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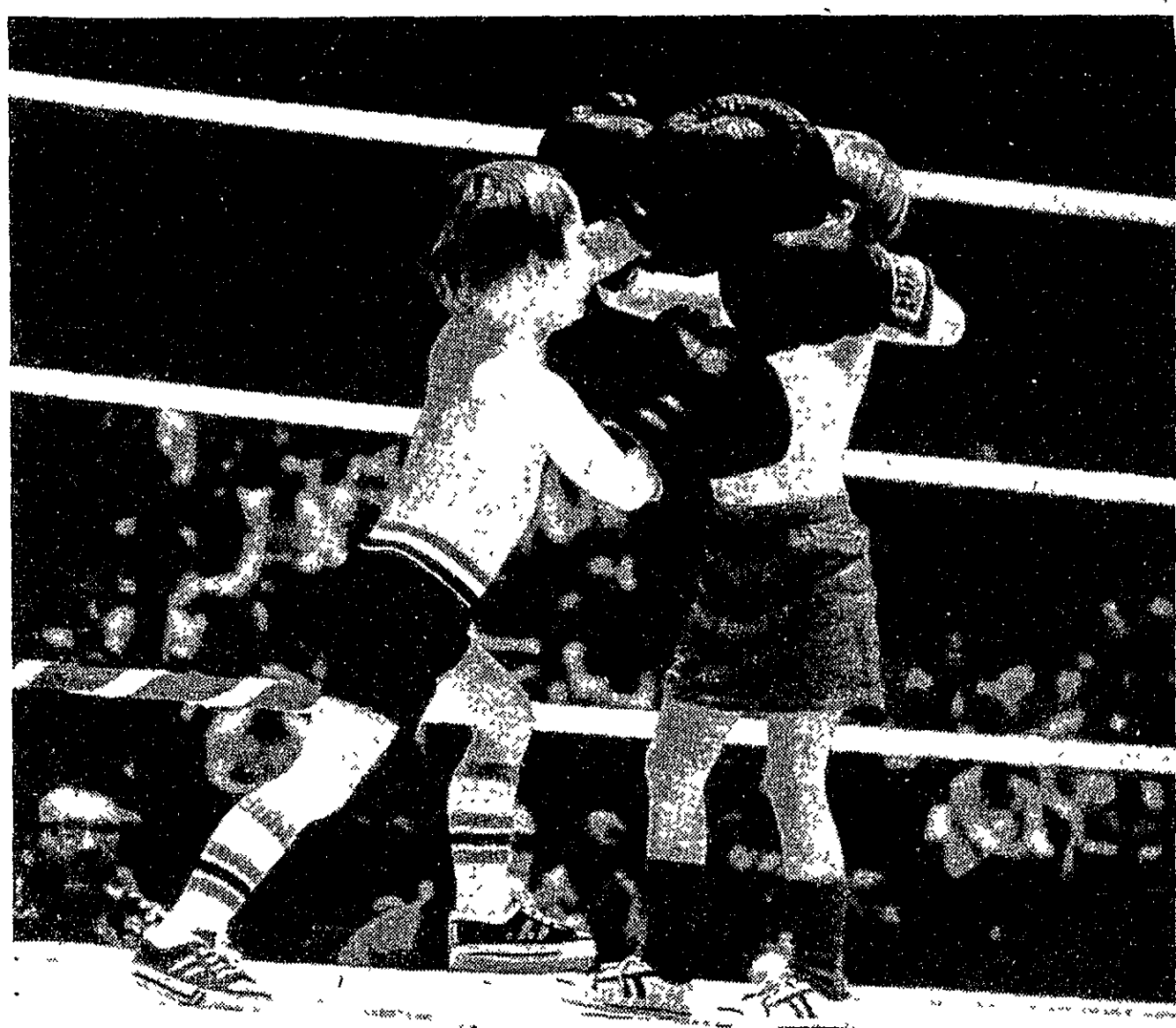
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Randy Andrews (left) and Mike Zell received some of the loudest applause of the evening for their performances in the 6th bout of the Clinton County Boys Club Boxing Show Saturday night at St. Johns High School. The mini-boxers presented one of the 12 bouts that included boxers from throughout the area. For results, see this week's Clinton County News Sports.

## Sewer project runs into snag in Watertown

By Jim Edwards and Sue Kiley

Residents of Watertown Township left little doubt about how they viewed joining in the construction of a regional sewer system in southern Clinton County.

They're against it. Cars and pick-up trucks lined both sides of Wacousta Road in front of the township offices Monday night and township residents packed the meeting hall to protest against participating in the regional sewer system now being considered in Bath Twp., DeWitt Twp., City of DeWitt and Watertown Twp.

One resident labeled participation in such a project as "too premature for our township."

Several others expressed doubt that Watertown Twp. residents were responsible for polluting the Looking Glass River.

Another resident at the meeting said, "If they cleaned up the sewer systems in DeWitt, DeWitt Twp. and even as far over as Bath, why would it be necessary for Watertown Twp. to hook up?"

"If we're not polluting," it was asked, "why must we pay?"

Herman Openlander, Watertown Twp. supervisor, said "The board is asking itself the same questions."

Openlander said the board wants all the information about the proposed sewer before they make a decision.

Throughout the public discussion, Openlander was asked if the board would cast a negative vote if it is obvious township residents are opposed to hooking into a regional sewer system.

Openlander was asked if the question would come up for a vote of the people before a decision was made one way or the other.

He said it was previously believed that it was not necessary for the board to hold an election before making a decision, but that has been challenged and a legal opinion is expected.

Openlander was asked by another resident, "Are you going to make us accept something we don't want or are we going to be able to keep our septic tanks?"

He answered, "If the sewer comes within 200 feet of your property, you must hook on."

"We might find ourselves," Openlander added, "in the position that Bath and DeWitt Twp. were in -- that we have to build a sewer."

Several at the meeting voice opposition to development they fear would follow construction of a sewer in their township.

One resident cited individual unit cost to join in the project, saying that Watertown's is the highest because no pipes are in the ground at the present time. He said if a developer wants to come in because of the sewer system, let the developer pay the cost.

His statement was one of many concluded with applause by the group jammed into the meeting room.

Costs listed for the project put Watertown's cost at \$2,400,000, DeWitt's \$620,000, DeWitt Twp.'s \$1,100,000 and Bath Twp.'s \$1,650,000.

Those present at the meeting repeatedly asked Openlander if the board would vote against the project if township residents expressed overwhelming opposition and many were irritated at what one resident described as Openlander "putting the issue off."

Openlander repeatedly answered those critics by saying the board would make no decision without further information.

Although the "nays" were obviously in the majority, it was asked if there were any present in favor of joining the sewer project.

Two rose and one said that he favored a sewer system because of the heavy clay soil in the area where he lives.

Another said construction in the Grand River corridor would help develop the area and establish more

revenue through a higher tax base. The township board has set another public meeting to discuss the project Jan. 20. The location will be announced at a later date.

While Watertown residents were opposing the project Monday night, the DeWitt Twp. Board was taking the opposite stand.

DeWitt Township officials unanimously approved a resolution Monday night agreeing with the concept of a regional sewer system. The board agreed, with the exception of the Willow Creek area. This is the only part of the township which may be eligible for federal grants to become part of the sewer system.

There was some confusion concerning the sample resolution presented to the board. What the township did in effect was to agree with the concept and nothing else. This is Step I in the project.

Step II is a grant offer. If the township accepts this they are then obligated to begin construction.

The township also moved to seek bids for an engineering firm for the Step II part of the sewer expansion plan. "The contract is signed with the firm only after Step II is approved by the Environmental Protection Agency," chairman of the sewer authority William Purves said.

"I'd like to look into the possibility of other firms handling the job," Trustee Jack Kzsecki. "I'd like to see a local firm take the job."

## Police arrest seven on arson charges

Co-operative efforts of the Clinton County Sheriff's department and the Michigan State Police Ionia Post solved one of the five arson fires that have been set in the Hubbardston area in the northwestern part of the county.

The fire was set Nov. 1 at 12:54 a.m. with the Hubbardston fire department responding to the call. An old abandoned farm house owned by Richard and Kay Frechen and Larry Kemp, of Traverse City was destroyed in the blaze.

Seven persons were taken to court Dec. 9 and charged with destruction of property and malicious destruction of property under \$100.

Those charged with the fire were: Sam Riley, 19; John D. Pfeffe, 22; Daryl D. Dalton, 20; all of Hubbardston, Kelly S. Carter, 20, Crystal; Patrick K. Van Heck, 20, Carson City; William F. Cunningham, 19 and

Dennis E. Barker, 18, both of Hubbardston.

Four other unsolved fires are still under investigation in the Hubbardston area. The fires were set between August and November.

At this time it is not believed by investigators that the seven involved in the fire were involved with the other four fires.

The other fires range from abandoned homes to bales of hay.

## Two Christmas concerts this week in St. Johns

ST. JOHNS -- Two Christmas concerts have been announced by the St. Johns Music Dept. with one scheduled for Thursday and the other Sunday afternoon.

Appearing at the 7:30 p.m. Thursday concert at Rodney B. Wilson Junior High will be the Junior High Orchestra, 7th and 8th grade choirs, guitar class and the 8th grade band. The high school will present its

Christmas program in Pocus Auditorium at 3 p.m. Sunday.

Several selections from Handel's Messiah will be performed by the high school orchestra and concert choir with guest soloists.

The symphonic band will conclude the concert with traditional Christmas selections.

There is no admission for either concert.

## Clinton County's Green Haven

# Changing problems to opportunities

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the first part of a two part series dealing with Green Haven, the Clinton County home for pre-delinquent and delinquent children. The first story discusses the philosophy of the home, the changes it has gone through, and some of the responsibilities of the staff. The second story will focus on life at Green Haven, the children, the houseparents and director. The second story will appear in the Dec. 22 issue of the Clinton County News.

By Sue Kiley Staff Writer

"The road is long, with many a winding turn." Neil Diamond creator of the song, "He Ain't Heavy, He's My Brother," depicted life well when he sang that song. The road of life is long, with many choices and decisions to be made along the way.

That's just what Green Haven, the children's home in Clinton County is all about. Through the help of counselors, caseworkers, judges, and houseparents children who have made poor choices and decisions in the past are now learning responsible behavior, enabling them to make the right choices and decisions once they have left the home.

"We try to teach them to become

responsible people," Green Haven director, Fredrick Gibbs said. "We teach them to make positive decisions, and prepare them to be adults."

The county home for children at its inception 40 years ago was for deprived and neglected children. It was located in the northeast section of St. Johns.

In the 1950's the old building was ruled inadequate and unsafe because of age and a new building was under construction in 1959. The new home on Swegles St. was completed in 1960 and occupied in 1961.

"The concept of the home changed in 1973," Timothy Green, probate judge said. "The facility went from a shelter home to a place for delinquent or pre-delinquent teenagers."

The reason the concept changed according to Green was in the early 1970's there were more foster homes able to take care of the deprived or neglected child. The emphasis then shifted toward the growing need for the child who was not in serious enough trouble to be placed in a correctional institution, but needed special attention and a group facility environment.

The philosophy of Green Haven according to the juvenile court in

Clinton County is to teach juveniles the law and its purpose, the consequences of violating the law, the responsibility each juvenile has to obey it, and to guide the child in making positive decisions.

The purpose of Green Haven is to provide a setting where juvenile offenders learn positive responsible behavior.

The budget of the county home is \$43,000. This, however, does not reflect the actual cost to the county in running the facility.

The net cost after state reimbursement and fees from other counties housing children in Clinton County is between \$12-14,000 per year. Fifty percent of this cost is for personnel and expenses. Some parents are also ordered by the court to pay, if they are able, for housing their children.

The decision to be placed in Green Haven comes from the judge of probate. It is up to Judge Green where a child should be placed, either in a foster home, a place similar to Green Haven, or a state institution, like the Boys or Girls Training School.

Green Haven is located in the city of St. Johns rather than in the country for two basic reasons. The first is to keep the children in a residential setting, not apart from

the community. The second reason is to let the children participate in regular school activities both academic and extra curricular.

"We want them to live in a home situation," Judge Green commented.



Fred Gibbs--Green Haven director

As in most families and homes a child has certain rights and privileges that are his. In Green Haven it is the same way, with a few modifications.

Privileges are granted on the

reward and merit system. Depending on the conduct of the child he/she is given certain privileges.

"It takes a minimum of three months to determine if the child is adjusting and has earned certain privileges," Gibbs said.

Usually a staff member takes the children to the activity. A boy and girl are both on the basketball teams at school and are allowed to attend practices and games.

"We try to make this as much of a home setting as possible," Judge Green said.

Every child is encouraged to attend the church of their choice, although they are not forced to attend any certain types of services. They are also allowed to keep in contact with their own parents. The child will eventually return to his parents after he has become a responsible person.

The average length of stay is six months at Green Haven, although some stay a year or longer.

Rate of success at Green Haven? Just how many children return or commit crimes after they leave the home and become 17 years old where they are tried as an adult instead of a child?

At the beginning of 1976, when the

new houseparents took over, there were five children in the home and so far there have been no repeaters. Presently there are seven children at Green Haven.

During a four-year span from 1970 to 1974 a study was done to determine if Green Haven was helping the children.

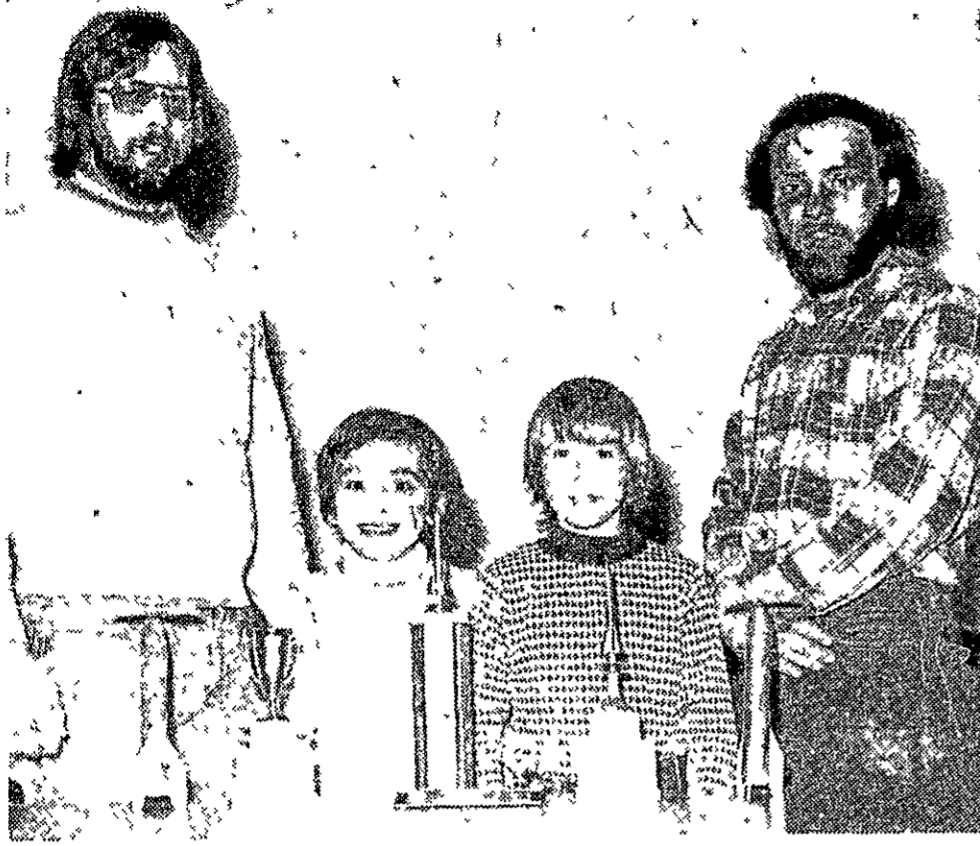
The judge sitting behind a mahogany desk in his office at the court house reached for facts and figures on the home and Juvenile Court without hesitation. "Out of the 313 children going through the juvenile court only 13 were in district or circuit court in Clinton County for crimes after they became 17 years old," he said.

He did point out this was not exactly a true picture of the situation. "This only shows Clinton County," he explained. "It does not indicate whether these people had committed crimes in other counties. That is almost impossible to find out."

Green Haven is not one big success story however. And the people involved with the home don't paint the picture that way either.

One child who lived at the home was transferred to a different coun-

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**Rocket race champs**

Taking rocket racing honors for the St. Johns Indian Guides in the Lansing Area YMVA Indian Guides rocket race Dec. 5 were Troy VanBelkum shown with his father Jim Van Belkum (left) and Scott LaBarr, shown with his father Mike LaBarr. This is the first time St. Johns Indian Guides won more than one place in the Lansing Area race. Scott took first place in the C Class and Grand Champion while his cousin, Troy took second in Class B. The homemade rockets are raced across a room on fish line and local racers competed against 83 others in three classes. Scott and Troy are members of the Apache Tribe in St. Johns.

**CNB & T approves dividend**

Over 1,017 stockholders will share in a year-end dividend approved last week by directors of Clinton National Bank & Trust Company of St. Johns. Stockholders of record as of Dec. 18, will receive 27 cents per share, payable Jan. 3 and the distri-

bution will raise the total dividends paid on 1976 earnings to 59 cents per share. That total includes a 5 cent special dividend paid November 1 of this year. According to President Brandon C. White, the Jan. 3 payment will be the

bank's 32nd consecutive dividend since 1961 when Clinton National was formed through merger of three banks in the St. Johns area. The November special dividend is not included in the consecutive total.

**Drivers have problem with slippery roads**

The Clinton County Sheriff's department reported a busy week from Dec. 5 to Dec. 12. Car-deer accidents have been reduced from an average of 12 per week to three, with the onset of colder weather.

The department handled 14 other types of accidents during the past week.

James E. Lipps, 310 N. Bridge St., DeWitt stated he fell asleep at the wheel of his car, Sunday, Dec. 6 at 3:45 a.m. and lost control of his auto. He went off Francis Rd. 1/2 mile south of Cutler Rd., drove into the ditch and struck a mailbox.

A car driven by Helena E. Trudeau, 1406 Larkwood Dr., DeWitt, was southbound on DeWitt Rd. and ran off the roadway. She struck a tree and then hit another on the right side of the auto before the car finally came to a halt Dec. 6 at 1:05 a.m. Trudeau was cited for failure to have control of the auto.

Victor J. Guernsey, Hubbardston, was northbound

on Shepardsville Rd. when he lost control of the vehicle and slid off the road striking a tree. The accident occurred on Dec. 6, at 6:30 p.m. He was cited for failing to maintain control.

Also on Dec. 6 at 4:05 p.m. cars driven by Debra A. Platte, and Brent E. Pohl, both of Portland collided on Grange Rd. five feet north of Pratt Rd. The Pohl auto slid into the Platte vehicle as she was attempting to make a right turn. Pohl stated he could not avoid hitting the Platte auto.

Cars driven by Willard D. Saxton, Grand Ledge, and Ruth L. Parker, 1032 Geneva Dr., DeWitt collided on Turner Rd. five feet east of State Rd. The Parker auto slid into the back of the Saxton auto. The Dec. 6 accident was blamed on icy roads.

A car driven by Theodore A. Rustad, 911 S. Chandler, Laingsburg, went out of control on Linton Rd. and struck a

tree. He was cited for failing to report a property damage accident. The incident occurred at 11:30 p.m. on Dec. 6.

On Tuesday, Dec. 7 at 10:08 a.m. Jane F. Mahler, 3232 Bardaville, Lansing, was attempting to stop when she lost control of the auto and ran off the roadway into a ditch striking a tree. The vehicle spun around and hit another tree with the left side of the door. The accident happened on US 27, north of Cutler Rd.

James A. Micka, 307 Carol Dr., Elsie, lost control of the vehicle he was driving on Dec. 8 at 11:15 p.m. The vehicle went off the roadway onto the shoulder of the road, where the vehicle started to slide and then hit a telephone pole and a mailbox.

On Dec. 8 at 10:30 p.m. a car driven by Dennis L. Washburn, 2200 Jason Rd., DeWitt, was traveling west on Alward Rd. and

lost control.

Cars driven by Paul C. Thelen, Taft Rd., Fowler, and Leon J. Feldpausch, 14545 Centerline, Pe-wamo collided at the intersection of Jason Rd. and Tallman Rd. on Thursday, Dec. 9 at 5:45 p.m.

Friday at 10 a.m. cars driven by Bernard F. Gaffney, Houghton, and Sally J. Weaver, Monroe, collided at the intersection of US 27, 10 feet south of Locher Rd. Gaffney was cited for failure to yield.

Richard W. Hennis, Muliken, lost control of the auto he was driving and struck a stump when the car went off of State Rd. The incident occurred at 10:30 p.m., Dec. 11.

Edward L. Saint Johns, 200 W. Gibbs St., St. Johns was leaving Sleepy Hollow State Park, and slid into the gate of the exit drive of the park, on Sunday, Dec. 12 at 9:42 p.m. Saint Johns and a passenger, William L. Saurbek, 809 N. Clinton, St. Johns, were taken to Owosso Memorial Hospital for treatment of injuries. Saint Johns was cited for reckless driving.

Breaking and entering and larcenies also kept the department active during the past week. Rodney Love, reported the breaking and entering of his residence at 1250 S. Hollister Rd. in Ovid. A number of household items were taken. Marvin Whitford, Welling Rd. reported the larceny of several traps. Edgar L. Hahn, Jr. Lansing and Norman Wonch, Grand River, both reported several cases of soft drinks stolen on Dec. 8, from their separate residences. Susan A. Hatcher, reported her purse was taken while she was at John's Catering on State Rd. Clarence Klein, Felton St., Lansing, reported the larceny of several cases of soft drinks taken from his truck. Grace Chapman, 13060 Wacousta Rd. reported the larceny of tool boxes and their contents. Jim Fleck, State Rd., Grand Ledge, reported a larceny from his auto. Cecil VanCamp reported a breaking and entering at his home of 8846 S. Williams Rd. A purse was taken.

**Wilcox is a wanted man**

MT. PLEASANT -- If the state police were to issue an "all points bulletin" for him, it would probably read like this:

"Calling all households in the Central Michigan area: Be on the lookout for sketches by N.W. Wilcox in your attic. The artist is notorious for his drawings of mid-Michigan towns in the 1880's. Sketches from Elsie and Shepherd have already been accounted for but countless others, including a 'known' lithaca accomplice are still at large."

The state police aren't looking for Wilcox books, but Central Michigan University's Clarke Historical Library is.

According to John Cumming, director of the Clarke Historical Library, Wilcox is a "mystery man." It's a detective game -- putting pieces of information together for a complete picture," says Cumming.

The library has obtained lithographs of the towns of Elsie and Shepherd done by Wilcox. The books consist of main street scenes, major industries and residences in the town at the time of the sketching. This type of book was popular during the late 1880's.

Artists like Wilcox would come into a town and ask

the businessmen and residents if they would like a pictorial description of their town. If enough of the townspeople consented, the artist would draw the various buildings and lithograph them to sell.

Lithography is an early form of printing, based on the principle that water and oil don't mix. Artists draw on a smooth stone with a grease pen and make copies by putting water and ink on the stone and then applying paper. The result is a picture that looks very much like the original sketch.

Aside from the historical picture the lithographs provide, Cumming said the books are significant because they are helpful for persons who restore old houses.

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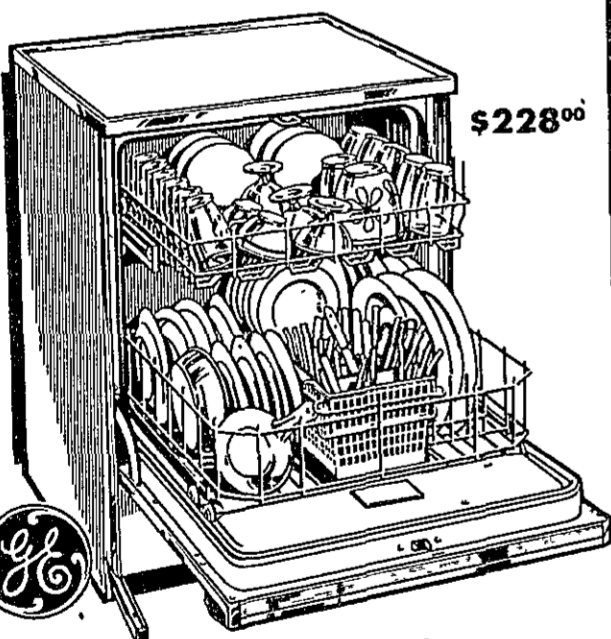
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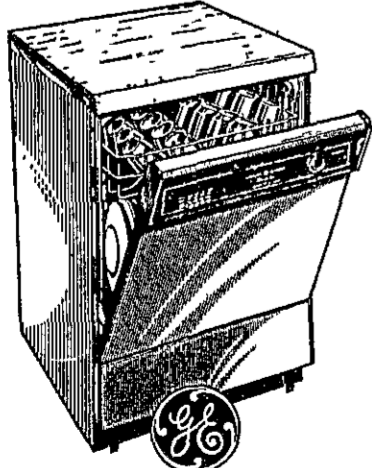
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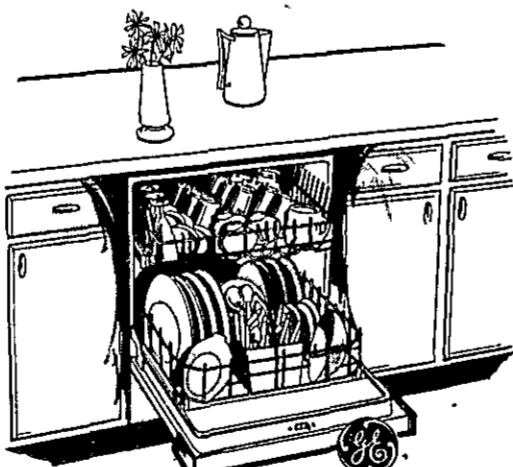
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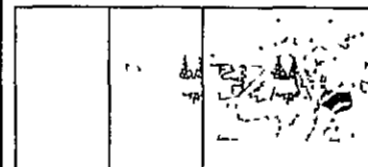
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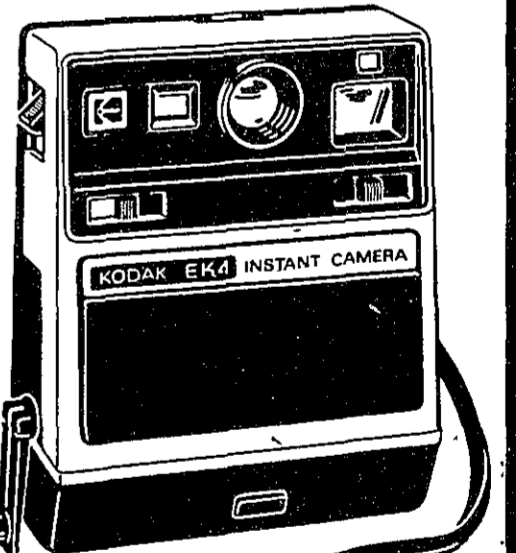
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Fowler High School held initiation for new members into the National Honor Society Thursday with 16 juniors being added to the eight seniors already in the Society. Those inducted into the National Honor Society were: [back row 1 to r] Lucy Klein, Neil Thelen, Lori Benjamin, Tony Schafer, Darryl Schmitz, and Louis Pohl. Second row [1 to r] include: Judy Thelen, Sandy Schafer, Sharon Simon, Charlie Klein, Luann Schomisch, Cheryl Thelen, Lynette Thelen, Lucy Arens, Linda Thelen, and Lois Koenigsnecht. Senior members sitting include: Janet Simmon, Jane Fedewa, Sue Fink, Therese Thelen, Cindy Schrauben, Rose Koenigsnecht, Pam Schafer, and Jim Pohl.

## Elsie news

The West Elsie Extension Club met at the Bonanza Restaurant for their Christmas Party, Wednesday noon, Dec. 8 in Owosso. After the dinner, a short business meeting was held with president Mrs. Mildred Whitaker presiding. They pledged allegiance to the flag and heard Mrs. Catherine Green give the minutes of the last meeting and the treasurer's report.

Roll call was taken with each member showing a gift they could make for 50 cents or under. A secret pal gift was exchanged and new names drawn for the coming year. After a pleasant social hour, the club adjourned to meet Jan. 26 at 1 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Esther Tabor.

Mrs. Juanita Carroll of 7752 Island Rd., Elsie entered Owosso Memorial Hospital as a medical patient on Sunday and Mary Slagh underwent minor surgery last week, also in Owosso.

Clark Bashore is spending the holiday season with his sister, Mrs. Al Miller while his brother-in-law is in Sparrow Hospital for surgery. Charles Miller of Missoula, Montana has

been spending a week here with his parents.

Mrs. Anne Praay received word of the death of her older brother, Dr. Wallace Johnson of Newark, Delaware Thursday Dec. 2. He died of a sudden heart attack while making a call on a patient. Funeral services were held in Newark Monday.

Sunday, December 19th promises to be a very busy and enjoyable day at the Elsie United Methodist Church. The morning will begin with a Family Breakfast in Fellowship Hall at 7:30 a.m. when Rev. Kurlley will show Christmas slides.

During the morning service in the church will be a Christmas Choral Celebration when "Glorious Alleluia", text by James E. Townsend, music by Robert J. Hughes, will be presented, according to the Rev. David L. Miles.

The narrators will be R. C. King, Mrs. Richard Conklin, Howard Peltier, Lisa Baese, Mrs. Beatrice Kelley, Mrs. Duane Green, Cindy Hehrer and Mrs. Orville Ade. Dr. G. W. Bennett is director with Mrs. Zella Brewbaker as accompanist.

In the evening at 7:30.

the Church School program will be presented.

A Birthday Card Shower for Mrs. Hazel Blayney is being sponsored by the United Methodist Women. Mrs. Blayney will be 86 years old December 22. Cards may be addressed to: Pleasant View Medical Care Facility, 729 S. Norton, Corunna, Mich. 48817.

The Rev. and Mrs. Walter S. Easton of Reed City, former pastor of the Elsie and Duplain United Methodist Churches, will celebrate 50 years of marriage Dec. 25. Friends are invited to join them in celebration at an open house, Dec. 26, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Chase-Barton United Methodist Church in Chase. They request no gifts.

At 3:30 p.m., the couple will renew their wedding vows with their eldest son, the Rev. Alva A. Easton of Atoka, Okla., officiating.

### Democrats elect Brockmyre

Clinton County Democrats elected Elaine Brockmyre chairman at the fall convention held at Somewhere in St. Johns. Max Calder was elected vice-chairman, Nancy Ziegler secretary and Richard Divine treasurer.

Thirty-nine persons were elected to the Executive Board.

### Republicans set convention

ST. JOHNS -- Clinton County Republicans will hold their convention Jan. 19 at 8 p.m. in the Circuit Court Room. They will elect delegates to the Republican State Convention in Detroit Feb. 18-19.

Other children are Captain Ervin R. Easton of the U.S. Navy; James W. Easton, a geophysicist with Teledyne Exploration; and Donna F. Meniga (Mrs. Jim), a registered nurse who is an instructor at Bronson School of Nursing in Kalamazoo.

This year also marks the Eastons' 50th year in the ministry. He served Reed City Methodist Church for 10 years. Other United Methodist Churches served were Scottville Parish, Alden-Kewadin, Paris, Gladwin, Ewart, Homer, Bridgman, Marion-Avondale, Chase-Barton and Elsie.

## Police investigate break-in in St. Johns

The St. Johns police department reported a rather quiet week of Dec. 6 to Dec. 12.

George Highler, 503 Vauconsant, reported a possible breaking and entering occurred at his residence. The investigating officer apprehended a 15-year-old juvenile. The youth was petitioned into probate court. The incident occurred on Dec. 6 at 8 p.m.

Highler also reported to police that, prior to the breaking and entering, a chain saw and hunting knife were taken from his home. Information police

have point to the same youth involved with the breaking and entering. Kurt Knight, 504 S. Clinton Ave. reported vandalism estimated at \$200 worth of damage was done

to his 1969 Chevrolet on Dec. 10. The St. Johns department also handled one driving while under the influence of liquor, two open intoxicants and one

reckless driving and fleeing and eluding.

The department investigated 11 property damage accidents.

## Obscene phone calls land youth in court

A 15-year-old juvenile was apprehended by the Clinton County sheriff's department for making obscene phone calls in the St.

Johns area. The calls were made between November and December.

According to Detective Richard May, General Tele-

phone officials aided the department by tracing the phone calls.

The youth was petitioned into Probate Court.

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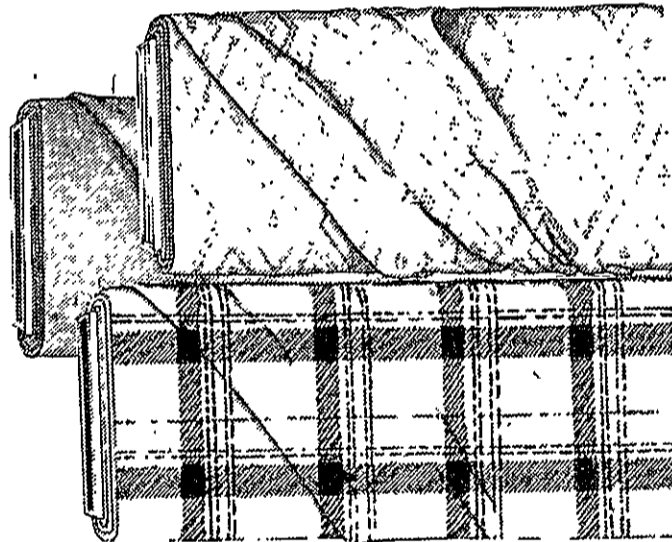
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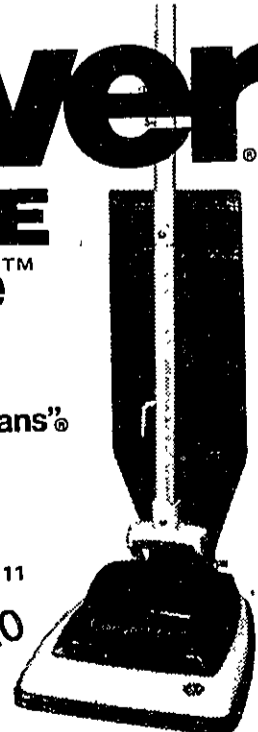
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## Back Through the Years



From the Clinton County News Files of 1936, 1946, 1956, & 1966

## Personality Profile



### This week: Bill Brooke

BY SUE KILEY  
 STAFF WRITER

The bumper sticker reads: "Farming is everybody's bread and butter." The farming industry and the status of being a farmer has changed in recent years and in continuing to change. The farmer a few years back was wrongly stereotyped as the "country hick." This image, however, is fast disappearing.

Most farmers now have more education than blue collar workers, and many just as much as teachers, journalists, and state employees.

One man who has seen many changes during his 23 years on the farm is Bill Brooke. Farming is more or less a tradition in the Brooke family.

Bill's grandfather bought the family farm in Bath in 1913. Later Bill's father took over the operations until he retired in 1968. Now Bill and his son Douglas (the oldest son of six children) run the farm in a partnership.

For six years after the elder Brooke's retirement, Bill, his wife Emily and the kids ran the place known as their "Upton Road Farm". Farming was in Bill Brooke's blood, although while he attended Michigan State University he thought he might like to go into another line of work.

He was an extension agent in Kalamazoo for a year and a half. "My dad told me that anytime I wanted to come back to the farm I could," Brooke said. "I came back because I enjoyed the work. I liked working with people but I also like working by myself," he added.

The Brooke partnership just bought 330 acres on Parks Rd., in Ovid. This gives the family two dairy farms to work with. Brooke plans to expand and build on the existing properties on the Ovid farm.

Bill said that a lot of capital is required to start an adequate size business in farming to be able to make a living. With that much capital involved it makes it almost impossible for a young person to go into business for himself. "A young person going into the business needs some kind of help," Brooke said.

A lot of young people are born on the farm and that is where they decide they would like to stay. This is what happened to Bill. Some young people starting out, however, work for another farmer, and then take the business over when he retires.

Two items in particular work against the farmer: the weather and the government.

"You have to grin and bear the weather. There's not much you can do about that," he said. "We can't really control the government, but we do have some say in what happens."

He continued, "A lot of government controls imposed on farmers make it hard. Some government officials just don't care about the farmer," he declared.

Bill went on to explain that farmers make up only five percent of the population, yet they feed the entire country. In Michigan, agriculture is rated number two in the state next to automobiles.

Bill believes in being involved with the dairy industry not only in the capacity of a farmer, but also as a regulator.

He has been on the board of directors of McDonald Dairy for 10 years.

He is secretary of the board and is on the executive committee. In this job he acts as part of the board in making decisions that regulate the company. Bill is also on several other boards and serves on other governing bodies.

"This provides a guaranteed market for our milk and is also a processing dairy," Bill said about McDonald. The processing part of the dairy takes the milk and turns it into milk products such as ice cream cottage cheese, cheese, and yogurt. Any profit the business makes is returned to the members.

"Last year the market was very tight," he said. "The milk business is very competitive in Michigan."

Another thing that has hurt the milk business is the adverse publicity and scare that was given the people concerning PBB and PCB, harmful substances in milk.

"It is unfortunate the way some of the press has handled the situation," he said. "They have blown it out of proportion and distorted the truth," he affirmed in his quiet, yet firm voice.

He added it has affected milk sales about 10 percent.

Bill explained more controls are being used with milk products. A routine inspection is held three times a year; a milk sample is taken from the tank every time it is taken from the farm, with test being made for quality.

"We have to have faith in the Health Department and the Department of Agriculture. They are doing a good job," he said.

Farming is a family affair the veteran farmer stated. "My wife took a very active part in the farm," he said. "She did all the canning for the family's food supply, raised the kids, and was secretary and bookkeeper for the farm," Bill said with admiration.

In addition to 26-year-old Doug, the other Brooke children are: Roger, 24; Brian, 21; Natalie, 18; Lisa, 15; and Gary, 13.

Brian, a student at MSU says "No, for the time being"; Roger is definitely interested in farming and is working on his doctorate in dairy engineering; and Gary, at his age, is not really sure what he wants to do.

According to Brooke the general public is beginning to realize just what a farmer means to society and the part they play in their every day lives. They are beginning to depend more and more on the farmer for their food supply. "Farmers are definitely becoming more important," he said.

Brooke termed a farmer as being a businessman, laborer, manager, investor, comptroller and purchaser.

A farm is run like a business, and the Brookes have a family conference every week. "We go over schedules, talk about investments, jobs we are planning on doing and organizing the business," he said.

During his 23 years as an active farmer, Brooke has noticed many changes. One such change was the two row corn planter going through various stages to the 24 row planter. "Farmers must constantly be up on the new techniques of farming and keep up on modern technology," he commented.

Many farmers now have degrees in dairy science, with some even having masters and doctorate degrees.

The whole Brooke family takes an active part in the United Methodist Church. Since the family has moved to Ovid they are beginning to become involved with the Shepardsville United Methodist Church.

Besides church activities the family is involved in 4-H. Bill and Emily have been leaders and all the children have participated in many 4-H programs.

The Brooke Dairy Farm has 85 milk cows and 105 young cattle.

Long negotiations over the exchange, trade or sale of land to complete the new high school site ended last Wednesday evening when the school board accepted the city's sale price of \$1,200 an acre for the 65-acre tract.

The city commission reviewed the city audit last Tuesday evening and for a change didn't see red. For fiscal 1965-66 the city wound up "in the black" in its finances, but not by too much. City Manager Ken Greer said the audit showed revenues of \$542,581 and expenditures of \$542,181—a margin of just \$400. What was especially encouraging, however, was the healthy balance in the general fund at the end of the fiscal year. The balance was \$77,478.07 compared to a minus \$11,814.89 the year before.

Dec. 13, 1956  
 20 years ago

Dr. Carl V. Weller, 69, St. Johns' native and recently retired professor of pathology at the University of Michigan died Monday at the University Hospital in Ann Arbor. He was highly regarded in the medical field for his studies on cancer and had retired after 45 years on the U-M faculty this fall.

For the 50th consecutive year, Roy Whitman of Bannister has successfully bagged a deer. He got his buck this year in Dickson county near Iron Mountain in the Upper Peninsula.

Three parked cars were damaged by vandals in Clinton county Tuesday night in the second wave of malicious damage reported here within a week. Car windows were smashed apparently with beer bottles, east of Maple Rapids, north of Ovid and in Elsie in Tuesday's outbreak. Three teenagers confessed to tire slashings and window smashings in St. Johns last week.

Dec. 19, 1946  
 30 years ago

The girls kidnapped by four fugitives fleeing from Ionia Reformatory Friday evening were not St. Johns girls as erroneously reported in a metropolitan daily, but two Ionia 19-year-olds. The quartet of escapees made a break from the prison early Friday evening and were captured that same night when they crashed through a road blockade in Owosso. They forced the girls into their own car and took them on a 45-mile wild chase in an effort to elude pursuing state police.

Clinton county building supply dealers and realtors see a boom in new home construction here as the result of President Truman's order lifting curbs on new housing. The President's order junked the veterans' priority system, removed the \$10,000 sales price ceiling and liberalized the \$80-a-month rental ceiling.

Dec. 17, 1936  
 40 years ago

Mrs. Jennie Bare, pioneer Bengal resident and one of the most widely known farm women in this

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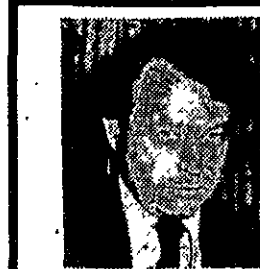
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A PERSONAL LOOK AT THE NEWS

## Between the lines

with Jim Edwards

Gather round, folks, tell ya what we're gonna do.

It's time to have a contest and what better time than now to have an "Ugly Tie Contest?"

Ugly ties aren't an accident, you know.

Some dude has to design ugly ties. Normally, he designs rather attractive ties.

But, now and then, he gets his revenge.

He's on his way to work and some turkey cuts in his lane with no signal. Does he blow his horn, and yell at the guy?

Naw. He goes to work, designs an ugly tie and grins and snickers knowing that some poor slob is going to open a package Christmas morning and see his wretched creation.

He knows that, throughout the country, mothers-in-law are tearing counters apart trying to find a green, blue and yellow tie with furry horses running across it.

Thousands of wives are paying back husbands who bought them vacuum cleaners for their anniversary instead of a diamond necklace by buying ties with winking eyes and meadows full of daisies.

So, here we are fellas, stuck with a bunch of ugly ties.

What do you do with an ugly tie? Get rid of it.

How do you get rid of it?

As I said before, gather round folks, we're gonna have an ugly tie contest.

Send your ugly tie or ties to Jim

Moore, Ugly Tie Contest judge, 105 S. Swegles, St. Johns, 48879, a St. Johns attorney knows more about ugly ties than anybody in the county and has volunteered his services.

Judging will be New Year's Day and the decision of the judge is final.

Of course, I'll be on the committee in an advisory capacity and others who want to volunteer will be welcome to serve on the committee. It is not necessary to actually own the ugly tie or ties.

If you know of an ugly tie being worn, please notify the committee and we'll send Moore to the subject in question to remove it from his person and enter it in the contest.

There will be two divisions in the contest, -- regular type tie and bow tie.

Winner of the bow tie division will receive all the ties entered. Unlike the winner of the regular type tie contest, he will not have his picture published in this column because we know that most persons would not want it publicized that they are silly enough to wear a bow tie.

As previously mentioned, winners in both categories will receive all the ties entered in their division.

All ties entered in the contest may not be submitted in next year's contest because there are enough ugly ties hanging around to have new entries every year.

Ties with naked ladies or ties that squirt water will be automatically rejected from the contest. Even bad taste has its limits.

## almanack

### Politics produce pretty prose

By Richard L. Milliman



Politics may indeed make strange bedfellows, as the saying goes. But politics also produces some colorful and interesting language.

Books and anthologies are filled with political brightsayings, but current periodicals often can add some wit or wonder.

For example, last summer's convention of the American Independent Party in Chicago, which nominated Lester Maddox for president, thwarted attempts by another wing within the AIP, headed by an eastern publisher named Richard Viguerie, which wanted a more moderate approach.

William Shearer, AIP chairman, was happy about his party's actions.

"Those Republicans think they're too good to commune with the average people who are the base of Wallace and Maddox," Mr. Shearer said of Mr. Viguerie's efforts. "They want a supereducated, highly affluent, country-club party. But you lay them end to end and they can't beat an asthmatic turtle across a tennis court."

Mr. Shearer had some more direct comment on Mr. Viguerie, too:

"As for Mr. Viguerie's money, well he never gave us any. So it's just like my eating caviar. I haven't tasted it so I don't miss it."

William Safire, staunch Republican and a columnist for the New York Times syndicate, produced a post-election view of the imminent Jimmy Carter assumption of office which included this delightful phraseology:

"Accountability has arrived. No longer will flowering fields of congressional alibis be watered by executive branchwater. The Democrats are in charge, and since the buck can no longer be passed, perhaps the dollar will be treated with more respect...."

"The backup quarterback is good. For all his liberality, Walter Mondale is a man of character, intelligence and good humor. To many, Carter-Mondale was the classic 'kangaroo ticket' -- stronger in the hind legs than in the front...."

## public interest

### Identifying the boys in the backroom

by John W. Gardner

Behind the scenes, secretly, in the dark, a great variety of powerful interests are bringing heavy pressure on our elected and appointed officials. The citizen has a right to know who they are, what they are doing and how much money they are spending.

There's nothing illegal or wrong about their lobbying pressure as such. You or I or any group of us have a Constitutionally-protected right to try to influence our public officials. That's lobbying. But when powerful groups insist on lobbying in secret, you begin to wonder what they're up to. If they haven't anything to hide let them come out in the sunlight!

For thirty years we have had a federal lobbying disclosure law that is a sham and a hoax. The Congress of the United States should be ashamed to have such fraudulent legislation on the books. It is more loophole than law. It's so weak that it doesn't accomplish anything except to deceive the American people.

The Senate Government Operations Committee recently estimated that under the present law only one-tenth of one percent of the total amount being spent on lobbying is reported! Most of the powerful lobbies just laugh at it.

We must demand not only that lobbyists operate openly, but that they do not use money in ways that corrupt the political process. One member of Congress recently said "How many of us aren't guilty in some way of accepting favors from special interest groups?" His candid answer, "Damn few."

In the session of Congress just completed, the Senate passed a new lobby disclosure bill 82-9. The House of Representatives passed a

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similarly good bill 307-34. But the legislation got caught in the logjam at the end of the Congressional session and was not enacted before adjournment.

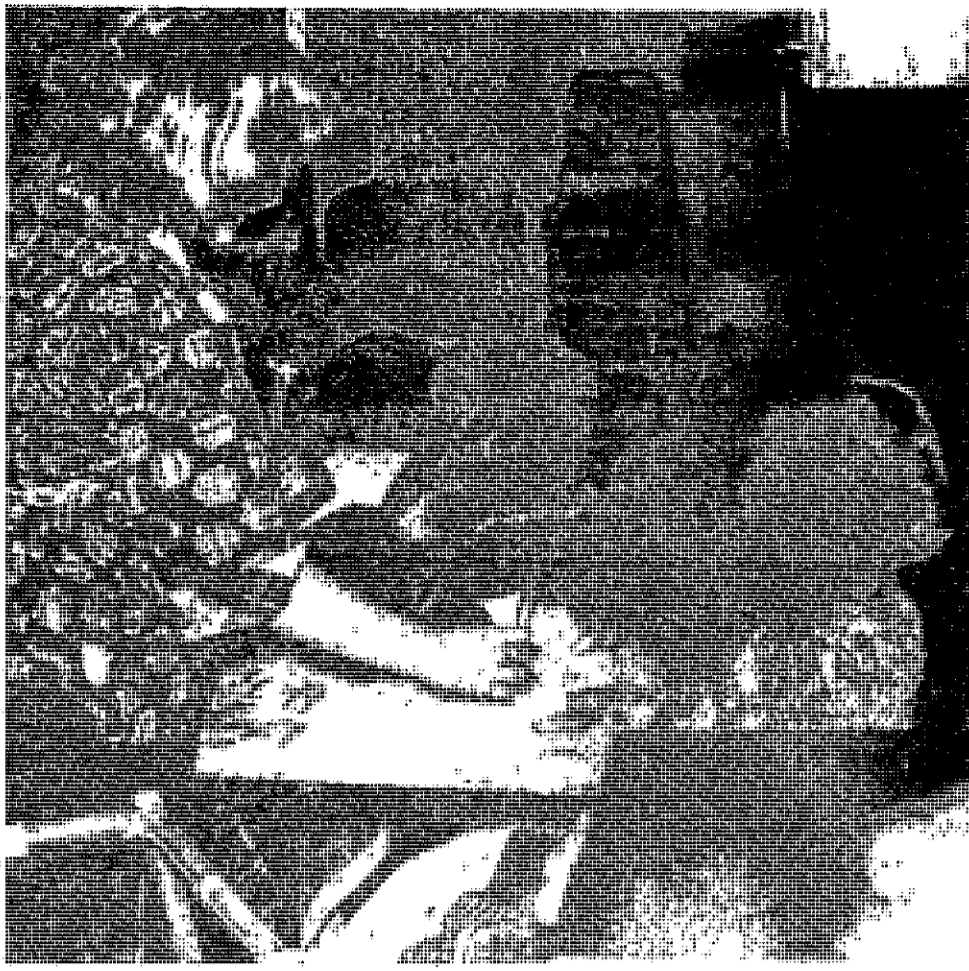
One might ask why so well-supported a bill got lost in the rush to adjourn. The answer is that the bill was stalled by intensive pressure from the powerful behind-the-scenes operators in Washington. In the back room, high-priced lobbyists worked overtime to prevent final action. It became a crusade for some of the most powerful lobbyists in the country.

The cold-blooded and relentless opposition of these groups is evident when you reflect on the fact that the new lobbying legislation was introduced in January, 1975—almost two years ago. The ancient Romans said "Amphora sub veste numquam portatur honeste," which means "No one carries a jug under his coat for an honest reason." Why did powerful pressure groups oppose the legislation so furiously?

One wonders. The legislation does not attempt to diminish lobbying nor to prevent it. It just says that lobbying should be done out in the open where the citizen can know what's going on.

We'll never get rid of all the rascals. Politics will never be 100% pure. But we can make it immensely harder for the rascals to get away with it.

One fundamental step American citizens can take is to insist that Congress pass a lobby disclosure law.



Children at the Swegles School visited patients at Rivards Nursing Home on Higham St. and presented them with gifts and cards they had made to help them celebrate the Christmas season. The 25 children sang Christmas songs with some of the patients even joining in on the singing.

## School menus

| ST. JOHNS  | FULTON   |
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| <p>Wednesday, December 15<br/>Baked Chicken<br/>Mashed Potatoes &amp; Gravy<br/>Noodles<br/>Cranberry Sauce<br/>Roll and Margarine<br/>1/2 pt. Milk<br/>Fruit Bar</p> <p>Thursday, December 16<br/>Tacos<br/>Macaroni Salad<br/>Corn<br/>1/2 pt. Milk<br/>Marble Cake</p> <p>Friday, December 17<br/>Pasties<br/>Baked Beans<br/>Sweet Potatoes<br/>Peach Half<br/>1/2 pt. Milk<br/>Cookie</p> | <p>Monday, December 20<br/>Sloppy Joes on buns<br/>Hot Vegetables<br/>Salad<br/>Cookies<br/>Fruit<br/>Milk</p> <p>Tuesday, December 21<br/>Chicken Dressing<br/>Whipped Potatoes<br/>Gravy<br/>Hot Vegetables<br/>Molded Salad<br/>Cranberries<br/>Desert<br/>Bread and Butter<br/>Milk</p> <p>Wednesday, December 22<br/>Beef and Noodles<br/>Hot Vegetable<br/>Salad<br/>Fruit<br/>Bread and Butter<br/>Milk</p> |



Rev. Hugh Bannings [right], 1976 Clinton County chairman for the annual Christmas Seal campaign views the 1976 poster with St. Johns merchant, Fraser MacKinnon. Money raised from Christmas Seals goes to fight emphysema, chronic bronchitis and asthma as well as air pollution and smoking.

## Ovid Junior High lists honor students

7th Grade:  
All A's - Dawn Pray.  
Pat Bisson, Scott Buck,

Kim Case, Ron Cox, Chris Dennison and Darlene Gilson.  
Scott Hudecek, Jodi

Jones, Lori Len, Bryan McAllister, Kim Nethaway and Penny Olds.  
Karen Reed, Mark Stehlik, Beth Stinson, Gabrielle St. Pierre, Greg Terpstra and Diane VanGieson.  
Jill Wakefield and Kim Worden.

8th Grade:  
All A's - Angie Elder, Brenda Hughes and Angie Unterbrink.

Heidi Barclay, Sandy Billsbrough, Brian Clock, Paula Garcia, Cherie Hrymecki and Allen Martin.  
Robert McCue, Mark Miller, David Rood, Rhyme See, Vickie Sehlke, Becky Slocum and Kenda Winkler.

### Extension calendar

Jan. 3 4-H Telward forms due in the County Extension Office.  
Jan. 6 Marketing Workshop - Ionia County.  
Jan. 6 Personal Appearance Leader and Teen Training.  
Jan. 8 4-H Glass Project - Fairgrounds - 9 a.m.  
Jan. 10 Personal Appearance Leader and Teen Training.  
Jan. 10 4-H Horse Leaders meeting - 7:30 p.m. - Central National Bank - Community Room.  
Jan. 11 4-H Clown Project, 7:30 p.m. - Smith Hall.  
Jan. 12 Family Living Program "Revamp and Remodel your Wardrobe" - Smith Hall - Public invited.  
Jan. 13 Marketing Workshop - Ionia County.  
Jan. 13 Personal Appearance Leader and Teen Training.  
Jan. 17 Personal Appearance Leader and Teen Training.  
Jan. 17 4-H Council Meeting - Mark Walsh's Home - 8 p.m.  
Jan. 18 4-H Clown Project - 7:30 p.m. - Smith Hall.  
Jan. 20 Marketing Workshop - Ionia County.  
Jan. 25 4-H Clown Project - 7:30 p.m. - Smith Hall.  
Jan. 29-31 4-H Snow Camp at Traverse City.

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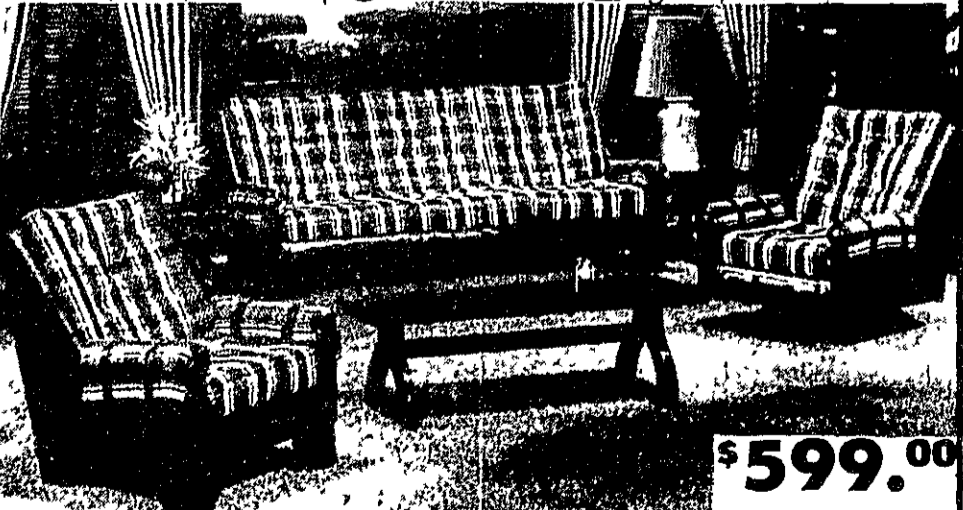
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DEC. 19 -- A Christmas cantata, "Love, Joy and Peace" will be given at Lowe United Methodist Church at 7 p.m. by the Lowe Choir, directed by Mrs. Alan Anderson, accompanied by Alan Davis.

DEC. 18 -- A benefit dance for the needy children in Clinton County is being sponsored by the Community Services Advisory Council at Smith Hall from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. for \$10 per couple. BYOB. This is the first

annual dance for the group. The band RJB will play. The money raised will go toward baskets made by Community Services and given to needy families at Christmas time. For more information or tickets, call 224-4606 or 224-6702.

and a non-perishable food item for the Christmas food basket, guest of honor will be Eighth District President Marjorie Abbott.

DEC. 21 -- American

Legion Auxiliary Unit 153 of St. Johns will meet at Jeanne's Beans for Christmas party at 6 p.m. Order from menu and \$1 gift exchange. District President Marjorie Abbott will be the honored guest.

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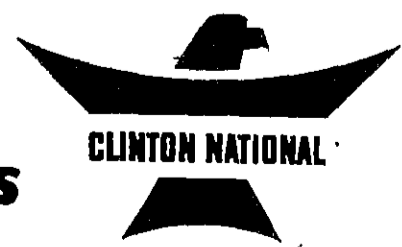
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# Kathleen Fero weds Curtis Pettigrew



Kathleen Mary Fero and Curtis Dean Pettigrew exchanged wedding vows Oct. 15 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church before an altar decorated with white mums accented by blue straw flowers and light blue ribbons.

Father William Hankerd officiated at the double ring ceremony. The bride was escorted down the aisle by her father.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dale Fero, 605 N. Ottawa, and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Pettigrew, 1493 Hyde Rd. all of St. Johns.

Soloist for the ceremony was Bill Role, who also

played the guitar and Jackie Schneider was the organist.

The bride chose a full length Victorian style gown of nylon organza over taffeta with a V shaped sheer yoke neckline with stand up collar. The gown features sheer Bishop sleeves with leaf lace, and an empire waistline. Lace trimmed the front and bottom of the dress.

She wore a crown style headpiece with a double blusher. The floor length veil was trimmed with matching leaf lace. She carried a bouquet of off white straw flowers accented with light and dark blue flowers attached to a long white ribbon.

Maid of honor for her sister was Darlene Fero. Bridesmaids were Linda Henning and Pam Spicer, both friends of the bride. All the attendants are from St. Johns. Flower girl was Joelle Stelick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stelick, of Ovid.

The attendants wore light blue halter style dresses with dark blue velvet jackets. The jackets were trimmed around the neck, front and sleeves with light blue maribou feathers. Bridesmaids carried a bouquet of various shades of blue straw flowers accented by off-white baby's breath attached by a long white ribbon.

Best man was the groom's twin brother, Bob Pettigrew. Groomsmen were Pete Kurnez, St. Johns, and Dennis Taylor, Ovid. Ring bearer was Jimmy Taylor, Bannister.

Ushers were Dick Fero and John Bodo.

The bride's mother wore a short sleeve, floor length pink dress with a white lace long sleeve jacket. The groom's mother wore a floor length beige dress

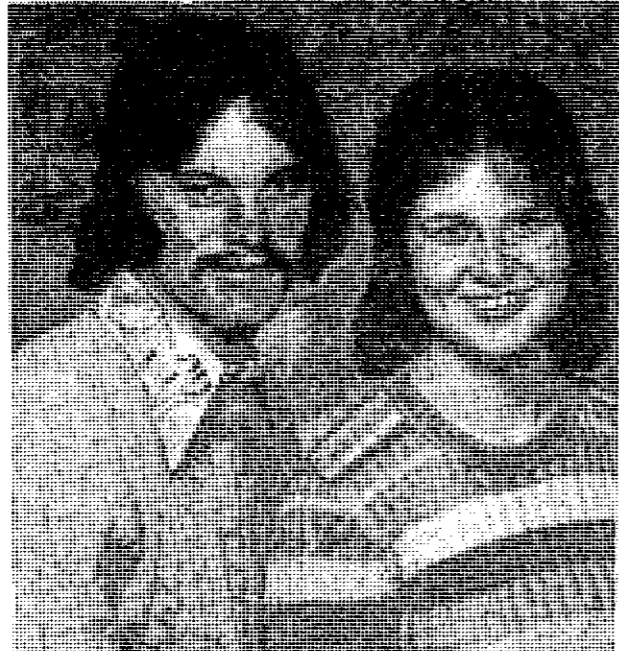
with a ruffled V-neck. They both wore corsages of pastel colored straw flowers with yellow ribbons.

A reception for 350 people was held following the wedding at the VFW Hall.

Host and hostess for the reception were Joe and Carolyn VanRooyen. Others attending at the reception were: Lela Clark, Barb Grubaugh, Sandy Pitchford, Barb Stewart, Lois Brown, Pat Rewerts, Shirley Andres, Diane DeBore, and Annette and Chris Fero.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Moore, the bride's godparents were special guests at the reception. The new Mr. and Mrs. Pettigrew are 1976 graduates of St. Johns High School. The couple honeymooned in Texas and Pennsylvania. The newlyweds are making their home at the corner of Williams and Gratiot County Line Rd.

The children and grandchildren of Mark and Marie Ruedger will hold an open house in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary on Dec. 26 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Mt. Hope Fellowship Hall. The hall is located north of Carson City on Mt. Hope Rd. Friends and relatives are invited. They request no gifts.

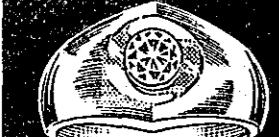


Mr. and Mrs. Robert Barker, 395 S. State St., Pewamo announce the engagement of their daughter, Patricia, to James Hengesbach, son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Hengesbach, Sr., of Portland. The bride-elect is a 1975 graduate of Pewamo Westphalia High School and is employed with Michigan Department of Health. The prospective bridegroom is a 1973 graduate of P.W. High School and is employed by Westphalia Builders and Supply Co. The couple is planning a May 21, 1977 wedding date.

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## Morning Musicales meets in Carson home

The St. Johns Morning Musicals held its Christmas meeting Dec. 9 in the

## Woman's Club meets

The November St. Johns Woman's Club meeting opened with a memorial to Blanche Parr who died during the summer. The memorial was written and presented by Elizabeth Millman.

During the business meeting all were asked to set aside crafts they have made for display at the state convention in the spring in Grand Rapids. Members who had attended the district conference in Edmore reported on ideas they had received in group meetings.

Two new members were introduced, Mrs. Lynn Banning and Marta Giesecki. Last year, the club sold 4,000 seedling trees to raise money for the local Senior Citizen's Park.

The West Central District will host the state convention of Woman's Clubs in Grand Rapids April 11-14.

Refreshments were served by Mildred Brown and Emily Davis.

The program was a discussion by Pat Balasco of the local Social Service Department. Her topic was "Protecting our Children".

She explained the impact of Act Number 238 on our responsibility for reporting suspected child abuse or neglect.

## BIRTHS

A boy, Philip Lee, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Philip Kowatch of R 1 Pwamo Oct 23 at St. Lawrence Hospital. He weighed 7 pounds 10 ounces. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Leo Pohl, DeWitt; and Mrs. and Mrs. Leo Kowatch, Pwamo. The mother is the former Dolores Pohl.

A girl, Maria, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Bruce H. Thelen of St. Johns Nov. 29 at St. Lawrence Hospital. She weighed 8 pounds 11 ounces. The baby has 1 brother and 2 sisters. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Julius A. Thelen and Mr. and Mrs. Julius Remenar. The mother is the former Rosemary Remenar.



Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Pettigrew

## Couple wed at fall ceremony

Shelia Kay Chamberlain became the bride of Steven J. Thornton on Sept. 19 at 3:30 p.m. at the Church of Christ in St. Johns. David Wood performed the double ring ceremony.

The bride was escorted to an altar of mixed fall flowers in gold and rust colors by her father. Organist for the wedding was Julia Thornton.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Chamberlain, 1206 S. Lansing St. and Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Thornton, 2312 W. Walker Rd., all of St. Johns.

The bride chose a white floor length silk organza over taffeta, with long sleeves cuffed in lace, with a lace bodice featuring a lace stand-up collar. The gown was accented by a wide ruffle around the dress.

She wore a shoulder length veil which was attached to a wide satin bow. The bride carried a lace covered Bible with red roses attached and red and white streamers.

Maid of honor was Karen Terpening, a friend of the bride. She wore a forest green spring gown featuring a white V collar and a white hat. She carried a long stem gold rose with gold ribbons.

Best man at the ceremony was Robert Chamberlain, brother of the bride.

A reception for the couple was held Oct. 9 at the bride's parents home with 100 people attending.

The cake was cut by Mrs. Barbara Dickman and the guest book was attended by Cindy Spittler.

Special guests at the reception were the groom's grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Howard Walker, of St. Johns and the bride's grandmother, Mrs. Mary Watson, Alma.

The bride is a 1974 graduate of St. Johns High School, while the groom graduated from SJHS in 1971, served in the U.S. Army from 1972 to 1976 and is now employed at Sealed Power.

The couple is making their home at 708 N. Clinton in St. Johns.

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# Chloe's Column

## Doing the bump with a Christmas tree

By Chloe Padgett  
Extension Home Economist



Bend its needles. Bump it on the ground. That's how to find out if that Christmas tree you're going to buy will stay fresh through the holidays. If the needles bend easily and don't fall when you bump the tree, the tree is fresh.

Some species, spruce, for example, do not retain their needles well. This is characteristic of the species and does not necessarily mean the tree isn't fresh. Brown needles that fall when the tree is bumped are merely part of the normal shedding process. Feel the bottom of the stump - on fresh trees it feels sappy moist.

To keep your tree fresh until you're ready to set it up, place it in a cool, shaded area well sheltered from the wind, with the base in a bucket of water. Just before putting the tree in its stand, you should cut off an inch or two from the base of the trunk. This will allow the tree to take up water more readily.

A tree stand filled with water will help prevent needle drop and will greatly increase the tree's fire resistance. Using a bucket of wet sand for a tree stand will

also keep a tree fresh. Up to a quart of water should be added to the stand each day, and the water level should be kept above the bottom of the trunk.

### Marriage Licenses

Ronald E. Holder, 28, Main Street, Maple Rapids; Linda Louise Ryan, 28, 617 S. Poplar, Maple Rapids.

Robert J. Barker, Jr., 20, R 1 State Rd., Grand Ledge; Robin Dianne Grass, 21, 117 McMillan Street, Grand Ledge.

Mark E. Jury, 21, Capitol Trailer Park, Lot 63, DeWitt; Brenda R. Lamphere, 18, Capitol Trailer Park, Lot 63, DeWitt.

Leo Ezra Middaugh, 26, 2265 West Parks Road, St. Johns; Shirley Carolyn Sinclair, 26, 2265 West Parks Road, St. Johns.

David Michael Martin, 23, 211 East Williams St., Ovid; Mary Lynn Johnson, 28, 168 W. 18th Street, Holland.

Wilbert Donald Condon, 18, 702 Oda Street, Davison; Pamela Sue Peters, 17, 5407 Ann Drive, Bath.

Stephen Alan Monasmith, 30, 309 E. Cass Street, St. Johns; Eileen Kay Boak, 26, 323 E. Point Lane, East Lansing.

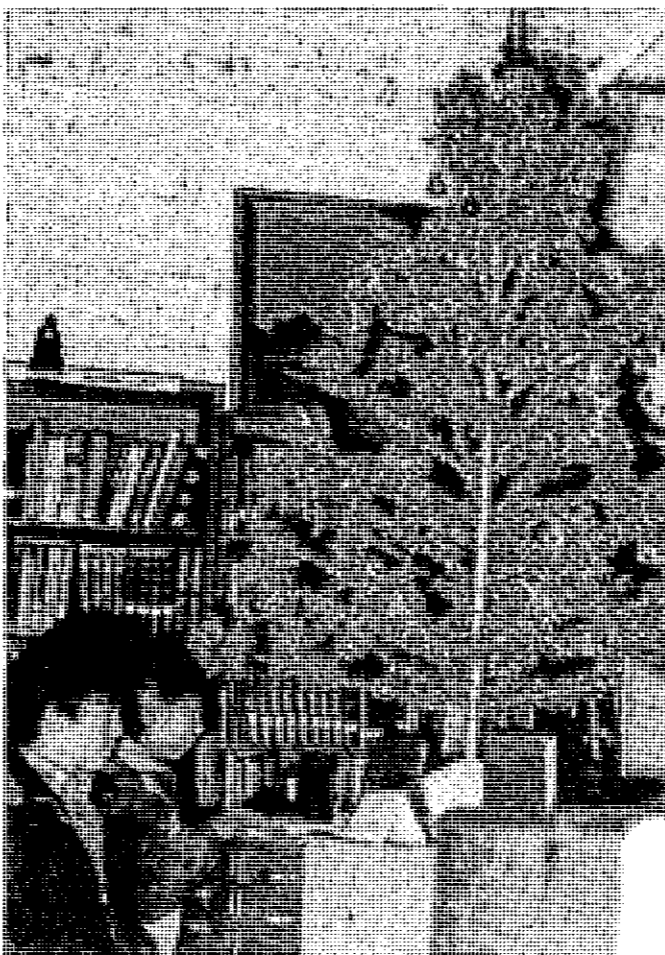
Robert Kevin Ruthruff, 20, 8387 N. US 27, DeWitt; Debra Vee Armstrong, 18, 8387 N. US 27, DeWitt.

Dennis Lynn Castle, 20, 3245 South M-52, Owosso; Teressa Ann Smith, 24, 629 1/2 West Williams St., Ovid.

Russell Jeffrey Powell, 21, 4151 Whitby, Bath; Marie Ann Shirey, 18, 5609 Sleight Road, Bath.

### Birth

A boy, Benjamin Keith, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Keith Wineland of R 3 N. DeWitt Rd. Dec. 6 at Clinton Memorial Hospital. He weighed 7 pounds 15 1/2 ounces. The baby has 1 brother and 1 sister. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Cox and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wineland. The mother is the former Vivian Cox.



Robin and Scott Butler, children of Mr. and Mrs. William Butler, of French Rd. look over the Christmas tree at the Bement Public Library. The library is looking for people to place their own special ornament on the tree.

## Maple Rapids senior citizens elect officers

Genevieve Drouin of St. Johns explained the property tax rebate and offered her help in preparing them.

Helen Howe baked and decorated a cake to represent the World, the crown of Holly, the Star of Bethlehem, the Angels and 20 candles to commemorate the centuries since the birth of Christ. She also made corsages for each in the Christmas theme.

During the business meeting new officers were approved as follows: chairman, Nina Freed; vice-chairman, Lorene Foerch; secretary, Velma Bancroft; treasurer, Ken-

neth Wright; program chairman, Gail Foerch.

These officers will hold office for three months.

Helen Howe had charge of the program which told of the different ways the people of other countries celebrated Christmas. After each reading, everyone sang a Christmas Carol, accompanied by Ruth Howell with Violin and Gail Foerch on Banjo.

The group adjourned to meet Jan. 13.

### Servicemen

#### Sonnenberg

SAN ANTONIO— Airman Herbert E. Sonnenberg, son of Mr. F. E. Sonnenberg of 1818 S. US-27, St. Johns, has graduated at Lackland AFB, Tex., from Air Force basic training.

The airman, who studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special instruction in human relations, is remaining at Lackland for specialized training in the security police field.

Airman Sonnenberg is a 1976 graduate of Manistee (Mich.) High School. His father, Donald O. Sonnenberg, lives at 2628 Stronach Road, Stronach.

#### Sholty

Marine Private First Class Scott N. Sholty, son of Mr. and Mrs. Max N. Sholty of 8834 W. Howe Road, Eagle, Mich., has been meritoriously promoted to his present rank upon graduation from recruit training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego.

He received the early promotion for his superior performance during all phases of the 11-week training cycle, which emphasized physical conditioning, self-discipline and teamwork.

He joined the Marine Corps in November, 1975.

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### ZONING BOARD MEETING

To be held Dec. 22 in the City Commission chambers at 121 E. Walker Street at 7:30 p.m. (Use the Police Department entrance on Spring Street).

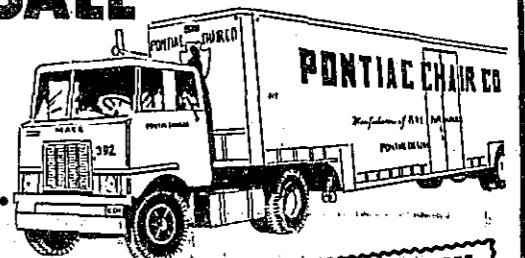
**PURPOSE:** To hear a request from Dennis Henderson for a variance of the zoning ordinance requiring a setback of 25 feet from the front lot line. The requested variance would allow him to build a 12 foot addition to the front of his house.

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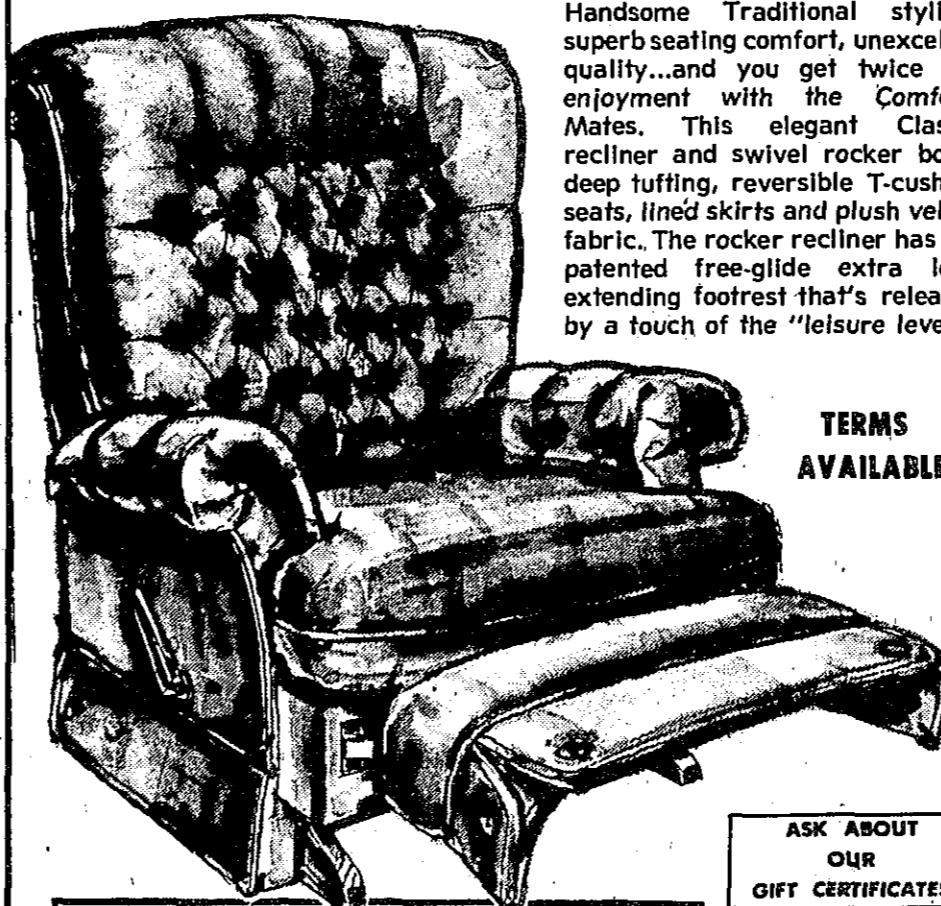
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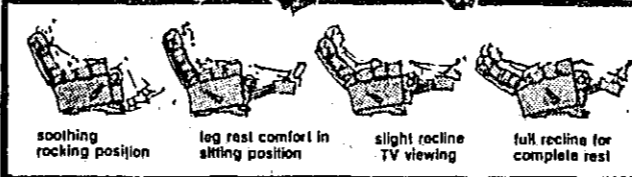


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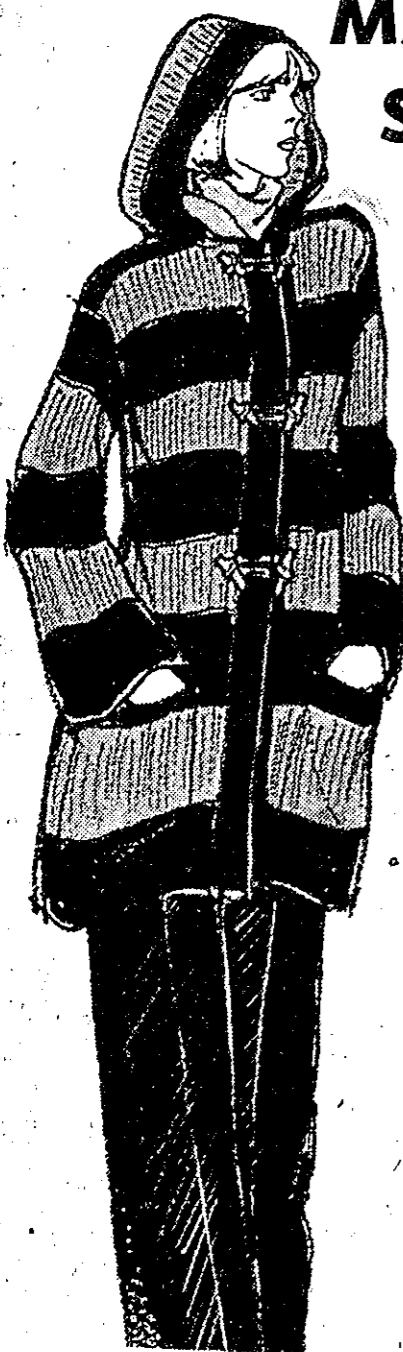
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## Jill Lasher's photo represents Michigan in 4-H photo exhibit

A photograph by Jill Lasher, 215 East High Street, Ovid, has been chosen to represent Michigan in the third annual National 4-H Photo Exhibit sponsored by Eastman Kodak Company.

Made up of no more than four pictures from each state, the exhibit was first shown at the annual 4-H Congress in Chicago Nov. 28-Dec. 3 and later will be on display at the National 4-H Center in Washington, D.C.

don't develop my negatives, but I print my pictures. This is the first picture enlarged this big. It took several tries to make one I liked." Jill has also won first place in the Clinton County Rotary Youth Talent Exhibit for her photography.

Exhibit photos have been selected by the cooperative extension service in each state on the basis of county and state fair submissions.

The 9-year-old 4-H'er, in commenting on her exhibit photo entitled "Snow Capped Post," said, "I was taking a walk in the snow in the park and it looked interesting, so I took it. I was taking snow pictures. I

Kodak has printed and mounted the photos for display, affixing a seal of recognition, and will present each 4-H'er represented with an enlarged print of his or her picture with seal.



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## New administration

(From Front Page)

"We feel it is a necessary step towards growth for the township," Mrs. Reed commented on the matter. "Right now we have a moratorium on growth because of this situation," she added.

The sewer plant is almost to full capacity presently. Mrs. Reed mentioned there were some pending lawsuits against the township because some residents are unable to hook into the system.

Tax rolls are completed and billings are in the process of being prepared. The next task is the assessment roll.

As of yet, the township has not

received the cards from United Appraisal. Whether the township accepts United Appraisal's figures won't be answered until after the township sees the final results.

"We just can't make a judgment until after we see the cards," Mrs. Reed said.

Two new dimensions will be added to the DeWitt Township Board meetings. The first in an invocation for prayer to start each meeting. The second item Mrs. Reed would like to see incorporated at the meetings is having a County Board of Commissioner from the district give a report.

## Assessor resigns in DeWitt Twp.

DeWitt Township assessor, Bill Meier, recently submitted his resignation of that post effective when the term expires. In a letter to the council he stated he did not have sufficient time, any longer for the job.

He did say he would complete all work required

to be done in compliance with the present contract. Meier's contract is supposed to expire sometime in March when the assessor's roles are completed.

## DeWitt Township Board minutes

Synopsis of the regular meeting of the DeWitt Township Board held November 8, 1976 at the Township Hall, 780 East Wieland Road.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Emerson at 8:00 p.m.

Board members present: Emerson, Corr, Pline, Kzeski, Olger, Cheney

Board member absent: Syverson

Emerson announced that due to Syverson's absence, Deputy-Clerk Betty Churchill would be acting in the capacity of clerk for this meeting.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The agenda was approved with additions. Carr Baldwin asked about a meeting between the township Board and Planning Commission.

Planning Commission minutes were reviewed, accepted and placed on file. Action was taken on Kenneth Badgley's Special Use Permit (SP 0005) to operate a campground referring it back to the Planning Commission; action to approve Bernard Zeeb's Special Use Permit (SP 0004) for a veterinary hospital; and action to approve Joseph Donahue's Rezoning Request from R-1B to R-M1 for use for a six-unit apartment dwelling.

King Arthur's Court proposal for hooking into sewers was acted upon, acceptance made on portions that could be accepted by the Township.

Quarterly report was untabled, accepted as printed and placed on file.

Agreement between Spartan Duplicating & Printing, Inc. and DeWitt Township be signed indemnifying Spartan of all printed material.

Request for special consideration on sewer payment that would not comply with ordinance was denied.

Michigan Beef resolution amendment for exemption certificate was approved for adoption. Appointments were made to these committees and commissions:

- Planning Commission - William Purves and Charles Rademacher
- Transportation Committee - Betty Mohr
- Park and Recreation Committee - Karen Williams and Byron Wright
- Public Safety Committee - Adin Shank and Rhoda Kzeski
- Sewer Authority - Donna B. Syverson

Vouchers were approved.

Emerson gave a speech thanking various people he has worked with during his terms as Supervisor of DeWitt Township.

Adjournment was at 10:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Betty M. Churchill-Deputy Clerk.

Synopsis of the regular meeting of the DeWitt Township Board held on November 22, 1976 at the Township Hall, 780 E. Wieland Road.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Reed at 8:01 p.m.

Board members present: Reed, Syverson, White, Pline, Corr, Kzeski, and Olger.

The meeting was opened with an invocation by Rev. Paul Scheibner and the Pledge of Allegiance was given.

The agenda was approved with additions. William Purves, Chairman of the Sewer Authority reminded everyone of the public hearing to be held, Monday, November 29, 1976 at the DeWitt High School at 7:30 p.m. on the facility plan for the sewer.

The Transportation Committee minutes were reviewed. The Supervisor will obtain permits for streetlights in five locations on US 27. A meeting will be set up in December with the Clinton County Road Commission.

Corr gave the police and fire reports. Approved a maintenance contract with John Bean.

Approved application for a grant for the Looking Glass River property. Karen Williams suggested that it be named after Dick Padgett because of all the work he has done for the Parks Commission.

Kzeski reported that the Communications Committee will be sending out a newsletter after Christmas and another one before Annual meeting.

Discussed an errors and omissions policy. Approved Michael A. Ferrence Jr. as the Police Chief. Corr gave his qualifications. Tabled the Jameson request for sewer, until it could be checked out. Plaques will be ordered and resolutions prepared to be presented to the former Supervisor and Treasurer.

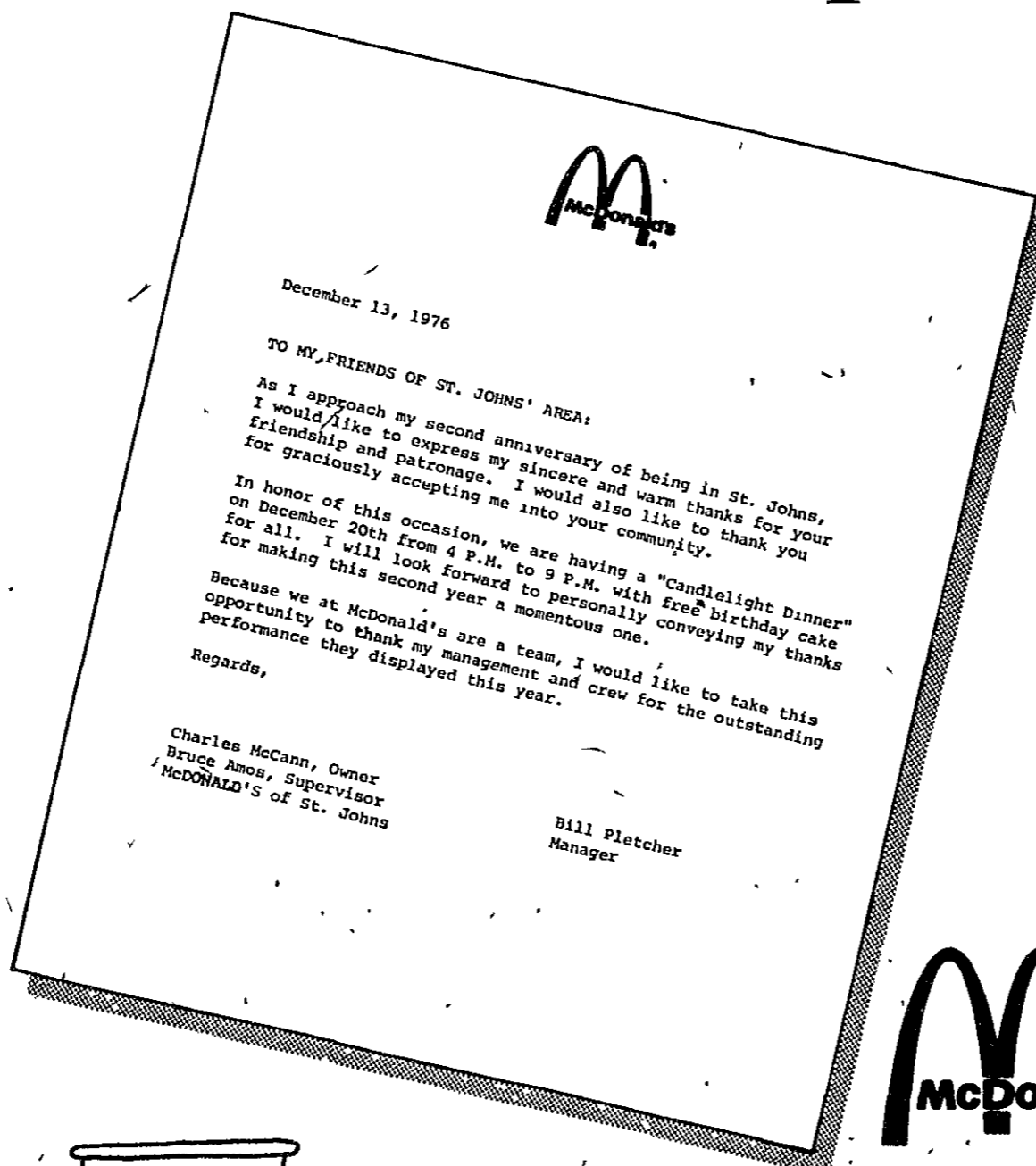
Adjournment at 8:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Donna B. Syverson, Clerk.  
Approved by Alta C. Reed Supervisor.

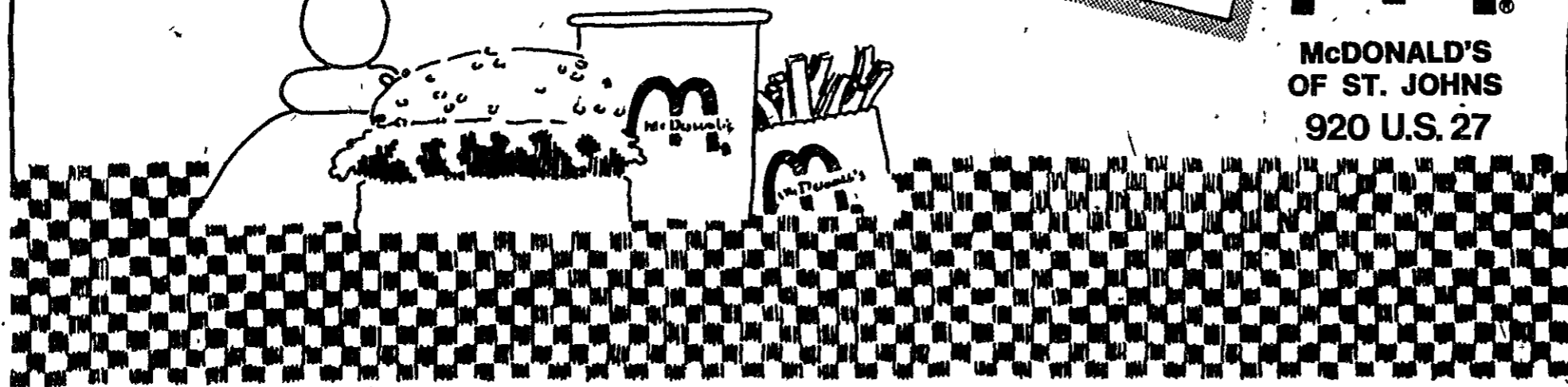
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# Clinton County SPORTS

## Lose to Perkins 62-43

# Fowler girls fall in state title bid

GRAND RAPIDS -- Everyone has an off night once in awhile. Unfortunately the Fowler girls basketball team picked last Friday night to have theirs, losing their state semi-finals game to Perkins, 62-43.

Plagued by a cold shooting first half, followed by a lukewarm third quarter, the Eagles succumbed to a better shooting team from Perkins. Perkins earned its right to meet Fowler in the semi-final rounds of the state class D tournament by virtue of their 59-57 overtime victory over Flint Holy Rosary. Holy Rosary had been the winner of 3 straight class D titles until losing to Perkins.

The Eagles scoring machine which had just ground Centreville into the ground a few nights earlier, came to an abrupt halt Friday night as they were only able to connect on 7 of 33 field goal attempts. Perkins meanwhile connected on about half of their 28 attempts.

Coach Melody Sowers' crew started the first quarter on a cold, cold note, delivering a mere 6 points to the Yellowjackets' 16. Then the 2nd quarter saw Fowler continue its scoring drought getting only 8 while their opponents hit for 17.

With the game all but over going into the 2nd half, the Perkins girls continued the onslaught, getting 16 to only 10 from the Fowler girls.

Fowler did manage to come alive in the 4th period but by that time it was too late. The 19 points mustered by the Eagles did little good even though their counterparts scored only 13.

Leading the scoring efforts for Fowler was Lisa Schafer with 14 points, followed by 12 points by Mindy McKean and 9 by Denise Feldpausch. Top scorer for Perkins was Lynette Royer, a 5'2" power train, who put in 25 big points to lead her team

in dominating the Eagles.

Thus ends the dream for Fowler and a state title, at least for the girls anyway.

Ironically, the team retires with a season record of 16-6, 6 of those being lost out of their first 10 encounters of the season.

Meanwhile, Perkins continued on to meet Lake City in the state finals Saturday night and went down to defeat, 58-48, at East Kentwood High School. Lake City, carrying an impressive 23-0 record into the title match, led Perkins throughout most of the contest.

The Eagles went into Friday night's game with Perkins on the virtue of their smashing victory over Centreville Wednesday night, 87-59.

Coach Melody Sowers' Eagles literally swept the Centreville girls off their feet with defensive moves coupled with expert scoring by 4 of their starting 5 in double figures.

Employing the press, Fowler carried the momentum to the Centreville girls beginning with a devastating first quarter scoring output of 25 points to Centreville's 15. Easing up

a bit in the 2nd period, the Eagles mustered 18 points to Centreville's 17, but then followed up a second half of 44 points to their opponents' mere 27 to wrap up the quarterfinal victory.

Leading the Fowler scoring with 22 big points was Lisa Schafer, followed by Mindy McKean with 21, Cindy Hengesbach with 15 and Denise Feldpausch with 12.

Centreville had one star in the person of Jean Schrader who netted 38 points but Fowler's performance outdid her one-girl show.

## Marauder wrestlers continue victory conquests in MMB

By Harold Schmalz  
Sports Editor

OID-ELSIE -- Coach Jim Maidlow's wrestling Marauders continued their dominance over Mid-Michigan-B foes Thursday night by soundly defeating the visiting Corunna Cavaliers, 40-23.

Following a jayvee performance which saw the junior Marauders humiliate their guests, 35-6, the varsity followed with a convincing victory.

In the jayvee contest, O-E scored 4 pins and 3 decisions against one pin scored over Henry Duffield of O-E by his Cavalier opponent. Marauders scoring pins were Bill Greenhoe, Jeff Cannon, Kevin Russell and Todd Goodrich. Dave Coon, Chris Rodriguez and Shane Applebee each scored decisions. Coach for the jayvees is Tom Roof.

In the varsity action, Greg Tomasek lost a heart-breaker to John Daniels in

the 98-pound class on a decision to start the Marauders off on a sour note. However, Dave Toth, scrappy 105-pounder from Ovid-Elsie jumped on his opponent and pinned him for the Marauders' first win of the night. Bob Latz, wrestling in the 112 pound class, decided his opponent in a close match, followed by a quick pin by Lee Pumford over his Corunna foe.

The Marauders continued their attack on the Cavaliers, delivering two consecutive decisions by Kevin Kellerman and Mark Walter, although the decision by Walter came a little harder for him than by Kellerman.

Tom Zuniga, grappling in the 138 pound division, easily pinned his Cavalier opponent while his teammate Lyle Huntoon, a crowd favorite, lost a decision to his Cavalier foe.

Getting back onto victory trail with a pin was Roger Lover who quite

convincingly showed his opponent a few holds he was unaware of in taking the 165 pound match.

Lee Swan met his match in being pinned by his Corunna foe in the 165 pound class while Ken Reha earned points for O-E by pinning his opponent in the 178 pound group.

The last two events of the evening ended on unhappy notes for Coach Maidlow as his 191-pounder Russ Leslie was outmanned by his Cavalier adversary in a pin while Richard Baker, wrestling in the heavyweight division, lost by quite a margin to his Corunna foe.

| MID-MICHIGAN-B WRESTLING STANDINGS |  | W | L |
|------------------------------------|--|---|---|
| Ovid-Elsie                         |  | 2 | 0 |
| Alma                               |  | 2 | 0 |
| Chesaning                          |  | 2 | 0 |
| St. Johns                          |  | 1 | 1 |
| Hemlock                            |  | 1 | 1 |
| Bullock Creek                      |  | 0 | 2 |
| Corunna                            |  | 0 | 2 |
| Swan Valley                        |  | 0 | 2 |



Ovid-Elsie's scrappy Dave Toth [left] gets a good hold on Corunna's Kerry Wineski in their match last Thursday night at Ovid-Elsie High School. Toth pinned his opponent in early minutes of the match.



Corunna's Rich LeCureux was no match for Ovid-Elsie's veteran Lee Pumford [left] as Pumford pinned his Cavalier opponent after grappling several minutes for supremacy. O-E took the Mid-Michigan-B contest, 40-23 in their search for a 7th consecutive MMB championship.

## Stockbridge downs Bath, 66-56

STOCKBRIDGE -- The Bath Bees after holding their own through the first half of the game with Stockbridge Friday night eventually succumbed to the Panthers, 66-56.

With Stockbridge holding a slim 29-28 halftime lead, the Panthers continued their scoring excellence over the Bees getting 19 to the Bees' 16 in the 3rd frame and 18 to the Bees' 12 in the 4th and final frame to take the ICL win.

Both teams now sport identical 1-2 league records.

Bath's scoring was paced by Tim Hawks with 19 points, 9 of which were field goals. Rex Fouch contributed 8 points while Mark Phillips added six more.

In earlier action, it was the Bath jayvees downing the Stockbridge crew, 68-57.

## Area boxing fans view 12-card show

ST. JOHNS -- St. Johns area boxing fans got another exhibition bout, 164 pound St. Johns boxer, Mike Beaufore, battled with 161 pound Floyd Cooper of Albion.

In the final bout of the night, Dan Akers of Michigan Center, at 141 pounds, fought to a decision over 137 pound Roy Ortiz of St. Johns.

The Annual Clinton County Boys Club Boxing Show was held Saturday in the St. Johns High School gym and featured fighters from St. Johns, Lansing, Mason, Ionia, Albion and Michigan Center.

In the first bout, Dennis Gaurro, 168-pound Mason fighter boxed his way to a decision over 169 pound Ron Whitney of Lansing.

Duane Heins of St. Johns and Scott DePaso of Michigan Center battled for three rounds in the third bout, an exhibition fight. There is no scoring in an exhibition bout.

Tim Beaufore, 154 pound St. Johns boxer, battled his way to a decision over taller Ken Shafer, 156 pounds, of Lansing in the fourth fight of the evening.

Bob Allmiller of Albion took a decision in the 100 pound bout over Mike Hummel of Ionia.

Mike Zell and Randy Andrews stole the show in the 6th bout, boxing to a draw in a battle of the "little boxers".

St. Johns boxers then took the next three bouts with first round technical knockouts.

Frank Benevides, 182 pound St. Johns boxer, slammed home enough crisp punches against 183 pound Jim Horrocks, of Ionia to keep his opponent from returning for the second round.

In the eighth bout, St. Johns' Dave Sproat, 165 pounds, disposed of his Albion opponent in 30 seconds of the first round.

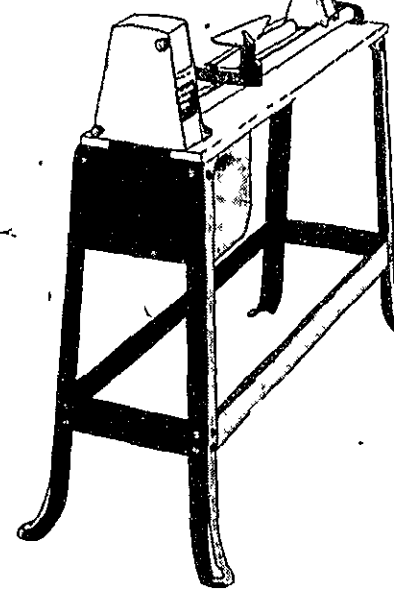
George Camelo, 124 pounds, of Ionia also felt the sting of a St. Johns TKO when Fred SanMiguel, 125 pounds, finished him off in 1 minute, 10 seconds of the first round.

Miguel Garcia, 140 pounds, of St. Johns lost his fight in the 10th bout on a decision to Bruce Devereaux, 136 pound Lansing fighter.

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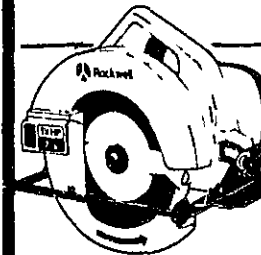
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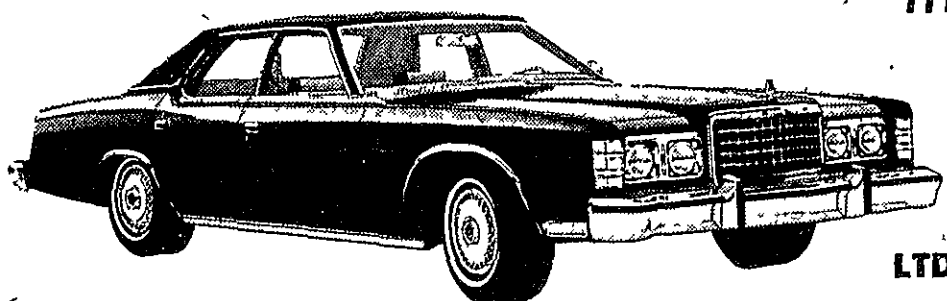
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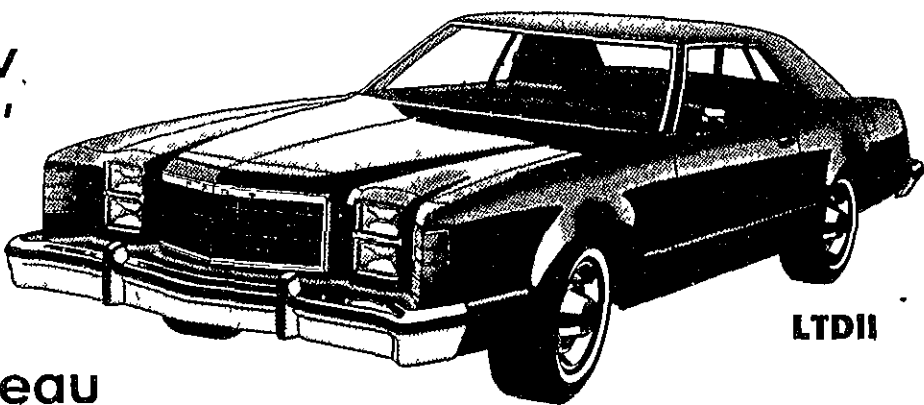


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# O-E loses 66-59

## Lancers hold off Marauder threat

By Harold Schmalz  
Sports Editor

**OVID-ELSIE**-- The Ovid-Elsie Marauders under the leadership of Coach Bob Foreback delivered a balanced scoring game through 3 quarters of basketball Friday night against the visiting Bullock Creek Lancers only to falter in the 4th quarter, losing 66-59.

The Marauders held a thin 34-32 lead at halftime. At the end of the 3rd they trailed 50-48, then the 4th quarter scoring famine hit. The Marauders were able to net only 11 points to the Lancers' output of 16. That difference coupled with the earlier 2 point lead was enough to send the Marauders down to their 3rd defeat of the year. Their season now stands 1-1 in MMB play while overall their mark is 1-3.

The game was a nip and tuck affair as early as the 3rd quarter when Wayne Swender tied it up 48-48 for Ovid-Elsie with 18 seconds showing in the frame. Bullock Creek, not to be outdone, sank a basket at the buzzer to take back the lead, 50-48.

With 3:13 left to play in the game, B.C. led 59-57. It was at this point that a Marauder fouled Lancer Gerry Daniels who promptly stepped to the line and sank one of two free throws to expand the lancer lead, 60-57.

In the closing minutes of the game it was apparent that the 6'7" frame of Rich Johnson took its toll on Marauder offensive efforts as the solid-framed Lancer pulled down rebound after rebound.

With only 2:12 left to

play, the Lancers kept up their offensive, netting two more points to take a bigger slice of the lead, 62-57.

Getting into the action-packed closing minutes of the game, Tim Doyen of the Marauders got fouled at the 2:04 stage of the contest and missed an opportunity to give the team back their momentum. The Lancers got the rebound but failed to score. Meanwhile, Doyen dropped one in for the Marauders from the corner to give his team a glimmer of hope with a 62-59 score.

At the 1:01 stage of the final period, O-E's Brian Byrnes picked up a personal foul sending Lancer Brian Miller to the line for a one and one. Miller hit on the first shot, bringing the score up to 63-59, then missed his second shot. At this point Foreback received a technical from the referee during a disagreement on a call which Foreback felt the ref should have made. The ref disagreed and Foreback had to watch a Lancer put two free throws through the hoop to give B.C. an insurmountable lead of 66-59. After this, all Marauder hopes died and the game was over.

Co-leaders in the scoring for the Marauders were Ed Kaminski and Doug Sturgis each of who had 14 points. They were followed by Brian Byrnes with 10 and 3 players, Ken Kellogg, Brett Welton and Wayne Swender each had six points to round out the Marauder scoring.

Top gun for the Lancers was Randy Tepatti with 15 counters.

In earlier jayvee action the Marauders were downed 58-44 by the Lancer jayvees.

Next Friday will take the Marauders to Hemlock to do battle with the Huskies. Hemlock has been beaten by St. Johns and Chesaning in their latest outings and it is hoped Ovid-Elsie

na Cavaliers, 58-42 to capture their first MMB win of the year. The victory was a welcome happening for the Marauders after last Friday's disaster suffered at the hands of the Swan Valley Vikings.

Coach Bob Foreback's crew put together 4 quarters of balanced scoring to

managed only 7.

Second quarter action saw the Marauders take a one-point advantage, getting 14 to the Cavaliers' 13. This point coupled with the earlier 4-points gave the Marauders a 5 point lead at halftime.

Coming back after half-time with confidence of a successful campaign, the Marauders delivered a respectable 15 point performance while Corunna was slipping farther down the drain with a mere 10 points. Then, the offense exploded for O-E in the final quarter with a point output of 18 big ones. Meanwhile, Corunna was grappling to get the 12 points they got to total out their 42 for the game.

Top scorer for O-E was Brian Byrnes who continued his consistent patterns with 22 points. Eight of these were field goals and the other six were charity tosses.

Also hitting for 12 points was Ed Kaminski, followed by Tim Doyen and Ken Kellogg, each with 10. Brett Welton contributed 3 more to the cause while Steve Fent offered a token 1-point to total out the Marauders' 58 for the night.

The next action for the Marauders will be a night out for them at Hemlock where the Huskies will be lying in wait for them to avenge an earlier loss to the St. Johns Redwings.



Showing "Mr. Music" himself in action is Ovid-Elsie's band director Roger Weyersburg at Friday night's game with Bullock Creek. Weyersburg, center, playing the tuba [is really quite versatile with the brass instruments as he can usually fill in for any absentee in the pep band ranks where needed.]

This was a rare occasion to find 33 Rich Johnson, awesome 6'7" center from Bullock Creek, standing flat-footed. As Ken Kellogg, 30 of the Marauders, launches one of his two-pointers for the night, a B.C. defender has dreams of blocking the shot. Wayne Swender, 40, in background awaits the outcome for O-E. The Marauders fell to the visiting Lancers, 66-59.

can get back on victory trail at their expense.

In earlier action last Tuesday night, the Marauders put it all together to down the Corun-

walk away with the season's first victory. Both teams started the opening frame shooting rather cool with O-E hitting for only 11 points while Corunna

### SPORTS SCHEDULE

#### BASKETBALL

Dec. 17 games  
Bath at Leslie  
DeWitt hosts Howell  
St. Johns at Corunna  
Ovid-Elsie at Hemlock  
Fowler hosts Pottersville  
P-W at Bellevue

Dec. 21 games  
Fowler at Portland

#### SWIMMING

Dec. 16 St. Johns at Ovid-Elsie  
Dec. 18 DeWitt at Eaton Rapids

#### WRESTLING

Dec. 16 St. Johns at Swan Valley  
Dec. 16 DeWitt hosts Mason  
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Dec. 16 Ovid-Elsie at Bullock Creek

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## Late rally falls short

# St. Johns nipped by Swan Valley

By Bill Donahue  
Staff Writer

"It was a tough one to lose," sighed dejected Redwing coach Doug Japinga. His team had just lost their first game of the young Mid-Michigan B season, 73-72, to the large and rugged Swan Valley Vikings.

But if there's any degree of satisfaction in losing a tough one, then a slight trace of it showed on Japinga's face as he stood outside a subdued Redwing locker room. For nearly the entire ballgame, it was Swan Valley all the way. Tough on the inside, superior on the boards, the visitors controlled the tempo of the game and seemed to have a fairly easy victory tucked away. But the Redwings went down hard.

"The kids agree, we didn't play one of our better games," Japinga commented. "We like to force the opposition to do things they don't want to do," he added. But for most of the game, Swan Valley did what they wanted.

After a close first period, the Redwings were down by only 3 points, 19 to 16. Early in the second frame, St. Johns scoring and rebounding ace Dave Martis picked up his third personal foul and took a seat on the bench. Swan Valley then banged home 21 points to the Redwings' 12, taking a 40 to 28 halftime advantage.

In the third quarter, both teams traded baskets, each scoring 18 points.

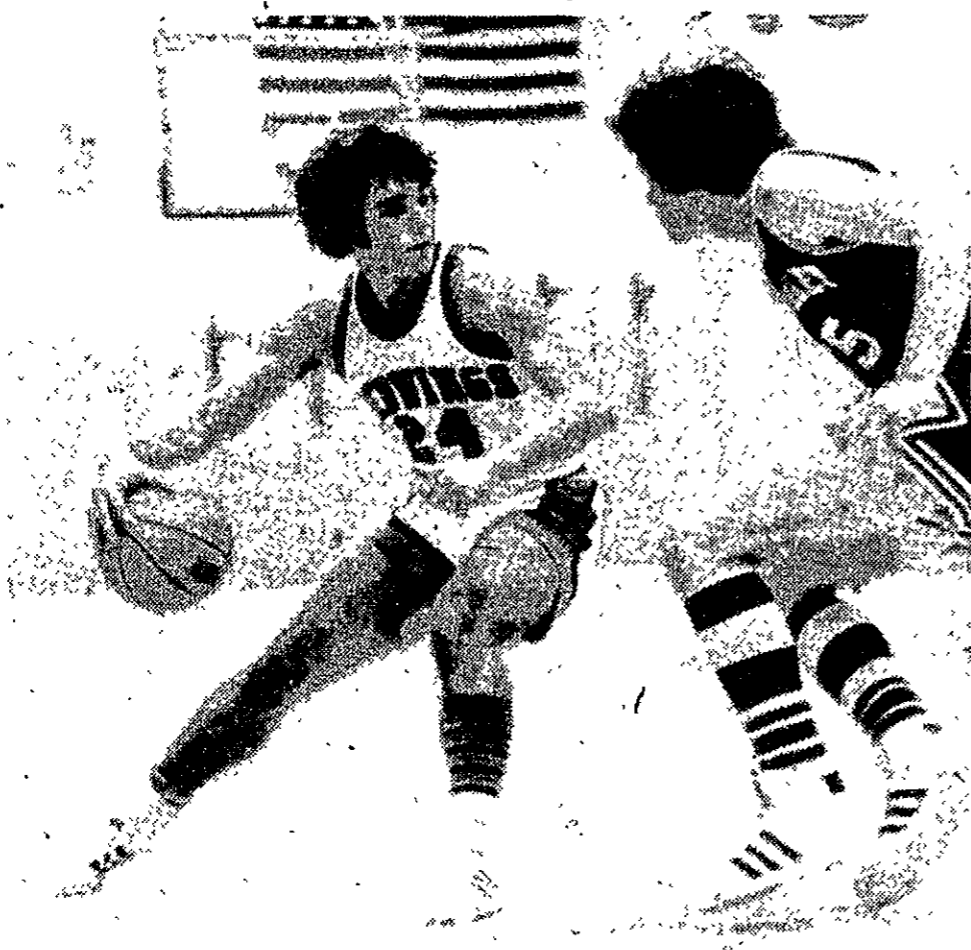
After a few minutes of play in the final frame, Swan Valley held a 12 point lead and seemed to be in control, as St. Johns had yet to click as a team. Rolling over and playing dead, however, was not part of the Redwing game plan.

Suddenly finding combinations that had been cold, lacking or ineffective most of the night, St. Johns caught fire. The offense, sparked by a flurry of deadly outside shooting

seconds left, St. Johns held a precarious one point advantage 72-71, their first lead since early in the first quarter. After calling time out, Swan Valley managed to

In earlier action last Tuesday night, Coach Japinga's crew sent the Hemlock Huskies down to defeat to the tune of 87-60. Hitting for 30 big ones was Dave Martis who came

ing rampage by the Redwings were Wayne DeDyne and Randy Pertler with 8 and 6 points, respectively. The Redwing jayvees downed guests quite handily, 91-46.



The entire court seemingly to themselves, Redwing Wayne DeDyne made a quick one-on-one move to drive past a Swan Valley defender. DeDyne was the Redwings' top scorer in their narrow loss Friday.

from Wayne DeDyne, Mark White and Mark Geller, plus a grimly determined defense, turned numerous Swan Valley errors into points. With this combination, the Redwings clawed closer and closer to what had moments earlier seemed an insurmountable lead.

Screaming and cheering their team's every move, the crowd helped pick up the Redwings momentum. When Mark White drilled in a short jumper with 19

work the ball close and inside for a short jump shot that was the 73-72 victory margin.

St. Johns still had one last gasp, and with 2 seconds left, nearly pulled out the win. A desperation length-of-the-court pass connected, but a layup shot fell off the rim at the buzzer.

"Not to take anything away from Swan Valley, but we didn't play very well," Japinga said. "We showed a lot of heart to come back," he added, "we showed people the way we are capable of playing."

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### MID-MICHIGAN-B BASKETBALL STANDINGS

|               | W | L |
|---------------|---|---|
| Swan Valley   | 3 | 0 |
| St. Johns     | 2 | 1 |
| Alma          | 2 | 1 |
| Bullock Creek | 2 | 1 |
| Chesaning     | 2 | 1 |
| Ovid-Elsie    | 1 | 2 |
| Corunna       | 0 | 3 |
| Hemlock       | 0 | 3 |



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Mark White (12) of St. Johns puts on the brakes to pop up for a jump shot. White scored 16 points coming off the bench, most of them on outside shots, and was a key man in St. Johns' rally that fell just short.

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**Pirates rally to the end**

**Eagles withstand stubborn P-W bid**

By Harold Schmalz  
Sports Editor

**FOWLER** -- It almost happened again. But it didn't and that's what counts as far as Coach Charlie Trierweiler is concerned. His Eagles held on in a 2-second win-or-lose situation Friday night and came up on the winning end of things, 55-53 over the visiting Pewamo-Westphalia Pirates.

Coach Joe Ghiardi's crew had the Eagles on the ropes with 2 seconds showing on the clock, down 2 points, when the disaster for P-W occurred. P-W's Belen passed the ball in under the basket for the one last effort to tie the

game when an Eagle intercepted the pass intended for a Pirate...then it was all over.

With 3:24 showing on the clock left to play in the final quarter, Fowler held a commanding 54-37 lead and what appeared as an obvious win. But this same feeling didn't exist with the P-W Pirates as Coach Joe Ghiardi's crew held the Eagles scoreless for 2 1/2 minutes to come from a 17-point deficit to within 3 points of the Eagles with 52 seconds left.

What gave the Pirates momentum in addition to a series of fast breaks and ball thefts occurred at the 56 second stage of the game when Larry

Jandernoa of the Eagles fouled Stan Thelen. Thelen stepped to the line and, to the thrill of the P-W crowd, sank two free throws to put the game at 54-51.

With the score standing at 55-53, Fowler's Tony Schafer stepped to the line and missed a one-and-one free throw and the battle of the boards ended in a jump ball. The tip went to P-W and, in a ramble-scramble of events, the pirates got control of the ball under their own basket with 2 seconds left to play.

Ghiardi's squad called time out, discussed last second strategy and

play resumed. It was short-lived however, as the pass from Belen went right into the hands of an Eagle who held on for the buzzer to end the game.

Fowler got off to a good start in the first half leading at the halftime break, 27-20, in spite of both teams missing shots while getting over jitters experienced whenever these two arch-rival teams meet.

Fowler kept pecking away at the P-W defenses, picking up 14 points in the 3rd frame to P-W's token effort of 9. Then when the 4th quarter came around, the Eagles found they were facing a cage of tigers let

loose as the Pirates unleashed an offensive attack that nearly buried the Eagles, scoring 24 points to the Eagles' modest 14.

Leading the Eagles in their scoring was Don Schrauben who hit 10 field goals and a free throw to total 21 for the night. Following him was Tony

Schafer with six buckets and 2 charity tosses for 14 points and Steve Simon and Jim Theis each added 8 and 7 points, respectively. Theis' 7 points included 5 points gained at the free throw line.

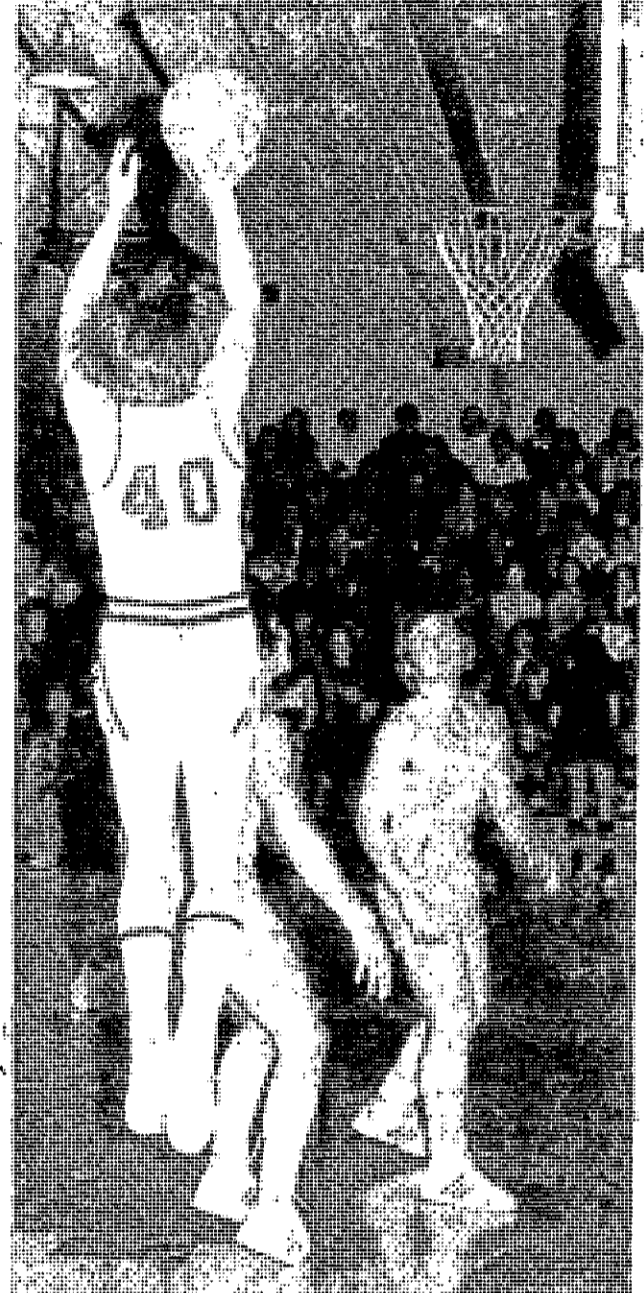
For the Pirates, it was Dave Belen leading his team with 22 on 10 field

goals and 2 charity tosses. Following him was Lennie Rademacher with 12 points and Dean Kohagen with 10 all of which were scored on field goals.

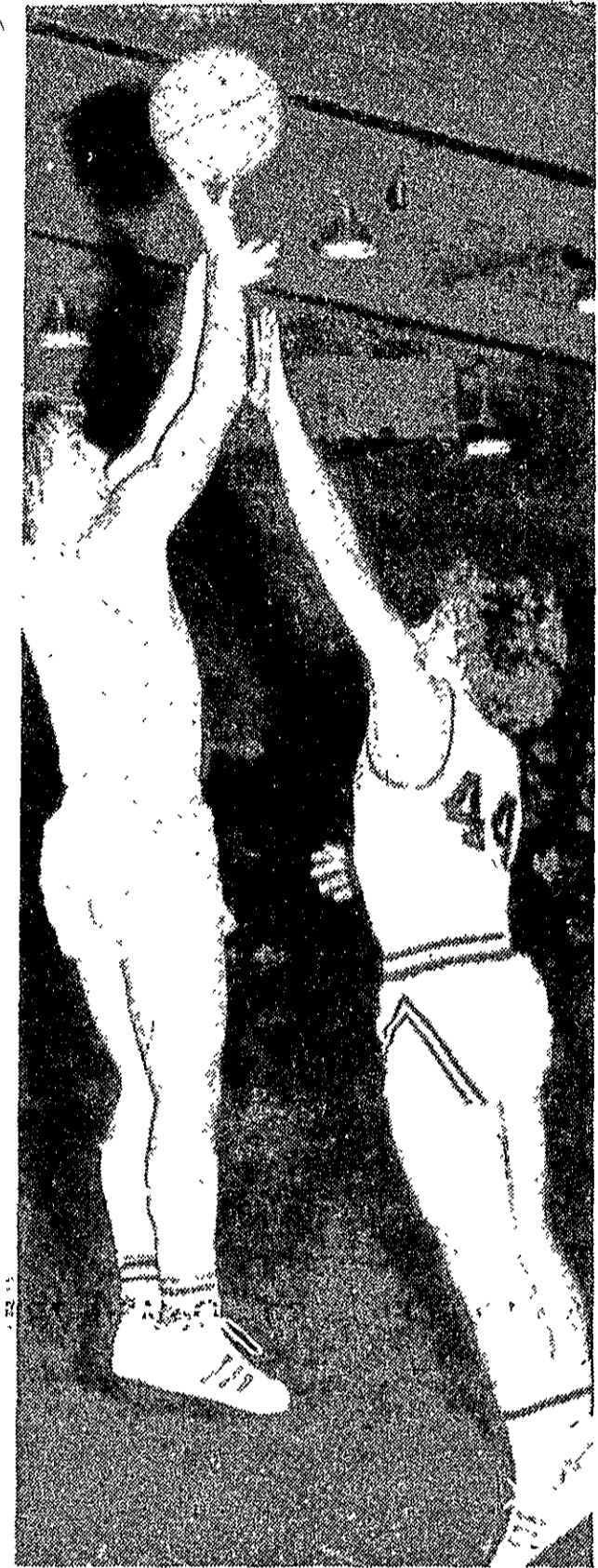
The free throw line decided the win as Fowler hit 9 of 17 compared to P-W getting 5 of 12 from that point. P-W had one more field goal than Fowler, hitting 24 to Fowler's 23.

Fowler will now square off with Potterville this Friday night in another home encounter while Pewamo-Westphalia travels to Bellevue to play the Broncos.

Potterville and Bellevue both won their last outings over Dansville and Battle Creek St. Phillip, respectively.



Competitive Steve Simon of the Fowler Eagles, 40, cuts loose with a jumper from the corner in Saturday night's game with Pewamo-Westphalia. Simon finished the night with 8 points. P-W's Duane Weber [31] awaits a possible rebound.



P-W's ace shooter Dave Belen, 11, lets a basket fly here against Fowler defender 44 Tony Schafer. Belen led his team in scoring, hitting 10 field goals and 2 free throws for 22 points. Schafer hit for a total of 14 points for Fowler.

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**NOTICE**

The regular meeting dates of the St. Johns Planning Commission for 1977 will be:

|            |             |
|------------|-------------|
| January 6  | July 7      |
| February 3 | August 4    |
| March 3    | September 1 |
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A 1976 graduate of St. Johns high school, Wayne was a member of V.I.C.A. (Vocational Industrial Clubs of America). He lives at 211 West Sturgis with his parents Norman and Clara, and his four sisters; Jean, Diane, Kris and Pat. Wayne likes to hunt and fish in his spare time, and when the weather is right, ride his motorcycle.

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## Wilson hits for 34

# DeWitt conquers Mason

DEWITT -- DeWitt's Dave Wilson unleashed a fury of scoring power Friday night as he led the Panthers with 34 points to a Capital Circuit victory over Mason, 78-69.

With both teams starting out on a fairly even scale in the opening frame, DeWitt scoring 13 to Mason's 10, the scoring machine of DeWitt went to work in the following 3 quarters to sink the Bulldogs.

Mason's Scott Chadwell did put on a scoring exhibition of his own, getting 30 of his team's 69 points but balanced scoring by DeWitt's Dave Strouse and Marty DeBow coupled with Wilson's performance proved to be the difference.

DeWitt now levels off their position in Capital Circuit standings to 1-1 while Mason falls further down to an 0-3 mark.

With DeWitt holding a commanding 36-26 lead at halftime, Mason just couldn't overcome the 23 and 19 point quarters scored by the Panthers even though they scored 19 and 24 points in their share of 2nd half scoring.

In addition to Wilson's big 34 points, Strouse had 14 while DeBow added 12. Other Panthers scoring were Challiss with 6, Willson with 7, Crippin with 3 and Mallard with 2.

In earlier action, the Mason jayvees outgunned

the Panther jayvees, 48-34.

The Panthers will be hosting Howell this Friday night, hoping to improve their league record.

In earlier action last Tuesday night, the Panthers fell to the Grand Ledge Comets, 76-48 in a non-league encounter.

Victimized by a press

throughout most of the entire game, the Comets eventually wore the Panthers down to submission.

Both teams started the opening frame hitting sporadically with 10 points by DeWitt and 12 by Grand Ledge, however, the second quarter saw Grand Ledge open a gap to take a 29-21 halftime lead.

The press took its toll in the 3rd frame as the Panthers were really stifled, getting only 10 points in that frame to the Comets' 22. Coming back with a rebirth of spirit in the final stanza of play, the Panthers had their scoring efforts of 17 outdone by the Comets' 25.

Leading the Panthers

scoring were Marty DeBow and Dave Wilson with 10 each, while Dave Strouse added 8. Greg Mallard contributed six more to the losing effort.

The next outing for the Panthers will be another Capital Circuit confrontation with the Howell Highlanders on the home court.

## CMU's basketball fortunes ride on

### Mazzolinis' ankle

MT. PLEASANT -- Central Michigan University's new women's basketball coach apparently is going to learn early how well her first Chippewa squad responds to adversity.

The Chippewas will take an 0-1 record into their home opener against Grand Valley State College Friday night, and DiBrezzo isn't sure there will be a homecourt advantage.

"I doubt there'll be a homecourt advantage for us in the first two games since we've had problems using the facility," DiBrezzo says. "And we're still waiting to find out about Gina's ankle."

Gina is the No. 1 returning Chippewa, Gina Mazzolini, a 5-foot-11 junior from St. Johns, who hurt her

ankle in the closing minutes of Central's 56-50 loss at Oakland University Saturday.

But working without the team's No. 1 rebounder and scorer won't be anything new for DiBrezzo. Mazzolini spent much of the preseason workouts with the successful CMU volleyball team; while standout wing Karen Karner, a swift junior scoring threat from Bay City, was a top player on Central's nationally prominent field hockey team and only recently reported to the basketball drills.

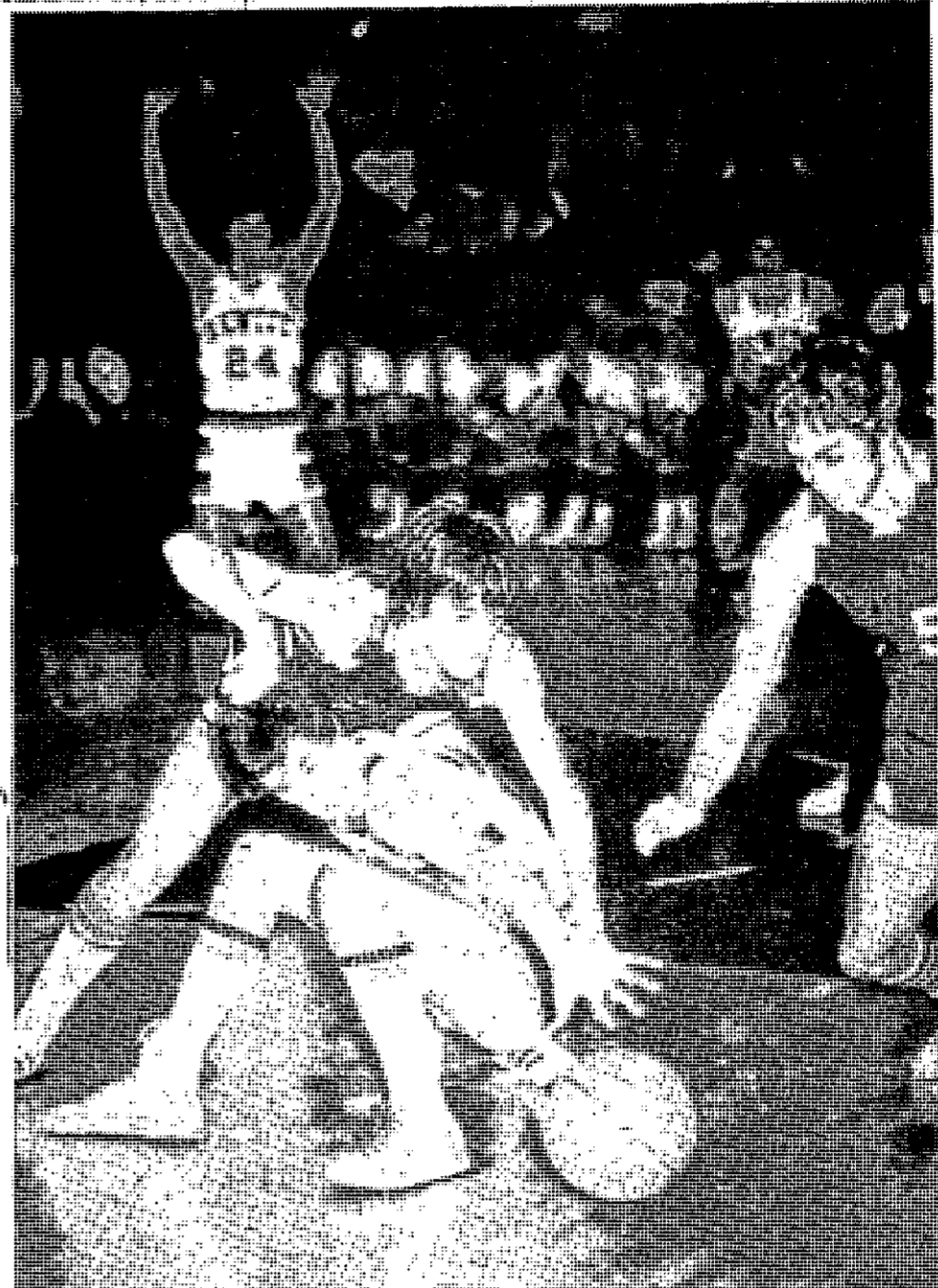
DiBrezzo isn't using these factors as excuses, though, for the team's opening loss. She has another reason and she intends to counteract it this week in practice while

preparing for the 6 p.m. tip-off against favored GVSC's Lady Lakers (1-0).

"You can't play 20 minutes of defense and expect to win!" DiBrezzo explains. The former Ball State coach stresses defense as a means of building a sound program.

CMU will be entertaining a tall Grand Valley team that already owns a one-point win over Michigan State. Last year the Lakers placed third in the state and regional AIAW tournaments while CMU was second in the state competition.

DiBrezzo continues to work with 21 players in an effort to determine who will be varsity and who will be reserve team players. There'll be no junior varsity games until late January.



Oh so close but yet so far ... that seems to be the situation here for DeWitt Panther Marty DeBow as he reaches out for the loose ball in Friday night's encounter with the Mason Bulldogs. The Panthers scored their first Capital Circuit victory, 78-69.

Photo courtesy of F. William Lewis



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## VARSITY BASKETBALL

|                |                |                  |           |
|----------------|----------------|------------------|-----------|
| St. Johns 87   | Ovid-Elsie 58  | Grand Ledge 76   | Fowler 55 |
| Hemlock 60     | Corunna 42     | DeWitt 48        | P-W 53    |
| Swan Valley 73 | Stockbridge 66 | Ovid-Elsie 59    | DeWitt 78 |
| St. Johns 72   | Bath 56        | Bullock Creek 66 | Mason 69  |

## JAYVEE BASKETBALL

|                                   |                       |                     |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| St. Johns 91                      | Fowler 56             | St. Johns 70        |
| Hemlock 46                        | P-W 69                | Swan Valley 75      |
| Bath 68                           | Bullock Creek 58      | DeWitt 34           |
| Stockbridge 57                    | Ovid-Elsie 44         | Mason 48            |
| St. Johns (A team) 53             | St. Johns (B team) 38 | Corunna (A team) 41 |
| Mt. Pleasant 62                   | Mt. Pleasant 26       | Ovid-Elsie 36       |
| Ovid-Elsie (B team) 33 Corunna 24 |                       |                     |

## GIRLS BASKETBALL

(STATE TOURNAMENT RESULTS)

| QUARTER-FINALS | SEMI-FINALS | FINALS       |
|----------------|-------------|--------------|
| Fowler 87      | Fowler 43   | Lake City 58 |
| Centreville 59 | Perkins 62  | (CHAMPS)     |
|                |             | Perkins 48   |

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| Corunna 23    | Corunna jayvees 6 | St. Johns 27 | DeWitt 29 |

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| Legion 20            | 22     |   |
| Beck's 19            | 23     |   |
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Hi Ind. game - J. Mudgett 235.  
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Pvt. Glazier re-assigned to Germany

Army Private Michele A. Glazier, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gary L. Glazier, West Townsend Rd., St. Johns, recently was assigned with the 4th Transportation Battalion in Ludwigsbuerg, Germany. Pvt. Glazier is a truck driver with the unit. She is a 1972 graduate of St. Johns High School.

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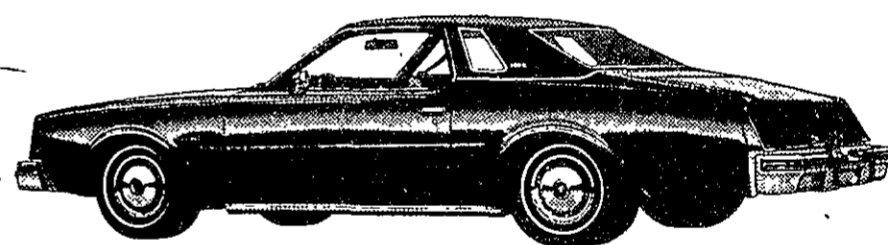
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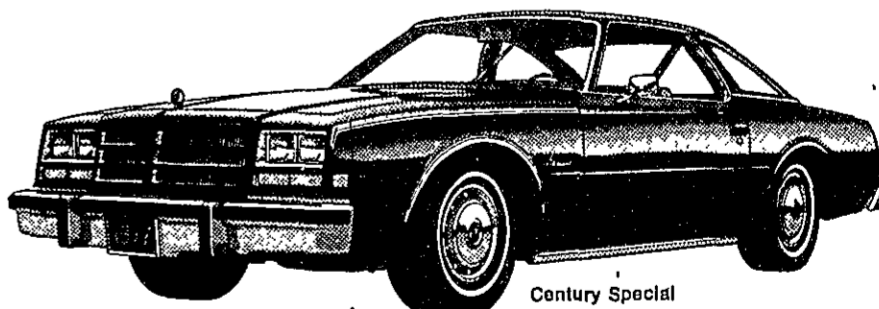
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Members of "Central Genetics", a group of dairymen formed a year and a half ago with the objective of producing and developing better bulls for the holstein breed of dairy cattle, met at the Colonial Restaurant for their December meeting. Those involved in the program include: Mr. and Mrs. Carl Minnis, Webberville; Mr. and Mrs. Roger Bloss, Swartz Creek; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Feldpausch, Fowler; Mr. and Mrs. George Pardomet, Corunna; Mr. and Mrs. Leon Miller, St. Johns; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wing, St. Johns; Mr. and Mrs. Louis Schneider, St. Johns; Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Thelen, Fowler; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wardin, Hemlock; and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Gilna, Corunna.

## Bill's Column

### Gift for firebugs

By Bill Lasher Extension Agent

Here's a novel gift idea for the firebugs in your life: pine cones, kindling, or newspaper logs treated with chemicals to add colors to the fireplace.

Michigan State University Extension forester Randy Heiligmann says that solutions of the following chemicals may be used to produce these colors: copper sulfate to color flames green; calcium chloride, orange; copper chloride, blue; lithium chloride, red; sodium chloride, yellow; and potassium chloride, purple.

Chemical supply companies, agricultural chemical outlets, hardware stores and drug stores are likely sources of these chemicals, he says. Because of the high purity of the chemicals they handle, drug stores are likely to be the most expensive places to buy them, he notes.

To make a solution for soaking pine cones, newspaper logs, kindling or other materials, dissolve one pound of the desired chemical in one gallon of water. Use only one chemical in each batch of solution.

"An old paint can or ceramic crock is a good container to mix and treat in," Heiligmann says. "Don't use a good metal container unless you want to see it ruined. These chemicals are corrosive. For this reason, wear rubber gloves to protect your hands."

After the chemical is dissolved, soak the materials to be treated for a day or two. Up to a point, the longer the material soaks, the more intense and longlasting the color will be. Experiment to see how long it takes to produce the intensity of color you want.

Dry the materials on newspapers. Store in mesh onion bags or nylon net dyed with food coloring the same color the materials will produce when they are burned. You can also dye the cones or other materials by dipping them briefly

in water, containing food coloring.

"Remember when working and disposing of these chemicals that they are corrosive," Heiligmann cautions. "Work where spills will not harm anything valuable. And keep both dry chemicals and solution labeled and locked up out of the reach of children and pets."

## Area happening

DEC. 15 -- DeWitt High School will be holding its annual Christmas Concert with the choir, stage and concert bands performing. The concert will begin in the high school auditorium at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free to the public.

## Creative genes slogan at genetics meeting

By Jim Pelham County Extension director

You never hear of Central Genetics? That's no real surprise, but nine Central Michigan dairymen think you will in the future -- at least they hope so. The group pictured on this page organized a year and a half ago with the objective of producing and developing better bulls for the holstein breed of dairy cattle.

Those unfamiliar with the facts of genetics often believe that to breed a superior animal, one needs only to mate two parents

that possess the desired traits. Members of Central Genetics know it isn't that simple. They know there is a powerful tendency among animals to produce "average" kinds of individuals, regardless of parentage. They also know that an occasional outstanding animal is born as the result of mating very ordinary parents. They also know their chances of producing outstanding individuals are tremendously enhanced though not guaranteed by the mating of outstanding parents. Still, in absolute statistics, four out of five bulls "from the best families" fail to make the grade.

Dairy breeders have done an exceptional job of putting the right genes together as evidenced by the fact average production per cow has nearly doubled in the last twenty years and the upward spiral continues.

Of course these kinds of results couldn't be accomplished without artificial breeding which permits dilution of semen to the point, a typical bull might be used for breeding 100,000 cows a year rather than the fifty which could be bred through natural service.

Methods of keeping actual milk production records on the thousands of daughters scattered all over America would make a good article for a later column in this newspaper, but let it suffice to say that when production records of a relatively small number of daughters kept under various conditions are run through computers an answer eventually comes through that very accurately measure the transmittal of genes by a given bull. By the time five years have passed the "average" production of daughters can be accurately predicted before they are born.

The process used in obtaining these figures is known in the dairy industry as "proving" the bull. He may prove to be good or prove to be worthless, but once this is done, thousands of additional matings can be made with great confidence.

Members of Central Genetics spent nearly five thousand dollars on six bull calves last year, they think they have possibilities as bulls of the future.

At their meeting Wednesday night they approved a fifty-five hundred dollar budget for next year and adopted the slogan "Producing Creative Genes". All officers were re-elected for another year. Louis Schneider of Schneider Dairy Farms, southeast of Fowler is their president. Roger Bloss of Swartz Creek is secretary, and most members have specific jobs to do that range from distributing semen to finding additional cattle with exactly the genes they are looking for.

Their bi-monthly meetings are always lively and interesting as all participate. Some people would call it a bull session, but they are serious about producing "Creative Genes".

## 4-H Chatter

### Creative Art Camp

By John Aylsworth 4-H Agent

#### Knit-n-stitch news

The Knit-n-Stitch 4-H club donated \$25.00 to help pay the cost of materials in covering the dress racks used at Spring Achievement and 4-H Fair. The club will have an act for the Share the Fun contest. Demonstrations were given by Leslie Fongers on Buying tips on Personal Appearance Projects and by Patricia French on Health and Grooming for pre-teens and teens. Three of the club officers attended the County 4-H Officers Training Workshop in November.

#### New Officers

The Nimble Fingers 4-H club officers were installed as Mrs. Clyde Peck and Mrs. Louis Moldenhauer conducted a special installation ceremony. The club officers are: Becky Barnes-president; Tammy Willet-vice president; Kim Paki-secretary; Tracey Shutes-treasurer; Lorraine Shinn-newsreporter and Brenda Hull and Dan Glowaki-recreation leaders. Members who won 4-H trips included Marcia Lusk-Detroit; Brenda Hull and Dawn Bakita-Yankee Springs; Brenda Bancroft and Becky Barnes-Cedar Point; Jackie Batchelor-Barry County; and Denise Cerny-Traverse City. Three members are presently enrolled in a new 4-H clown project including Brenda Hull, Jackie Batchelor and Lorraine Shinn. Twelve members received the County honor roll award.

#### Fireballs Christmas party

The Fowler Fireballs 4-H members and families will have a Christmas party Dec. 17, 6:30 p.m. at Holy Trinity Hall in Fowler. A number of members volunteered to serve on committees for the party while Sue Gard and Barb Martin volunteered to visit another 4-H club meeting to pick up new ideas.

#### Uncle Aylsworth wants you

More host families are needed for the Adventure in World Understanding program sponsored by Michigan State University. This is the 23rd year that Michigan State University has brought foreign college students from throughout the United States to East Lansing for the Christmas holiday season. Approximately 50 foreign students are expected to come but presently only 25 families have volunteered to host a foreign student for the two days, December 24-26, which the students in past years have listed as the highlight of the program. If your family would like to share Christmas eve and Christmas Day with a foreign college student, please contact the County Extension Office in St. Johns right away -- (224-3288).

#### Teen leadership workshop

Teen leaders may be interested in attending the State 4-H Teen Leadership Workshop either January 7-8 or January 21-22 at Kettunen Center. The program opens with supper at 6:00 p.m. on Friday and ends with lunch on Saturday. The format will be an informed experience and activity approach to understanding leadership styles plus the dynamics of communication and group cooperation. This workshop is open to teens and adults from across the state. The cost to each participant is \$6.00. Reservations are due by December 17.

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# Green Haven--changing problems to opportunities in Clinton County

(From Front Page)

ty. This child had severe homicidal tendencies and was convicted of murder. Green Haven sent the child's file to the other county, but it was either overlooked or ignored.

Of the children at Green Haven, most have no stability in their home life. Two out of 12 children have natural parents, meaning their mother and father are still living together. In about 95 percent of the cases the role of the father is missing.

Green Haven is sometimes referred to in a negative voice, implying the atmosphere of the home is too relaxed and free. The home encourages self expression, but also places very strict and stringent rules upon their young boarders.

In 30 years there have been four houseparents at Green Haven. Mrs. Cook was housemother for 20 years and then retired; Mrs. Nobis worked for 18 years before retiring; the Monroes were houseparents for two years; and Paul and Yvonne Doctor became the houseparents in 1975.

The Monroes had a different type of philosophy on how the home should be run while they were

houseparents. They took the job in July of 1973 having excellent credentials.

"In many ways they were well qualified," Judge Green explained. "Their philosophies just did not comply with a rural environment. They had dealt more with inner-city kids." The couple resigned in 1975.

In addition to the houseparents there is a caseworker, a child care worker and relief houseparents. The child care worker puts in a 40-hour work week helping the children with basic skills, homework and domestics.

The caseworker, Fred Gibbs, also director of the home, is just plain Fred to the kids. He is there whenever they need him, no matter what time of day or night.

These children are much more to Fred than a job, they are an important part of his life. It shows in his eyes when he talks about them, it shows in the manner he treats them when they are together, and it shows in the way he fulfills their needs as individuals.

The houseparents implement the rules and regulations set up by the court and the director. They are with the children the most and are keenly aware of each child's needs, personality and growth. They are simply known as Doc and Yvonne.

Each staff member is highly involved with the child and sees them change from the time they come to Green Haven until the time they leave. Through their guidance, love, attention, and care they grow into responsible people.

It is stressed to each child that they are at Green Haven because of their own actions, therefore they will

leave when their actions become those of a responsible person.

The home is licensed by the State Department of Social Services, and is inspected by the Health Department annually. Although there have been no fires at the home in 40 years the fire marshal ordered either smoke detection equipment to be placed in the home or an attendant must be on duty 24 hours a day. The home is presently installing the fire detector.

According to the judge it is an added safeguard for the children's safety. They are not allowed to smoke in the home and there are no matches. None of the staff members smoke.

Gibbs acts as a counselor for each child at the home. "I'm constantly hearing how it's supposed to be really easy taking care of only seven kids," he said. "It's really not that easy," he said. "I'm working with seven different individuals," with seven different backgrounds.

He explained it is gratifying to know what the children were like before and see the change in their attitudes and in their lives as they grow at Green Haven.

"We do get frustrated," Gibbs said. "We are human, too, and there are times when we would like to give up, but we have to practice what we preach, 'negative' behavior does not produce positive responses."

The write concludes his song, "The road is long, from which there is no return," it equals Green Haven's goal: To put the child on the right road to becoming a responsible person able to deal with his or her problems in a way acceptable to society, but most of all to themselves.

## Shepardsville news

The Theme of the Christmas program at the Shepardsville Church is Christmas Around the World. It will be Dec. 23 at 7:30. Featured also will be foods of other nations.

There will be no Bible Study Group until the new year.

The Afternoon Circle of the Shepardsville UMW met at the home of Mrs. Lucille Spencer in Ovid on Thursday afternoon Dec. 9. As a special guest was District Officer of Christian Global Concerns, Mrs. Myrtle Mort.

Christmas cards were signed and will be sent to Mrs. Dean Gutshall and Mrs. Grace Baker.

All officers with the exception of the treasurer were elected to serve another year. Mrs. Lester Becker was elected to fill that office. It was voted to send a monetary to CROP and CWS for food and blankets.

The program was in the charge of Mrs. Francis Hall. Mrs. Lucille Fellow had Devotions and Mrs. Myrtle Mort told of how Christmas was observed in Sarawak. Her daughter and her husband were missionaries there for 9 years. For Devotions Mrs. Fellow offered a short prayer then read the Christmas story from the gospel of Luke.

Mrs. Hall read Christmas Star by Margaret Sangster. It was about how the Star of Bethlehem still shines in our lives today. She also read from an article en-

titled The Gift I Would Like to Give the World from a recent issue of the Saturday Evening Post. She read several selections about what several prominent people would like to give. Mrs. Fellow read some New Year's resolutions for Senior Citizens.

Light refreshments were served by the hostess. There is no meeting in January.

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| <b>SPACE FOR RENT</b>   |  |  |
| <b>CREDIT BUREAU</b><br>Clinton County CREDIT BUREAU, Phone 224-2391, Credit Reports - Collections. |  |  |
| <b>DRUGS</b><br>PARR'S REXALL DRUGS, Open daily 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Sunday 8:30-12:30 & 5-7 p.m.   |  |  |

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### Miscellaneous 27

**BABY CHIFFEROBE** — & crib for sale, very nice, \$65.00. Ph. 487-1749. GPC-48

**CHRISTMAS TREES** — Scotch pine, will be sold at Wacousta General Store by the Sundance Kids 4-H club & their parents. Starting Nov. 26. G-47-50S

**FOR SALE** — Snow blower, brand new 42 inch Wheel Horse tractor mounted, also snow blade 42 in. to mount on MTD Wheel Horse or Farm & Fleet 10 hp tractor. Call 626-6752 after 6 p.m. GPC-49

### Wanted Miscellaneous 28

**TROMBONE WANTED** — With an "F attachment" only. Conn or other brand considered, in good condition. Please call 627-2715 after 5 p.m. GPC-49

**AM LOOKING FOR ALL KINDS OF POSTCARDS**, especially old ones, if you have any to sell please contact the POSTCARD LADY 224-2361 days or 224-7051 evenings. 14-ft-dh-29

**TIMBER WANTED** — Logs and standing timber. Logs delivered to our yard. **DEVEREAUX SAWMILL, INC.**, 2872 N. Hubbardston Rd., Pewamo, Mich. Phone 593-2424 and/or 593-2552. 40-ft-28

**CYMBALS NEEDED** — 2 high hats & ride cymbals, others considered. Call 627-2715 after 5 p.m. GPC-41

**NOTICE!** — For the someone special in your life shop at the Lyons Mill Race Heritage Shop & The Lyons Arts & Crafts Center. We are honored to have the distinguished oil paintings of Lelah Munson & the lovely works of our many artists & craftsmen from our center. You will find porcelain nativity sets, porcelain dolls, scrimshaw jewelry, wall hangings, dry floral arrangements, crocheted bedspreads, afghans, knitted articles too numerous to list. Leaded glass items, pillows, baby quilts, sweaters, shawls, holy hobby dolls, block prints and hand printed Christmas cards, plus many Christmas ornaments, hand crafted baby cradle & unusual hand crafted clocks. Hours Wed. thru Sat. 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. 204 Water Street & 317 Bridge Street, Lyons, Michigan. GPC-49-50

I will not be responsible for any debts other than my own after Dec. 8, 1976. Gary Cressman 32-3-p-29

**DISCOVER DANCING** — Consider taking lessons from Rul and Ginny Ritter of Ritters Routines. No contracts. Call 669-9303 after 11 a.m. 33-ft-29

**LOST** — Boys silver frame glasses between Jr. High and Park. Please call 224-3984 if found. REWARD. 33-ft-DH

**WE WISH TO EXPRESS** our thanks and appreciation to relatives, friends and neighbors for their acts of kindness, the flowers, masses, memorial gifts, food and cards sent us during the loss of our loved one. A special thanks to Fr. Aubin for his words of comfort, holy Family Altar Society for the luncheon, the Ovid and Owosso Ambulance Services, doctors and nurses of Owosso Memorial and Sparrow Hospitals and Houghton Osgood Chapel for their acts of kindness.

Mr. Douglas VanEffen  
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Van Sice and family  
Mr. and Mrs. Gary Van Effen and family

To our many friends and relatives attending, and for the many cards, gifts and well wishes we received for our 50th wedding anniversary celebration, making it a very happy occasion, our sincere thanks. Lionel & Ethel Frisbie 33-1-p-30

We would like to thank Osgood Funeral Home, Pastor Doug Jones, the Ladies at Eureka Congregational Church, all our friends and neighbors for their many thoughts and deeds.

The family of Gordon Pettigrew 33-1-p-30

I wish to express my thanks and appreciation to Dr. Stephenson and nurses on second floor for their care while I was at the hospital. Also to relatives, friends and neighbors for the flowers, cards, visits and food sent. Erma Fritz 33-1-p-30

### In Memoriam 31

In loving memory of our daughter, Sister Mildred Cole Klette who passed away 5 years ago Dec. 15. Her Family 33-1-p-31

### Household Goods 32

**DINING ROOM SET** — Modern, walnut. Table, 4 chairs, hutch. Excellent condition. \$275. Ph. 484-4032. GPC-49

**BEDROOM SUITE SALE** — Still in progress. Good selection. Becker Furniture, Fowler, 593-3500. GPC-39

**FOR SALE** — Double oven electric range, excellent condition, avocado green, 3 years old, \$200. 224-6582. 31-3-p-32

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### Legal Notice

**NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE** — Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by James B. Bard and Linda J. Bard, husband and wife, as Mortgagors to Central National Bank of St. Johns, a National Banking Association, St. Johns, Michigan, as Mortgagee dated January 10, 1975, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Clinton and State of Michigan, on January 14, 1975, in Liber 279 of Mortgages, on page 197 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of Five Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-six and 38 one hundredths (\$5,826.38) Dollars, and no proceedings having been instituted to recover the debt now remaining secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said mortgage has become operative.

Now Therefore, Notice is Hereby Given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described or so much thereof as may be necessary at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front lobby of the Clinton County Courthouse in the City of St. Johns, and County of Clinton, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court in and for said County, on January 5, 1977, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, and said premises will be sold to pay the amount so as aforesaid then due on said mortgage together with 15 percent interest, legal costs, attorney's fees and also any taxes and insurance that said mortgagee does pay on or prior to the date of said sale, which said premises are described in said mortgage as follows, to wit Lot 23 and 24, Block C Village of Ovid, Clinton County, Michigan, according to the plat recorded in Liber 21, page 357, Clinton County Records.

The redemption period is six months from the date of said sale. CENTRAL NATIONAL BANK OF ST. JOHNS - Mortgagee Dated November 15, 1976 WILLIAM G. JACKSON Attorney for Mortgagee 200 West State Street St. Johns, MI 48879 29-5

**CLINTON COUNTY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS:** Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held in the Courtroom, St. Johns, Michigan on Monday, December 20, 1976 at 8:00 P.M. THE PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON THE FOLLOWING: Case No. AB-37-76 - INTERPRETATION - (This interpretation which was tabled at the November 15, 1976 Appeals Board Meeting will be acted upon at this time) An application has been filed by Ron Colola on behalf of Intercept Security Co., Inc., under Section 4.20 Interpretations of the 1971 Clinton County Zoning

**NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE** — Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Northcrest Center, Ltd., a Michigan Limited Partnership, of 1585 E. Grand River Avenue, East Lansing, Michigan, to First State Savings Association of East Lansing, a Michigan corporation, of East Lansing, Michigan, dated July 28, 1973, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Clinton County, Michigan, on July 25, 1973, in Liber 272 of Mortgages, on page 370 and said mortgage having elected under the terms of said mortgage to declare the entire principal and accrued interest thereon, which election it does hereby exercise, pursuant to which there is claimed to be due and unpaid on said mortgage at the date of this notice for principal and interest One Hundred Sixty-Three Thousand Three Hundred Eight and 92 one hundredths (\$133,308.92) Dollars plus interest from August 10, 1976, and no suit or proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and pursuant to the Statutes of the State of Michigan in such cases made and provided, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Thursday, December 16, 1976, in the lobby at the North entrance of the Courthouse in the City of St. Johns, County of Clinton, and State of Michigan, at 10:00 in the forenoon, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale to the highest bidder at public auction of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due as aforesaid, and any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned at or before said sale for taxes and or insurance on these premises, and all other sums paid by the undersigned with interest thereon, pursuant to law and to the terms of said mortgage, and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including attorney's fees, which premises are described as follows: Lot No 118 and the West 88.5 feet of Lot No 119 Bolichot Acres Subdivision No. 3, according to the recorded plat thereof, Township of DeWitt, Clinton County, Michigan. The redemption period shall be six months from the date of sale.

FIRST STATE SAVINGS ASSOCIATION OF EAST LANSING, A MICHIGAN CORPORATION, Mortgagee Dated November 1, 1976 JOHN BIRATH Attorney for Mortgagee 216 S. Washington Avenue Lansing, MI 48933 29-5

**ORDINANCE, as amended.** The Appeals Board will classify the use "Security Detective Agency" and the associated accessory uses listed as follows: heliport, dog kennel, indoor and outdoor pistol range, and the retail sale of firearms. Said uses are not specifically delineated as part of the use requirements of any district. The Appeals Board will categorize the use(s) so that they conform to a comparable permitted or prohibited use in accordance with the purposes and intent of the 1971 Clinton County Zoning Ordinance. Case No. AB-38-76 - BATH TOWNSHIP An application has been filed by Raymond Yerkle on behalf of Charles and Elsie Yerkle for a special exception pursuant to Section 4.22 of the Clinton County Zoning Ordinance, to reside in a mobile home on the following described parcel of property due to medical reasons as regulated by Section 4.25 (2) of said Ordinance. LEGAL DESCRIPTION: (Ba 504A) E 620 feet of NW 1/4 of SE 1/4 of Section 34, T5N-R1W, lying S. of S 1/2 r.w. line of Hwy. M-78. 4.2 m-l Case No. AB-37-76 - INTERPRETATION An application for an interpretation has been filed by the Clinton County Zoning Department, pursuant to Section 4.20 of the 1971 Clinton County Zoning Ordinance. The Appeals Board will classify the use "spots areas for lake bottom dredging" which is a use not specifically delineated as part of the use regulations of any district. The Appeals Board will categorize said use so that it conforms to a comparable permitted or prohibited use in accordance with the purpose and intent of the 1971 Clinton County Zoning Ordinance. Additional information concerning the aforementioned cases may be examined at 100 S. Ottawa Street, St. Johns, Michigan between the hours of 8:00 A.M. to 12 noon and 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. of any day Monday through Friday. Interested persons are requested to appear and voice their opinions with respect thereto. J. Anthony Nelson, Administrator

**STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CLINTON IN THE MATTER OF JAMES ROUNTREE; RICHARD ROUNTREE; KELLY ROUNTREE; DENNIS ROUNTREE; CHRISTINE ROUNTREE, File 3901.** At a session of said Court held in the Courthouse in the City of St. Johns, Michigan, on the 6th day of December, 1976. PRESENT: HONORABLE TIMOTHY GREEN, Probate Judge.

**ORDER TO ANSWER** On the 6th day of June, 1976, a petition was filed by Patricia Balasco, Protective Services Worker, against James Rountree and Patricia Rountree in the court alleging that the aforesaid five (5) children were dependent neglected children. IT IS ORDERED that James Rountree and Patricia Rountree shall answer said charges by appearing in the Probate Court for the County of Clinton on January 6, 1977, at 9:30 in the forenoon. Failure to comply with this order will result in the aforesaid five (5) children being declared dependent neglected children and all parental rights being severed permanently. DATED: Dec. 7, 1976 TIMOTHY M. GREEN, Probate Judge 33-4

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**BID NOTICE**

The Clinton County Road Commission will receive sealed bids at its office at 701 West State Street, St. Johns, Michigan until 10:30 A.M. Monday, December 20, 1976 for the following item:

**1 Single axle truck**

Specifications may be obtained at the Road Commission office.

The Board reserves the right to accept or reject any bid which in their opinion is in the best interest of the Road Commission.

CLINTON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

Paul Nobis, Chairman  
Marvin Platte, Member  
Cleo Friend, Member

### Notice 29

**BINGO** — Holy Family Church, 510 Mabbitt Rd., Ovid, Monday 7 p.m. 16-ft-29

**ARE YOU KEEPING** — Warm this winter? Are your fuel bills too high? Let the Advanced Foam Corp. insulate and solve these problems for you. Ph. 649-8833 or 649-9694 for free estimates. GPC-49S

**WE WILL** — Be open Thurs. afternoon till 4:00 p.m. the 23rd and 30th. Portland Dry Cleaners. P-50S

### Card of Thanks 30

We wish to express our sincere thanks to Fathers Schmitt, Beahan, Hanker, Koenigsnecht, Dr. Chun, nursing staff at Clinton Memorial Hospital, Rivard Nursing Home staff, ladies who prepared dinner, friends, neighbors and relatives for their masses, donations, cards, food and flowers at the time of our beloved mother's death. The family of Cora M. Simon 33-1-p-30

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## St. Johns City Commission minutes

**NOVEMBER 22, 1976**

The meeting was called to order at 7:37 P.M. by Mayor Ebert.

**COMM. PRESENT:** Ebert, Wilcox, Hannah, Arehart, Roesner  
**COMM. ABSENT:** None  
**STAFF PRESENT:** Manager Humphrey, Attorney Maples, Clerk Wood

Motion by Comm. Hannah, supported by Comm. Arehart to approve the minutes of Nov. 8, 1976 regular meeting.  
YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Hannah, Arehart, Roesner  
NAY: None  
Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Hannah, supported by Comm. Arehart to approve the Warrants.  
YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Hannah, Arehart, Roesner  
NAY: None  
Motion carried.

Mayor Ebert asked for additions or deletions to the agenda. There were several additions.

Motion by Comm. Arehart, supported by Comm. Wilcox that the agenda be approved as amended.  
YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Hannah, Arehart, Roesner  
NAY: None  
Motion carried.

The City Attorney presented a letter from Hubbard, Fox, Thomas, and Born regarding the Clinton County News Building. This was discussed at length.

Motion by Comm. Roesner, supported by Comm. Arehart that the City Manager advise the firm of Hubbard, Fox, Thomas and Born that the City Commission will review their request upon receipt of documents prepared by their attorneys and subject to their client quit claiming the West 1.8 feet to the city and also subject to our attorney's review of all documents.  
YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Hannah, Arehart, Roesner  
NAY: None  
Motion carried.

A letter from the Seventh Day Adventists requesting permission to travel the City of St. Johns with mobile sound equipment playing Christmas carols was presented.  
YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Hannah, Arehart, Roesner  
NAY: None  
Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Wilcox, supported by Comm. Roesner to approve the request of the Seventh Day Adventists and waive all fees.  
YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Hannah, Arehart, Roesner  
NAY: None  
Motion carried.

A letter from the Chamber of Commerce requesting permission to mount two additional loud speakers in the middle block of Main Street to play music during the Christmas season was presented.  
YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Hannah, Arehart, Roesner  
NAY: None  
Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Arehart, supported by Comm. Hannah to approve the Chamber of Commerce request to mount additional speakers and that all fees be waived.  
YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Hannah, Arehart, Roesner  
NAY: None  
Motion carried.

The meeting was declared adjourned at 8:09 P.M.

## Obituaries

### Russell Howe

Russell F. Howe, 66, 11555 State Rd., Eagle, died Dec. 9 at a Lansing hospital.

He was a life-time area resident of Eagle Twp., owner and operator of the former Howe Turkey Farm, past President of Michigan Turkey Growers Assoc., retired Eagle Twp. supervisor serving from 1966 until 1976, an active member of Grand Ledge First United Methodist Church, an active 4-H leader for many years, and member of Clinton County Farm Bureau.

Mr. Howe was active in many other civic and community activities.

He is survived by his wife, Belva; five daughters Mrs. Roger (Lois) Burghoff of Eagle, Mrs. Bert (Marguerite) Levy of Louisville, KY., Mrs. Carl (Alice) Dratochwill of Mason, Mrs. Paul (Irene) Herrera of Mason, Mrs. Kevin

(Beverly) Anderson of Middlebury, Ind.; five grandchildren; two brothers, Byron Howe of Eagle and Marvin Howe of Eagle.

Funeral services were held Monday, Dec. 13 at 3 p.m. at the Peters and Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Interment was at the North Eagle Cemetery.

Rev. Royce Robinson and Rev. Lynn Wagner of the Grand Ledge First United Methodist Church officiated.

The family suggest those wishing may make contributions to the Clinton County Cancer Society through the funeral home.

### Mrs. Emily Boss

Mrs. Emily M. Boss, Howe Rd., DeWitt, died Dec. 7 at a Delta Township Nursing Home.

She had been a Water-town Twp. resident for the past 60 years.

She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Arthur (Evelyn) Starkey of DeWitt; three grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Rachell Logan and Mrs. Martha Gibson both of Chicago.

Funeral services were held Dec. 10 at the Holihan Funeral Home in Grand Ledge. Interment was at Wacousta Cemetery.

### Victor Knapp

Victor Knapp, 63, 812 Jenny St., Grand Ledge died Dec. 12 at a Lansing Hospital.

He was a retired Motor Wheel machine operator.

Surviving are his wife, Mary; two sons, Larry of LeRoy and Ron of Lansing; two grandchildren; one brother, Gladwin of Portland; two sisters, Mrs. Pearl Young of Ferrintosh and Mrs. Glenna Shields of Williamston.

Funeral services were held Dec. 14 at Holihan Funeral Home. Interment was at Oakwood Cemetery.

### Florence Taege

ELSIE -- Funeral services for Mrs. Florence M. Taege, 82, were held Dec. 8 at the Carter Funeral Home, Elsie, with the Rev. David L. Miles officiating. Burial was in Sowle Cemetery in Essex Township, Clinton County.

Mrs. Taege died Sunday morning at the Ovid Convalescent Manor following an illness of several years. She was born Nov. 1, 1894 in Essex Township to William and Floretta Van-Hoesen. She resided in Essex Township most of her life. She married Herman Taege May 31, 1919 in St. Johns. He preceded her in death.

Mrs. Taege is survived by daughter, Mrs. Rex (Dorothy) Ballentine of Elsie and two grandchildren.

### Reva Vail

Reva F. Vail, 77, formerly of DeWitt died in Florida on Dec. 10.

Graveside services were held Dec. 14 at 2 p.m. Burial took place in the DeWitt Cemetery with the Rev. Muri Eastman officiating. Arrangements were made by the DeWitt Area Chapel.

Reva Vail was born in Lansing on March 2, 1899 to Frank and Elva Faiver. She resided in DeWitt prior to moving to Florida in 1960.

She married Fred Vail on June 15, 1926.

Mrs. Vail was a former school teacher in the DeWitt area. She is survived by her husband Fred, one niece, Catherine Distel, East Lansing; three nephews, Robert Moots, Lansing; Richard Moots, Arizona; and Tom McGuire of Lansing.

### James Sowle

James J. Sowle, 84, 609 N. Morton, Lot 27 died Thursday, Dec. 9 at the Carson City Hospital after a short illness.

Funeral services were held at the Osgood Funeral Home in St. Johns on Monday, Dec. 13 at 1:30 p.m. He was buried in the Sowle Cemetery with the Rev. Averill Carson officiating.

Mr. Sowle was born in Essex Township on Nov. 29, 1892 to William and Edith (Anderson) Sowle. He attended the Clinton County Schools.

He married Wilma Cowles in St. Johns on Sept. 19, 1920. He was a member of the American Legion in St. Johns and the WWI Veterans of Fowler.

Mr. Sowle was a painter, farmer, and carpenter.

He is survived by his wife Wilma; one daughter, Mrs. Richard (Frances) Homer, DeWitt; one son, James, Cinnaminson, New Jersey; seven grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and one sister, Mrs. Nellie Reed, St. Johns.

### Archie E. Moore

Archie E. Moore, 85, 306 W. Main, DeWitt died Dec. 8 at Sparrow Hospital. Funeral services were held Friday, Dec. 10 at the DeWitt Area Chapel at 1 p.m. Burial took place at the DeWitt Cemetery with the Rev. Irving Phillips officiating.

Mr. Moore was born in Elsie on Aug. 29, 1891 to Joseph and Maria (Mahar) Moore. He resided in the DeWitt area for the past 35 years.

He married Adella Alwin, in Lansing, on Jan. 1, 1942. Mr. Moore was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, of Lansing; DeWitt Masonic Lodge 272, American Legion Post 379, Eastern Star; Lansing Hi Twelve; honorary member of the DeWitt Lions, and a veteran of WWI.

Mr. Moore was retired from the Farm Bureau. He is survived by his wife, Adella; one daughter, Mrs. Kathryn Mann, Lansing; two sons, Dale, Kalamazoo; and Earl, Kansas; four grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

## Elsie Historical Association meets

The November business meeting of the Elsie Historical Association was held with Mrs. Thelma Rule presiding in the Historical Room of the Elsie Public Library.

Meetings are scheduled

on the third Tuesday of each month, alternating the general business session with workshops. Since the December date of workshop would be so close to Christmas, it was held Saturday, Nov. 20 with attention focused on

the many scrapbooks and discussion on methods of filing.

Most of the evening was spent in committee progress reports as to their needs, particularly the selection and screening. Sheets are now available to identify items donated or on loan for the Historical room and the Elsie Public library displays.

It was voted to purchase additional supplies neces-

sary to the display and filing, such as four large albums for special pictures

and various small articles needed for use in the workshops.

A request was made for donation of a bookcase with adjustable shelves and a call for additional workers.

The next business meeting will be Tuesday, Jan. 18. Watch for next workshop date.

## Farm Bureau Services appoints Williams

LANSING -- John Williamson, formerly district manager with the retail division of Farmers Petroleum Cooperative and Farm Bureau Services, has been named manager of the feed department of the Farm Supply Division of Farm Bureau Services.

He served at the Yale branch of Farm Bureau Services, Battle Creek Farm Bureau, and has served as the manager of both the Leslie and St. Johns Co-ops. For the past six years, he has been a

district manager with the retail division of Farmers Petroleum Cooperative and Farm Bureau Services.

Williamson is a graduate of the Elevator and Farm Supply Program of Michigan State University, and has been employed for the past 20 years by the retail division of Farm Bureau Services.

He, his wife Sharon, and their three sons live in St. Johns where the family is active in M.S.U. Alumni Associations and civic affairs.

## DeWitt student "Who's Who"

GREENVILLE - S.C. -- Chris Bernard McNeilly, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles McNeilly of 311 Franklin, DeWitt, has been selected to appear in the 1976-77 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges." A senior at Bob Jones University, Greenville, S.C., McNeilly is one of 44 students who were chosen from the university student body this year on the basis of academic standing and campus leadership.

McNeilly, a 1973 graduate of DeWitt High School, is enrolled in the School of Religion with a major in Bible. He has held offices on the campus in-



Chris McNeilly

cluding vice president of Pi Kappa Alpha Literary Society.

## Little Bits

Items of interest and notes from The News staff



### You can still get shot

Still haven't got your flu shot? There's still time for those who didn't get to the local clinics. Another clinic is being held at Grand Ledge High School. The clinic is Dec. 16 from 3-8 p.m. in the cafeteria.

The Ionia County Health Dept. has also scheduled clinics at their 111 Kidd Street location for Dec. 27 through Dec. 30. The Dec. 27 clinic runs from 10 a.m. until 8 p.m. and clinics Dec. 28-30 are from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

### Goodbye "120"--hello "1"

Telephone users in St. Johns, beginning Dec. 18, will no longer dial "120" for direct dial long distance calls. They will begin dialing "1" at that time and local directory assistance will be reached by dialing "1" plus "411"

### What are you getting at, Jim?

Jim Hough, in his State Journal Onlooker column, took a recent jab at the St. Johns Schools with the following: "Wow! Zowie! Shazam! By Golly! How about that -- we had our first two-inch snowfall in Mid-Michigan Wednesday and St. Johns didn't close its schools." Something on your mind, Jim?

### Mrs. Claus visits

Mrs. Santa Claus will visit the Clinton County Historical Museum, 1009 S. Oakland, St. Johns Dec. 19 from 2-5 p.m.

The museum is also featuring a special display of an old fashioned Christmas tree and decorations.

### Apologies to Gordon Hodge

Our apologies to Gordon Hodge. He is the father of Richard Hodge of California who wrote an account in a recent edition of the County News of the 24 mile fence built into the ocean by Javacheff Christo. We incorrectly identified Hodge's father as William Hodge. To set the record straight, it is Gordon Hodge, 310 E. McConnell, St. Johns.

### One car--three deer

Hitting one deer while driving on Clinton County roads is had enough, but how about hitting three at the same time.

Ronald L. Root, 415 Morley, Grand Ledge, struck three deer when he was westbound on Clark Rd. Root came over the crest of a hill Dec. 11 at 10:25 a.m. near Wacousta Rd. when a herd of deer crossed from north to south in front of the vehicle.

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