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Fowler programs

Waldron Elementary fifth and sixth graders in Mrs. Paula Stakenas' reading classes will present their annual Christmas program at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Fowler High School gymnasium and then on Thursday, the Fowler annual Christmas band concert is slated to begin at 7:30 p.m. The fifth, sixth, middle school and high school bands will perform as well as a special guest appearance by the Holy Trinity choir.

Community caroling

Come one, come all to the Clinton County courthouse steps Dec. 21 at 7 p.m. to sing Christmas carols led by Gordon Vandemark. Singing is scheduled for about 40 minutes and then coffee and hot chocolate will be served in the basement of St. Joseph's Church. Last year there were about 100 carolers at a similar event. Come and take in some of the last minute "getting in the spirit" for Christmas.

Basketball moved up

Westphalia
Pewamo-Westphalia's home basketball game against Carson City originally set for Friday has been moved up to Thursday at 6:30. The day of the game was changed because refinishing of the gym floor will begin on Friday.

Christmas party

A Christmas buffet for over 100 kids and their parents and grandparents in the Head Start, Home Start program will begin at 6:30 p.m. at Smith Hall Tuesday. Also, Santa is expected to make an appearance later in the evening.

Santa comes with helicopter

Jolly old St. Nicholas will be zooming his way to DeWitt for a special guest appearance at the brand new Hartman's IGA Store at the Village Center Mall on Schavey Road (behind and to the west of DeWitt High School). Santa will make his grand entrance by helicopter on Thursday, Dec. 21, at 4 p.m. Santa will be staying through Friday, Dec. 22 and he'll be giving candy to all the good little boys and girls.



DeWitt sets concert

DeWitt
The DeWitt High School Music Department will present its annual Christmas Concert Dec. 21 at 7:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium. The program features the symphonic band, chorus and stage band, and no admission will be charged.



A prize Christmas tree

St. Paul Lutheran Church in Fowler goes for Christmas in a big way. In fact, the parishioners try to find the biggest and bushiest Christmas tree around. They began the tradition in 1967. The women of the church made approximately 150 Christmas ornaments of gold and white materials which depict various church symbols.

About 1100 white lights will be placed on the tree. The Christmas tree has always been cut at Somer's Greenhaven Nursery in Maple Rapids. An open house at the church will be held Dec. 28 from 7-9 p.m. for the public to view the tree. Light refreshments will be served. (Photos by Sue Kiley)



What would you give the baby Jesus?



Susan Bearup

By Patrice Hornak
Editor

Elsie
A long time ago in the village of Bethlehem, a baby was born to a woman named Mary. The baby was Jesus Christ, the son of God and redeemer of all men.
The baby was born in a stable, but though he had a meager beginning, three kings came from afar to greet the baby Jesus. They brought gold, frankincense and myrrh.
What would happen if the baby Jesus were born today? What would you bring the baby?
First graders in Mrs. Bertha Nicholas' class at E.E. Knight Elementary in Elsie came up with some good ideas, on their own level, of course.
A first grader has little materially. Their greatest possessions are often a favorite toy or something which they

have personally made, something in which they have great pride. Following are some of the gifts these children said they would bring to the baby Jesus.
David Mills would offer his blue and gold winter ski hat. Lisa said she would give the Christ child her teddy bear to "play with." And, David Conklin offered his stuffed elephant so Jesus "could sleep with it."
Stephanie Lonergan would give two baseball cards; Rhonda Gould would give a small crocheted mouse which she said was special to her; and Patrice Harpster would give Jesus a felt dove she made in Brownies, along with her stuffed frog.
One king brought a chest of gold, but Jamie Knutson doesn't have a wealth of gold. Instead, he said he would give the baby Jesus his silver dollar. When asked what the baby would do with the silver dollar, Jamie's friends agreed that diapers would be a good idea.

Danille Cilla offered a little Frosty the Snowman figurine; Patricia Ackels said in a small voice that she would give Jesus her little bunny; Joanne Gehringer would give him a sea shell; and Daniel Korienek offered his Speed Burner race car, one of his favorites.
A pack of 64 crayons would be offered by Bonnie Smith; her classmate Vicki Nichols would give Jesus a red plastic angel with candy inside because Jesus "loved angels"; and Melissa Boone would bring Jesus her doll that drinks.
Ryan Lewis and James Gingrich had a warm idea for the baby who was wrapped in swaddling clothes, they would give the baby their pair of mittens and blue ski jacket.
Theresa Kelley said she would give Jesus her stuffed monkey with a bit of the stuffing coming out of the head; and Steven Tribley offered two brass



Steven Tribley

County planner moves to Eaton

By Sue Kiley
Staff Writer

Clinton County
Dennis C. Dunnigan, Clinton County planner for the past four and one-half years, announced his resignation Dec. 13. He will become the Eaton County planning director, a newly created position for Eaton County, on Jan. 8.
Dunnigan cited more responsibility, more money and better compensation as his reasons for leaving the county post he took in September of 1974.
Originally from Fenton, Dunnigan

attended Michigan State University and received a bachelor's degree in Urban Planning.
He was named planning director last year and lists several items as accomplishments during his employment with the county. Some of the accomplishments are: completing a farmland study which determines what is essential farmland and how to preserve it; adopting a new county zoning ordinance; setting up the Economic Development Corporation; establishing a new county land use plan; and developing an energy program.

Dunnigan was hired as a CETA (Comprehensive Employment Training Act) employee and was making about \$17,000. He did not see being a CETA employee did have some bearing on his decision to leave Clinton County. The Eaton County position is not CETA.
The planning director said the county is studying alternatives to his position as he can't be replaced with a CETA employee.
"My main concern is that they (Clinton County) maintain some type of planning program," Dunnigan concluded.

Campaign financing released

By Tom Nowak
Staff Writer

Lansing
Judging from the campaign financing reports on the public file at the Michigan Secretary of State's office, Richard Allen and Alan Cropsey both realized that after winning the Republican primaries in August, the November election was almost a formality.
Allen, winner of the state Senate race, and Cropsey, elected to replace the retiring Stanley Powell, both spent less in the general election campaign than they did for the primary, according to their spending reports. Final reports were due in the Secretary of State's office Dec. 7.
Allen spent \$26,000 to defeat Republican Challenger Art Kelsey in the primary, but spent only about \$17,000 in

the general election against Kenneth Fry, a Democrat from Pottsville.
Even that \$17,000 dwarfed Fry's finances, however. Fry only raised

\$8,513 while spending \$8,354, half of what Allen spent.
Allen raised a total of \$56,953, and, as

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Students in John Wilcox's homeroom at St. Johns High School didn't collect \$417.28, or an average of \$13.92 per classmate, just to earn a Big Mac. But, that's what they received. Counting the money are (from left) Paul

Magsig and Randy Vandemark, seniors from Wilcox's homeroom, and Sally Beck, junior, and Dave Puetz, senior, from Mrs. Gonzales' homeroom. (Photo by Patrice Hornak)

High school students bring many Christmases

St. Johns
St. Johns High School students did their utmost to ensure that needy families in Clinton County don't go without a delicious, festive dinner on Christmas Day. And, they did it in a big way.
A total of \$1,750 was collected by the

high school students as part of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes annual food and fund drive.
Each homeroom tried to outdo the other by collecting the most money to be used to buy turkeys, hams and chickens for the Christmas meals.
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DeWitt seminar focuses on the elderly

DeWitt
How can I communicate better with my parents now that they are older? Do other people have problems with their elderly parents or relatives, and how do they manage?

Concerns such as these will be addressed in "As Parents Age: A Seminar for Families," a six-week seminar offered by Lansing Community College.

The one-credit seminar is designed for families who are concerned about an older adult relative, and for those who want to learn how to better understand and cope with the problems they may have while caring for the older adult relative.

Classes will meet from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. starting Jan. 10 at DeWitt High School.

Fees are \$12 for college-district residents and \$18 for

non-residents plus a materials fee of \$5.

Objective of the seminar is to share information and resources for coping with problems of the older adult. Emphasis will be on supporting the family and giving its members information which they can use in their situation.

Topics to be covered include: myths and stereotypes of aging; sensory loss and other physical changes in aging; psychological impact of disease; widowhood and other critical life events in aging; how to care for the depressed and lonely older adult; how to care for the confused older adult; understanding changing roles in marriage and family; local community resources available for older adults; and making decisions regarding placement and care of the older adult.

The seminar is co-sponsored by the LCC Center for Aging Education in cooperation with the Older Adult

Services of the St. Lawrence Hospital Community Mental Health Center.
For more information, call

the LCC Center for Aging Education at 373-9980 or the DeWitt Community Education Center at 669-9027.

DeWitt issues warning to stop for buses

DeWitt Township
DeWitt Township police officers are issuing a warning to residents to stop for school buses which have flashing red lights. The department will start heavy enforcement and will have unmarked police cars following the buses according to Thomas Aranow, chief.

A high speed chase ensued through DeWitt Township, ending at Pratt Road on Dec. 12. Chief Aranow had observed a 1969 Ford nearly colliding with another vehicle at the intersection of Weiland Road and US-27. The car was clocked on radar at 70 mph in a 45 mph zone.

Aranow tried to pull over the vehicle when the chase

began with speeds reaching over 100 mph. The car passed a school bus which was unloading children. The car was traveling at 85 mph at this point.

Willard R. Lawhorn, 40, Perrinton, was arrested by police with the help of the Clinton County Sheriff's Department. A two-year-old boy was standing up on the front seat during the whole incident according to police reports.

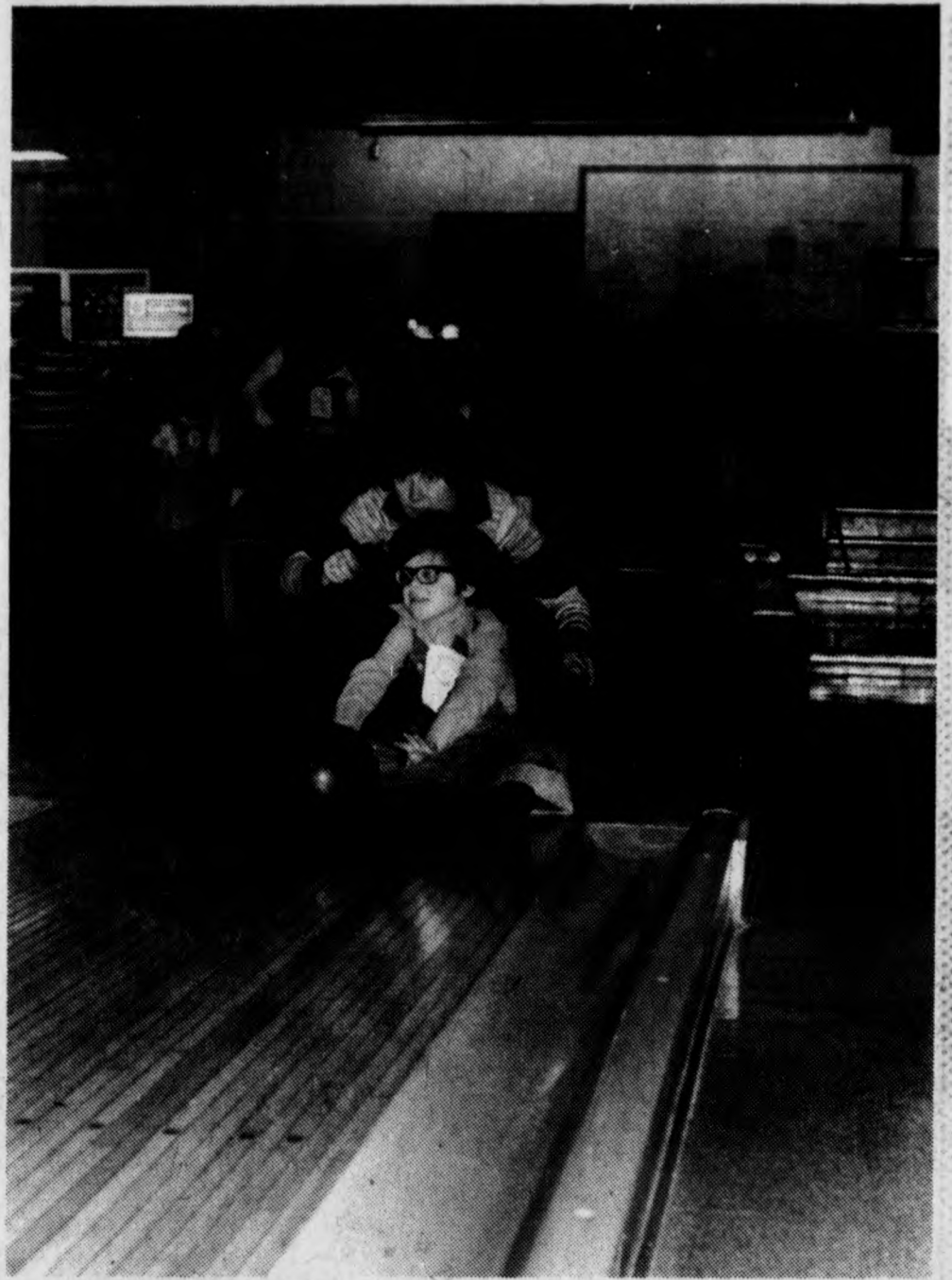
Lawhorn was charged with reckless driving and has bonded out of the Clinton County jail. There were no injuries or damage done to any of the vehicles.

Twelve guns were taken from the Dan Harris home at

1380 Craig St. on Dec. 16. The guns were dragged through the snow to Boichot Street where they were loaded into an automobile. Police are continuing the investigation.

The Clinton County Investigative Squad and the DeWitt Township police recovered over \$1,000 worth of property from a breaking and entering which occurred in township on Dec. 7. The burglary occurred at 13165 O'Hickory.

Lonnie Nemetz, 18, of Sheridan Rd., Lansing was arrested for the breaking and entering on an unoccupied dwelling and larceny from a building. Power and carpentry tools were taken from the building.



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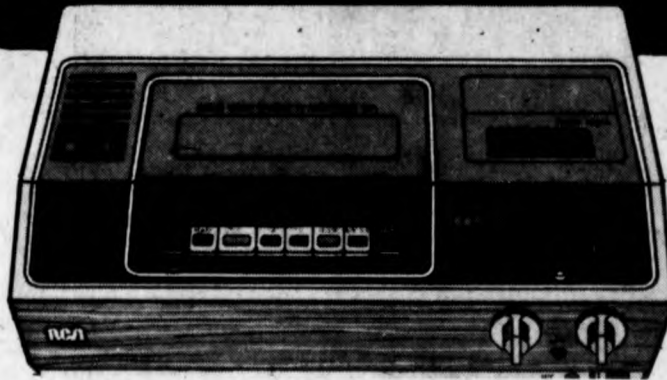
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Olympic bowler

There are many modes of bowling and this Walter Kyes student, Sean McClure of DeWitt, found a method that was comfortable to him during the Clinton County Special Olympics bowling meet last week at Redwing Lanes, St. Johns. Helping Sean is his teacher, Cindy Charette. (Photo by Patrice Hornak)

good times!
good cheer-
at Christmas!

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Intercepted letters to Santa



Around the Christmas tree

Every Christmas needs a tree and a family to go around it. The Jack Giesecke family stands around their Christmas tree for 1978. Putting the finishing touches on are Jack, Mike, 8; Betsy, 4; Jennifer, 9; and Marta. (Photo by Sue Kiley)

Dear Santa,

We are asking for a big present this year. Do you think it would be possible to have employee negotiations completed prior to the end of the contract period. And better yet, obtain results that make EVERYONE happy.

Roger Overway and
Bud Nobis,
County Commissioners

Dear Santa,

This one might be impossible Santa, but we would appreciate it if you

would give it a try. How about a new jail which will meet the state requirements, now and in the future.

Tony Hufnagel
Sheriff

P.S. Could we also make that at no cost to the taxpayers or the county?

Dear Santa,

I just want to say thanks for giving me an early present of getting the job I wanted.

Jane Swanchara,
County Clerk

Dear Santa:

I would like the discovery of a natural flowing well that will produce 1,000 gallons of water per minute in the city of St. Johns.

Thank you,
Carl Fonger,
Water superintendent

Dear Santa:

For Christmas I would like a great big glass bubble to cover the entire city in order to keep the snow from accumulating on the streets.

Thanks, Santa,
Wendell Waggoner,
DPW Superintendent

Dear Santa,

Can you help devise a CETA program I can understand.

Earl Lancaster
Board of Commissioners

Dear Santa,

I would like to wake up on Christmas morning and find that all the property in Clinton County had been surveyed into lot numbers.

Bonnie Wickerham,
Register of Deeds

Dear Santa,

I'm asking for two things which I know is nearly impossible, but... could you devise a heating and air conditioning system which will keep Earl Lancaster comfortable and hotel accommodations which will satisfy the commissioners.

Jerry Ambrose
Administrative Aide

Recruit graduates

Navy Seaman Recruit Joseph M. Powell, son of Donna Schooltz of P.O. Box 171, DeWitt, has completed recruit training at the Naval Training Center, San Diego, Calif.

During the eight-week training cycle, he studied general military subjects designed to prepare him for further academic and on-the-job training in one of the

Navy's 85 basic occupational fields.

Included in his studies were seamanship, close-order drill, Naval history and first aid. Personnel who complete this course of instruction are eligible for three hours of college credit in physical education and hygiene.

He joined the Navy in September 1978.

Dear Santa,

I'm not asking for much this year. All I want is a new police building and two police cars that never break down.

See you when you fly through town.

Lyle French,
Chief

Dear Santa,

Please help us get the tax billings in the county all on the same computer. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

Jerry Shepard
County treasurer

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Initiated

Kalamazoo
Shirley Morehouse, of 7880 Church Road, St. Johns, was one of 56 students recently initiated into the Beta Iota chapter of Kappa Delta Pi, a national honor society in education.

To be eligible for membership, students must be either junior or seniors and earn a grade point average of 3.4 out of a possible 4.0.

The first concert by a chamber music organization was presented on Dec. 14, 1849 by the Mendelssohn Quintette Club of Boston. The concert was given at Chickering Hall. The music? Mendelssohn, of course. The musical instrument gallery of Henry Ford Museum, Dearborn, Mich.

Warmest wishes for the holidays and continued joy in the year ahead — from the officers, directors and staff of Clinton National Bank and Trust.



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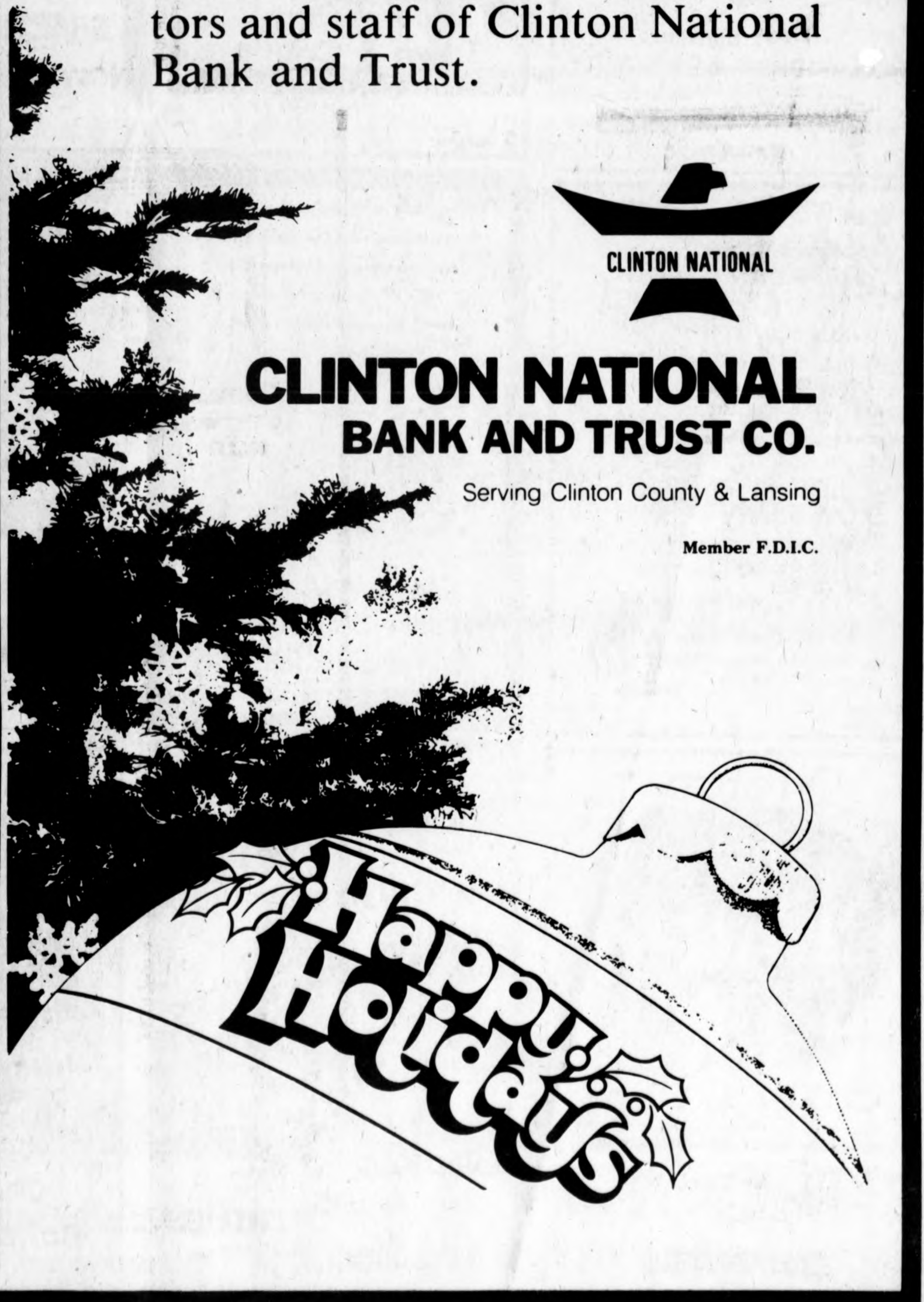
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Homemade village

Second graders at Waldron Elementary School in Fowler made their own village which they named Coperman, after their teachers, Miss Debbie Manges, Mrs. Terrie Cole and Mrs. Jo. Knepper. Each student constructed a building named after herself or himself. For example, there was Feldpausch Park named for Ross Feldpausch (left), Renee's Jewelry Shop named for Renee Ruhl and Epkey's

Grocery Store named for Brian Epkey. Of course, there was also McDonald's and Burger King, Scott's Police Department, Paul's Art Museum, Rickey's Post Office and Kevin's Zoo. The sixth graders set it up. The project was part of a lesson on communities in their social studies class. (Photo by Patrice Hornak)



Finishing touches

What is a putz and where does it come from? Children at St. Joseph's Catholic School learned of a German Christmas custom recently in Sister Romayne's first and second grade classes. When the Germans came to

America they brought with them the custom of the "Putz" or Christmas yard which was set up in their living rooms. Putting the finishing touches on their Putz are DeAnne Asher, Jill Bunn, and Mike Palmer. (Photo by Sue Kiley)

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Miracle forecasted for Wacousta this year

By Harriet Beech
There will be a Christmas miracle in Wacousta this year.
When the small congregation at the Wacousta United Methodist Church voted last spring to build a brand-new parsonage a lot of people said it would take a miracle to pay for it, at today's prices. They were right!
On Dec. 23 a formal announcement will be made at the 10 a.m. Sunday service. Reverend John R. Smith will tell the assembled members and visitors that

the parsonage is completed and is paid for.
Here's the history of this project, an incredible undertaking for such a small church congregation:
Several years ago a building fund account was started. Last spring it had \$700 in it. The sale of the old parsonage added \$34,000 to that total. The rest of the \$65,200 needed for the building and lot was raised through gifts from 181 "giving units" which includes families and individuals and through fund-

raising efforts of all types. These included dinners, craft sales, jewelry parties, and even a program starring the Capitol area chapter of the Sweet Adelines.
Many hours of free labor were donated to the parsonage building by church members, resulting in further dollar savings—for without this, the home would have cost much more. The contractor and building supervisor, Dale Cole, an active member in the church, served to organize

construction. Working for a token fee, Cole's services saved the membership thousands of dollars.
The plumbers are making final necessary connections, the decorating committee has completed the process of choosing wall colors, draperies, wallpaper and carpeting, and the final coats of paint and varnish are being applied this week.
Dec. 30 is moving day when John, Sally, Becky and Brian Smith will take possession of the new house on Lookingglassbrook Drive.
"John and I have always had to share a closet up to now. This house with all its storage space is going to be a joy to live in," Mrs. Smith said.
There are many folks in the small Wacousta community who will share that joy and the tremendous satisfaction of helping to create a real Christmas Miracle.



Addressing assessors

Discussing the implications of the Headlee tax limitation amendment upon Clinton County townships last Tuesday evening in the county courthouse were (from left) John LaRose from the Michigan Township Association; 88th District State Representative-elect Alan Cropsy; Ken Steen, House Republican

caucus tax expert sent by Representative Stanley Powell; 56th District State Representative Ernest Nash; David Thayer, representative from 87th District State Representative Francis Spaniola's office; and State Senator Richard Allen. (Photo by Patrice Hornak)



The bonds were signed for the Elsie sewer project by Gerald Shepard, treasurer; Richard Hawks, DPW; Jane Swanchara, clerk; and Roger Overway, chairman of the Clinton County Board of Commissioners. (Photo by Sue Kiley)

Bond signed for sewer

After 12 years, the Village of Elsie is starting construction on a sanitary sewer system.
In the 1966 study, the sewer project proposed at that time was estimated to cost about \$700,000. Besides the problem of increased costs, the project was also faced with relocation of the main interceptor sewer when an archaeological survey conducted by Dr. William A. Lovis of Michigan State University discovered Indian artifacts along the route of the sewer. But with the help of the Clinton County Department of Public Works, grant money was obtained from U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Farmers Home Administration and the State Department of Natural Resources so that at a meeting held on December 13, Richard Hawks, chairman of the Clinton County Department of Public Works, accepted a million dollar check from Gary

Morgan of Farmers Home Administration. This is the initial money on the \$4 million dollar project. The project is under the supervision of the Clinton County Department of Public Works for the Village of Elsie. The project includes 37,500 feet of sewers, three pumping stations and a 30 acre lagoon treatment facility to serve Elsie and a portion of Duplain Township.
The total project cost is \$4,045,500 with a \$2,405,000 grant from U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, a

\$160,500 grant from the State of Michigan Department of National Resources and a \$400,000 grant from the U.S. Farmers Home Administration. The remaining money, \$1,080,000, will be financed by Farmers Home Administration bonds with payment by the users of the system.

The project will serve 375 customers in the Elsie and 12 in the township at completion but is sized to serve with expected growth 500 customers, 20 years from now.

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Editorial Page

Message of 50 years past still applicable

From our family at the Clinton County News, to your family, we extend wishes for the merriest Christmas filled with love, happiness and health.

Christmas is filled with traditions, memories of the past and glimpses of nostalgia. Grandma can tell you how she celebrated Christmas Eve as a child; dad can interject with his memories; and you can recall the times when you were young and had knots of excitement in your stomach from Dec. 20 to 5 a.m. Christmas Day.

It is fun to play the "Remember When..." game. For instance? Do you remember when a 10-pound sack of sugar sold for 56 cents; overcoats cost \$13.85; coffee was 45 cents a pound; and assorted chocolates cost 20 cents a pound?

Do you remember when the headlines in the Clinton County Republican News read: "Steals A Fiddle, Gets 60-Day Term In County Jail," "Maple Rapids Keeps Record (by defeating St. Johns High School 21-15)," and "Death Claims Oldest Pioneer"?

The year was 1928, 50 years ago. The following editorial was taken from the Dec. 20, 1928 issue of the Clinton County Republican back when Schuyler Marshall and Charles Spencer Clark were editing the paper.

They had a good message and I feel it is appropriate even today—a half century later.

Putting Joy in Christmas
There are people who actually dread the approach of the Christmas season.

Perhaps they are not quite normal, yet—well, each succeeding year the dominating feature of Christmas is the buying orgy. Christmas, like practically every other holiday is pretty well commercialized. Too often we attempt to outdo what has been done before. Each year too many of us put others under a sort of obligation to us—sometimes burdening ourselves and the recipient.

There is no joy in that sort of thing. The only joy that any person can expect to receive is that of giving. And giving to those who already have all ordinary comforts soon develops into an irksome task. The real joy comes in making some deserving and needy person happy. If you are finding Christmas a bit bothersome, we suggest that you ask some person who has charge of charities how and where you can help. Perhaps it is a fatherless boy who needs a warm overcoat. It may be a sensitive girl whose poor clothes make her a semi-outcast among her more fortunate schoolmates. Perhaps there is a big family of little ones whose parents are not able to earn enough to keep them warm and well fed. Just ask—you'll find out. Of if there is no organized charitable body in your community, there is sure to be some big-hearted woman who knows.

If, after making the final Christmas Eve arrangements in your home, you can retire with the mind picture of some good deed done, the vision of some poor child made happy—then you



By Patrice Hornak

will sleep peacefully and awake with a glow of happiness and a sense of well-being.

The Greatest Gift in the history of the world came in the birth of the Christ Child—and His life was one of sacrifice. God and Santa Claus are closely synonymous at this time of year—and neither exemplifies stinginess or callous indifference.

We've cooked you a holiday dinner



Sue Kiley's Green Bean Casserole
2 cans of French style green beans (drained)
2 cans of cream of mushroom soup
1 can of french fried onions
1 small pkg. of cashews
1 large package of fresh mushrooms
1/4 cup of milk
Over a medium heat mix the soup, milk and fresh mushrooms together, add the green beans and the french fried onions (save a few of the onions for later). Bake in a 375 deg. oven for about 1/2 hour. Just before serving mix in the cashews (don't do it before or they will get soggy) and sprinkle the remaining onions on top. Serves about 8 persons.



Maridell Nelson's Cheese Ball
6 oz. blue cheese
2 large packages Philadelphia Cream Cheese
3 drops tobasco sauce
1/4 cup port wine
1/4 cup Worcestershire sauce
Combine ingredients, shape into ball. Roll in crushed pecans and refrigerate.



Eileen Erickson's Date Cake
1/2 cup chopped dates
1 tsp. soda with 1 cup hot water
1 egg
1 cup sugar
2 tbsp. butter
1 1/2 cups flour
1 tsp. baking powder
1/2 cup chopped nuts
Mix dates with soda and water, then let stand. Mix rest of ingredients together. Mix eggs, sugar and butter together, then mix flour, baking powder, and nuts. Combine flour and sugar mixtures, then add dates. Bake for 30 minutes or until done at 350 degrees.

In large mixer bowl, dissolve yeasts in warm water. Add sugar, salt, eggs, egg yolks, 1/2 cup butter and 1 1/2 cups of the flour. Blend 1/2 minute low speed, scraping bowl constantly. Beat 10 minutes, medium speed, scraping bowl constantly. Stir in remaining flour, nuts and fruit. Mix thoroughly. Scrape butter from side of bowl, cover and let rise in warm place until double, about 1 1/2 hours. Stir down batter by beating 25 strokes. Cover bowl tightly, refrigerate at least 8 hours.

Turn dough onto well floured board; turn out with flour. Divide dough in half. Press each half into oval, about 10 by 7 inches. Spread each with 3 tablespoons butter. Fold in half lengthwise. Press only, folded edge firmly. Place on greased baking sheet. Beat reserved egg white slightly, beat in one tablespoon water and brush over stollen. Let rise until double, 45 to 60 minutes. Heat oven to 375 degrees, bake 20 to 25 minutes. While warm, frost with icing made by mixing 1 1/2 cups confectioner's sugar and 1 1/2 tablespoons milk until smooth.



Ellie Falor's Cole Slaw
Grate:
1 cabbage
1 green pepper
2 carrots
1 medium onion
Boil for one minute:
1/4 cup vinegar
1/2 cup oil
1 1/2 cup sugar
1 tsp. sugar
1 tsp. salt
Add small amount of celery seed to hot liquid. When cool, pour mixture over vegetables. Will keep in refrigerator for three weeks.

Scott Strahle's Stollen
1 package active dry yeast
3/4 cup warm water (105 to 115 degrees)
1/2 cup sugar
1/2 tsp. salt
3 eggs plus one egg yolk (reserve white)
1/2 cup butter or margarine, softened
3 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
1/2 cup chopped almonds or other nut meats
1/4 cup cut-up citron or candied pineapple
1/4 cup cut-up candied cherries
1/4 cup raisins
1/4 cup plus 2 tbsp. of butter



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almanack

One solitary life

By Richard L. Milliman

(AUTHOR'S NOTE: The following column has appeared in this space during the Christmas season several times during recent years.)

Here is a young man who was born in an obscure village, the child of a peasant woman. He grew up in another small village. He worked in a carpenter shop until he was 30, and then for three years he was an itinerant preacher.

He never wrote a book. He never held an office. He never owned a home. He never had a family. He never went to college. He never put His foot inside a big city. He never traveled 200 miles from the place where He was born. He never did one of the things that usually accompany greatness. He had no credentials by Himself.

While He was still a young man, the tide of public opinion turned against Him. His friends ran away. He was turned over to His enemies. He went through the mockery of a trial. He was nailed to a cross between two thieves. While He was dying, His executioners gambled for the only piece of property He had on earth, and that was His coat.

When He was dead, He was laid in a borrowed grave through the pity of a friend.

Nineteen centuries have come and gone, and today he is the central figure of the human race, and the leader of the column of progress.

I am far within the mark when I say that all the armies that ever marched... and all the navies that ever sailed... and all the parliaments that ever sat... and all the kings that ever reigned, put together... have not affected the life of man upon this earth, as has that one solitary life.

Of course, I didn't write that article; I only repeat it from the original and unknown (to me) author. But it seems to me that in a relatively few lines, the story of "One Solitary Life" helps us to add perspective to our activities, especially as we enjoy the holiday season each year.

What we each seek is happiness, each in his own form, and happiness comes in many guises. As long as I'm quoting, let me endorse the formula for happiness set down by Ralph Waldo Emerson:
"A Happy Life is to laugh often and to love much... to win the respect of intelligent persons and the affection of children... to earn the approbation of honest critics and to endure the betrayal of friends... to appreciate beauty... to find the best in everything... to give one's self... to leave the world a bit better, whether by a healthy child, a garden patch, or a redeemed social condition... to have played and laughed with enthusiasm, and to have sung with exaltation... to know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived..."

Yes, we need a credo, a purpose, a plan to our living. We need principles, truth, faith. We need prayer.

One of the most beautiful and touching prayers is the familiar Prayer of St. Francis:

"Lord, make me an instrument of your peace... where there is hatred, let me sow love... where there is injury, pardon... where there is doubt, faith... where there is despair, hope... where there is darkness, light... and where there is sadness, joy.

"Grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console... to be understood, as to understand... to be loved, as to love... for it is in giving that we receive... it is in pardoning that we are pardoned... and in dying that we are born to eternal life."

Truly, words to live by.

To all of you, a blessed and joyous holiday season from The Almanack.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Inmate wants mail

Dear Sir,
I am writing this letter in hopes that you might help me. I am without funds to pay. The request I so much desire is help to keep from losing myself in loneliness. In prison its really lonely

without family and friends and at mail-call it's the hardest. I was just wondering if it might be possible to place a small ad in your newspaper and hopefully some understanding people will write to me. Any help will be

greatly appreciated.
Thank you,
Terry Turner
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VFW says thanks

Dear Editor,
On behalf of VFW Post 4113, we would like to thank the newspaper, business-ess, VFW members and everyone that was involved in the Magic Show's

success on Dec. 3. A special thanks also goes to the Amazing Conklins, Doug Gosolin and Ed Crum.
Also, we appreciate the great response the public has given to the

Capper's weekly publication subscriptions. This program helps the VFW purchase invalid equipment that can be used free of charge by the public.
Commander Roger Dershem

SENIOR CITIZEN UPDATE

Christmas

What a blessed time of the year this is! Christmas is one of the best seasons of the year. All of us are so busy. We plan ahead for all the activities that we have during the holidays, but it seems we are still too busy as Dec. 15 approaches.

This is a time of anticipation. We make out our list of those to buy presents for. Some of those on our list are just a "must", but most of them are "love" gifts. We listen all year for suggestions, perhaps a casual word, stating what they could use, or perhaps we notice something they might need. I keep a list all year whenever I get an idea and then when it's time to do my shopping I have something to choose from.

The actual buying of the gifts is another matter. If we start early there is a leisurely buying time, but if we wait we will get in the mad Christmas rush and that is not so good. I usually have mine finished before December rolls around, something happened this year so I joined the "last minute shoppers."

Some of us will spend Christmas day away with our families. Some will have all or part of their families with them for the day, at least. Some of you will be with friends, but some of you will be alone. This is the glad and the sad part of being a senior.

All of us go through different phases of life. For children, Christmas is a wonderful mystery, full of gifts, food and love. A teenager is more adult and

doesn't have the mystery anymore. They know the meaning of Christmas and have learned how enjoyable it is to select gifts for others. They also know what they want and usually make it known to the proper persons. They also look forward to the luscious food and all the love and care that goes into the preparation for Christmas.

Yet another phase is young married people with small children. You remember how much fun it was to plan for them for Christmas? Didn't they get all excited waiting for that eventful day? At the early age it didn't take too much to please them.

As our children grow older and leave the nest, we play our holidays around their free time. After that we plan for our grandchildren. This is also a nice time of our lives.

The next phase of life, I think, is the hardest. There are so many of us who have lost our loved ones and face the future alone. It is sad but true. All of us have memories of the past and that is how it should be. We do have to accept the fact that we are alone and make the best of it.

It doesn't help to sit in our rocking chair and wait for someone else to make our life for us. This makes us feel sorry for ourselves and we are just about ready to give up. This doesn't help at all. It is up to each of us to make the best of our lives. Don't depend entirely on others; make your own life.

Is Christmas just another holiday for you, or do you celebrate the real meaning of Christmas? It IS the

birthday of Jesus. In all the hustle and bustle of preparing for Christmas, do you honor HIM?

Whenever any of your family has a birthday, not only do you plan something special and give a gift, but you also honor him or her in some special way.

Do you honor Jesus in a special way that day? Do you give HIM praise and thanks? We have special food, we give many gifts to those we love, but do we make Jesus special in any way that day? Jesus was born to lead us in the way we should go. He died on the cross so that our sins are forgiven. This Christmas let's put more emphasis on HIM and what HE has done for us. Give thanks. So—until next time.

PERSONALITY PROFILE

Cropsey is youngest, thinnest legislator

By Sue Kiley
Staff Writer

DeWitt
"From DeWitt High School to the Michigan Legislature in eight years," could be the title of a new book written by Alan Cropsey.

Cropsey is the youngest and tallest representative to the Michigan Legislature replacing Stanley Powell, the oldest and shortest Lansing politician. It could also be said in all probability Cropsey will be the skinniest Michigan legislator in 1979.

"Being involved in government has always been in the back of my mind," 26-year-old Cropsey said. "My dad has been involved with it for several years... well, ever since I can remember."

Cropsey went from a math teacher in a one-room Bible school to law school, to passing the bar exam, to becoming a campaigner, to winning a political seat at the Michigan Capitol. His only explanation for his rapid success is, "Doors just started opening."

While teaching school Cropsey decided he would like to study law, especially a course filled with legislative classes. He went to school full-time, worked full-time and managed to graduate in January. The next step was looking forward to taking his bar examination.

During this time Stanley Powell, Representative for the 88th District, announced his retirement, creating an opening in the House.

"I couldn't believe it," Cropsey said. "It was all happening so fast—but I knew this was the time to do it."

Cropsey's campaign was based on religion primarily. He prayed about running, he prayed about losing, in general he prayed about the whole campaign.

"I said, 'Lord this is your campaign,'" Cropsey remarked remembering the months of uncertainty. "So that's what I did, left it up to Him and started knocking on doors."

The campaign itself was not frightening to Cropsey. Going to unfamiliar homes and introducing his intentions to be their representative was really "rather enjoyable", according to the 1970 DeWitt High School graduate.

"The reception I got from the church folks was great," said Cropsey who still retains somewhat of a southern accent. "In Ionia County, I got a great reception. I even beat their hometown boy (in the primary)."

Cropsey said his father, Harmon, was a real asset to his campaign. His father, however had never held any political office, even though he ran several times.

"We knew how to lose," he said with a grin. "We went to Washington, D.C. to learn how to win."

One of the new representative's biggest aims is to obtain a leadership position. He feels he has an excellent chance in getting on a committee which carries some clout. Having a law degree, although he has never practiced, should be a definite plus in his favor.

He is going to seek a position on the Joint Administration Rules Committee. When going door to door he found people were sick and tired of governmental bureaucracy.

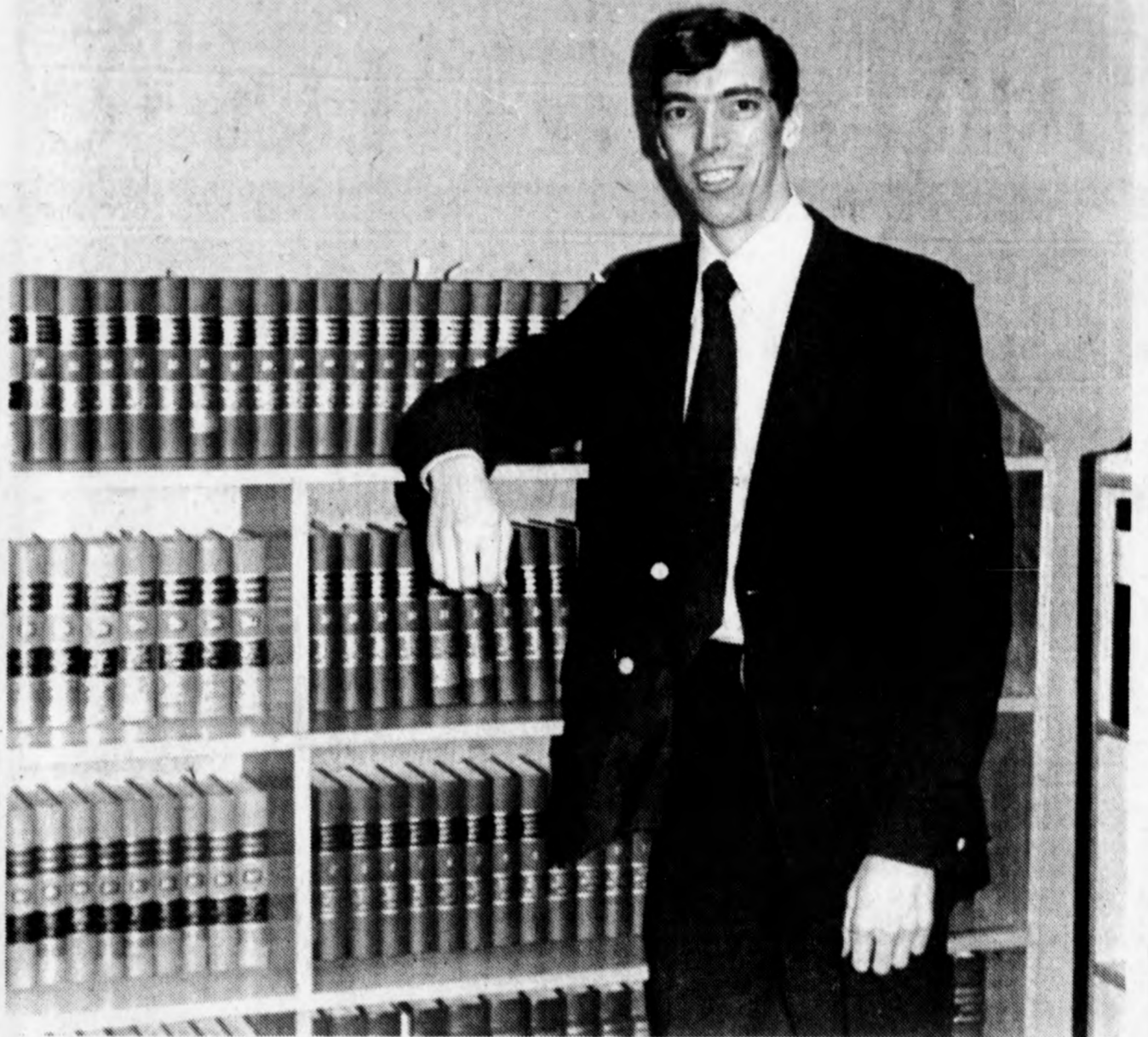
"This committee doesn't make the headlines," Cropsey said. "But if you really look at it, this is where the action is."

Back in high school, Cropsey ran for student body president. He was considered the underdog by everybody. Yet he pulled some unorthodox tactics and won the election hands down. In the primary he was not looked at as the favorite because there were a lot of contenders seeking to obtain the same goal.

However, Cropsey used a teaching method of demonstrating a point with visual aids. No one else carried out his campaign quite like Cropsey and it paid off... he won.

Being young and inexperienced, Cropsey knows he will encounter problems in his new career. However, he says he knows he has to pick the right friends in the House and that should help. He has looked up to a few men already at the Capitol who have held their positions and not swayed under pressure. Those are the kinds of people Cropsey wants to be associated with while in Lansing.

Eight years ago Alan Cropsey was voted most likely to succeed by his classmates in DeWitt. Now in 1978, he has found himself right in the middle of success, a place his friends knew they would find him.



Alan Cropsey

Judges' requests turned down

Ithaca
The two Circuit Court judges will not be receiving the salary they requested if preliminary actions by the Gratiot and Clinton County Boards of Commissioners holds up.

On Dec. 11 the Gratiot board informally decided not to grant an increase in the

salary supplements to Timothy Green and Randy Tahvonen, who take office next year. Clinton County decided the same thing Dec. 5.

Budgets for both counties called for a \$5,575 supplement from each county for each judge. But Green and Tahvonen requested that the supplement be increased to

\$7,089 per county, making the total supplement the same that Judge Leo Corkin is now receiving as judge of the 29th Circuit.

Without the requested increase, Green and Tahvonen will be making about \$42,000 a year.

The Gratiot commissioners approved the hiring of a judicial secretary and a law

clerk, and decided that the court reporter for Gratiot County court should be an employee of Gratiot County.

Final decisions will probably be made at the next regular board meetings. Gratiot County meets tonight, and the Clinton County Board meets Dec. 29 at 1 p.m.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED FACILITY PLAN FOR REGIONAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT FOR BINGHAM TOWNSHIP

Notice is hereby given that the Clinton County Department of Public Works will hold a public hearing on the proposed Facility Plan for Regional Wastewater Treatment for Bingham Township for the purpose of receiving comments and views of interested persons. The hearing will be held at 8:00 P.M., January 8, 1979 at the Bingham Township Hall, 1637 S. DeWitt Road, St. Johns, Michigan.

The Facility Plan evaluates various alternative means of providing wastewater treatment for the plan of study area. The alternatives evaluated include:

1. Treating the wastewater of Bingham Township at the City of St. John's Wastewater Treatment Plant.
2. Treating the wastewater of Bingham Township at a new lagoon facility located in Bingham Township.
3. Upgrading and modifying the existing septic tank and tile field in Bingham Township.
4. No action.

An economic analysis was conducted to determine the most cost effective means of providing the necessary wastewater treatment. Each alternative was also evaluated with respect to current wastewater treatment requirements, operational considerations, and probable environmental effects. Based on these evaluations and the comments received at the public hearing, the Facility Plan will be finalized.

The project costs for treating the wastewater at the City of St. Johns Wastewater Treatment Plant will be listed below as the most cost effective alternative.

The total project cost would range from \$1,471,055 to \$1,971,305. This would include a collector sewer system in Bingham Township and a share of the cost of St. Johns interceptor sewers and new treatment plant.

The estimated connection charge for a typical residential customer would be \$2,970. The estimated monthly use charge would range between \$12.66 to \$24.19 depending on the costs of the St. Johns interceptor sewers and new treatment plant.

The proposed project will eliminate discharge of raw or partially treated wastewater into the County drains and would improve the Maple River.

Copies of the proposed plan will be available at least fifteen days prior to the hearing itself for public inspection at the following locations: Bingham Township Hall and the Clinton County Department of Public Works office at 306 Elm Street, St. Johns, Michigan.

Written comments can be submitted prior to the hearing to the Clinton County Department of Public Works, 306 Elm Street, St. Johns, Michigan or can be submitted at the hearing.

Richard Hawks, Chairperson
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Brenda Phyllis Feldpausch became the bride of Dale Joseph Feldpausch at the Most Holy Trinity Church on Nov. 4 at 1:30 p.m. Rev. Albert Schmitt officiated at the double ring ceremony.

The bride and groom were given in marriage by their parents Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Feldpausch, Fowler and Mr. and Mrs. Leon Feldpausch, Westphalia. Duane Feldpausch and

Susie Schaefer, provided the music for the ceremony.

Maid of honor for her sister was Pam Feldpausch. Bridesmaids were Deb Smith, Debbie Feldpausch, Janet Feldpausch, and Pam Schaefer.

Best man was Daryl Feldpausch, Groomsmen were Doug, Ken and Keith Feldpausch and Lonnie Rademacher. Ushers were Dean and Kevin Feldpausch.

A reception for the couple with 450 guests attending was held at the Fowler Conservation Park.

Serving at the reception was Judy Braun, Sharon George, Eileen Schneider, Donna Spicer and Colleen Fedewa.

The bride and groom graduated from high school in 1977 from Fowler and Pewamo-Westphalia respectively.

The couple took a wedding trip to Florida and are making their new home on Bauer Road in Fowler.



Mr. and Mrs. Dale J. Feldpausch

They're engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Dietzel, Owendale, and Mr. and Mrs. George McQueen, St. Johns, parents of Kath Jean and James Ivan proudly announce the couple's engagement.

Kathy is a graduate of Owen-Gage High School and is presently employed as a secretary at Lansing Community College.

Jim is a graduate of St. Johns High School and Michigan State University. He is presently employed as a teacher in the Cassopolis School System.

A June 16 wedding is being planned.



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Robin L. Bearndt

Mrs. Sherry Ladisky, 406 W. Higham, St. Johns, announces the engagement of her daughter, Robin Lee Bearndt, to Randy Doyen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jan Doyen, Elsie.

The bride-elect is a St. Johns High School graduate and is employed at Keelean Buick.

The prospective groom is an Ovid-Elsie High School graduate and is employed at Fisher Body.

The couple plan a June 2 wedding date.

Marriage licenses

Ormal Francis Clark, 32, 4415 St. Clair Road, St. Johns; Delilah Jayne Stull, 18, 7416 Cutler Road, Bath.

Jeffery Thomas Smith, 19, 15302 Rosemont, Bath; Diane Lynn Kesson, 18, 15296 Rosemont, Bath.

Timothy James Spencer, 22, 315 West St., Ovid; Nancy Jean Carroll, 30, 315 West St., Ovid.

Philip Cameron Fleming, 22, 408 E. North St., Ovid; Ellen Marlane Hallock, 29, 203 E. Sterling, Ashley.

Alfred Lee Cropsy, 47, 493 W. Pratt Rd., DeWitt; Edith Joy Harvey, 43, 493 W. Pratt Rd., DeWitt.

Mark Steven Byrnes, 19, 505 W. Park, St. Johns; Darlene Renati Newman, 19, 1551 Leland, Ovid.

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Obituaries

Chloe's Column

Harold Albaugh

ELSIE
Funeral services for Harold B. Albaugh, 77, of 9615 Meridian road, Bannister for all his life, were held Thursday afternoon at the Carter Funeral Home with the Rev. John Ritter officiating. Burial was made in Riverside Cemetery, Elsie.

Mr. Albaugh died Monday, Dec. 11, 1978 at the Owosso Memorial Hospital, after an illness of several weeks. He was a retired farmer and former member of the Somes and Elsie School Boards.

He was born in Chapin Township, Saginaw County on Feb. 11, 1901, to Edward and Carrie Albaugh and married Elizabeth Bolt, April 4, 1926 in Saginaw. He belonged to the Bannister United Methodist Church.

Mr. Albaugh is survived by his wife, daughter Mrs. Mailyn Lytle of Chesaning, sons William of Houghton Lake and Eugene of Owosso, sister Mrs. Ethel Williams of Elsie, 14 grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a daughter and two granddaughters.

Clara Walters

Clara Leora Walters, 69, of 311 S. Scott Road, DeWitt, died Dec. 13, 1978.

Mrs. Walters was born Nov. 18, 1909 in Clinton County, the daughter of Loyal D. Arthur and Nina X. Hall. She attended Laingsburg High School and lived most of her life in the Lansing-DeWitt area.

She married Arnold Walters in 1944 in Lansing, and he preceded her in death in 1971.

Mrs. Walters is survived by two brothers, James Hall Arthur of DeWitt and Robert Arthur of Laingsburg; two sisters, C. Loyola Hengesbach of DeWitt and Majel Dague of Livonia; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held at the DeWitt Area Chapel Sunday, Dec. 17 at 2 p.m., and burial was at the Reed Cemetery. The Rev. Laverne Bretz officiated.

Tina Martin

Funeral services for Tina C. Martin, 94, of Rte. 5, East Price Rd., St. Johns who passed away Sunday, Dec.

17, 1978 at Ingham County Medical Care Facility after a long illness will be held at St. Joseph Catholic Church Wednesday, Dec. 20 at 11:30 a.m.

Father William Hankerd will officiate and burial will be in Holy Trinity Cemetery. A scripture service is slated for Tuesday evening at the Osgood Funeral Home.

Mrs. Martin was born in Clinton County Feb. 15, 1884 to Joseph and Catherine (Ulrich) Hafner. She lived in the Fowler area until 1965, and was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Gertrude Barnes Ruddy and Mrs. Alberta Irner, both of St. Johns, and Sister Rita Martin of Milwaukee, Wis.; a son, Robert Martin of Lansing; two brothers, Frank Hafner of Huron, S.D. and Father Aloysius Hafner of Bay City; 12 grandchildren; and 17 great grandchildren.

Her husband, Albert Martin, passed away in 1950. The family will receive visitors Tuesday afternoon and evening.

Catherine Pohl

Mrs. Catherine Pohl, a lifelong resident of Clinton County, passed away at the age of 85 on Dec. 13, 1978 at Provincial House West. She had resided in Fowler for the last 59 years.

Funeral services were held at Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Fowler Saturday, Dec. 16 at 11 a.m. Father Leon Pohl officiated and burial was in Holy

Trinity Cemetery. Prayers were offered at 3 and 8 p.m. each day at the George Chapel in Fowler.

Mrs. Pohl was born in Westphalia Nov. 15, 1893 to John and Mary Thelen. She attended parochial school in Westphalia. On Oct. 19, 1919, she married Louis J. Pohl in Westphalia. He passed away Nov. 21, 1969.

Mrs. Pohl was a member of Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church, the Confraternity of Christian Mothers and the Daughters of Isabella.

Surviving are four sons, Norbert Pohl of Fowler, Father Leon Pohl of Coldwater, Gerald Pohl of St. Johns and Joseph Pohl of Lansing; five daughters, Sister Mary Bernice, RSM of Detroit Mercy College, Mrs. Rosaline Smith of Lansing, Sister Dorothy O.P. of Lansing St. Teresa, Sister Bernadine O.P. of Paw Paw and Sister Mary Ann O.P. of Racine, Wis.

Also surviving are 36 grandchildren; 12 great grandchildren; one brother, Herbert Thelen of Westphalia; and a sister, Mrs. Hildegarde Arens of Westphalia.

Laura Kirkpatrick

Ninety-one-year-old Laura Kirkpatrick of 106 W. Steel St., St. Johns, passed away Dec. 14, 1978 at Clinton Memorial Hospital after a long illness.

Funeral services were held at the Osgood Funeral Home in St. Johns Saturday, Dec. 16 at 1:30 p.m. Rev. Ray Shaw of the Free Methodist Church presided and burial was in DeWitt Cemetery.

Mrs. Kirkpatrick was born in Arenac County Feb. 2, 1887 to Daniel and Mary Nicholas. She attended country schools and had resided in St. Johns since 1961.

Surviving are two nephews, Keith Nicholas of rural St. Johns and Carlton Nicholas of Lansing. Her husband, Edward Kirkpatrick, passed away in 1930.

By Chloe A. Padgett
Extension Home Economist

HOLIDAY COOKING—NUTS

There are a lot of ways to buy nuts these days, as the health food phenomenon reaches into the packaged food section of the supermarket. New nut mixes, plus new forms of soybean and sunflower "nuts" are being introduced, while unsalted and dry-roasted nuts are becoming more common. Unfortunately, the weather in California this year practically guarantees that the prices of most nuts will be exceptionally high, no matter how you buy them.

The most notable exception to this rule is the peanut, which is not, strictly speaking, a nut at all. This protein-rich legume is grown in several areas throughout the South, and the current crop is expected to assure generous peanut stocks for the year ahead.

Tree nuts, however, are in short supply, particularly almonds and walnuts which are grown mainly in California.

The most recent crop estimates call for almond production to be down by a third; walnuts, down 17 percent, and pecans off by 10 percent. The new crop of filberts (or hazelnuts), is equal to last year's. Shipping problems, which contributed to the high cost of fruits and vegetables this summer, are now affecting the domestic nut market, running prices up further.

Finding the Best Buy
There are big differences among the prices of nuts, and it pays to compare prices carefully; match the purchase to the intended use, purchase to the intended use, and consider substituting one nut for another in some recipes. In addition to the type of nut, prices are related to the nut's size, whether or not the nutmeat is broken or chopped and, in the case of cashews, whether or not it has been scorched. Package size, roasting, blanching and added flavors also affect price.

In-shell nuts are less expensive than shelled nuts, and it generally takes two pounds of in-shell to equal a pound of shelled kernels.

Good quality in-shell nuts are clean and free from splits, cracks, stains, holes and mold. Shelled nutmeats should be plump and fairly uniform in color and size. Limp, rubbery, dark or shriveled kernels should be avoided. Preservatives are used in some packaged nutmeats and are listed on the labels.

Keeping Nuts
Nuts are perishable because of their oil content, so they should be protected from air, moisture and high temperatures. In-shell nuts keep their quality longer

than shelled nuts; whole nuts become rancid less quickly than chopped or ground nuts. Unroasted nuts keep better than roasted ones.

In-shell nuts should be kept in a cool, dry place, while shelled nuts keep best in the refrigerator or freezer. Shelled nuts in unopened cans keep best in the refrigerator or freezer. Shelled nuts in unopened cans keep well in a cool, dry spot, but they too will maintain their quality longer in the refrigerator or

freezer.
Nuts, whether shelled or in-shell, may be frozen in a tightly closed freezer container at 0 degrees F or lower. Moisture may collect as the kernels thaw, therefore, nuts should be allowed to dry before using.

Shelling hard nuts is easier if they have been soaked in warm water several hours or overnight. Brazil nuts will be easier to crack after freezing. Always allow kernels to dry before storage.

Survey identifies problems

The Michigan Mid-South Health Systems Agency is conducting a 45-question survey over six counties to identify health issues and health care needs in the area.

About 1,800 residents on Clinton, Eaton, Hillsdale, Ingham, Jackson and Lenawee Counties will be surveyed.

The survey was developed by the MMSHA Staff and Market Opinion Research, a Detroit firm that has wide experience in surveys.

The survey, which was sent to a cross-section of the region's residents, is expected to provide a more complete understanding of health issues as seen by area residents. The information will be used in putting together one- and five-year health plans for the area.

All responses will be kept confidential and will be grouped with other returned surveys before analysis. Surveys must be returned by

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Future thought: Earn college degree and not leave St Johns

By Patrice Hornak
Editor

St. Johns
There may come a time when St. Johns and area residents will earn a two-year associate degree or certificate from Lansing Community College without having to travel into Lansing. And that time is near. "Up to now, we've taken a shot gun approach," said Dr. Larry Standridge, director of adult and continuing education at LCC. Courses of interest were offered through the adult education program at St. Johns High School, but a true sequence of courses has not been set up.

According to Dr. Standridge, business courses adapt especially well to the sequence plan, and this semester several business courses will be offered beginning the second week in January, which could eventually direct LCC to start a sequential program if enough interest is shown.

To be offered under the business heading are: Principals of Accounting II, Business Law I, Introduction to Data Processing, Basic Program Language, and Food Production I.

Both the data processing and foods courses are entry level courses that are required before taking more advanced courses leading to degrees.

Lansing Community College offers a chef's apprenticeship program recognized by the American

Federation of Culinary Arts. Graduates of this program are in demand, according to Standridge, and salaries are good.

The community college also offers a two-year degree in computer programming and Jim Brainerd, says the job market in this area is "wide open to say the least." He said job vacancies are increasing 10 percent annually. "The demand is far out-stripping the supply," he said.

Brainerd estimates beginning salaries in computer programming are between \$13,000 and \$14,000 in the Lansing area and there is a tremendous demand for women in the field. A two-year-degree from LCC would qualify persons for these positions.

"LCC is in a position to offer classes as long as there is interest. We're trying to meet the needs of the community," said Dr. Standridge. However, presently the interest is not there and in order to offer entire two-year programs in computer programming food production, or another area, more interest must be shown.

Another area which will be developed if interest is shown, is in personal enrichment courses.

This January four classes will be offered at St. Johns High School relating to personal enrichment. They include: Assertiveness and Women, I'm OK, You're OK, Elimination of Self-defeating Behavior, and Selecting and

Succeeding in Work—Volunteer.

"I think people have more time to take a look at themselves," says Mary Laing, director of the Women's Resource Center at LCC, when explaining why there is a growing interest in these types of identity classes. "People want to make their lives more worthwhile," she says.

Self-defeating behavior can be explained as anything that somebody does that tends to defeat them. "We fall into patterns," she explains. During the SDB class, students learn how to identify these defeating habits and are offered a method to work with the problems.

I'm OK, You're OK was offered this fall in St. Johns and because there was a demand to offer the class again, Rob Flanders will return to St. Johns to do the course in January. The course is based on transactional analysis and is based on the philosophy

The average teenage American boy puts away 5.3 pounds of food a day. That's nearly a ton—1,917 pounds—every 12 months. The average teenage girl eats about 200 pounds less. Counting together men, women, and children, the average per person is 1,450 pounds, says the National Geographic Society's children's atlas, "Our Fifty States."

expressed in the book from which the class title was taken.

Michelle Nevels, a PhD candidate in psychology at Michigan State University and founder of her own consulting firm, will be instructing the Assertive-

ness and Women course.

"Being assertive is standing up for one's own rights," says Ms. Laing. About a dozen sections of this class are offered at the LCC campus. Women of all ages are enrolling.

The Selecting and Suc-

ceeding in Work-Volunteer course pertains to the older person who has time on his hands. Course registration information may be obtained from John Furry, director of the adult education program at St. John High School, 224-2394.

new arrivals

A son, Gary Lawrence was born to Mr. and Mrs. Larry Irner of St. Johns, Mich. R.F.D. 4 at Carson City Hospital on Nov. 20, 1978. The baby has one sister. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Earl Frechen and Mr. and Mrs. Don Irner. Mother is the former Joann Frechen.

A girl, Renee Danielle, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Dan Rue of 8611 W. Centerline Rd., St. Johns Dec. 7, 1978 at Clinton Memorial Hospital. She weighed 7lbs. 7oz. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Albert Flak, St. Johns; Mack Rue of Cleveland, Tenn.; and Francis Leonard of Charleston, Tenn. The mother is the former Rita Flak.

A girl, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Duane Loyd of Westphalia on Nov. 11 at 12:04 a.m. at Carson City Hospital. She weighed 7lb. 5½oz.

A boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Dan Findlay of St. Johns on Nov. 11 at 12:57

p.m. at Carson City Hospital. He weighed 8lbs. ½oz.

A boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Kindel of Maple Rapids on Nov. 12 at 12:07 a.m. at Carson City Hospital. He weighed 8lb. ½oz.

A girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Sorrell of Crystal on Nov. 17 at 5:58 a.m. at Carson City Hospital. She weighed 8lbs. 4½oz.

A boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Davis of St. Johns on Nov. 17 at 6:34 p.m. at Carson City Hospital. He weighed 6lbs. 14oz.

A boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Roger Teems of Elsie on Nov. 18 at 10:39 a.m. at Carson City Hospital. He weighed 6lbs. 9oz.

A boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Simon of Fowler on Nov. 19 at 4:05 a.m. at Carson City Hospital. He weighed 8lbs 11 oz.

A boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Dean Schulze of Maple Rapids on Nov. 21 at 11:34 a.m. at Carson City Hospital.

He weighed 8lbs.

A boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. David Bennett of Riverdale on Nov. 20 at 5:41 a.m. at Carson City Hospital. He weighed 7lbs 4oz.

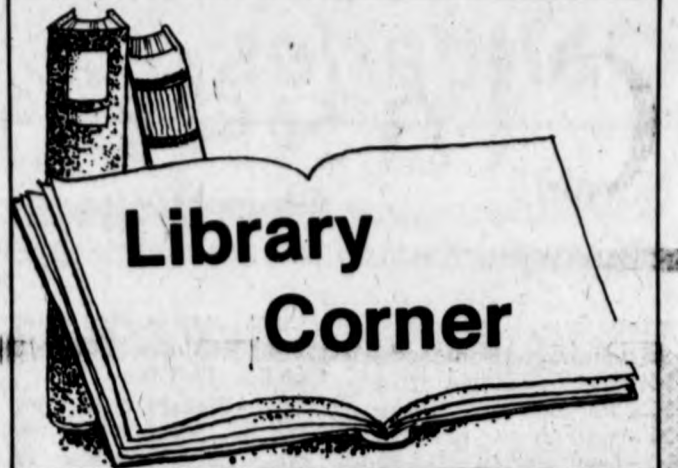
A boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. James Lewis of St. Johns on Nov. 22 at 2:36 p.m. at Carson City Hospital. He weighed 8lbs. 5½oz.

A boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Scott Wilkie of St. Johns on Nov. 23 at 10:34 p.m. at Carson City Hospital. He weighed 6lbs. 1½oz.

A girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Kent Kremer of Bannister on Nov. 25 at 10:26 p.m. at Carson City Hospital. She weighed 6lbs. 10oz.

A girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. David Rittenburg of Ithaca on Nov. 26 at 3:23 a.m. at Carson City Hospital. She weighed 7lbs. 11½oz.

A girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Clare Feldpausch of Fowler on Nov. 27 at 8:00 p.m. at Carson City Hospital. She weighed 7lbs. 7½oz.



Library Corner

By Jean Bartholomew

Happy Holidays to each of you from the Bement Public Library Staff...

It's that time again, full of bustling shopping, baking and preparing special meals, buying and wrapping gifts and the excitement of the Christmas season. Your library has books to help with all these projects, read-aloud stories for those quiet moments, and other books appropriate to the season. If books aren't your bag, perhaps a record of Christmas carols or stories.

We have some special hours for the Library during the holiday season—Wed. Dec. 20, closed at 6:30 p.m.; Sat. Dec. 23, closed 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Mon. Dec. 25, closed 12 p.m. to 8 p.m.; Sat. Dec. 30, closed 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Mon. Jan. 1 closed 12 p.m. to 8 p.m.

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We're still keeping up with the Best Seller list, ten out of fifteen, fiction, six out of fifteen, non-fiction, and ten out of fifteen, mass market. However, if you come in for a specific book and it's out, please be patient, for we serve nearly 17,000 population in our area.

Partial list of new books:

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- Wreath of Orchids, Shoebridge
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Classroom Close-up



Ten Fowler High School students were inducted into the Donald J. Smith Chapter of the National Honor Society Wednesday, Dec. 13 at Fowler High. New initiates were (from left) Kathy Thelen, Sandy Thelen, Beth Feldpausch, Neil Hufnagel, Jane Armbrustmacher, Gerry Schomisch, Jane Rademacher, Shirley Goerge, Chris Martin and Doug Koenigsnecht. Students must have a 3.40 minimum academic average and must excel in leadership, service and character. This year an emphasis was placed on leadership, service and character when selecting candidates. (Photo by Patrice Hornak)

Rademacher, Shirley Goerge, Chris Martin and Doug Koenigsnecht. Students must have a 3.40 minimum academic average and must excel in leadership, service and character. This year an emphasis was placed on leadership, service and character when selecting candidates. (Photo by Patrice Hornak)

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The new National Honor Society members were inducted with a special ceremony last Wednesday. New members for the 78-79 season include nine juniors and one senior. Juniors are Jane Armbrustmacher, Beth Feldpausch, Shirley George, Neil Hufnagel, Doug Koenigsnecht, Chris Martin, Jerry Schomisch, Kathy Thelen, Sandy Thelen and senior

Jane Rademacher. The induction ceremony consisted of new members signing the NHS rolls, lighting a ritual candle, and receiving honors from President Mark Schrauben. Students entering NHS must obtain a 3.4 grade point average. Other qualities such as leadership, character, and service are also required. Juniors Mindy Brown and Sue Schafer, and Sophomore Cindy Weber, provided en-

tertainment following the ceremony. Their selections included "If", "Silver Bells," and a solo presentation of "I Don't Know How To Love Him" by Sue Schafer. The trio was accompanied by pianist Sue Feldpausch. Fowler High Student Council is sponsoring a Christmas Ball Friday, Dec. 22. The dance begins at 8:30 and lasts until 11:30. This dance is Semi-Formal, so no jeans will be allowed. A nice outfit or pantsuit is recommended. Admission is \$1.00.

Julie Dakers named DAR winner

The River Wabwaysin Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution announce that Julie Dakers is the winner of the 1978 annual DAR Good Citizens Award. Julie is a senior at St. Johns High School and has been very active in extra-

curricular activities. She is presently the president of Student Council and before that served as Student Council representative for three years. She is a member of the tennis team and was a member of the gymnastics team for two years. She is a



four-year member of the Drama Club and presently serves as the Drama Club historian. Julie is also a three-year member of the Thespian Society and a two-year member of the National Honor Society. In addition, she is a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, the year-book staff and attended the Girls' State Conference in 1978.

Her plans after high school are presently unsettled. As the DAR Good Citizen Award winner in St. Johns, Julie will participate in the State DAR Good Citizens Award contest with the possibility of winning a college scholarship.

Spirit abounds

Christmas spirit abounds at DeWitt High School with many activities planned for this, the week before Christmas break.

Thursday, Dec. 21, is the date for Jeff Kressler's Christmas Concert, featuring the concert band and choir. The time is 7:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium with the public invited.

On Friday, Dec. 22, the freshman class will distribute the holiday carnations and candy which they have been selling for school friends to give one another. Also on Friday, "One on One", starring Robby Benson, will be shown to the student body in the auditor-

ium courtesy of Student Government.

The Snow Ball, scheduled for Dec. 16, was canceled and will be rescheduled sometime in February. The Ball was canceled when it seemed it could conflict with the girls' basketball team's participation in the championship games. The student body congratulates Coach Frank Deak and the girls' basketball team for a great season.

Christmas vacation will begin on Dec. 23 and end with the resumption of classes on Jan. 8.

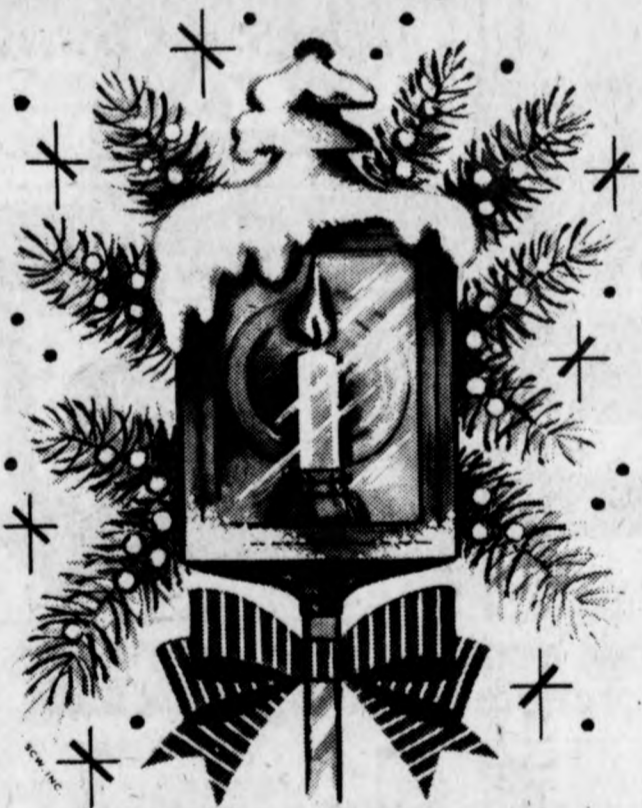
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On Friday, Dec. 22, the Student Council will present a Christmas assembly in the high school gym. Grades 7-12 will attend and watch teachers receive gag gifts and students participate in unusual events.

Sophomores at P-W will receive an early Christmas gift this year. The students who ordered class rings this fall will receive them on Dec. 20, 1978.

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 Mommy want a popcorn popper, and a billfold and matching coin purse. Dad wants a tool box and a nice, new blue shirt.

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Thank You
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 age 5

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 St. Johns, MI

Dear Santa,
 I am 7 years old and would like a Doll, Jewelry Box, Mickey Mouse Watch, Holly Hobbie Oven, and a talking Alarm Clock.
 Kendra Weber
 1425 W. Price Rd.
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Christmas cheering up

Mrs. Wanda Humphrey a patient at Clinton Memorial Hospital is being cheered up by members of the First Baptist Church AWANA club. The children went up and down the hospital halls last week caroling for the patients who were not able to be home during the Christmas season. (Photo by Sue Kiley)



Receive awards

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Panther girls edged by Norway in semi's

By Tom Nowak
Sports Writer

Waverly

The exciting—and surprising—tournament run of the DeWitt girls' basketball team came to a heart-breaking end Friday night, as a Norway basket with 11 seconds left in the game handed DeWitt a 39-38 Class C semifinal loss.

DeWitt earned a spot in the semifinals by knocking off Hopkins in Thursday's quarterfinal game, 62-49. Friday's loss to Norway was a hard one to take, even harder than your average semifinal loss. For one thing, it over-shadowed a Panther comeback which saw them overcome an 11-point deficit in the third quarter to take a four-point lead with five minutes left.

The loss negated another DeWitt comeback, this one

with 40 seconds left when the Panthers rallied from three points behind to take the lead. And finally, the Panthers had the frustration of seeing Kelly Robinson drop in the what could have been the winning basket—just after the final buzzer sounded.

But one man who was not going to let the loss overshadow the Panthers' accomplishments was coach Frank Deak.

"It was disappointing, a hard one to lose," he said. "But it's been a great season. We've come a long way—I'm didn't think we'd get this far. I've enjoyed every moment of it."

As was the rule throughout the tournament, DeWitt was faced with a taller team Friday. Norway had at least three players on the floor at least as tall as Robinson, DeWitt's player. That height

was especially advantageous under Norway's offensive boards, and most of the Knights' scoring came from in close.

The taller Knights also intimidated the Panther offense, especially in the second quarter. DeWitt was down 11-10 after one period, but hit an icy streak in the second quarter. Jeanne Marriot scored a field goal with 7:00 to play, and DeWitt didn't make another one until Marriot scored again five minutes later.

DeWitt was a miserable two of 12 from the field that

period. Norway wasn't sizzling, hitting just over 25 percent, but still stretched the lead to 25-16 at the half.

In the third quarter Norway scored with 40 seconds gone, and for a while it was doubtful if anyone would score again. Robinson got the next points on a three-point play with 3:49 in the quarter, however, and DeWitt came alive.

Marriot scored again, Kathy Spagnuolo scored after a steal and Robinson scored twice in the last minute to tie the game at 27-27 at the buzzer.

DeWitt took the lead in the fourth quarter on a basket by Marriot, then took a four-point lead when Julie Wey scored from underneath. Norway later regained the lead, however, and with 41 seconds left had a one-point lead.

Then came what Deak said could have been the crucial play of the game. With 35 seconds left, Spagnuolo appeared to steal the ball at midcourt and was on her way to a go-ahead basket. But the referee standing out

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Out of reach

Kelly Robinson (24), had 12 rebounds Friday, but along with the rest of the DeWitt girls' basketball team, she had a rough time under the boards against the taller squad from Norway. The Knights' height was an important factor in their thrilling 39-38 victory in the Class C semifinals. (Photo by Paula Mohr)

SJ takes 2nd; slips past Corunna

"We're kind of like a Cracker Jack team," Bob Tisot, coach of the St. Johns High School Redwings basketball team, said after last Friday's 45-44 win over Corunna. "We are a different surprise every week," he explained.

Last week the Redwings

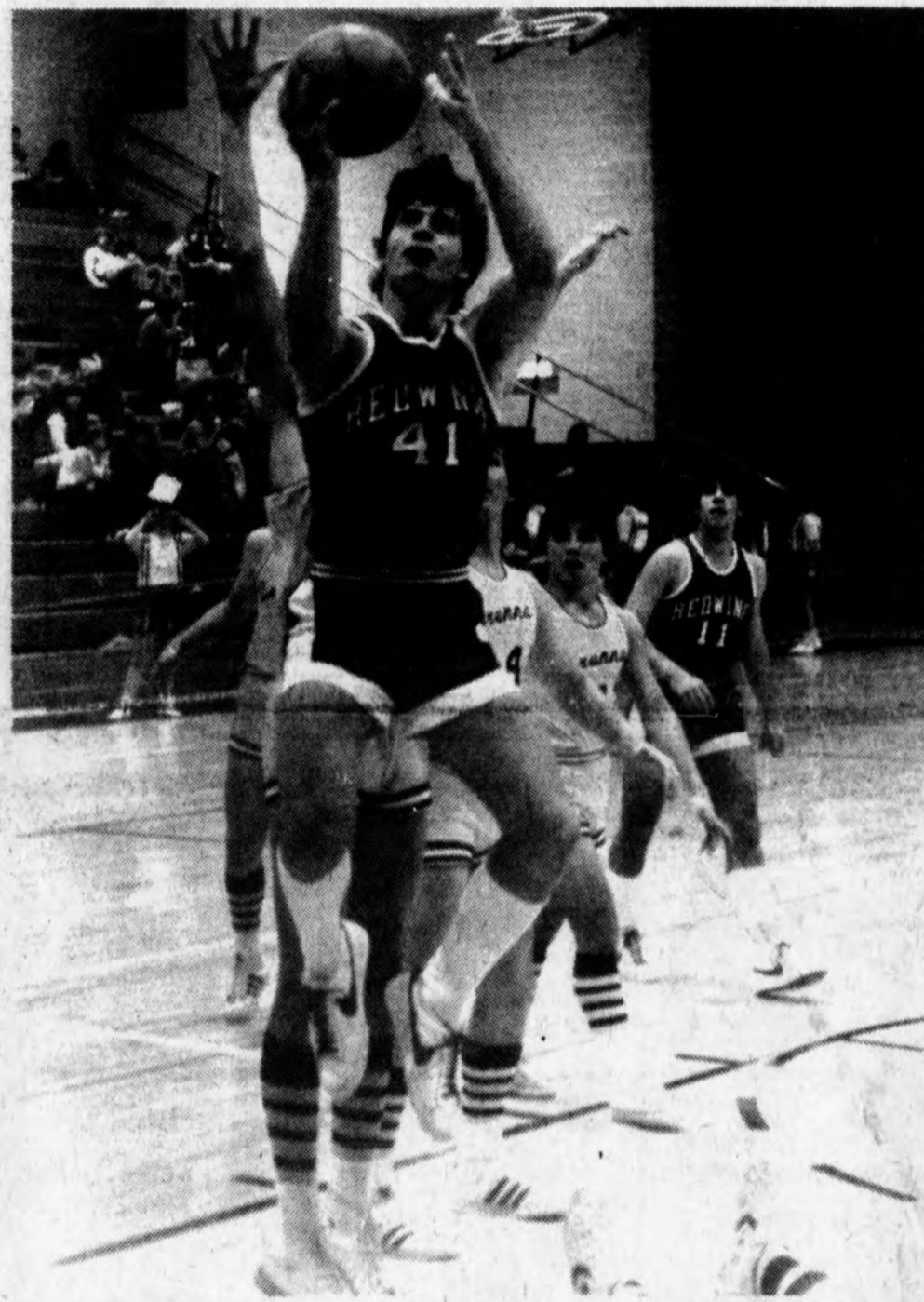
surprised a strong Swan Valley team, though coming up on the short end of a 59-58 verdict. A week later they played what Coach Tisot termed a "poor, poor offensive battle."

But, though the going wasn't what Tisot expected of his team, he did have another victory under his arm, helping St. Johns climb to 2-1 in the Mid-Michigan B and a 2-2 season mark. "It's nice to win when you play poorly," said Tisot.

The Redwings were behind most of the game, falling behind 12-6 in the first quarter and 23-16 at the half. The third quarter proved positive for St. Johns, outscoring Corunna 14-9, and then the Redwings collected 15 in the last quarter to Corunna's 12 to win the contest.

The game was characterized by sluggishness, 65 turnovers and 44 fouls. St. Johns collected 31 turnovers and 25 fouls, though none of the Redwings fouled out. Corunna's top scorers, Phil Anese, fouled out with two minutes to go in the game. He managed to lead the

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Open lane

Mike Stafford of St. Johns goes up for two of his team-high 19 points against Corunna Friday. The Redwings eked out a 45-44 win. (Photo by Scott Strahle)

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Panther wrestlers second at Ithaca

Ithaca
The DeWitt wrestling team took home 10 places and a second-place trophy Saturday at the Ithaca Invitational.

DeWitt finished with 153½ points, compared to 165½ for the winning Chesaning team. St. Louis was third with 133.

The Panthers had wrestlers in seven final matches, but could just come away with two wins, not enough to catch the Indians. Still, Coach Randy Smith said his squad wrestled well throughout the day.

Paul DeSmith took first at 105 pounds. He opened with a

bye, then downed Steve Hicks of Bath 7-1 and Tony Huntoon of Ithaca 9-0.

The other champion was Stu Lewis at 138. He pinned Don Fellows of Bath in 5:07, Tim Price of Fulton at 1:24 and decisioned Lawrence Pumford of Chesaning 4-3.

At 98 pounds, Doug Peiffer finished second. He pinned Jerry Wilson of Chesaning in 1:50 and John Pell of Fulton in 4:59, then lost to Jim Bailey of St. Louis by a fall. Smith said Bailey should be a contender for the state title later in the season.

Mark Keener was the runnerup at 119. He defeated

Monti Hook of Chesaning and pinned J.T. Hovis of Saginaw Sts. Peter and Paul, then lost a 5-3 decision to Dan Sheridan of Merrill in the finals. Sheridan is a two-time state qualifier.

Mike Myzak was second at 132. He pinned Paul Gerhardt Peter and Paul in 1:23, decisioned Steve Federspell of Chesaning, 6-1, and lost to Mitch Spear of Ithaca in the finals, 10-4.

Troy Foland was the runner-up at 145. He beat Randy Wills of Bath and Tim Shook of Fulton, but dropped a 6-2 title match to Roger Reed of Chesaning.

John Hummel was the final second-place finisher, and seven though he didn't win, he showed a lot of improvement. He pinned Gary Skinner of Ithaca in 1:24, then pinned Bob Francisco of St. Louis in 5:33. Francisco had pinned Hummel twice this year.

In the finals, Hummel was pinned by Vic Ruterbusch of St. Peter and Paul. Ruterbusch is a transfer student from Bay City Western, where he was a two-time qualifier to the state tournament.

"John has come a long way in the last couple of

weeks," Smith said. "He's been working really hard with Jeff Buchin, our assistant coach, and has been wrestling well."

Tom Simon finished third at 112. He had a first-round bye, then fell to Randy Matthews of Bath, 12-6. He beat Mark Baird in a consolation match and took third place with a 12-5 decision over Phil Guzinski of Merrill.

Chris Dagge was third at 155, and Smith said he did an excellent job since he regularly wrestles at 145. He decisioned Tim Williams of Fulton before being pinned by Greg McGarey of Bath. He then won two decisions in the consolations to win third place.

At 98, Peiffer showed great improvement in dropping a 6-4 decision to Greg Cockcroft. Cockcroft pinned Peiffer the week before, but this time the Haslett wrestler had to score a reversal and near fall in the final period to get the decision.

DeSmith defeated Pete Andersen 4-0 at 105, and at 112 Simon defeated Todd Johnson 5-0. Keener beat Rob Horvath 8-4, and LaFave defeated John Christie 10-2.

At 132 Myzak had a 9-2 decision over Randy Nelson, and Lewis defeated Eric Reynolds 5-0. At 145, Foland wrestled a strong match but lost a 6-5 decision to Kurt Schaibley, a fourth-place finisher at the Class C finals last year.

Steve Richmond defeated Steve Bennet at 165, 5-0, and at 178 Nick French pinned Hummel in 2:52.

DeWitt is now off until Jan. 4, when it hosts Okemos.

Sports schedule

Boys' basketball

Dec. 19
Chesaning at St. Johns
Alma at Ovid-Elsie
Portland St. Patrick at Pewamo-Westphalia
Fulton at Potterville
Laingsburg at Fowler
Dec. 22
Carson City at Pewamo-Westphalia
Ithaca at Fulton

Wrestling

Dec. 19
St. Johns at Charlotte quadrangular
Fulton at Ionia
Dec. 21
St. Johns at Corunna
Ovid-Elsie at Hemlock
Pewamo-Westphalia at Saranac

Swimming

Dec. 19
St. Johns at DeWitt
Dec. 20
Ovid-Elsie at Chesaning
Dec. 21
Mt. Morris at Ovid-Elsie

Boys gymnastics

Dec. 23
St. Johns at Huron Valley Invitational

Fulton wrestlers finish 4th

Ithaca
The Fulton wrestling took six places and finished fourth in the eight-team field at the Ithaca Invitational Saturday.

Taking first for the Pirates were Rick Robbe, 126 pounds, and Mitch Price, heavyweight. Jim Todd at

119 and Tim Shook at 145 both finished third, and Randy Riggle at 132 and Tim Price at 138 were fourth.

Chesaning won the tournament, with DeWitt second, St. Louis third, Fulton fourth and Bath fifth.

The Pirates travel to Ionia tonight.

Fulton handed 1st loss of year

Middleton
The Fulton basketball team split its first two league games of the season, falling to Olivet 69-67 in overtime Tuesday and beating Laingsburg 98-64 Friday.

The Laingsburg game was never really close. Fulton had only a 16-12 lead after the first quarter, but only some bad luck shooting kept the Pirates from blowing the Wolfpack out in the first eight minutes.

So Fulton waited until the second period to explode,

outscored Laingsburg 38-18 to take a 54-30 halftime lead. The Pirates' full-court man-to-man press was too much for the Wolfpack, as they never came close to getting back in the game.

Three players got into double figures for Fulton—Tim Johnson with 27, Gary Moore with 17 and Jeff Stephens with 10. All but one of the 14 Pirates got into the scoring column.

Fulton had a 47-29 rebounding advantage, with Johnson getting 17 and Moore and Winsor seven each.

Coach Kim Lathwell was not entirely pleased with the game, however.

"We still have a ways to go," he said. "They got 64 points, and I didn't like that. We also had too many turnovers. We had 29 and they had 40. It was a pretty sloppy game."

Foul trouble was the downfall of Fulton against Olivet Tuesday. The Pirates were hurt early, but the real crunch came when Johnson and Moore fouled out early in the fourth quarter. Fulton had an 8 point lead going into that period, but with 1:30 left Olivet had it down to two.

After the Olivet basket, Fulton ran the clock down to 29 seconds before Olivet fouled. But the Pirates missed the one-and-one and Olivet rebounded and scored.

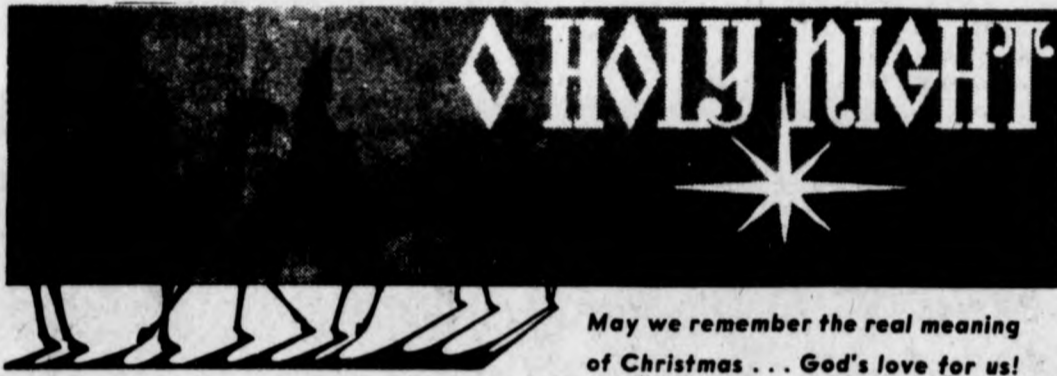
Fulton had a time out and the ball with 11 seconds left. The Pirates set up their offense, but didn't even put up a shot and the game went into overtime. Olivet scored the first four points of overtime and Fulton never challenged that lead.

Johnson was the high scorer with 16 points, while Stephens had 14 and Daryl Trefil 10. Johnson was also the leading rebounder with 14.

The Pirates are now 2-1 overall and 1-1 in the Central Michigan Athletic Conference. Tonight they travel to Potterville and Friday they host Ithaca in a non-league game.



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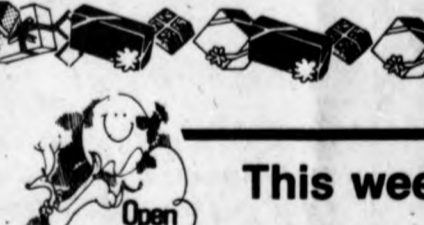
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Olivet press crushes Eagles

Olivet
The inexperience of the Fowler basketball team really showed Friday night, as Olivet's full-court press ravaged the Eagle offense and led Olivet to a 100-65 win. Olivet put a full-court

press on Fowler from the beginning, and Coach Charlie Trierweiler said his team didn't have the poise to break it.
"I think there was a conspiracy against me," he

said. "We were passing the ball more to their players than we were to ourselves."
"We're young, and I expected to take some lumps," he said. "But, not that bad."
The Olivet press led to a lot

of quick and easy baskets, as at one time the hosts reeled off 10 points in 25 seconds. Olivet took a 30-13 first-period lead, led 58-30 at the half and 81-48 after three quarters.

On Tuesday, the Eagles overcame their own sloppy play to defeat Carson City in a non-league game Tuesday, 67-57. Fowler had as much as a 19 point lead, but 23 Eagle turnovers helped Carson City close the margin.

Randy Morrison led Olivet with a 42-point performance, and Robert Fleming had 17. Mark Schrauben, the only Fowler player with any appreciable playing time last year, led his team with 28 points. Terry Thelen added 12.

Schrauben had 23 points to lead the Eagles, while Terry Thelen added 15.

Fowler was outrebounded 47-34, with Schrauben taking eight rebounds and Hengesbach seven. Doug Koenigs-knecht had six assists and Schrauben had four.

The outstanding part of the game for Fowler was its rebounding advantage. The Eagles had 57 to 21 for Carsons City. Thelen took down 17, Cliff Hengesbach 13 and Schrauben 12.

Olivet was 48 percent from the field compared to 35 percent for Fowler. Fowler was 50 percent from the line, Olivet 62 percent.

Doug Koenigs-knecht had five assists and four steals, while Neil Hufnagel had four assists and Dan Braun had four steals.

Fowler hosts Laingsburg tonight in a CMAC game, the Eagles last action before the holiday break.



Moving in

Mark Schrauben of Fowler goes up for two of his game-high 23 points in Fowler's 67-57 win over Carson City. (Photo by Patrice Hornak)

Bath wrestlers finish 5th

By Randy Matthews
Correspondent

Ithaca
The Bath wrestling team placed fifth of eight teams at the Ithaca Invitational, which Chesaning won, with a total of 165.5 team points. Bath had 76 behind 4th place Fulton with 96.

Bath had five wrestlers place, with two seconds, two thirds and one fourth.

At 98 pounds, Jim Soria, a sophomore, placed third after pinning Tom Pell of Fulton in 32 seconds. His only loss of the day came to Jim Bailey of St. Louis, who took first place at 98 pounds. He now has a 7-6 overall record.

Steve Hicks, Bath's sophomore 105 pounder, placed fourth, losing in the consolation round to Ryan of Chesaning, 6-1. Hicks

finished the day winning two, and losing one other to Paul DeSmith of DeWitt.

Senior Randy Matthews, 112 pound, took second place after losing to Rob Tenent of St. Louis 5-3, in the championship finals. To get to the finals, Matthews defeated Sutter of Chesaning in a 1:20 pin, and Tom Simon of DeWitt, 14-4, who ended up taking third at 112. Matthews record is now 8-4 overall.

Greg McGarey, who just joined the team a week and a half ago, took second for Bath winning his first 3 matches in a row before being pinned in the finals by Alexander of Chesaning in 4:29 at 155 pounds.

McGarey won two matches at the tournament, pinning one opponent and decisioning the other. Greg, a senior, is now 3-1 overall taking that record into the

dual with Fowlerville on Jan. 4.

Kevin Shirey defeated Hammerbacker of Saginaw St. Peter and Paul with a fall in 2:06 to capture the third place seat at 165 pounds. Shirey's only loss of the day came from Guellet of St. Louis, who took second, after Kevin had an eye injury. Kevin is a senior with a 7-1 record.

Randy Wills, the junior 138 pounder, wrestled 145 Saturday and won 1 of his 3 matches. His win came over Olsen of Ithaca in an 11-0 superior decision. Randy's record is now 5-6-1.

The Bees, with new head coaches Mario Torrez and David Pauk, have a 1-3 dual meet record. They enter the Ingham County League race full steam next month with a dual against Fowlerville on Jan. 4.

Haslett accepted into ICL

Haslett
Haslett High School will become a member of the Ingham County League next year, following a unanimous vote of the ICL schools to let Haslett into the league.

member of the Capital Circuit, but is one of the smaller schools in the league and has had little athletic success in the past few years. In the ICL, Haslett will be competing against schools closer to its own size.

The switch will leave the Capital Circuit a six-team league, since Howell will drop out after this year to join the new Kensington Valley Conference. DeWitt, Lansing Catholic, Okemos, Eaton Rapids, Charlotte and Mason remain.

Haslett replaces Pinckney in the ICL. The Pirates are also joining the Kensington Valley Conference. Other ICL members are Bath, Perry, Stockbridge, Williamston, Dansville, Leslie and Fowlerville.

Junior varsity scores

- St. Johns 78, Corunna 77
- Fulton 80, Laingsburg 52
- Pinckney 61, Bath 59
- Fowler 72, Olivet 57
- Okemos 95, DeWitt 90
- P-W 51, Pottersville 33
- Fowler 67, Carson City 49
- Ovid-Elsie 78, St. Louis 47
- Bath 70, Leslie 61

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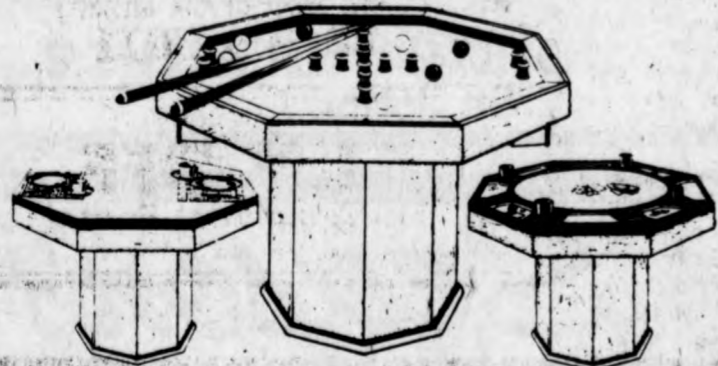
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Panther boys split pair at home

By Mark Szalajeski
Correspondent

DeWitt
Don't mention the supposed advantage of a home court to Coach Mike Fedio and his DeWitt basketball team. They won't believe you. The Panthers had a tough week as they split a pair of home games, bowing to rival Okemos, 73-59, and edging Mason 80-76.

It's practically impossible to lose when one team outcores the other by 12 points from the field, but an unbelievably lopsided edge on the free throw line enabled the DeWitt Panthers to do just that when they met Okemos on Tuesday night.

Okemos made 37 trips to the stripe to five for the

Panthers, a difference of 32 attempts.

The Chiefs started the game with six unanswered points and never gave up their lead throughout the contest. At 3:18 of the first quarter, DeWitt picked up its fifth foul, sending the Chiefs into the bonus. They took advantage and with strong rebounding and accurate shooting, led 19-10 going into the second stanza.

Okemos continued to hold that lead, which rose to 14 at one time, and never went below six. The only highlight of the half for the DeWitt fans came when Okemos' big forward, Tom Olson, attempted a dunk, missed, and held onto the rim, drawing a technical foul. The crowded gymnasium of partisan DeWitt fans were

happy to find something to smile about in a half that had nothing for which to cheer.

The situation changed in the second half. The Chiefs led 36-27 coming onto the court in the third quarter. DeWitt chipped away a little, gave back a little, but generally held it close until, with about two minutes left, the Panthers outscored the Chiefs and closed the gap to three, 48-45, with 8 minutes to play.

All was for naught, however, as Okemos, in the fourth quarter, poured in a couple everytime they were paraded to the free throw line. High scorer Bob Fossum, scored ten of his twenty-three points from the stripe in the last period and nailed the victory down for the Chiefs, 73-59.

Dale Challiss led DeWitt with a 16-point effort in the Panthers' first loss of the season.

Mason invaded the DeWitt gym Friday night in another Capital Circuit match. The Bulldogs have a reputation for lighting up the scoreboard, but a tough defense kept the Mason team to an 18-13 lead in the first quarter. DeWitt corrected its shooting woes in the second period, poured in 23, and cut its deficit to one, 37-36, at the half.

The lead see-sawed back and forth through most of the third quarter, but when Challiss put in the rebound of a missed free throw with 26 seconds left, DeWitt took the lead for good, 58-56. That core didn't change until the beginning of the fourth

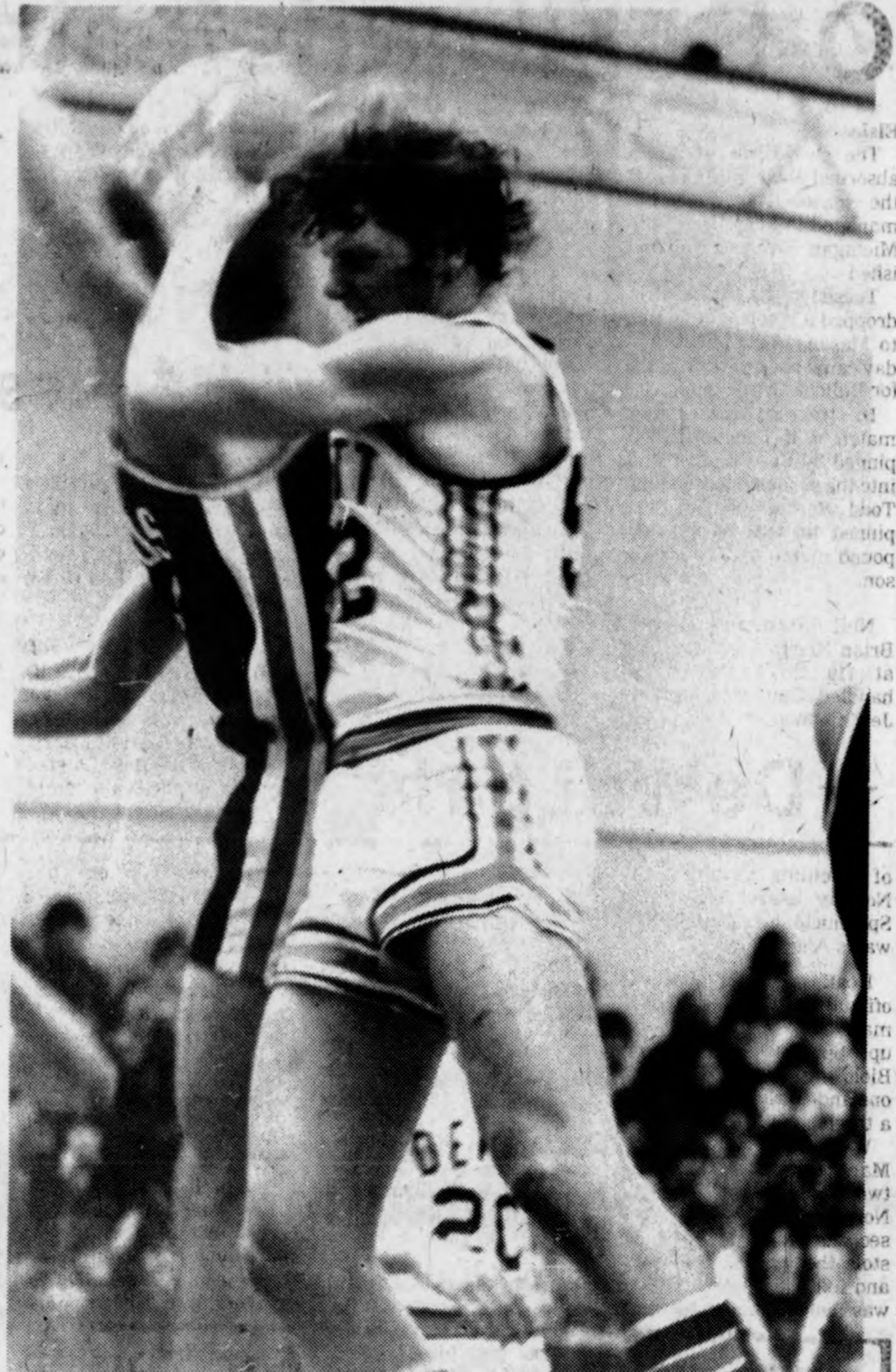
quarter, when the Panthers grabbed an early 10-point lead.

Mason cut that back down to one at one point, but DeWitt led by seven, 77-70, with 1:39 left in the game. Mason then scored six quick points and with eight seconds on the clock asked for a time out.

The Bulldogs, however, had none remaining and were charged with a technical foul. Mike Church hit the free throw and then hit two more five seconds later to wrap things up for DeWitt, 80-76.

Church led all scorers with 23 points while Devin Leonard chipped in 15.

DeWitt's next game will be on Jan. 5, when they will take on Lansing Catholic Central away.



DeWitt center Dale Challiss (in white) rips a rebound away from an Okemos opponent. DeWitt fell to the Chieftains Tuesday, 73-59. (Photo by Paula Mohr)

Marauders win 2; remain unbeaten

Hemlock
Ovid-Elsie's basketball team headed into tonight's showdown with league favorite Alma undefeated, after picking up two wins last week.

The Marauders used a fourth-quarter rally to break away from Hemlock and beat the Huskies, 74-60, in a Mid-Michigan B game Fri-

day. The Marauders had earlier downed St. Louis Tuesday, 59-47, in a non-league action.

Hemlock took an 18-15 first-period lead over the visitors from O-E. The Marauders had a three-point lead at the half and a six-point lead after three quarters, but outscored the Huskies 26-18 in the final

period to take their fifth win against no losses.

Ed Kaminski, who had missed the St. Louis game with a sprained ankle, led the Marauders with 29 points and 15 rebounds. Dirk Besko and Mark Carter had 14 points each and Mike Hudecek had 10.

In addition to Kaminski's

15 rebounds, Hudecek had 11, Ray Bowles eight and Carter seven.

O-E had only a fair night at the foul line, hitting 14 of 26 for 54 percent. But the Marauders were hot from the field, connecting 30 times in 57 attempts for 53 percent.

Tuesday O-E was without Kaminski, as the ankle injury kept the big center out of uniform. The Marauders showed they missed him, especially in the third quarter. After taking a 12-point lead at the half, O-E saw the Sharks close the gap to one after three periods.

Then a pair of fourth-quarter adjustments by Coach Bob Foreback put the Marauders back in control. The Sharks had been controlling the inside most of the game, but Hudecek went to the inside in the final period and sparked the O-E rally, scoring 10 of his 15 points in the last eight minutes.

On defense, Craig Anderson of St. Louis had led its third-period charge. Bowles

took him on in the fourth quarter, however, and the senior's tough defense shut the Shark star down.

Bowles was the high scorer with 18 points, while Besko and Hudecek had 15 each. O-E had a 33-27 rebounding edge, while Bowles, Hudecek and Carter all taking down nine. Bowles added five steals, three coming in the decisive fourth period.

The wins left O-E 5-0 overall and 3-0 in the MMB. The Marauders meet Alma, also 5-0 and 3-0 in the league, tonight in the last game before the holiday break.

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Pirates get past Potterville

The Pewamo-Westphalia basketball team moved its season record to 3-1 with a 54-43 league win over Potterville Tuesday night.

The Pirates never trailed in the game, but still turned in what coach Joe Ghiradi called an lackluster performance.

"They played their style, and we played the kind of game they wanted to play, not our style", he said. "Potterville always gives us a bad time."

Tim Spencer and Mike Belen shared scoring honors with 13 points each, while Spencer and Stan Piggott had five assists.

P-W was 50 percent from the free throw line and 47 percent from the field, while Potterville was 52 percent from the line and 36 percent from the floor.

The Pirates have two more home games before the holiday break. Tonight they host Portland St. Patrick in Central Michigan Athletic Conference action, then entertain Carson City in a non-league game Thursday night. The Carson City game was originally scheduled for Friday but was changed to accommodate the refinishing of the gym floor.

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O-E still undefeated in league

Elsie
The Ovid-Elsie wrestlers absorbed their first loss of the season last week but managed to keep their Mid-Michigan B record unblemished.
Tuesday the Marauders dropped a non-league match to Mason, 38-21, but Thursday came back to whip MMB for Bullock Creek, 32-28.
In the Bullock Creek match, Bill Luckhurst was pinned by Brad Ladner 3:47 into the 98-pound match, and Todd Herblet of O-E was pinned at 1:29 of the 105-pound match by Jay Davidson.
Neil Stambursky tied Brian Knopp 6-6 at 112, and at 119 O-E's Dave Toth handled Don Mashue 15-2. Jeff Cannon of the Marau-

ders lost a 13-1 decision to Kurt Holcomb at 126, and Rick Bancroft of O-E defeated Mike Cook 6-0 in the 132-pound match.
At 138, Bob Latz of O-E pinned Brad Schmidt at 1:15, but Shane Applebee was pinned by Bullock Creek's Mark Burch at 2:30 of the 145-pound match. Kevin Wilson lost to Dan Gunderman of the Lancers, 4-2, at 155.
Jeff George of O-E won forfeits at both the 165 and 178 classes, Al Brandal won a wild 23-15 decision over Bullock Creek's Ron Talley, and Richard Ackels of O-E took the heavyweight match with a pin over Brian Stonerock at 1:55.
The Marauders dropped the first three matches

against Mason, as Luckhurst was pinned by Tony Clark at 1:15, Herblet dropped at 15-1 decision to Tim Dunsome, and Stambursky lost to Ramie Mohlman by a fall at 2:23.
Dave Toth finally got the

Marauders on the board with a 6-2 decision over Ruben Fuentes at 119. Cannon dropped an 11-2 decision to Mike Craft and Ed Rutkowski was pinned by Bernie Holmes of Mason in 1:32.
Latz was a winner, taking a 5-0 decision over Dave

Baughman. Rick Bancroft dropped a 5-2 decision to John Felice, then Wilson scored a second-period pin over Ken Spencer.
George won by default over Jeff Pittman at 165 and Al Brandal dropped an 8-7 decision to Sam Dolbath.

Ackels took a 6-3 decision over Steve Whittemore at 191, and in the heavyweight match Dan Jones was pinned by Mason's Ron Clarke in 35 seconds.
O-E, now 3-1 overall and 2-0 in the MMB, is at Hemlock Thursday.

★ Redwings win

Cavaliers, however, with 19 compared to 16 of 68 attempts for Corunna.
Probably one of the brighter spots for the St. Johns team was its rebounding effort. St. Johns hauled down 47 rebounds, compared to Corunna's 27. Stafford led the pack with 15, followed by Todd Bakita with 8 and Dedyne with 7.
The Redwings entertain Chesaning tonight (Dec. 19). The Chesaning squad is coming off a bruising from Swan Valley last Friday night and brings in a 1-2 league record, as well as a 1-4 season mark.

P-W wrestlers improving

Carson City
Pewamo - Westphalia's improving wrestling team had a good week taking three places at Carson City Invitational and losing to Olivet in a dual match.
At Carson City, Jeff Raines was the winner at 155 pounds, Brian Platte was third at 178 and Jerry Meyers was third at 132.
The Pirates finished sixth in the eight-team field.

Coach Steve Hardick said he was surprised at how well his team had come along, especially since so many had only been wrestling for 10 days to two weeks.
Against Olivet Thursday, the Pirates won on the mat but lost in the final score. P-W won five matches of the nine wrestled and outscored Olivet 26-21 on the mat. But the Pirates had four empty weight classes, and the

forfeits gave Olivet a 45-36 victory.
Winning on pins were Brad Kelcherman at 126, Raines at 155 and Dave Fedewa at

165. Dan Rademacher and Dave Shepard both won decisions.
Thursday P-W is at Saranac in the last match before the holiday break.

More sports in the County News

★ DeWitt girls

of bounds under the Norway basket ruled that Spagnuolo had fouled Norway's Amy Biolo.
Deak protested that the official was out of position to make that call, but it stood up. Spagnuolo fouled out, Biolo hit both ends of a one-and-one and Norway had a three point lead.
With 28 seconds left, Marriot, a sophomore, hit two free throws to cut the Norway lead to one. Five seconds later, Linda Noch stole the ball off the press and fed it to Robinson, who was fouled. She hit two free

throws, and with 23 seconds left DeWitt was up 38-27.
Norway played it cool, however, and worked Diana Milligan free for a short jump shot from the baseline to give the Knights a 39-38 lead with 11 seconds left. DeWitt called timeout with seven seconds left.
The Panthers did what they wanted to do—get the ball to Robinson. The junior center drove the ball into the lane, but the buzzer sounded well before the shot left her hand.
The loss snapped a tournament run which showed how

much the Panthers had improved over the season. With only one starter returning from last season's championship team, DeWitt had rough going in the beginning of the season, as some of the players began to take last year's record as a guarantee of success this season. Seven regular season losses proved that wasn't so.
But in the tournament, the championship experience, which had almost been a liability in the early going, became an asset. DeWitt played with poise

unexpected of a group of mostly sophomores and juniors. They came from behind to defeat an excellent Bath team in the districts, defeated a Haslett team that had beaten them twice during the season, held off late charges from Lakeview and Hopkins and almost came back against Norway.
Robinson and Marriot had 12 points each for DeWitt, while Spagnuolo had nine. Mary Biolo and 13 for Norway. Robinson had 11 rebounds and Marriot 11, and Spagnuolo had six steals.
Neither team shot like champions. DeWitt was 14 of 45 for 31 percent, while Norway was 16 of 64 for 25 percent.
DeWitt needed a comeback to beat Hopkins Thursday. Down 7-0 at one point, DeWitt came back to grab a 16-point lead just before the half.
That was not to last. Hopkins had the lead down to one with 2:25 in the third quarter and stayed close until midway through the last period, when Terry Hazen fouled out. The loss of Hazen slowed the Vikings, and DeWitt soon grabbed a large lead.
Spagnuolo led with 21 points, including seven of eight from the foul line. She was six of six from the line in the fourth quarter. Robinson had 15 and Marriot 13.
Hopkins was led by Tracy Hazen's 17 points, 14 coming in the final period. Barb Rewa added 13.
Robinson had 12 rebounds, Suzi Dalman six and Marriot five. Spagnuolo had six steals and Robinson five.
Hopkins had 24 field goals to 21 for DeWitt, but the Panthers won the game on the foul line, hitting 20 of 29.
DeWitt finished with an 18-8 record.
Norway lost to Allen Park Cabrini in the finals.

Bath Bees win 2

Pinckney
The Bath Bees defeated Pinckney 66-63 Friday in an Ingham County League game.
The halftime score was 40-28, but Richard Brown had to score two key free throws near the end of the game to seal the victory.
Brown was the leading scorer with 19, while Kirk Ordiway had 14 and Chris

Gutzki had 11.
Bath, 2-3, is off until after the holidays.
Tuesday Bath took its first league victory of the season, downing Leslie 69-52 in a game made up from Dec. 1.
Ordiway led with 20 points and Richard Brown had 16. Bath had a 31-17 halftime lead, then put the game away for good in the third quarter, taking a 55-30 lead.

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The Natural Resources Commission, at its meeting on July 14, 1978, under the authority of Act 165, P.A. 1929, as amended, and Act 230, P.A. 1925, as amended, ordered that for a period of five years beginning January 1, 1979, no person shall take or attempt to take any species of trout or salmon from any of the waters of this state except by hook and line during the open seasons prescribed, and within the minimum size limits and maximum possession limits indicated below.

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Fedewa proposes housing

By Patrice Hornak, Editor

St. Johns
Fedewa Builders has applied for a Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) loan to build 50 senior citizen housing units adjacent to the present senior citizen housing complex in St. Johns, and an additional 36 low-income subsidized housing units on N. Lansing Street.

One of the requirements in the loan application, however, is a letter from the city mayor endorsing the building projects. Attorney Bill Jackson sought such a letter on behalf of the Fedewa Builders from St. Johns Mayor John Arehart at last week's city commission meeting, but the mayor refused to specifically endorse the projects, opting, instead to compose a letter stating there is a need in St. Johns for both projects.

Jackson said the FmHA makes appropriations on a quarterly basis and stressed urgency when requesting a letter from the mayor. The attorney speculated that funding could be available anytime before the first of the year.

Mayor Arehart said he could not specifically endorse the subsidized housing to be located on the former Joe Mesh property at 809 N. Lansing St. because he felt the people in that part of the city should be able to give their opinions at a public hearing whether or not they wanted the proposed Fedewa construction. About a year ago, Mesh

obtained a special use permit to build 36 high-income townhouses on that same property. A public hearing was held prior to the grant of the permit.

Jackson argued the project is basically the same, with those earning

below \$15,800 annually to qualify for the subsidized housing. Arehart argued the project was not the same.

A motion by Commissioner Dick Starck to direct Arehart to write the letter approving the two projects as requested by Jackson died

when no one would second the motion.

"This is typical of what's happening the last couple of years in St. Johns," said attorney Jackson. "When a builder wants to come in and put in a project of this size, everything we must do, we

meet opposition," he said to the commissioners.

Following a brief recess, the commission agreed to have Arehart write a letter to the FmHA, but only to say there was a need for subsidized housing in St. Johns, not where such a housing project would be located.

Food stamp purchase requirement ends Jan 1

Beginning Jan. 1, food stamp recipients in the state will no longer be required to pay for part of the face value of the stamps they receive. Households who do not pay for their food stamps now, will not be affected by this action.

This major program change, along with other changes to be announced later, was mandated by enactment of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 and was published recently as new

food stamp regulations by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Other changes will be announced later when plans for implementing them are completed.

Most food stamp households now pay a part of their household income for their monthly allotment of stamps. The amount paid is based on household size and the amount of net income after allowable expenses are deducted from gross income.

The total value of the food stamps received always exceeds the purchase price under the present program. Excess food stamps are the bonus stamps the household receives by participating in the program.

For example, a household may now pay \$50 to receive \$150 worth of food stamps each month. The extra \$100 worth of stamps is the amount of bonus stamps the house gains.

Under the new system

(assuming that eligibility circumstances, such as net income and family size, remain the same) the household will simply receive \$100 worth of food stamps beginning in January without having to pay any money. Should the household's circumstances change, the number of bonus stamps issued will either increase or decrease as the situation warrants.

Michigan Department of Social Services officials emphasized the need for food stamp recipients to understand that elimination of the money payment will result in a decrease in the amount of stamps they will actually receive, as shown in the previous example. The amount of food stamps to be issued beginning in January may not meet all of the household's monthly food costs. Therefore, money no longer required to buy food stamps may be necessary to buy what extra food they may need.

Russell attending school

Grant Walter Russel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter A. Russel from Ovid, has been selected to appear in the annual directory of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges. Russell, a fourth-year missions student at Baptist Bible College, Springfield, Missouri, is among the 37 students from

the college to receive this award.

Grant Walter Russel will now join a group of students representing more than 1,000 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations in the 1978-79 annual directory.

Russel was a member of Lanakila Baptist Church in Ovid before beginning

studies at Baptist Bible College. Without exception, all the nominees have maintained a minimum of a 3.0 grade point average in addition to extracurricular activities. At Baptist Bible College this includes maintaining consistent Christian service activities throughout the school year.



With a little help

Sometimes dads just have to do the job without the assistance of their sons, and such was the case when Warren Schwarz put the lights on a tree outside his home at 1001 S. Scott Rd., St. Johns. His son got to stand on a ladder and be the project director. (Photo by Patrice Hornak)



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Dairy meetings set

East Lansing
The Michigan State University Cooperative Extension Service is planning a series of dairy meetings designed to help the farm wife become more proficient in her management decisions.

There are 14 meetings planned throughout Michigan, beginning Jan. 9 and concluding Feb. 2. The meeting for farm women in Clinton County will be Jan. 9 at the Chef's Cafe with Jim Pelham as host. The meeting runs from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

"On today's modern dairy farm, the wife is an important factor in the success of the entire business. These

meetings, open to women only, are designed to help farm wives, especially dairy farm wives, become better business partners to their husbands," explains Martin Wilson, MSU Dairy Herd Improvement Association specialist.

The meetings will concentrate on handling young stock and then delve into estate planning.

The young stock session looks at alternatives in calf feeding, needs for controlling environmental effects on young stock, and reviews methods and benefits of proper calf identification.

"Estate planning is of great interest to women since it deals with the rights

and responsibilities of the farm wife as a business partner. This portion of the program will contain some true-to-life examples of problems facing women in estate planning," Wilson says.

Discussions of the proper methods of handling such items as property ownership, wills, insurance, taxes, estate transfers and important family papers will be provided. These are items of practical importance to all dairy farm wives and their children.

Details on enrollment or registration for one of these meetings can be obtained from the local county extension service host office.

A dairyman's Christmas wish

long for a cow of modern make
That milks five days for leisure's sake.
That sleeps on Saturday, snores on Sunday,
And starts afresh again on Monday.

I wish for a herd that knows the way
to wash each other day by day,
That never bothers to excite us
With chills or fever or mastitis.

I sigh for a new and better breed
That takes less grooming and less feed,
That has the reason, wit and wisdom
to use the seat and flushing system.

I pray each weekend, long and clear
Less work to do from year to year.
And cows that reach production's peak
All in a five-day working week.

I long for officials, by the mob,
To guide the farmers at their job.
And show those stupid breeders how
To propagate a five-day cow!

Extension calendar

Jan. 10-11 Farm Power and Production Show, Mt. Pleasant	Jan. 20-22 Traverse City 4-H Snow Camp
Jan. 11-12 Swine short course at MSU	Jan. 18-19-22 Cattle Feeder Days, MSU
Jan. 12-13 4-H Horse Judging and Management Conference, Kettunen Center, Tustin	Jan. 24 Michigan Professional Dairy Farmers at MSU
Jan. 15 4-H Council	Jan. 29 Agriculture in Action, presented by Ag. Economics Department in Cooperation with Clinton National Bank
Jan. 16 M.A.E.H. Area Council, Central National Bank, 9:30 a.m.	Jan. 30 Barrow Show, Livestock Pavilion, MSU
Jan. 10, 17, 24 Marketing and Pricing Workshop, Smith Hall	Feb. 8 Managing for Success, a special seminar for dairy farm couples
Jan. 16 M.A.E.H. Area Council, Central National Bank, 9:30 a.m.	Jan. 25 District Holstein annual meeting
Jan. 18 Forage Production and Harvesting Program, presented by Harvestore with assistance from MSU Extension	Jan. 25 Family Living Lunch 'n Learn, "Assertiveness", 11:35-12:10 and 12:15-12:50, County Services Building, St. Johns
Jan. 16, 23, 30 Dairy Nutrition Program, South of Ithaca	Jan. 30 Barrow How, Livestock Pavilion, MSU

No big tax reduction

Don't expect that the voter-approved Headlee Amendment (Proposal E on the November ballot) will afford farmers much of a land tax reduction in 1979.

Dr. Garland Wood and Dr. Al House, Michigan State University agricultural economists, believe farmers instead should look to the Farmland and Open Space Preservation Act of 1974 (P.A. 116) for tax relief.

Proposal E and its provisions are now part of

Michigan's Constitution, but various legislative acts will be required to clarify and specify numerous provisions of the amendment. These provisions include prohibiting the state from reducing its proportion of necessary costs of existing activity or service required of local government by state law. New activities and services or increased levels shall not be required unless fully funded by the state.

In addition to the above

provisions the implementing acts will deal with millage rollback, bond issues, revenue sharing and school aid, refund mechanism and clarification of local taxing power. Even if these various legislative acts were not pending, the Headlee amendment is expected to have little economic impact on Michigan farmers in 1979.

The passage of either proposal or J, or both, would have reduced the incentive to enroll under P.A. 116. But their defeat coupled with increasing pressures to bring agricultural lands up to 50 percent assessment ratios of true market value should cause many farmers to take another look at P.A. 116. It is well for farmers and all property taxpayers to be aware that the 50 percent assessment ratio is not constitutionally fixed.

The constitution says the assessment rate shall not be more than 50 percent of true market value and leaves it to the legislature to set the actual rate at 50 percent or less.

There is much speculation as to whether the "tax revolt" in Michigan and other states will result in a flurry of new remedial tax legislation that seeks to defuse the revolt. It is doubtful that any major "remedial" legislation will be forthcoming in 1979.

Take caution during holidays

East Lansing
Michigan residents are advised by State Police fire marshals to give proper attention to safety precautions with indoor decorations this holiday season to lessen the risk of fires.

Fire prevention merits serious consideration all the time, fire marshals officers say, but particularly so during December.

Have you taken fire safety precautions with your Christmas tree? Are your tree lights approved and fire-safe? Have you overloaded electric circuits? Are you correctly using extension cords? Have you piled presents with flammable wrappings too close to candles, electric lights or illuminated ornaments? Have you decorated your fireplace with flammable decorations?

Michigan resident having questions concerning home holiday fire safety should contact the nearest fire or police department or State Police post.

Past experience shows that there is a possibility of fires of the type that struck a women's college dormitory in Rhode Island a year ago, killing 10 women and injuring at least 10 others. The rapid spread of that fire was attributed to the use of flammable holiday decorations in the dormitory rooms and hallways.

To lessen the chances of fires in homes and other buildings in Michigan, the fire marshals officers ask people to consider these questions: Are your decorations made of fire retardant materials?

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O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love, for it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to

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Bath clinic
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The Bath area community public clinic is held at the Lakeside Chapel, South Webster Rd. the third Thursday of each month-12-21-78. Immunizations are from 9-10 a.m. and blood pressure screening from 11-12 a.m. For information about other services at the clinic contact the Mid-Michigan District Health Dept. office in St. Johns 224-7772.

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Alpha Eta gathers

Thirty-four members and visitors of the Alpha Eta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma enjoyed a Dec. 9 Christmas luncheon at the City Club in Owosso.

The hostesses were: Virginia Blood, Pauline Reynolds, Leona Beckert, Elizabeth Wilson, Agnes Murray, Letah Stewart and Patricia Nixon.

Following the meal Roz Jarson gave two readings, "Gift of the Magi" and "Twelve Days After Christmas." The members were put in a festive mood by singing Christmas carols accompanied by Celia Woodworth.

Due to a car accident Kenneth and Louise Somerlot were unable to attend the meeting. They were to have been given special recognition for their contribution to the society.

President Estelle Geller was in charge of the business meeting. The guests were introduced and a special welcome was extended to Dorothy Blue of Saginaw, a

one-time member of the Alpha Eta Chapter.

Members voted to extend reserve membership to Elizabeth Nobis. The president announced that the Chapter would entertain the state president, Betsy Cooper, in April.

Preparations are being made for the 1980 International Convention. The chapter voted to send \$3 per active member to the convention secretary to assist in defraying expenses.

A world fellowship report

was given by Joan Zatkovic, chairperson. Much assistance has been tendered

foreign women wishing to study in the United States, with special attention focused on Korean women. The Delta Kappa Gamma Society will continue to light candles to unite all women in world fellowship.

Following a vacation period the members will meet March 6 at the Waldron Elementary School in Fowler.

Plays in band

Alma College student Brian Stork, a senior from St. Johns, plays trombone in the Alma College Kiltie Band, which presented a fall term concert Friday, Dec. 8. During the football season, the Kiltie Band provides half-time entertainment.

In addition to performing on campus, the band also has an annual tour. The 1978-79 tour will be a trip to Florida over Alma's winter term break, March 3 to 11. Preceding the Florida tour will be a major concert Feb. 9 in Detroit's Ford Auditorium when both the Kiltie Band and the A Cappella Choir present Alma College in concert.

The band's last formal concert for the year will be at 3 p.m. April 1 in Alma's Tyler Auditorium. The band also plays for both the honors convocation and commencement exercises in April.

A 1975 graduate of St. Johns High School, Brian is the son of Alice Stork of 305 S. Prospect, St. Johns and L. Dean Stork of Mt. Morris.



Fire guts home

It took 28 fire fighters to put out a fire which started twice in Bath Township last Monday night. The Bath Twp. fire fighters were assisted by DeWitt City and DeWitt Township crews. The fire started the first time at 10:58 a.m. at the Daniel Sherman residence at 7396 Cutler Rd. The second fire began shortly before 8 p.m. The fire is believed to have been started by a faulty wood stove. There was considerable damage done to the house and contents. (Photo by Sue Kiley)

Install officers

The St. Johns Masonic Lodge No. 105 F and AM installed the following new officers for 1979 on Dec. 8.

James E. Crosby worshipful master; senior warden Jon W. Newman; junior warden Joseph J. Tomczyk; Treasurer Almond B. Cressman; secretary Mark A. Eaton PM; Chaplain John Spouta PM; Senior Deacon Jack A. Bertoldi; Junior Deacon William A. Purchase; Marshall James A. Wetmore; Stewards installed were Richard Cressman P.M.; Frederick M. Lewis; James G. Sanderson P.M.; Robert D. Crosby P.M.; Tyler Eddie Light.

James Sanderson retiring worshipful master welcomed the guests and introduced the installing officers.

Installing officer Kenneth Richards P.M. DeWitt; Installing marshal Richard Rosier P.M. Wacousta, DeWitt; Installing secretary Robert Crosby P.M.; Installing chaplain Lloyd Atkinson P.M.; Mrs. Ruth Root acted as installing pianist. Forming an honor guard were members of the St. Johns Commandery No. 24 as follows: S.K. Lyle J. Bradley, S.K. Willis Hettler Sr., S.K. Raymond Eick, S.K. Clarence Waltz, S.K. Fred Lewis, S.K. Russell Welsh, S.K. Richard Jacoby.

A memorial service for deceased members for 1978 preceded the installation. They were Glenn Osgood, Robert Sanders, William Buggs, Jack Wabeke, Vernon Christiansen, and Mrs. Helen Lewis worthy

matron of Radiant chapter No. 79 and members had charge of dinner arrangements.

Rice appointed

St. Johns Gladys Rice has been appointed purchasing agent at Clinton Memorial Hospital, it was announced by Paul E. McNamara, administrator. Gladys is a summa cum laude graduate of Lansing Community College with an associate degree in business management.

Mrs. Rice began her employment at Clinton Memorial in 1973 as purchasing clerk. In January, 1977, she became purchasing coordinator. She is a member of the Michigan

Association of Hospital Purchasing Agents and has received a Certificate of Achievement in Purchasing from the Catholic Hospital Association.

Mrs. Rice is a graduate of Fowler High School. She and her husband, Donald, are lifetime residents of the Clinton County area. They have two grown children, Cheryl and Michael. Prior to her employment at the hospital, the Rices owned the Montgomery Ward franchise on Clinton Avenue in St. Johns.

Chamber hears rehab speaker

St. Johns

St. Johns Chamber of Commerce members hosted Dick Brewer from the Michigan Department of Education Bureau of Rehabilitation Wednesday, Dec. 13, as the main speaker for the Chamber's monthly luncheon meeting.

The next luncheon meeting is slated for Jan. 17, when Jim Barrett, president of the State Chamber of Commerce office in Lansing, will be the

featured speaker. The topic of the Feb. 14 meeting will be taxes, both business and personal.

A total of 37 Chamber members met Dec. 13 at the Colonial Restaurant. Members are urged to phone Chamber secretary Roberta Mageli and let her know where they would like to have the monthly meeting. Several meeting places are being considered.

Science teacher hired

Personnel matters were the main order of business at the Dec. 11 meeting of the Ovid-Elsie Board of Education meeting.

The board approved the recommendations of the O-E administrators and granted tenure to Roxanne Tyler. The board also agreed to hire

Phillip Owen to teach science at the Ovid Junior High School.

The board also accepted with regret the resignation of board member Richard DePond. DePond will resign Dec. 31 to take a seat on the Clinton County Board of Commissioners.

Notice of Public Hearing

The City Council of the City of DeWitt will be conducting a Public Hearing on January 8, 1979 at 8:00 p.m. in the High School Auditorium for the purpose of:

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Suddenly the camera moved into along narrow tunnel and with accelerated speed rushed down its checkered black and white interior bringing you unexpectedly to the edge of a quiet pond where several deer, evidencing all the grace of their tranquil natures were standing in the full colored

splendor of their natural world in spring. The sound track complemented this peaceful setting with the singing of birds.

What might all of this have to do with Christmas? Well, the relevance is in the title: "The Peace Game", contrasting the ravages people being themselves by willful choice, their consequent frustrations and discontentment, with the ordered life of the animal world which moves in designed cycles.

The Christmas season revives an annual ritual of expressing "Peace on earth, good will toward men" but we do so little to bring it about. Are we playing the peace game too? For many people their only taste of peace is pushing the kids out of the house on Sunday afternoon so they can sleep or bivouac with their beer before a basketball game on TV.

It would appear that Christmas these days is rigged so as to be incompatible with the greetings we say, send or sing, to the point of it not being possible to have peace in our town at Christmas, or any other time of the year. But peace is not in places, just like the sound of music is not in the hills, if it were we in Clinton County would be the poorer. Peace is with God. It is a matter of the heart more than happenings.

When we experience a personal relationship with a God who is real and not just an idea, then we will discover true peace. This peace is not so much the absence of the storm but the Presence of Him who is with you in the storm and shows

you how to handle it.

There is the storm of physical testing, just when you think you have a body of steel surgery becomes necessary. There is the storm of financial reverses and mental anguish. Our ability to pass these crises may be determined largely by the preparation we make before the storm comes.

Sometimes the Lord calms the storm; sometimes He lets the storm rage and calms His child. If we regard Christianity as a means of escape from responsibilities and fears then we will never know the peace only God can

give. His gift of peace is not complacency instead it is as relevant to our life as a rudder and compass is to a ship contending with a gale. It acts like a gyroscope on a stormtossed battleship giving poise under pressure. It helps maintain one spiritual and mental equilibrium under all conditions. Since it's inside it's relatively unaffected by outward circumstances.

This December do some intentional things that will turn the peace game into the peace gift and you will have a far more rewarding year.

expected of an incumbent, he received several major contributions from political and business committees. Topping the list were two \$4,500 donations, one from the Victory in '78 Committee and one from the Republican Legislative Fund.

The Victory in '78 Committee was described in its report as a group formed to raise money towards the election of Republican Senatorial candidates. Allen was originally treasurer of the committee.

The Gratiot County Senator also received \$1,000 from the Clinton County Republican Party, \$500 from the Gratiot Republicans, \$500 each from the Committee of Automotive Retailers, among many contributions from political action committees (PACX). Prior to the primary, Allen received \$3,025 from the Michigan Education Association PAC.

Allen also benefited from a series of fundraisers beginning in 1977. Four such events brought \$13,000 into the Senator's campaign before the primaries.

The bulk of Fry's money—\$4,500—came from the Eaton County Democratic Party. He contributed \$2,055 of his own money and loaned his campaign \$3,000 more.

Cropsey spent \$3,300 on his general election campaign against Avis King, compared to the \$5,789 he spent in the Republican primary. Cropsey was his own best friend, putting \$2,300 of his money into the campaign. He also received \$800 from the county Republican party, \$500 from the Realtors PAC and \$250 from the Mid-Michigan Republican Legislative Fund.

Mrs. King, in contrast, only raised a total of \$2,785 and spent \$3,365. She put over \$1,800 into the campaign.

In one of the contests for a seat on the

29th Circuit Court, Randy Tahvonen outspent Jon Newman by about \$2,300. Tahvonen spent \$8,850 on the race, Newman spent \$6,550.

Tahvonen got about \$2,000 of his from fund-raisers, while getting \$250 from the Michigan Education Association and \$150 from the Michigan Education PAC, based in Owosso. He spent \$2,200 of his own money.

Newman took in about \$1,900 in fund-raisers, and contributed \$1,300 of his own. He also received \$1,500 from the Clinton County Republicans and \$750 from Gratiot County.

In the other contest, Jack Mitchell spent \$9,900 of his own in a losing battle against Timothy Green.

Green spent \$4,409 on his campaign through Oct. 26, two weeks before the election. Of that, \$2,500 was Green's money. His final report was not on public file as of Dec. 13.

Bath debate team places second

The junior varsity debate team from Bath High School placed second in league competition against Brighton, Milan, Howell and Novi.

Arguing the affirmatives on the junior varsity were Bill Ramsey and Bill Ash. The negatives were Laura Bauerle and Karen Reeves. Miss Reeves won the Speaker's Trophy as the best

speaker in her division from Bath.

At the novice level, debating the affirmatives were Susie Beachnau, Shelly Geasler, Shawn Fischer and Ed Wade. Arguing the negatives were Diane Black and Monique Babcock.

Miss Geasler earned the highest number of speaker points in the novice division and earned a trophy.

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Brewer Monument

Mistletoe isn't just for Christmas kissing

To most people, mistletoe means an excuse to steal a kiss at Christmas time. But that's just one of many traditions that have been associated with this curious, parasitic plant.

For centuries, people all over the world have considered mistletoe to be a charm against disease, witchcraft, and infertility. Mistletoe superstitions probably came about because of the unusual and rather eerie way in which the plant grows.

Mistletoe flourishes in clumps on the trunks and branches of various hardwood trees, where it robs its host tree of water and nutrients. Often, the host tree is so weakened that it dies. But since mistletoe can produce its own food when necessary, the parasite remains green and moist.

Because they were unable to explain how mistletoe grew, ancient civilizations believed the plant had super-

natural powers. Peasants in both England and Japan believed that barren women would be able to conceive after eating mistletoe. The Walos of Africa attached mistletoe leaves to their bodies, confident that they would then be protected from injury. The Swedes carved sword handles from mistletoe branches to ward off witches, while other Europeans wore mistletoe corsages to guarantee a successful hunt.

Mistletoe is not a very tasty plant. In fact, although there are more than a thousand varieties throughout the world, only one animal—the tiny Australian mistletoe bird—relies solely on mistletoe for food. But medical history reveals that despite its taste, mistletoe was often fed to ailing patients by physicians who thought it had curative powers.

French physicians used

mistletoe as an antidote for poisons. And one 17th century British physician observed that the plant is "good for the grief of itch, sores, toothache, and the biting of mad dogs and venomous beasts."

Even as late as the mid-1700's, many European medical authorities thought mistletoe would cure epilepsy. Since mistletoe attaches itself so firmly to a tree that it cannot be blown down, they reasoned, an epileptic could not fall down if he consumed the plant regularly.

As it was thought that mistletoe possessed magical powers, it's not surprising that the plant was long forbidden in Christian churches. It was thought to be tainted with heathenism.

But the Druids—the woody priests of the ancient Celts—considered mistletoe to be a warm refuge for the woodland spirits during the cold weather. They gathered and hung the plant throughout their dwellings. This primeval practice may be the origin of the western tradition of decorating homes with greenery at Christmas time.

Centuries ago, on the sixth day of a new moon, a white-robed priest armed with a golden sickle could be seen harvesting mistletoe. The Druids believed the plant was too sacred to be collected by just anyone. Traditions change, of course, and today anyone willing to venture out into the woods can gather mistletoe with a pair of pruning shears.



New Levi addition

Dan Rehmann and Doug Kuripla (right) team up an outfit from the newly expanded Rehmann's Levi Shop in downtown St. Johns. The new 1,000 square foot addition comprises about 20 percent of the total Rehmann's Men's Store floor space and houses more of the Levi sportswear line. The Levi shop officially opened Dec. 8. (Photo by Patrice Hornak)

Pilot's dinner set for Jan 13

Tri-County Pilots Association is sponsoring a dinner Jan. 13 at the Lansing Hilton in observance of the 75th anniversary of powered flight, featuring the Spirit of St. Louis and the 50th anniversary of the Michigan Aeronautics Commission.

An attitude adjustment hour and hangar flying will be from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. and dinner will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Paid advance reservations may be sent to Mrs. Babe Ruth, 14645 Airport Rd., Lansing, 48909 by Jan. 9. Cost of the dinner is \$12.75 per person and reservations are limited. Transportation will be furnished for those flying in at 6 p.m. and 7

p.m. from General Aviation Speakers at the dinner will be chief pilot of the Lindberg 50th anniversary flight, Captain Verne Jobst of United Airlines; Tony Goetz, prime builder of the Spirit of St. Louis (he learned to fly in the replica of the Spirit of St. Louis built by the EAA); and Jim Barton, Captain of American Airlines who flew the chase ship which was a Stinson.

They will show slides and talk of the tour of the USA and Canada. Harold Hawkins, Michigan aviation artists, will present a lithograph of his water color painting of the Wright-Flyer as a door prize.

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Elsie News

The Elsie Fire Department was called to Gale's Wrecker Service Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 12 and by the quick response saved most of the large building.

The fire was contained to the east end of the building, the Galehouse living area. The fire did considerable amount of damage and gutted much of the living area. The firemen prevented its spread to the rear portion of the building where many tires are stored. The Galehouses thanked the fire department for their prompt efficient action and neighbors and passersby for helping remove furniture.

The annual Christmas Story Party Hour at the Elsie Public Library will be 1 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 22. Mrs. Dorothy Ornelas will be in charge of the program.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Dunham of 4217 N. Hollister Road, Elsie, will be honored on the 60th wedding anniversary on Sunday, Dec. 11.

The reception, planned by their daughter, Mrs. Rolland (Ruth) Hankey of Litchfield will take place in Fellowship Hall of the Elsie United Methodist Church immediately following the morning worship service at 10:30 a.m. Friends, relatives and neighbors are cordially invited to attend.

The couple who have attended this church since their marriage in 1918, have always lived in this area. Mrs. Dunham is the former Opal Crom.

Dunham was a farmer and had worked for the Agricultural Stabilization Service for 13 years before retirement. He also was employed by the Village of Elsie for nine years. The couple requests no gifts.

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★ Christmas Spirit

home. A woman from DeWitt offered to purchase games and make bundles of home-baked goodies for the five woman.

Three donors are furnishing Christmas dinners; some offered clothing and toys, a Catholic Church offered 100 fruit baskets which they will take to nursing and adult foster care homes; and some elderly couples extended their friendship to other elderly people who may be celebrating Christmas alone. One woman said she didn't have much but what she had, she wanted to share with somebody else.

Also donated were two sewing machines, baby clothes and a baby bed.

This week five other families need help. Persons interested in bringing Christmas Spirit to these Clinton County residents may phone Ms. Saxton at 224-6751, extension 38, at the Department of Social Services office in St. Johns.

WIDOW: Christmas can be a lonely time of the year and this middle-aged widow and her six-year-old daughter will already miss their husband and father. However, that is just the tip of the iceberg. They survive on a limited income. The little girl needs clothing, boots and shoes and though toys would be greatly appreciated, the mother asks specifically that her little girl might get these, needed essentials. Though she asks nothing for herself, the widowed mother also needs clothing, shoes and gloves.

SEVEN-MEMBER FAMILY: Even though this father of four children, and one due any time, knew he would receive more money by staying on Aid to Dependent Children (ADC), he wanted to work and took a job which only pays \$3.25 an hour. Though it is a meager salary to raise his family, he felt this was a better way for him. However, with that low hourly wage, he cannot provide well for his family.

His seven-year-old daughter needs a winter coat; the 15-month-old baby boy needs some baby toys; the five-year-old boy would like any gift; and the nine-year-old girl likes books. All the children need mittens and hats.

They are an extremely appreciative family and would be grateful for any assistance this Christmas. He cannot receive any ADC assistance because he has taken a job. They need a small Christmas tree.

The father is also in the process of finding another home for his family. They now live in a two-bedroom apartment in St. Johns and they need to find a three or four-bedroom home between St. Johns and Lansing within 50 days to qualify for a federal grant. They currently pay \$70 monthly for rent, but under the grant (if a house is found), he would be able to pay \$240 a month, including utilities.

UNEMPLOYED: Won't someone help this two-year-old little boy. His father is unemployed and there is little money for Christmas presents, or a

special dinner Christmas Day. They are an extremely appreciative family.

WARM CLOTHING: If someone has some warm baby blankets and clothing for a 14-month-old baby boy, this young married couple would be happy to receive them. The father and mother are in desperate need of warm clothing and food. Also, if someone has an odd job, father is willing to work as a laborer.

NO TOYS: A three-year-old little girl in DeWitt doesn't have any toys and it looks as though Santa won't be able to bring her even a small doll this Christmas. Her dad is a mason and also does plastering, but is looking for a better paying job, more than the \$50 a week job he has presently.

The parents ask only for gifts for their child, but if someone would donate a winter coat for the mother and some warm clothing for the father, they would be most grateful and surprised. Also, the parents have no toaster or coffee pot in their home.

★ Gifts to Jesus

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engraved bells because, "I think he would like them. There are bells out at Christmas time."

But probably the best gift the Christ child could ever receive was offered by Susan Bearup. What would Susie give the baby Jesus? "My love," she said.

What would you give the baby Jesus?

★ SJHS donations

Proving they have the biggest hearts were John Wilcox's homeroom which collected \$417.28, or an average of \$13.92 for each of the 30 students in the homeroom.

Placing a close second was Mrs. Edna Gonzales' homeroom which

pitched in \$13.03 per student, with 28 students in the class. For their hard work and big hearts, the first and second place homerooms will receive Big Mac's, compliments of McDonald's in St. Johns.

Besides collecting \$1,750, students

also contributed a truckload of canned goods to be packaged into baskets and be distributed by the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and the Community Services office.

Advisor of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes is Bob Tissot.

Catalogs full of odd gift ideas

By Robert C. Radcliffe
National Geographic News Service

The night before Christmas is near, and all through the house everybody seems to be thumbing through catalogs.

Months before the first jingle bell, these eye-popping wish books began arriving as the modern harbingers of our major gift-giving season.

The Christmas catalogs have something for everybody. At \$175,000 is the 1913 one-of-a-kind Faberge Easter egg from Imperial Russia, while among more down-to-earth stocking-stuffers is a \$25 pair of black shoelaces tipped in gold.

This year the \$20-billion-a-year mail order catalog business has bedazzled "occupants" and "residents" with at least 8,000 different kinds of wish books, the National Geographic Society says.

As sore-backed mailmen probably suspected, the total number of catalogs spread across the land is estimated in the billions, according to the Catalog Council of the

Direct Mail Marketing Association.

Some catalogs, downplaying rising costs, give prices without dollar signs. A few prices measure up to the mortgage on the family home. But since nothing is too good for the reader, here is a sample of this year's choicest Christmas presents.

For men: A sterling silver electric shaver, a vest pocket TV set, a \$400 cashmere bathrobe, or seven gold-banded pipes in a rosewood box for \$3,250.

For women: A walnut attache case, a \$20 gold piece for \$450, and piles of jewelry, furs, and frocks as accessories.

For both: Cowboy boots at \$2,000 a pair, a silver-covered telephone with an anti-bugging warning light, or a his-and-her safety deposit vault buried in a Utah mountain at \$90,000 for a 50-year lease.

For kids: A silver toothbrush for the mouth used to a silver spoon, a \$600 replica of an old-fashioned high-wheel bicycle, a gold-plated kazoo, or a chocolate Monopoly set for \$600 in real money.

For athletes: Jogging

shorts proclaiming "I'm Pooped!" in French, a crossword puzzle shower curtain with special pen to print in answers while soaping down, a natural rosewood putter, and a 10-pound gold-plated dumbbell for \$200 worth of muscle building.

For pets: A silver food bowl engraved with Poochie's name, monogrammed pajamas with matching sleeping cap, or a silver cookie cutter for homemade dog biscuits.

For everyday usefulness: A stainless truffle slicer, a silver-plated adding machine, a beer can tree for the priceless collection, a

silver wine bottle opener mounted on an oak tripod, or a toothy inflatable shark to keep nosy neighbors out of your swimming pool.

For those who say "Just send money": Ten old silver dollars in a leather pouch for \$139, a sunken treasure's gold doubloon for \$2,950, or \$1,000,000 worth of shredded currency for \$85.

For comfort: a lamb's wool bicycle seat cover, flannel pajamas with feet for adults, a zip-yourself-in body quilt, an electric booth dryer, and, in the spirit of original mail order catalogs, toilet paper emblazoned "Merry Christmas" throughout.

Elsie News

The United Methodist Church Women met Wednesday night, Dec. 6 in the home of Mrs. Gordon Jones at 7989 Ridge Road, Elsie with Mrs. Charles Holcomb, Mrs. Phil West and Mrs. Kenneth Miller as assistant hostesses.

"Come as a Child" was the program presented by Mrs. E. Jean Cobb with Mrs. Howard Peltier reading the Bible verses pertaining to the program. Mrs. Cobb used as visual aids in visualizing the figures of the creche and the birth of Christ.

Interspersed throughout the program were these Christmas carols: "Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus," "What Child is This?" and "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear." The last half of the trip included: "The First Noel," "Oh! Come All Ye Faithful," and "Joy to the World." Mrs. Robert Kelley told of the Legend of Christmas Holly after which Dean Gilbert played two piano selections—"Rudolph, the Red-nosed Reindeer" and "He".

Mrs. Kelley presided for the business meeting when reports were given by Mrs. Clifford Geiger, secretary and Mrs. Jones, treasurer.

Program chairman Mrs. Harold Hehrer, announced that new program booklets for the 1979 year will be ready for distribution for the January meeting.

The Sunshine committee reported many cards sent to shut-ins and plans were made to prepare plates of Christmas "goodies" for the older members.

December dates scheduled are: Sunday, Dec. 17, all-church breakfast at 8 a.m. in by the Methodist Men in Fellowship Hall; children's program during worship service at 9:30 a.m.; and Coffee Fellowship Time in the Hall a 10:30 a.m. Jan. 17 was decided for the date of the annual Birthday Supper in the Church.

The Bazaar co-chairmen reported a very successful project with a larger profit than last year in spite of the snowstorm.

At the close of the meeting, many Christmas cards were signed for the members unable to attend meetings. Santa Claus arrived and distributed gifts. The Smith home was attractively decorated with a Christmas tree and coffee and red, green and white cake dessert, was served by the hostess and assistants.

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★ Holiday dinner

Debbie French's Wild Rice Dressing
Boil rice. Brown in butter finely chopped onion, celery and mushrooms. Then stir in rice, salt and pepper. Pour juice from turkey over rice and bake at 300 degrees until brown. Check to keep it from burning.

Debbie's Holiday Ham
Pour Vernor's ginger ale over ham which has been punctured, then bake at 350 degrees for three to four hours. If the ham looks dry, add a little water with the Vernors. Place pineapple slices with cherries in the center on the ham, secure with toothpicks.



Tom Nowak's Fruit Salad
4 regular cans fruit cocktail
1 small can mandarin oranges
1 medium can chopped pineapple
2 bananas, sliced
1 cup miniature marshmallows (optional)
(all amounts of canned fruit optional—use whatever you like, just so you have about this much fruit)
1 egg
2 tsp. lemon juice
2 tsp. sugar
pinch salt
½ cup whipping cream
In double boiler, beat egg with fork; stir in lemon juice, sugar and salt. Cook five minutes or until thick. Remove from heat, cool. Whip cream and fold in egg mixture, then fold in other ingredients except bananas. Refrigerate overnight. Add bananas just before serving.



Bill Donahue's Fudge (really, it's his wife's)
Combine in large pan:
18 oz. chocolate chips
2 sticks margarine
1 tsp. vanilla
7 oz. marshmallow creme
nuts (optional)
Set aside.
In large pan combine:
5 cups sugar
1 can evaporated milk
Bring to boil over medium heat for 10 minutes.
Pour warm mixture over other ingredients. Beat by hand until smooth. Pour into greased square cake pan. Harden in refrigerator.



Shirley Mills' Pumpkin Pie
9-in. unbaked pie shell
2 cups pumpkin
14 oz. can sweetened condensed milk
2 eggs
1 tsp. cinnamon
½ tsp. salt
½ tsp. ground ginger
½ tsp. ground nutmeg
Mix together and pour into shell. Bake 15 mins. at 425 deg.; reduce to 350 deg. and bake 35 to 40 mins. or until knife comes out clean. Cool. Serve with Cool Whip or vanilla ice cream.

Alice Jumper's Vegetable Casserole
1 large onion, sliced
1 egg plant, peeled and diced
Saute in butter, cover and cook on low heat until it boils.
Thicken with 1 large tsp. flour
Add ½ cup brown sugar
1 can tomatoes (1 pint or a commercial can)
1 green pepper, shredded
Bake 1 hour at 350.

Births

A boy, Joshua Stephen, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Max Tait of Owosso weighing 7 pounds, 5 ounces on Dec. 14, 1978 at St. Lawrence Hospital. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Joy Tait of Phoenix, Ariz. and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Schultz of Owosso. The mother is the former Cathy Schultz.

A girl, Wendy Jo, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Keith Tait of Phoenix, Ariz. Dec. 11, 1978 at St. Joseph Hospital. She weighed 6 pounds. She has one brother. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Joy W. Tait of Phoenix and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Weir, also of Phoenix. The mother is the former Martha Weir.

A son, James Robert, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Dan Findlay on Nov. 11 at the Carson City Hospital. He weighed 8lb. ½oz. The baby has one brother, Garrett. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Tait and Mr. and Mrs. Don Findlay. The mother is the former Susan Tait.

A boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Thelen of Fowler on Nov. 30 at 7:47 a.m. at Carson City Hospital. He weighed 7lbs. 8oz.

A girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Jeffery Barrett of St. Johns on Nov. 30 at 6:54 p.m. at Carson City Hospital. She weighed 5lbs. ½oz.

A girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Harr of St. Johns on Dec. 4 at 8:15 a.m. at Carson City Hospital. She weighed 6lbs. 7oz.

A boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Thum of Vestaburg on Dec. 4 at 6:39 p.m. at Carson City Hospital. He weighed 7lbs. 2oz.

A girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Harry of Crystal on Dec. 4 at 8:36 p.m. at Carson City Hospital. She weighed 6lbs. 15½oz.

A boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Scott Johnson of Ashley on Dec. 4 at 9:52 p.m. at Carson City Hospital. He weighed 8lbs. 5oz.

Legal Notices--

DeWitt Township Zoning Ordinance No. 71
PREAMBLE
An ordinance to rezone certain areas within DeWitt Township and to amend the zoning map heretofore adopted by zoning ordinance number 60 of DeWitt Township. Said amendment to be in accordance herewith and pursuant to the recommendations of the DeWitt Township Planning Commission and in accordance with the various statutes in such cases made and provided.
The Board of Trustees of DeWitt Township, Clinton County, Michigan hereby ordains that:
Those lands lying within DeWitt Township described as:
Property located on US-27 between Herbison and Webb Rds. containing approximately 22.957 acres in Section 9, T5N-R2W, DeWitt Township, Clinton County, Michigan. A map depicting the boundaries of the respective zoning changes may be viewed from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday thru Friday in the DeWitt Township Hall, Building & Zoning Department.
are hereby rezoned from A and BL (Agriculture and Business, Local) to BSC (Business Shopping Center).
It is further ordained that the official zoning map of DeWitt Township be amended to indicate such changes in zoning.
EFFECTIVE DATE
This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage, publication, and recording by the DeWitt Township clerk.
Alta C. Reed, Supervisor
Betty M. Churchill, Clerk
51-1

DeWitt Township Zoning Ordinance No. 72
PREAMBLE
An ordinance to rezone certain areas within DeWitt Township and to amend the zoning map heretofore adopted by zoning ordinance number 60 of DeWitt Township. Said amendment to be in accordance herewith and pursuant to the recommendations of the DeWitt Township Planning Commission and in accordance with the various statutes in such cases made and provided.
The Board of Trustees of DeWitt Township, Clinton County, Michigan hereby ordains that:
Those lands lying within DeWitt Township described as:
Property located on US-27 between Herbison and Webb Rds. containing approximately 1.1 acres in Section 9, T5N-R2W, DeWitt Township, Clinton County, Michigan. A map depicting the boundaries of the respective zoning changes may be viewed from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday thru Friday in the DeWitt Township Hall, Building & Zoning Department.
are hereby rezoned from BC (Business, Community) to BSC (Business Shopping Center).
It is further ordained that the official zoning map of DeWitt Township be amended to indicate such changes in zoning.
EFFECTIVE DATE
This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage, publication, and recording by the DeWitt Township clerk.
Alta C. Reed, Supervisor
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Rhonda Gaffney's Guacamole
1 avocado
2 hard-boiled eggs
2 tsp. lemon juice
2 tsp. salad dressing
1 tsp. horse radish
1 tsp. green chili sauce
2 chopped green onions
Peel and mash avocado (very ripe ones work best). Mash eggs, add avocado and remaining ingredients. Service with corn chips.

Patrice Hornak's Cream Cheese Cookies
Cream well:
2-3 oz. pkgs. cream cheese
2 egg yolks
1 cup sugar
1 cup shortening
Add:
2 cups flour
½ tsp. salt
1 tsp. vanilla
Add maraschino cherry halves on top if desired. Bake at 350 deg. for 10-15 minutes.

Rhonda Gaffney's Hearty Clam Delight
2-3oz. pkgs. cream cheese
2 tsp. lemon juice
2 tsp. grated onion
1 tsp. Worcestershire sauce
7 or 7½ oz. can of minced clams
1 tsp. parsley
Combine softened cream cheese with lemon juice, onion and Worcestershire sauce and blend well. Add clams (drained) and parsley. Serve chilled with crackers or chips. Makes about 1½ cups.

Dick Miller's Christmas Cookies
3 cups flour
½ tsp. baking powder
½ tsp. salt
1 cup sugar
1 cup butter or margarine
1 egg, slightly beaten
1 tsp. vanilla
3 or more tbsp. cream
Cream butter or margarine, add sugar and mix well. Add egg, mix, and add vanilla. Mix flour, salt, baking powder and add to rest. Add cream to mixture. Cut with cookie cutters and bake at 375 deg. for 10 minutes.
Frosting: Combine 1 cup powdered sugar, 2 tsp. butter, ½ tsp. vanilla. Cream to moisten.



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Michigan Department of Natural Resources

LAKE TROUT SPEARING STATEWIDE BAN

The Natural Resources Commission, at its July 14, 1978, meeting, under the authority of Sections 1 and 2, Act 230, P.A. 1925, as last amended by Act 82, renewed the order of August 10, 1973, that no person shall take lake trout by means of a spear or bow and arrow from any waters over which this state has jurisdiction for a period of five years effective January 1, 1979.

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Notice 29
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Notice 29
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Card of Thanks 30
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 I would like to thank Dr. Grost and Perez and all the nurses and nurses aides at Clinton Memorial Hospital, members of St. Johns Lutheran Church for food brought in, Pastor Ruhl, all relatives, neighbors, and friends for prayers, cards, and flowers during my stay in the hospital. Jean Mayers

Personal 34
 Dear Johnny, "Welcome Home Jarheads--LIPP, POOD, & SKIN" is the sign held by the giggling girls as the 3 men deplaned from UAL 772 CCA (1 hr late OC) from San Diego on 13 Dec. You were right when you sd the "mil" would make a man outta him. FG to tell ya Joe R of Westlake O cut my hair 2 Dec. Even tho it was about 50 mi outta my way. They've got 3G & their youngest is a boy and R RC too. Love Vera 51-3-p-34

Legal notice—
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 Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made the 24th day of October 1975, by Juan D. Moore and Vaneta I. Moore, as mortgagors, to the United States of America, as mortgagee, and recorded on October 24, 1975, in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Clinton County, Michigan in Liber 282 of mortgages on pages 582-585; on which mortgage there is claimed to be due and unpaid at the date of this Notice Twenty Six Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Eight and 62/100 Dollars (\$26,998.62); principal and Three Thousand Fifty Six and 50/100 Dollars (3,056.50) interest; no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt, or any part of the debt, and the power of sale contained in said mortgage having become operative by reason of such default;
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 The bids will be publicly opened and read at the office of the City Clerk on January 4, 1979 at 3:00 p.m. and presented to the City Commission at their regular meeting held January 8, 1979 for acceptance or rejection.
 The City of St. Johns reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any defects in the bids or bidding in the best interest of the City of St. Johns and to accept the proposal, which in the opinion of the City Commission, best serves the interest and need of the City of St. Johns.
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The Back Page

Family of 11 remembers Christmas well

By Sue Kiley
Staff Writer

Westphalia
"We're just one big family, especially at Christmas time," says John A. Thelen of Westphalia, "that's for sure." When the Thelen family celebrates Christmas, they do it in a big way. Well, when you have 11 children, 74

grandchildren, and 34 great grandchildren, what other way is there? Christmas holds fond memories for the Thelen couple, especially when they still lived on the farm. The hardest part was getting the Christmas feast prepared, according to Mrs. Thelen. One of the activities which was common at the Thelen home around Christmas time was playing bingo.

"When they would bingo I'd give them a Christmas cookie," Mrs. Thelen said. "They'd learn their numbers and get a treat too." With such a large family, presents would spill into the room which were placed under the tree. There was a special closet under the stairwell where the presents would be hid until Christmas morning.

"Once in a while we would catch them snooping," Thelen said. "But only the presents under the tree." Practical jokes were all a part of Christmas too. Not only were the 11 children given presents, but the boyfriends and girlfriends of the older Thelen children. One year an expensive watch was exchanged for a 10 cent play watch

which caused some alarm on the part of the present giver. Another time a rotten tennis shoe replaced a pair of bowling shoes. "Every once in a while a mystery gift would pop up," Mrs. Thelen grinned. With so many children there was always enough people to go caroling and eat Mrs. Thelen's special Christmas cookies. The very first Christmas

tree the family had was taken from the top of an evergreen tree in front of the family farmhouse. The highlight of the Thelen Christmas was attending midnight mass at the Catholic church. There everyone would gather around the crib and sing "Silent Night" in German. This is one tradition that lives on in the village of Westphalia.



Wrapping the goodies

Wrapping gifts to be distributed to needy families in Clinton County, are members of the Clinton County Department of Social Services staff including (from left, clockwise) Lee Montgomery, Barbara Craig, Lorene Tait, Rita Thornton, Kay Patino, Arlene Lounds, Melinda Motz, Joyce Cushion, Diane Lapeer, Dora Cordova, Drenda Medina and Candy Saxton. It's still not too late to give to the needy. Call the Department of Social Services if you wish to donate. (Photo by Patrice Hornak)

Elsie gets doctor

Elsie
The Elsie Physician Awareness Group announces that Ranulfo Sanchez, M.D. will open a general family practice in the village of Elsie the first part of January, 1979.

Dr. Sanchez, 37, has been practicing medicine in New York City at St. John's Episcopal Hospital in excess of 10 years.

The doctor will be working closely with Clinton Memorial Hospital in St. Johns after his arrival in Elsie.

Many area residents had an opportunity to visit with Dr. Sanchez when he was in the area recently and are excited about having a new doctor as part of the community.

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