, Lenard told the consortium board, the program was slow to get underway this school year.

The result may be youth still employed under YETP this summer because funds for it will still be unspent,

which would make fewer jobs available under the summer youth program.

Two participants in the 1979 summer youth program in the upper Thumb won state awards. Louis A. King, supervisor at Vanderbilt County Park at Quincasssee received a plaque for being judged the best supervisor.

Susan Stoldorf of Palms, who worked at the Sanilac County Sheriff's Department, received a plaque and \$500 savings bond as the best employee.

In other action, the board authorized pursuit of prime sponsorship status for the consortium, despite being told it probably won't result in receipt of any more funds.

Such a designation will allow the agency to deal directly with the federal CETA agency, instead of through the state Bureau of Employment and Training (BET), which it must do now.

Lansing presently takes a minimum 5 percent cut out of CETA money headed for the upper Thumb to pay the state's administrative costs.

Prime sponsorship status will eliminate loss of CETA funds to the state. However, Lenard was told at a recent meeting with BET officials that as a prime sponsor, the consortium will no longer be able to get money that other consortiums in the state are not able to spend.

In the past, that has amounted to \$750,000-\$1 million additional.

There are, however, advantages to the prime sponsor status, according to the state officials.

The loss of money from being under state control, Lenard indicated after last Thursday's meeting, will be offset by the not losing a percentage of funds to Lansing for administration and more flexibility in planning programs to meet local needs and more time to plan.

CASS CITY VILLAGE ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held in the Village of Cass City, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, at

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on

March 10, 1980

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Village Clerk

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