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WITH VISIONS OF SUGAR PLUMS . . .

The excitement is building! Along with hundreds of other area children this week, visions of sugar plums and toys dance in the eyes of these children as the countdown for Santa Claus' arrival begins. On the right is Patricia Horton, 3-year-old daughter of the Eddy Hortons of Ithaca. With Patty is 5-year-old Mike Brown, son of Mr and Mrs Rod Brown of 201 N. Morton/ St. Johns. Patty is the granddaughter of Mr and Mrs Frank Valyer of 909 N. Clinton Avenue, St. Johns.

## Seeks vote in spring on police, fire hall

St. Johns City Manager Ken Greer has asked the city commission to call a special election in the spring to vote on a new police and fire building and to amend the city charter regarding general taxation.

The fire hall issue has been discussed for 15 to 20 years, Greer said, and everyone has been hesitant about asking the voters for a special millage so it can be constructed.

"I am firmly convinced that a new fire and police building is the number one need for the community of St. Johns," Greer said in a report to the commission Tuesday evening.

"GETTING THE approval of our local voters and starting this as quickly as possible will also allow us to have accurate information to include in the new contracts with the various townships that are serviced by this fire hall." These contracts will expire in the summer of 1968, with the exception of Bingham Township which expires June 30, 1967.

A "reasonable" fire and police building which would house all the fire vehicles and provide additional storage for new equipment, as well as quarters for the firemen, policemen and a common meeting room, would cost about \$100,000, Greer figures.

"To raise by general obligation bonds this amount of money would require approximately a 3 1/2-mill levy for a three-year period," Greer told the commission. "A safe approach in this type of issue would be to ask the voters to approve the sale of general obligation bonds for the purpose of building a fire and police building in a sum not to exceed \$120,000."

TO RAISE THE approximate \$100,000 with a 3 1/2-mill levy would cost the average homeowner \$20 per year for the three-year period, Greer said.

"I'm firmly convinced that this is a necessary project and one that with the assistance of the fire and police departments can be publicized so that the voter is well enough informed to make an intelligent decision, and I believe they would approve this as a special voted tax.

"The construction of a fire and police building would also, in our particular case, qualify our urban renewal project so as to allow a credit of 25 per cent of whatever the cost would be for constructing a fire and police building. This is provided that the fire-police hall would be located within a one-mile radius of the urban renewal project."

NO POSSIBLE SITES have been openly discussed by the commission. Property at the corner of US-27 and Baldwin street has been considered in the past for location of such a building. Other locations closer to the present center of town have been recommended, too.

The present fire hall in the municipal building has presented a traffic and safety hazard for a number of years, but no concrete plans have been introduced for changing it.

Greer also wants a special election in the spring because "our entire special assessment procedures will be in jeopardy if the provision on general taxation which covers these is not amended to comply with state laws."

Two weeks ago Greer presented four administrative recommendations relative to legislative procedures and resolutions.



NORMAN M. THELEN

### Thelen new Riley supervisor

Norman M. Thelen, 53-year-old Riley Township farmer, has been appointed the township's supervisor, effective Dec. 1. He replaces Willard Krebel, who resigned to take a job with the state.

Thelen has lived on Bauer Road, R-2, Fowler, for the past 20 years. He has been a farmer all his life and presently is working 200 acres. He and his wife have eight children.

Thelen served on the Pewamo-Westphalia School Board when the district was first organized and is now a member of the Clinton County Intermediate School Board. He also served on the Clinton County School Reorganization Committee in 1965.

HE IS A MEMBER of St. Mary's Church in Westphalia and chairman of the building fund for the new elementary school which was just completed. Fraternally, he is a fourth degree Knight of Columbus and has served two terms as Grand Knight.

Thelen will attend his first meeting as Riley supervisor in January.



JOHN REHMANN

John Rehmann of Rehmann's Clothing Store has been named to the board of directors of the St. Johns Chamber of Commerce, filling the vacancy created by the resignation of Red Devereaux.

## Churches echo with Yule tale

Churches across Clinton County will echo with the tale of Christmas Sunday as area residents attend *lata Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.* Luke 2:7.

The Christmas story will be repeated at normal Sunday services in most churches. Others have special programs and services planned. They include:

**FIRST METHODIST Church:** A family service for everyone will be held at 7:30 Christmas eve with special music by all three choirs and singing of Christmas carols. Rev Keith Bovee's sermon topic for the 9:30 and 11 a.m. worship services Christmas day will be "Ye Shall Call Him Emmanuel."

**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL Church:** A service of carols and candles will be held Saturday evening at 7:30. A family worship service is planned for 11 a.m. Sunday, with parents asked to bring their children to the service instead of church school at 9:30. Rev Gerald Churchill's Christmas sermon topic will be "The Miracle of Small Beginnings."

**St. Joseph Catholic Church:** High Mass will be concelebrated by Father William Hankerd and Father Edwin Schoettle at midnight on Christmas eve. Christmas carols will begin in the church at 11:30 p.m. Morning masses Sunday will be at 6, 7:30, 9, 10:30 a.m. and noon. High Mass at 9 a.m. will be sung by the grade school choir and broadcast locally.

**St. John's Episcopal Church:** At 11 p.m. Christmas eve there will be a choir and congregational carol sing and at 11:30 holy communion. Sunday's services include holy communion at 10:30 a.m.

**ST. ANNE'S EPISCOPAL Church, DeWitt:** There will be a family service of holy communion Saturday evening at 7:30. There will be no Sunday services.

**East DeWitt Bible Church:** John Toroni and his talking violin will be present Christmas day. At 10 a.m. there will be a children's program with skits, recitations, exercises, readings and special music. At 7 p.m. Christmas night there will be a Christmas concert.

**St. John Baptist Church, Hubbardston:** Christmas services will begin at 11:35 p.m. Saturday with a concert of Christmas hymns sung by school children. At 11:55 the infant will be placed in the crib; the altar boys will form the guard of honor in the procession. Midnight Mass will follow, with all members of the parish participating in the singing and prayers. Masses on Christmas day will be at 8 and 10 a.m.

**Bingham and Bengal EUB Churches:** There will be a Christmas program at the Bingham EUB Church Friday evening at 8 p.m. performed by the children of the church. They will also present the nativity scene with carols. There will be a fellowship hour in the basement of the church following the program. There will be a candle-lighting service for both churches Christmas eve at the Bingham church presented by the Senior YF. There will be services at both churches Sunday morning at the regular time.

Further details on Christmas services and special plans can be found on Pages 6-B and 9-B.

## Questions / Comments on proposed urban renewal for St. Johns

WHAT ARE THE ADVANTAGES OF URBAN RENEWAL TO RESIDENTS OUTSIDE THE BUSINESS DISTRICT IN ST. JOHNS?

"There are several areas in which the citizens of St. Johns would benefit from the completion of the proposed urban renewal program," city officials answered. "Granted, the benefits may seem of the indirect type, but there are several areas where direct benefits could be assessed over a period of time.

"Probably the largest material benefit in years to come would be the realignment of the tax structure for the city. Whether the citizen realizes it or not, he is helping to support a large number of the properties within the project area. These structures have been in a state of gradual deterioration over a period of years. Consequently the assessed valuation of these structures has gone down along with the marketability of such buildings.

"Correspondingly, the cost of maintaining the services of the city government have increased. Consequently the citizen outside the business area and the merchant owner within the project area who has kept up his building have had to share a heavier load of taxes.

"WITHOUT URBAN RENEWAL, there is no immediate plan to alleviate a situation which will become gradually worse. Fact proves that

industrial and commercial property taxation provide the bulk of tax returns and that home owners alone would not be able to maintain a financial structure in city government without a huge outlay of taxes which would make home ownership prohibitive. This is the case in every community.

"It is also a fact when commercial property begins to lose in assessed valuation the slack to maintain even the status quo must be made up with increases in other areas. Quite frankly the home owner and other property owners are helping to maintain a large share of the commercial property which falls into the gradual deterioration classification. With the advent of the urban renewal program these structures would be removed and new buildings would replace the present ones. This would provide for a revamping of the tax structure for the city as a whole and eventually would reflect itself in the individual taxpayers' lower share of cost.

"By the same token even those properties remaining would become more valuable within the immediate project area as well as the fringe areas surrounding. When property becomes more attractive on the market for any reason it tends to enhance the value of property as a whole. By the same token blighting effects within the downtown area tend to devalue property throughout the urban area of the city.

"OTHER AREAS OF BENEFIT, although not direct, would also have an effect on the (See URBAN RENEWAL, Page 2-A)



A CURIOUS YOUNGSTER bends over to look at a lighted candle inside a paper sack. Some 1,200 sacks and lights lined Maple Rapids streets Sunday night for an annual Christmas observance in the community. An additional picture and story appear in the Fine Arts Section on Page 9-B.

REHMANN'S IN St. Johns, the store of large selections in men's and boys' clothing, furnishings and shoes. Merchandise arriving daily until Christmas. Adv. 35-1

NEED MONEY? Then see us for a low cost personal loan. Central National Bank of St. Johns, Ovid and Pewamo. 11-1

### 2 cars collide at Higham, Spring in city

Two cars collided Friday afternoon at Spring and Higham streets, but four people in the two autos were not hurt. They were driven by Don V. Ott, 42, of 812 Church Street, and Marilyn L. Knight, going west on Higham, stopped for the stop sign at the intersection and then started forward into the path of Ott's car.

MERCHANDISE arriving daily until Christmas at Rehmann's in St. Johns, the store of large selections in men's and boys' clothing, furnishings and shoes. Adv. 35-1

### City gets new truck, plow unit

A new Dodge dump truck and its underbody scraper were received by the St. Johns Department of Public Works last week and is now ready for service on city streets this winter.

The underbody is a heavier type than the city has installed on its vehicles in the past, and its service should be much more satisfactory than the lighter models that have been utilized, City Manager Ken Greer said.

"This versatility will allow us to not only do more work on our city streets it will take some of the pressure off the road grader that is almost impossible to utilize in certain residential areas but which is the only piece of equipment we dare take onto some streets," The city now has three snow trucks.

LARGE SELECTIONS in men's and boys' clothing, furnishings and shoes at Rehmann's in St. Johns. Merchandise arriving daily until Christmas. Adv 35-1

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# CD committee at odds with state on siren rules

## Volunteers complete small draft quota for January

Uncle Sam, who didn't send out any Christmas "greetings" to Clinton County men in December, will "greet" three men in January. But they more or less expected it, because they volunteered for the draft.

The Clinton County Selective Service Local Board No. 19 will send three men for induction in January, and another 38 will

report for pre-induction physical examinations. Both groups of men will leave for Detroit Jan. 25.

Notices were mailed out last week.

The three inductees for January are all volunteers. They are:

Thomas W. Parker of Bath

James P. Parkhouse of DeWitt  
James E. Davis of Elsie

**TAKING PRE - INDUCTION** physicals next month will be: Russell F. Barney of Lansing, David J. Mesh of St. Johns, Joseph F. Arens of Portland, John W. Suchowesky of St. Johns, David V. Gage of Lansing, Gerald R. Kubica of St. Johns, Eric G. Cox of DeWitt, William J. Denstead of Bath, Charles J. Megill of East Lansing.

George H. Enochs of St. Johns, William H. Brown of St. Johns, Douglas H. Behrens of Ovid, Dale W. Shepard Jr. of Ovid, Michael F. Platte of Pewamo, Phillip G. Rashid of DeWitt, Keith T. Laurence of Ovid, Kenneth R. Trimmer of DeWitt, Hobart J. B. Page of Lansing.

William J. Rozen of St. Johns, James D. Schultheiss of St. Johns, Michael J. Dohoney of St. Johns, James A. Esch of Eagle, Daniel B. Waters of Lansing, Rawlin W. Shire of DeWitt, John Salazar Jr. of St. Johns, Larry G. Zimmerman of Hubbardston, Philip L. Ducat of Bath, Donald G. Ward of St. Johns.

**KIM W. GEIGER** of Elsie, Hilary J. George of Fowler, Jerry L. Bernath of Elsie, Wesley R. Park of Bath, Roger L. Durbin of St. Johns, John C. Redman of St. Johns, Wayne L. Underhill of Ovid, LeRoy F. Atherton of Grand Ledge, David A. Schroeder of Grand Ledge, James D. Wells of Lansing, Paul M. Dinsthler of DeWitt and Dale W. Casteel of St. Johns.

**DAUGHTER VISITING**  
Mrs Donald Miller and daughter Rebecca flew from Costa Rica to Detroit last Thursday and will spend a month visiting with Mrs Miller's parents, Rev and Mrs Roy Green of St. Johns, who will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Jan. 1. Mrs Miller's husband is a missionary in Costa Rica, and he remained there.



SANTA SEES SANTA PUPPET AT HOSPITAL

Santa Claus visited the children in the pediatrics ward at Clinton Memorial Hospital Saturday. Little Theresa Greenhoe, 2, daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard Greenhoe of St. Johns, shows Santa her Santa Claus puppet, which the hospital auxiliary made for children at the hospital. Mrs Oliver Montague, representing the auxiliary, stands with Santa. Other Santa puppets can be seen on the table. Between September and November the auxiliary made 144 plain puppets and four dozen Santa puppets.

## Says area communities not equipped to change

Clinton County's civil defense committee and CD director have taken issue with plans for standardized separate siren signals for nuclear attack and natural disaster across the country.

The committee points out many communities, including most in Clinton County, have only the fire siren for civil defense use, and its one tone isn't enough to differentiate.

Starting March 1, 1967—according to national civil defense plans—any blast on CD sirens will mean take cover. A wailing tone will mean the U.S. is under nuclear attack; a steady tone will mean a natural disaster, such as a tornado, is imminent.

"THIS IS ALL RIGHT for a city like Lansing which has two-tone sirens that are used for warnings only, but our communities have only one siren for several different uses," Civil Defense Director Charles Frost said.

Frost said he was "unhappy" with a civil defense memorandum of Dec. 1 telling of plans for the revising of the signals. "Much of this isn't going to leave small communities with any warning capability if (the new regulation) is going to be enforced."

Frost said it was the civil defense committee's understanding of the memorandum that communities without the two-tone capability will not receive warnings from civil defense.

"ALL COMMUNITIES are not equipped to standardize such signals," Frost said in a memo to state CD headquarters for the local civil defense committee, "so the sound warning must be decided by the local communities based on the available equipment." The memorandum acknowledged that a distinction in the tone should be made if possible.

Previous civil defense signals meant different things than the new ones will mean after March 1. A steady tone was the nuclear alert signal that meant a nuclear attack was probable. The wailing tone was the "take cover" signal

CLINTON COUNTY  
**Traffic deaths**  
Since January 1

**13**

THIS TIME LAST  
YEAR: 10

meaning the U.S. was under attack or a natural disaster was imminent.

After March 1, either sound will mean take cover. There will be no "all clear" signal.

"I encourage Clinton County communities to continue with their sound warning signals as they have them now," Frost said. "Strangers in the community can inquire what it means."

## Holidays mean early deadlines

The next two weeks will be hectic ones at the Clinton County News because of the Monday holiday caused by Christmas and New Years. It will necessitate certain schedule changes.

The deadline for all advertising for the issue of Dec. 29 will be this Friday evening, Dec. 23; the deadline for the issue of Jan. 5 will be Friday evening, Dec. 30. This pertains to both display and classified advertising.

Club and social items will be taken no later than 9 a.m. each Tuesday morning preceding publication. Our out-county correspondents are urged to mail as much copy as possible for us to receive by the weekend; copy received as normal on Tuesdays will be handled as normally as possible.

Early submission of copy by all news sources will be appreciated.

## Urban renewal / Questions and comments

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citizenry of St. Johns . . . A renewal of our business area would certainly make the city a more attractive place to live. People moving check on schools, medical, industrial and downtown shopping areas before making a decision to move into a community . . . Industry seeking new locations make similar checks . . . A bad deterioration of the commercial hub of a city certainly would be a drawback in attracting new citizens or new industry. The city meets the other qualifications in good fashion.

"The influx of added commercial business

with an overhaul of the current downtown area plus the attracting of new businesses of a retail nature would give the citizens the opportunity to 'shop' in St. Johns in an attractive circumstance with little or no parking problems. St. Johns will continue to be a convenience shopping center, but the advent of a refurbished shopping area would certainly enhance the chances of attracting more shopping dollars into the community. There are numerous fringe benefits to the average citizen which may not be immediately apparent but which exist nevertheless . . ."

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## 2 neighbors' Yule trees, stripped of lights, wiring

Vandals seem to find their greatest joy at Christmas in ruining the cheerful scenes that homeowners throughout the county take pride in putting up for the enjoyment of others.

Every year there are the usual number of reports of outside Christmas light bulbs being swiped and sometimes just broken. Usually the damage is limited.

**THIS YEAR THE** thieves—some of them anyway—have stepped up their criminal activity.

Derrill Shinabery, Greenbush Township supervisor and chairman of the county board, reported to the Clinton County sheriff's office that the big pine tree in front of his house had been completely stripped of lights—wiring and everything—some time during the night Saturday.

Across from Shinabery's home at 1198 W. Maple Rapids Road, neighbor Charles Zigler's three Christmas trees were also stripped of lights and wiring—and an automatic timer that turned the lights on and off.

**THE THEFTS** disgusted Shinabery to the point he offered to give the thieves everything that's left, a whole box of replacement bulbs he has on hand. "I'll just leave them under the bare tree and they can come some night and get them, too," he said sarcastically.

Shinabery's tree is 15 feet tall and was liberally dotted with colored lights for the Yule season—until Saturday night. He said the theft took place sometime after 11 p.m. Saturday when he turned the tree lights out.

In St. Johns itself, thievery involved just the lights, although Lester Ritz of 504 Church Street told city police a white star on the top of his outdoor tree was damaged. Two bulbs were also missing.

**OTHERS REPORTING** the theft of bulbs in the last 10 days or so included: Mrs. Charles Laitimer of 608 Church Street, 25-30 bulbs; Guy Johnson of 211 W. Park, 12 bulbs; Ann Gilson of 607 W. Park, 16 bulbs; Fred Fernholtz of 102 Floral Avenue, 15 bulbs; Isadore East of 118 Floral Avenue, 12 bulbs; Don Paisley of 803 N. Oakland, nine bulbs; Gerald Karber of 806 N. Mead, 13 bulbs; Gene Downing of 698 N. Lansing Street, 12 bulbs; and Mrs. Gladys Cassidy of 505 Church Street, six bulbs.

## Boy wounds self while hunting

A Westphalia youth accidentally shot himself in the right side with a 410-gauge shotgun while rabbit hunting on his father's farm Sunday.

Alvin Schafer, 15, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Schafer of Dexter Trall, rural Westphalia, was reported in "satisfactory" condition Tuesday at Ingham Medical Hospital in Lansing.

Young Schafer was hunting on the farm with Edward Baldwin, 31, of 6210 Heyer Street, Westphalia. Baldwin told sheriff's deputies the dog started a rabbit and then he heard Schafer fire his gun. He called out to see if the boy had gotten the rabbit, but Schafer called back that he had shot himself.

Baldwin tried to carry Schafer to the house, but when this caused the boy too much discomfort, he put Schafer on the ground, cover-

ed him with his coat and summoned an ambulance. He was first taken to Clinton Memorial Hospital and then transferred to Lansing.

The boy was conscious throughout the trip.

## Plan dedication of water plant

Members of the old and new St. Johns City Commission and representatives of local industry have been invited by engineers Ayres, Lewis, Norris and May to attend a dedication ceremony of the new city water plant Jan. 6.

The plans are to make a tour of the water plant while it is in operation, so that the many facets of its operation can be explained. The tour will probably start about 4 p.m.

## GUARD NAMED

The Fowler Village Council has appointed Isadore Fink of 10907 E. Second Street as school crossing guard at the M-21 intersection three times a day.

## Special highway patrols planned

Michigan State Police holiday patrols will be operated during the Christmas and New Year weekends in special efforts to reduce accidents, Col. Fredrick E. Davids, department director, reported.

Emphasizing that the state is headed toward a new annual high in traffic deaths, Col. Davids urged motorists to exercise greater care in following safety rules and practices.

"The holiday season should be an inspiration to every driver and pedestrian to do whatever he can to reduce the risk of an accident," he said.

Extra hours of darkness, frequently bad weather and road conditions and the drinking associated with holiday celebrations are factors which add hazards at this time of the year, he noted.

## NOTE JAYCEE WEEK

Jaycee chapters at St. Johns, Fowler, DeWitt and in the Fulton area will mark Jan. 15-21, 1967, as Jaycee Week.

## Dear Santa



Dear Santa:  
I wish I could have a knitting machine, the kind with the ironing board. And my sister wants a typewriter, too, and my other sister wants the doll called you know that one who wants someone to love her and she cries because she does not have a home.

LORI FOSTER

Dear Santa:  
I am Steven Foster. We have not got our Christmas tree yet, but we will get our tree this Saturday and I hope I will get some pajamas and a talking book too, and my sister Cammy wants Miss Know Name and a talking book, too, like I do, and my sister Lori F. wants some pajamas. And I have a big family, too, I have 8 in my family.

STEVEN

Dear Santa:  
My name is Carmon Young. I am 5 years old. Please I would like a Barbie doll with clothes and some other toys.

CARMON

Dear Santa:  
I have been a pretty good girl this year.  
Would you please bring me a play house, an easy bake, a big Santa sucker, a dresser and matching closet, a washer and dryer and a pair sun glasses. Thank You.

TERESA DONALD

Dear Santa:  
I would like a tractor to ride, a crackfire gun and a Tonka dump truck. I hope that everyone has a merry Christmas.

Love  
MICHAEL OTT

302 N. Ovid Street  
Elsie, Mich.

Dear Santa:  
My name is Tony Young. I am 4 years old. Please bring me a guitar and a truck. Thank you.

TONY



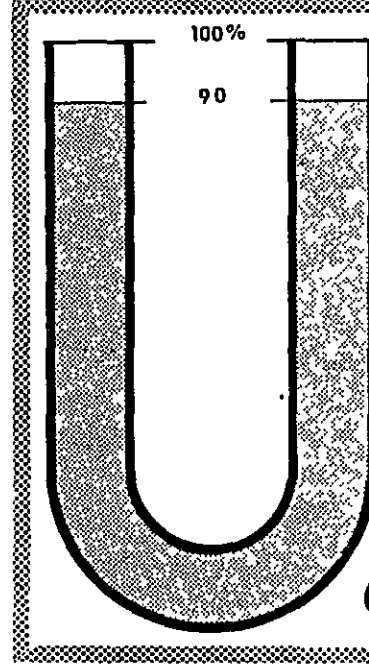
ANDREW COBB

## Cobb to head Clinton GOP

Andrew Cobb of Elsie has been elected to a two-year term as chairman of the Clinton County Republican Committee.

Other officers are Mrs. Margaret Thingstad of Water town Township, vice chairman; Gordon Wilyyoung of DeWitt, secretary; and Robert Strine of St. Johns, treasurer. A. T. Allaby of St. Johns was named finance chairman.

Elected to fill vacancies on the executive committee were Bob



## Clinton County Communities Chest

Total contributions to date:

**\$23,310**

Goal **\$26,500**



RICHARD ROOT

Richard Root was installed Dec. 10 as worshipful master of St. Johns Masonic Blue Lodge No. 105. Other officers installed were George Harter, senior warden; Kenneth Pyle, junior warden; Charles Zigler, treasurer; Willard Krebel, secretary; Lloyd Atkinson, marshal; and Merlin Burk, steward. The installing officer was Ken Richards, assisted by Charles Nye as marshal, Henry Delar as secretary, Rev. Gerald Churchill as chaplain and Mrs. Richard Root as organist.

## AID SERVICEMEN

Governor Romney has urged everyone in the state to contribute tangible gifts to the people of South Vietnam and to Michigan men serving there during this Christmas season and after. Over a dozen voluntary organizations are already receiving contributions from Michigan residents to aid the war-ravaged South Vietnamese as well as Michigan servicemen.

Ditmer of St. Johns and Paul Graft Jr. of R-1, Fowler.

Appointment of the county committee, composed of two people from each precinct, will be made in early January.

At the meeting Dec. 14, Cobb read new laws and discussed procedures for electing the new county committee.

Pintails are among the favorites of American ducks. Their name comes from the elongated central tail feathers. They are often called "sprigs" by gunners.

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# Last Minute Gifts

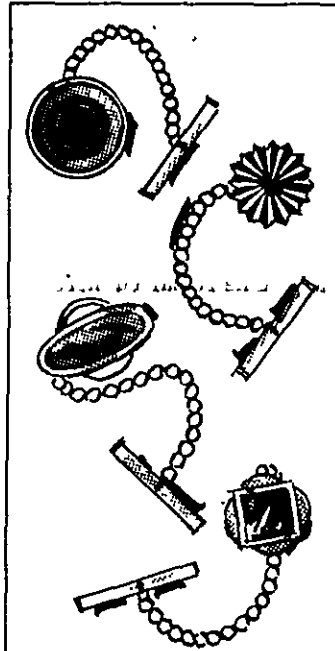
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## Off to dreamland... no more ironing!

Gals are delighted with sleep-wear gifts when they're Penn-Prest! Here's a dainty, carefree group of new shift gowns. All are of Kodel® polyester/cotton, so they'll wash in a wink, come out of the dryer fresh-as-new. Pastels. S, M, L, XL, XXL.

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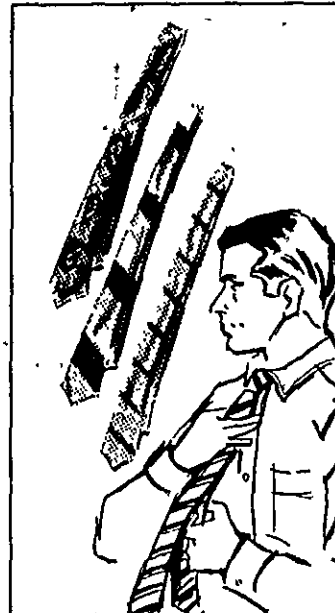
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## Classic gift idea... our lush Penlander sweater!

A gift she'll warm up to! Our own Penlander wool-and-mohair button-up cardigan goes great with all the season's new fashions. In solids and heather tones to complement her winter wardrobe. Misses' sizes 34 to 42.

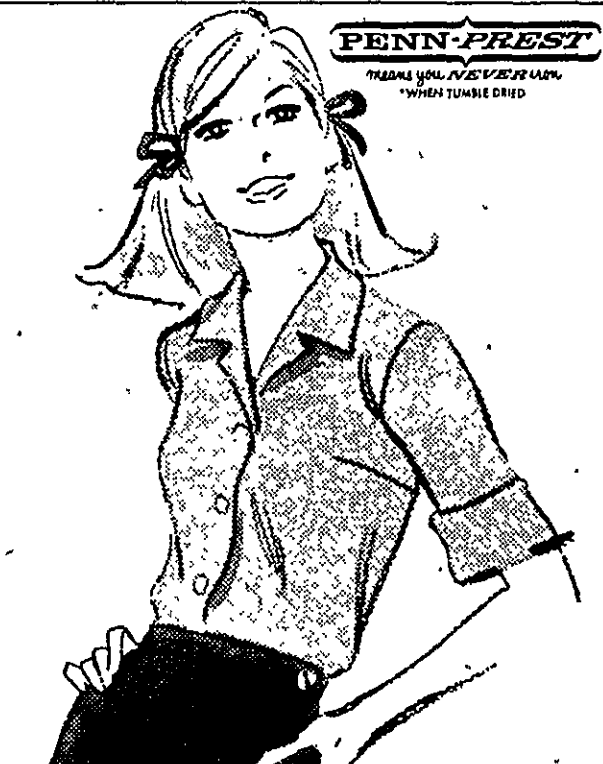
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## Penney's holiday neckties in stripes, paisleys

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**3.25**



Once more the message of Peace and Joy resounds across the land, heralding that first Holy Night when the beautiful Christmas story was begun. Our sincere wishes to all for a Merry Christmas.

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and Employees

### Fowler 4-H's gather supplies

## Busy Bees find spirit of giving in Vietnam orphanage



Shoes, shirts, pants, diapers and bed clothing destined for the Co-Nhi-Vien Viet Hoa orphanage in Vietnam are checked over by members of the Fowler Busy Bees 4-H Club, which is collecting the clothing. Left to right are Judy Kramer, president, Delores Schrauben, Mary Lil Fink, 4-H leader Mrs Lewis Epkey, Sandy Snyder (vice president) and Debbie Pline. The non-officers in the picture, along with Monica Myers, are members of the committee collecting the items. The collection will continue through mid-January.

By MRS ALFRED LOUNDS  
CCN Fowler Writer

FOWLER—Head, heart, hands and health — this is what 4-H means. To meet some youngsters with plenty of these, especially heart, just meet the Fowler Busy Bees. This group of 80 boys and girls has taken on a project to help the more than 100 children in the Co-Nhi-Vien Viet Hoa orphanage in Vietnam.

The orphanage was founded by French nuns nearly 100 years ago, but is now run by seven Vietnamese sisters. It is surrounded by a quiet garden with flowers, shrubs and gnarled trees. There is a wall around all this—a peaceful place for hungry and neglected children to find a haven.

THE PROBLEMS OF these orphans first came to the attention of the Busy Bees through a newspaper columnist's visit to the orphanage and his meeting with an Air Force doctor, Capt. George M. Chastain, who devotes several hours each week tending the babies and children there. His interpreter is an Air Force sergeant, a Negro, John Veney of Baltimore, who also gives much of his time.

Capt. Chastain took the columnist through the orphanage with him while he treated the children for fevers, bronchial conditions, etc. There were 62 small babies in rows of old, but clean, baby cribs. Many were extremely frail with skin infections.

They were all clean and cared for, but the shortage of supplies and help was quite evident. Sheets were very scarce. The older girls, who have been reared in the orphanage, help feed, bathe and change the many babies. It is a never-ending job.

CAPT. CHASTAIN AND the reporter were shown a classroom where 40 children, plus those of the orphanage, were learning French. They are also taught Vietnamese and next year will begin English classes.

Through the efforts of the doctor, the sisters now have running water in the kitchen. Their drinking water is rain water, caught in huge four-foot-tall earthen pots.

The Fowler Busy Bees are busy these days collecting sheets, light-weight clothing, shoes, diapers and toys for the orphans. The collection points are the public and parochial schools, the laundromat and the post office. There will be boxes in all these places for donations. Money, too, is welcome, for drugs and medicine.

THE SHEETS SHOULD be 24 by

48 inches, double thickness. These can be made from sheets that are worn in the middle, but still have a lot of wear around the edge. Sheets and shoes are what they need the most. Of course, toys are nearly non-existent. The 4-H'ers have already used some of their hard-earned money to buy flannel and have made diapers for the babies. They are learning that it is fun to give, especially when their gifts mean so much to those who have so little.

Our well-fed and healthy children are expecting to receive new toys for Christmas. That is right and good. But Christmas should also mean "giving" to them. How wonderful if they would all choose to share their old toys (or even a new one) and their outgrown clothing with the poor children of the Viet Hoa orphanage.

THE BUSY BEES have 16 leaders and three junior leaders. The club president is Judy Kramer. Committee members for this heart-warming project are Cindy Snyder, Mary Lil Fink, Dolores Schrauben and Debbie Pline. Monica Myers is in charge of the collection boxes in the public schools.

"Let us all take time out from the hustle and bustle of Christmas shopping and find the true meaning of Christmas in giving whatever we can to these hard-working boys and girls who are finding it themselves", club leaders said. "They are using their own club funds to pay shipping costs of all the donations. This is surely a good way to show the meaning of 'Peace on Earth, Good Will to Man'."

LEADERS OF THE 80-member Fowler Busy Bees are Judy Miller, Donna Fink, Louise Feldpausch, Ronald Spitzley, Eugene Martin, Alphonse Thelen, Betty Thelen, Virginia Marton, Dorothy Jandernoa, Agnes Schomisch, Rosie Feldpausch, Marilyn Fedewa, Therese Kramer, Doris Welber, Patricia Fink, Mary Catherine Fedewa and Agatha Epkey. Junior leaders are Nadine Motz, Mary Ann Schrauben and Lois Miller.

CLUB ELECTS  
Members of the Eagle Eye Rifle and Pistol Club of Eagle have elected William Evert president for the coming year. Other officers are Charles Volk, vice president; Robert Lonter, secretary; Albert Smith, treasurer; Duane Murphy, executive officer; and quartermaster; Lynn Volk, club instructor; and James Schrauben, assistant range officer.

### New radiological course planned

A new radiological monitors training course has been scheduled to start Jan. 5 at the Clinton County Road Commission offices.

County Civil Defense Director Charles Frost said the 16-hour course will be taught by Don Ewing, road commission clerk. The course is designed to develop an understanding of the basic concepts of nuclear science and weapons effects; the ability to use radiological defense equipment, techniques required to solve radiological defense problems and the ability to apply protective measures during monitoring operations.

Persons interested in taking the course are asked to contact Frost or Ewing, preferably prior to the first meeting Jan. 5.



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MISS CHARLOTTE F. NAVE

Mr and Mrs Robert F. Nave of 3277 Bent Oak, Adrian, announce the engagement of their daughter, Charlotte Faye, to Richard Lee Shoup. He is the son of Mr and Mrs Lawrence Shoup of R-2, St. Johns.

Miss Nave is a student at Western Michigan University and a graduate of Adrian High School. Her fiancé is a graduate of Rodney B. Wilson High School and a senior at Ferris State College majoring in diesel engineering. A June 17 wedding is being planned by the couple.

The Christmas party of the Crescent Club was held Wednesday, Dec. 14, at the home of Mrs John Doyle. All members were present to enjoy a dinner served at a table decorated in a Christmas motif. A Christmas tree offered gifts to each one. No date was set for the next meeting.

**Mrs Leach hosts Christmas party for study group**

The Friendly Neighbors Extension Study Group met with Mrs William Leach for a Christmas party Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 14. Mrs Wayne Rossow presided over the short business meeting with 12 members present to answer roll call by naming a Michigan inland lake and its location.

A report of the Area nine council meeting of Dec. 13 was given by Mrs Walter Marten.

Following the business meeting was a recreation period under the direction of Mrs Maynard Marten. A gift exchange was held.

The next meeting will be Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 18, at the home of Mrs Walter Marten. The project lesson will be "What Do Our Taxes Buy For Us" and will be presented by Mrs W. L. Whitefield and Mrs Zane Benedict.

**Eureka Study Club hosts St. Johns Club**

St. Johns Child Study Club met Dec. 13 as guests of the Eureka Child Study Club at the home of Mrs Carl Balr. Eleven members were present from the St. Johns Club.

A poem in unison by the group opened the meeting and the program "Prejudice" was presented by Mrs Lloyd Ford.

Refreshments were served by the hostess and Eureka Club members.

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MR AND MRS CARL E. MINNIS

**Pair honeymoon in New York City**

New York City was the honeymoon destination of Carl E. Minnis and his bride, the former Caroline Jastram, who exchanged wedding vows Saturday evening, Nov. 12 at St. Peter's Lutheran Church of Riley. Rev Elmer Schaefer officiated.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr and Mrs Clarence Minnis of rural Dansville. His bride is the daughter of Mr and Mrs Earl Jastram of Riley.

For the double ring nuptials, the bride wore a floor length a-line gown of peau de sole with Marsha Jastram, niece of the of imported lace. Her detachable train was also of lace. She carried a bouquet of white roses and chrysanthemums.

THE MAID OF HONOR, Miss Marsha Jastram, piece of the bride, of Watertown wore a floor length empire gown of antique gold velvet and cream brocade with matching cape.

Bridesmaids were Miss Diane Boak of Fowler, the bride's niece and Miss Peggy Jo Minnis of Webberville, the groom's sister with Miss Lianne House, the groom's niece, of Flint as junior bridesmaid. Their gowns were identical to the maid of honor's except in shades of olive green velvet with brocade. The attendants all carried baskets of yellow and white chrysanthemums.

THE BRIDE'S GOWN, as were the attendants, was made by the

bride's sister-in-law, Mrs Leonard Jastram. The bridegroom chose his brother, Larry Minnis as best man. Groomsman were Gerald Baker and Marvin Gauss and Dwight Boak as junior groomsman. Seating the guest were Carl Jastram and Tom Wilcox.

Honored guest at the wedding was the groom's grandmother, Mrs Anna Bearse.

A reception was held immediately following the ceremony in the parish hall. Hosting the event were Mr and Mrs Ted Snyder. Also assisting were Mrs Robert House, Miss Helen Cepko, Mrs Ray Terpening, Mrs David Lockwood, Miss Wilma Jastram, Mrs Richard Dills, Mrs Charles Horman and Mrs Lawrence Witt. Miss Judy Hopp attended the guest book.

The bride is a graduate of Rodney B. Wilson High School and is now an employee of the Michigan Title Company of Mason. Minnis was graduated from Dansville High School and attended Michigan State.

Mr and Mrs Minnis are now at home at 2965 Howell Road, Webberville.

**Engagement told**

Mr and Mrs Don Bosley of R-1, St. Johns, announce the engagement of their daughter, Sharon, to Charles L. Dickens, son of Mr and Mrs Kenneth Dickens of 205 E. Park Street, St. Johns.

A Jan. 28 wedding is being planned.

**Christmas party for Senior Citizens**

Forty-eight Senior Citizens enjoyed the annual Christmas party Dec. 13.

The potluck dinner was followed by community singing of Christmas carols, readings and several numbers played by the Rhythm Band.

After exchange of gifts the remainder of the afternoon was spent in playing cards and bingo. The next regular meeting will be held at the VFW Hall Dec. 27.

A word to the wise is sufficient, but whole libraries won't convince the otherwise.



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**Missionary Society had yule party**

The Ladies Missionary Society of the St. Johns Baptist Temple held their Christmas meeting at the church Dec. 13. There were 13 members present.

It was decided to get together between Christmas and New Year's, to give the church a thorough cleaning because New Year's Day Rev and Mrs Roy Green will hold their open house at the church from 2 to 5 p.m. to celebrate their golden wedding anniversary.

Mrs Roy Green dismissed the meeting with prayer.

GIFTS WERE exchanged and names were revealed among Secret Pals, Secret Pal names for the coming year were drawn.

The next meeting will be held at the church Jan. 10 at 7 p.m. Mrs Katie Ellwanger will have devotions. Mrs Roy Green, Mrs Sue Townsend and Mrs Gladys Decker will be on the refreshment committee.

Mrs Doris Cleland and Mrs Barbara Brewbaker were the refreshment hostesses with helpers, Mrs Roy Green, Mrs Doris Chappell, Mrs Marian Orweller and Mrs Alice Richmond.



MISS MARY BROWN

Mr and Mrs John L. Brown of R-1, St. Johns, announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary, to Lyle Leslie of Middleton, son of Mr and Mrs Wayne Leslie of Middleton.

Mary is a sophomore at Michigan State University and Lyle is employed at Oldsmobile, Lansing, and attends Lansing Community College.

An August wedding is being planned.



**Births**  
Clinton's Citizens of Tomorrow

HALFMANN—A girl, Pamela Sue, was born to Mr and Mrs Charles Halfmann of Fowler, Dec. 15 at Carson City Hospital. She weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces. The mother is the former Marilyn Thelen.

ZELENSKA — A girl, Debra Kaye, was born to SP 4 and Mrs Dan R. Zelenka in Glessen, Germany, Dec. 1. She weighed 6 pounds, 4 ounces. Grandparents are Mr and Mrs Joe Zelenka and Mr and Mrs Oliver Castner. The mother is the former Janice Castner.

SWANCHARA—A boy, Rodney Lee, was born to Mr and Mrs Edward Swanchara of St. Johns Dec. 9 at Clinton Memorial Hospital. He weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces. The baby has two brothers and three sisters. Grandparents are Mr and Mrs Steve Swanchara of St. Johns and Mr and Mrs Carl Ryan of Maple Rapids. The mother is the former Margaret Ryan.

RASDALE—A girl, Mary Ann, was born to Mr and Mrs Charles Rasdale of St. Johns Dec. 16 at Clinton Memorial Hospital. She weighed 6 pounds, 6 1/4 ounces. The baby has four brothers and one sister. Grandparents are Mrs Ruth Rasdale of St. Johns and Mrs Gwen Ellison of Fenton. The mother is the former Joan Wilcox.

SMITH—A boy, Jeffrey David, was born to Mr and Mrs Marvin Smith of R-2, Portland, Dec. 11 at St. Lawrence Hospital. He weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces. The mother is the former Eileen Fritch.



MISS MARCIA E. PENIK

Mr and Mrs Kenneth A. Penik of 604 Lambert Drive, St. Johns, announce the engagement of their daughter, Marcia Elaine, to Robert W. Murphy. He is the son of Mr and Mrs Thomas Murphy of Pontiac.

Miss Penik will graduate from Central Michigan University in January and her fiancé is a graduate of Central Michigan University and is presently working on his masters at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

A Jan. 27 wedding is being planned by the couple.

**Brosses host DAR**

Dr and Mrs Manning Bross of 2051 W. French Road were hosts Tuesday evening, Dec. 13, to the members of Chapter Wabwaysin, Daughters of the American Revolution and their husbands for a Christmas party on their annual anniversary of receiving their charter.

The Regent, Mrs Harold Millman, presented Mrs George H. Brooks, organizing Regent of the chapter, who read a Christmas poem by Helen Steiner Rice. After which Mrs Millman conducted the patriotic ritual and business meeting.

MRS VAN HOAG read a paper on American music; "its contribution to Christmas carols." After painting a vivid picture in words of the Christmas season of our childhood, she told the story of three Christmas hymns and the authors. The audience then sang each hymn following its description accompanied by Mrs Brooks.

At the close of the program, Mrs Bross led the group in singing several spirited popular Christmas songs.

The hostess served refreshments from a table with beautiful Christmas decorations. Mrs Rolan Sleight poured.

**Eureka**

By MRS. GORDON WAGGONER, Correspondent

**FAMILY CHRISTMAS:**

Mr and Mrs Dale Randolph, Terrie and Larry entertained her brothers and their families for the Waggoner Christmas Saturday evening at 5 p.m. supper. Following the supper they exchanged gifts; visited and Dale showed movies of past Christmas gatherings. Those present were Mr and Mrs Howard Waggoner and Solvi of Houghton Lake, Miss Barbara Waggoner of Ann Arbor, Mr and Mrs Wallace Huggett, Daniel, Mark and Laura of Marlette; Mr and Mrs Wendell Waggoner, Ron and Rusty, Mr and Mrs Gordon Waggoner, Gloria and Linda and Mr and Mrs J. D. Robinson.

Mr and Mrs J. D. Robinson entertained Mr and Mrs Wallace Huggett, Daniel, Mark and Laura and Eunice and Kyle Martin Sunday at dinner.

Mr and Mrs LeRoy Hyke attended the silver wedding anniversary of her nephew and wife, Mr and Mrs Walter Stone of Alma Sunday.

Narcissa Hancock of Essexville, sister of Mrs Hyke, spent a brief visit here with Mr and Mrs LeRoy Hyke.

The Eureka Congregational Christian Church held their annual Christmas program with Superintendent Wendell Waggoner announcing the program. The prayer and Scripture were given by Pastor Barlow. Twenty youngsters gave their Christmas pieces. Miss Terrie Randolph gave a reading "The Road to Christmas." Miss Debbie Wickwire sang "Away In a Manger." Mother and daughter, Nellie and Reta Washburn, sang a duet. Cousins Terrie Randolph and Gloria and Linda Waggoner sang "Hark, Hark, Hark." The Sunday School choir sang "Walk in the Light" and "Follow The Star." Two songs were sung by the chancel choir, "The Journey's End" and "Heaven's Story Portal." All were accompanied by Mrs Reta Gover. The offering taken will be sent to the Cleveland Christian Home, as usual. Boxes of candy were handed out to the young folks.

The Youth Fellowship are planning to go Christmas caroling Friday evening at 7:30. They will also deliver the many gifts Christmas packed boxes to the shut ins.

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### Maple Rapids

By Mrs Wilbur Bancroft  
Phone 682-3553

Mr and Mrs Harold Annis arrived home from Florida Saturday. Their daughter, Mr and Mrs Steve Spess and family, were visitors Sunday from Saginaw. They expect their other daughter, Elenore, to arrive Monday from Mankado, Minn., for the holidays.

Mr and Mrs Auburn Smeltzer have their son, Doug, home for the holidays. He will return to San Antonio, Texas, and the Airborne Division.

Bill Cartwright is also visiting his parents and friends for the holidays. He is on leave from Ft. Leonard, Mo.

Mr and Mrs Milo Podolak and son, Robert and Mr and Mrs Robert Bellinger spent the weekend at Cleveland, Ohio, at the home of Mrs Podolak's brother, Mr and Mrs Raymond Berkshire and family.

Michelle, Brian and Rene Meeling have the chicken pox.

Mr and Mrs Rod Schmidt and Ricky of Alma and Mr and Mrs Gary Snyder of Maple Rapids, were supper guests of Mr and

Mrs John Schmidt for an early Christmas gathering before Mrs Rod Schmidt and Ricky left for Florida to spend the holidays with her parents, Rev and Mrs Roy Marshal of Tampa, Fla. Rod will join them for Christmas.

Mrs Marguerite Wright of Detroit spent Tuesday through Thursday with Mrs Selma Bailey. Wednesday they visited Mrs Wright's mother, Mrs Mulford at the Masonic Home in Alma.

A. J. Underwood of Sacramento, Calif., is spending the holidays with his mother, Mrs Madge Underwood. She is having an open house for him at her home Thursday, Dec. 29 from 5 to 9 p.m.

Kurt Bancroft, Stanley Clark and Wesley Havens were presented with their Golden Gloves pins Wednesday. They participated in the events last year and are practicing for this year's events which will be held at The Lansing Civic Center.

Food specialists at Michigan State University suggest you leave the skin on sweet potatoes when you boil them. The thin skin of the sweet potato is easier to peel when its cooked and it takes less of the potato with it. Some of the sweetness is dissolved in the cooking water when the protective jacket is gone.



MRS GAYLON J. STEVENSON

## Stevenson-Morel vows said Saturday

BERRIEN SPRINGS, MICH.—Gaylon James Stevenson of Berrien Springs claimed as his bride Saturday evening the former Miss Cheryl Ann Morel of St. Joseph, Mich.

The father of the bride, Pastor Hollis A. Morel, officiated at the ceremony held at Pioneer Memorial Church of Berrien Springs.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr and Mrs Gaylord Stevenson of 810 E. Walker, St. Johns and the bride is the daughter of Pastor and Mrs Hollis A. Morel of 309 Hillcrest, Berrien Springs.

FOR THE 7:30 p.m. service, the new Mrs Stevenson was attired in a floor length gown of sata-peau fashioned with a fitted bodice, rounded neckline and long sleeves tapering to a bridal point. At the neckline and waist were peau de ange appliques. Back interest was given with cathedral length train flowing from the shoulders. Her two tiered English silk veil cascaded from a

crown of re-embroidered alencon lace. She carried white orchids and lilies of the valley attached to a white Bible.

Marilyn L. Morel of Benton Harbor was her sister's maid of honor. She wore a white chiffon velvet a line gown with long sleeves and a train falling from the shoulders. Her headpiece was a white pearl crown. She carried holly with three white poinsettias.

Identically attired were the bridesmaids Rebecca Craig of Indianapolis, Ind., Pat Lewis of Benton Harbor and Norma Jean Kilpatrick, sister of the groom, of St. Johns. Ruth Ann Craig was the junior bridesmaid and the flower girl was Trudy Chapman.

DANNY TYLER of St. Joseph was the Bible-boy.

Carl Kilpatrick, brother-in-law of the groom, of St. Johns was the best man. The ushers were Jay Parker of Saranac and Richard W. Wale, George Pangman, Darrel Muelhauser, Bill Hammond, Bill Hicks and Jeffery Morel, all of Berrien Springs.

About 600 attended the reception for the newlyweds held in the Youth Memorial Building of Berrien Springs.

The bride is a graduate of Andrews University Academy and her husband is a graduate of Cedar Lake Academy and a junior at Andrews University of Berrien Springs, majoring in physical education.

Mr and Mrs Stevenson will make their home at 215 College Street, Berrien Springs.

John and Roberta Albers were guests Saturday at a pre-Christmas dinner and party at the home of Mr and Mrs Robert Robitaille of Lansing.

The teen activities page is a popular new feature every week in the Clinton County News!

Some people get a reputation for being live wires because they do such shocking things.

## Blue Star Mothers give radios to Vets

The Blue Star Mothers Chapter No. 88 of St. Johns held their annual Christmas party and it was a gala affair. It started off with a potluck dinner.

The regular business meeting was held with 32 members and four guests present.

The Mothers voted to buy two radios for the Veterans at Grand Rapids Facility. Marie Whitford brought 13 bibs and three lap robes she had made and these also will be taken to the Facility by a group of Mothers, who will attend the Christmas party for the Veterans.

Mrs Della Corbin reported she was dispensing 125 pairs of mittens to needy children. The mittens were knitted by some of the Mothers.

Fanny War won the mystery package and the meeting was closed with prayer.

Each member was given a number to correspond with number on Christmas gift. Mrs DeBoer had a unique plan. No. 1 got her own gift. But with the other numbers, if you liked someone else's gift you just exchanged the one you had with the one you wanted. Christmas carols were sung later.



REV and MRS ROY GREEN

## Pastor, wife to mark anniversary

Rev Roy Green, pastor of the St. Johns Baptist Temple, and his wife Ethel will be honored Sunday, Jan. 1, at a church open house marking their 50th wedding anniversary.

Rev and Mrs Green were married Jan. 1, 1917, at Ovid by the Rev Robert Parker, an uncle of Rev Green. The local pastor and his wife met in the summer of 1916.

The Baptist Temple at 400 E. State Street will be the scene of an open house for the couple between 2 and 5 p.m. Jan. 1. Rev Green's son, Dr Donald Green of Lansing, will preach at the morning worship service that day, and Dr D. L. Lougheed, founder of the St. Johns Baptist Temple, will speak at the 7 p.m. service.

REV AND MRS GREEN have four children, Harry of Lincoln Park, Mrs Virginia Miller of San Jose, Costa Rica, Robert of Ovid and Donald of Lansing. All three sons will take part in the services Sunday, Jan. 1. Mrs Miller and her daughter are flying home from missionary service in Costa Rica for the occasion and will spend some time here.

Rev Green has been pastor of the Baptist Temple here for 6 1/2 years and was a charter member of the church. He went on to his theology schooling from here and has a master of theology degree from Bible Baptist Seminary at Arlington, Tex.

REV AND MRS GREEN are both Clinton area natives. Mrs Green, the former Ethel M. Johnson, was raised at Elsie; Rev Green was raised in Gratiot County and Detroit. The couple now live at 609 N. Morton Street in St. Johns.

## East Hubbardston

Mrs Mamie O'Connell  
Telephone 981-2374

Mrs Mae Cunningham received a telephone call from both sons in service Sunday wishing her Merry Christmas. Pat, stationed at Camp LaJeune, N. C., had returned there after spending some time in Cuba, Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico. Donald (Bud) phoned from Tokyo, Japan, where he is enjoying a few days rest from duty in Viet Nam.

Mr and Mrs James Boomer, Mr and Mrs Manual Cusack, Mr and Mrs Larry Cunningham and Mr and Mrs Clifford O'Grady were guests of Mr and Mrs Carl Hoyer and family of Flint Sunday. The occasion was Mr and Mrs Hoyer's 25th wedding anniversary.

Christmas carolers covered the town Wednesday evening singing their Christmas hymns. They were from St. John the Baptist School.

The WCS held a Christmas party at their church Wednesday evening with an exchange of gifts from their mystery friends.

Mrs Mary Barrone was a visitor in town Saturday night and attended the oyster supper in the Masonic hall.

Mrs Mamie L. O'Connell attended the Pomona Grange meeting Saturday, Dec. 17, in the Olive Grange hall. A fifth degree meeting was held in hall before the potluck dinner was served in the dining room. In the afternoon the meeting opened, in the fourth degree, with an annual memorial program, for the deceased members. It was followed by a Christmas program of songs by the Grange and children in a "Play-School." The visiting speaker was Wilma Garman, State Grange Secretary from Mendon.

A bird with a reported 531-word vocabulary was "Sparkie Williams," owned by Mrs M. Williams of Bear Cross, Hampshire, England.



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## Announcements

DeWitt Grange will hold its annual Christmas program and party Friday, Dec. 23, at the DeWitt Memorial Building at 8:30 p.m. Members are asked to bring popcorn, candy, apples or nuts. There will be no gift exchange this year.

The First Baptist Church of St. Johns will be holding its second annual Choir Congregation Candlelight Christmas Carol Sing Sunday, Dec. 25, at 7 p.m.

The Rainbow Girls of St. Johns Assembly No. 21 are sponsoring a Rainbow Christmas dance at the Masonic Temple Friday evening, Dec. 30, from 8 until midnight. There will be a group playing. Girls do not wear shorts or slacks.

## DeWitt

By Virginia Ackerman

Mr and Mrs John Flannery of Lansing visited their aunt, Mrs Amanda Ackerman, Thursday afternoon.

Mr and Mrs Michael Coco and family of Birmingham spent Sunday with the Richard Kieblers.

Deepest sympathy to the family of Mary Morris from their neighbors and friends.

Miss Caroline Malenfant is home from college for Christmas vacation.

Miles Merrill and Dick Kiebler vacationed in Florida over the weekend.

Mrs Grace Mayhew of Manacoma, passed away Dec. 15. Mrs Mayhew is the mother of Mrs Della Cowan of this city.

## South Ovid

By Mrs George Young

All eight children of the late James and Anna Morehouse held their annual big Christmas dinner Saturday, Dec. 17, at the old home in this vicinity. Everyone enjoyed the Christmas tree and it seemed so like old times that all are able to be together again.

Mrs Sarah Young was a supper guest at the home of Mr and Mrs George Parker last Friday evening.

Mr and Mrs Kenneth Young attended the wedding of Miss Geraldine Wagoner of Greenville last Saturday afternoon. They returned Sunday afternoon after visiting their mother, Mrs Hattie Miller of Greenville.

Mr and Mrs Nell Ziegler and family spent Sunday with his brother, Mr and Mrs Raymond Ziegler of Saranac.

Mrs Nancy Baker was quite sick most of last week. Mrs S. Young is lots better at this writing.

Mr and Mrs Melbourn Morehouse of Ovid were Sunday afternoon callers of Mrs Nancy Baker and Mrs S. Young.

Mrs Georgianna Underhill and Wayne, Mr and Mrs Richard Gee, Mrs Wilson and family and Mrs Sarah Young, all of this vicinity, attended the Christmas program at the Calvary Baptist Church Sunday evening.

A Merry Christmas to all.



Our Christmas wish: that your heart shares the blessed joy of the shepherds.

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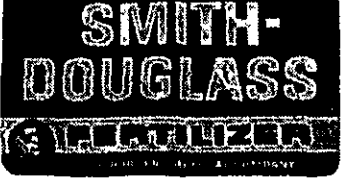
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### 8 farm families have New Yule adventure

Eight Clinton County area families will host eight foreign students enrolled in the 14th annual Adventure in World Understanding Program at Michigan State University. The students are presently enrolled in colleges all over the United States. About 70 students from many countries are expected to attend the "Adventure."

The "Adventure" will be held Dec. 20-29 and will begin on the MSU campus, where classes in world understanding are arranged.

The students will spend Christmas eve with city families in the Lansing-East Lansing area. This will be followed by a two day visit to farm families in surrounding areas.

THE EIGHT STUDENTS to be here will be guests of the families of Maurice Gove of R-2, St. Johns; George Hazle of R-5, St. Johns; John Jones of R-3, St. Johns; Peter Kurnacz of R-6, St. Johns; George Michalek of 4215 W. Locke Road, Perry; Albert Schaefer of R-6, St. Johns; Jack Schwark of R-2, Ovid and Julius J. Thelen of R-2, Fowler.

The visitors will be brought to the Extension office Monday afternoon, Dec. 26, when the staff will host a short get acquainted for the host families and their guests.

This year a special trip has been planned for Wednesday afternoon, when the host families and students will go to Battle Creek to visit the Kellogg Com-

pany and meet with Kellogg Foundation representative, Dr. Russell Mawby.

A SPONSORS DINNER, with two host family members as guests, will be held Wednesday evening at Kellogg Center on the MSU campus.

In order to qualify as farm host families, the farm must be in full time operation and there must be children living at home.

### West Hubbardston Clara Hogan

PARISH BOARD  
St. John the Baptist Parish has formed a Parish Board of Education. The Board consists of the following lay members: Stanley Schafer, president; Richard Cusack, vice president; Joseph Fahy, secretary and Alvin Bozang and Clifford O'Grady. The first meeting was held Dec. 8 in the school at 7:30 p.m. Future meetings of the Board will be held on the first Thursday of each month.

### Duplain By Mrs James Burnham

Twenty-one met at the church Friday evening to go caroling as members of the Bible-Crusaders and Pioneer classes. After a joyous evening caroling at various homes and hospitals, the group returned to the church basement for refreshments and a social time.

The annual Christmas program at the Church of Christ was presented Sunday evening to a full house. Special song, "Do You Know The Christ Of Christmas?" was presented by the junior girls choir and a scripture reading of the Christmas story was given by Bruce Moore. It was followed by a play, "We Followed A Star", in three scenes presented by members of the Bible school classes. The junior girls choir and the junior department furnished the song accompaniment for the play. Remarks and the closing prayer were given by the minister, Ralph Woodard.

There will be no evening service next Sunday evening, Dec. 25, at the Church of Christ.

The junior girls choir and the high school youth met Wednesday evening at the church and then went for an hour of caroling, returning to the church for refreshments and a social time.

Bible school Sunday found 107 present for the opening last Lord's Day morning. Miss Sylvia Oakley, daughter of Mr and Mrs Velmor Oakley, was student of the week and read the scripture for the day from Matthew 12. Special music in song for the worship service was presented by the Duane Bunce and Jack Schwark families. Message for the morning was on the duties of the deacons.

That this fan, this refrigerator, this lamp, this television, and this telephone should operate smoothly and efficiently at my idle command is a modern miracle.

### Selected for 'Outstanding Young Women of America'

Mrs Alvin J. Thelen of R-2, Box 219, St. Johns, has been selected to appear in the annual biographical compilation, "Outstanding Young Women of America."



"Outstanding Young Women of America" is an annual biographical compilation of 6,000 outstanding young women between the ages of 21 and 35. These young women have distinguished themselves in civic and professional activities.

Mrs Lyndon B. Johnson, who serves as honorary chairman of the board of advisory editors for the publication, has said the book is especially meaningful to her because the achievements and abilities of women is a subject close to her heart.

Selections are made by the board of advisory editors. Mrs Dexter Ols Arnold, honorary president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, is chairman.

UNITED STATES Senator Margaret Chase Smith, in her introductory message for the 1966 edition said, "This book calls attention to the great capabilities of our young women and their ability to get things done."

Miss Eva Adams, Director of the United States Mint, says the women included in the 1966 edition "are marked for recognition because they shunned mediocrity."

The publication was conceived by the leaders of the nation's women's clubs. They felt that

young women who give their time for community projects should be recognized. The recognition of these outstanding women can serve to inspire others to give their time to additional civic responsibilities.

LOCAL WOMEN'S clubs throughout the country submit nominations for the book each year. A different group of outstanding young women is included each year.

Guidelines for selection include unselfish service to others, charitable activities, community service, professional excellence, business advancement, and civic and professional recognition.

### Shepardsville

By LUCILLE SPENCER, Correspondent

### Ovid OES met Dec. 13

Morningstar Chapter No. 279, OES, of Ovid met in regular session Tuesday evening, Dec. 13, with Worthy Matron Daphne Teall presiding in the East. Russell Gilbert was installed as associate patron with Daphne Teall, past matron acting as installing officer and Virginia Moore as installing marshal.

Communications were read from the Worthy Grand Matron and the Worthy Grand Patron, extending the greetings of the holiday season. Morningstar Chapter was invited to attend the Job's Daughters installation Friday evening, Dec. 30, at 7:30. Karen Halstead will be installed as honored queen. The worthy matron announced Jan. 14 there will be a family potluck dinner with the Masons and rolls and coffee will be furnished; a birthday party in February; the awarding of a 50-year certificate in March; an initiation in April; and the following Friends' nights; Jan. 14 at St. Johns; Feb. 11 at Maple Rapids; Feb. 21 at Wacousta; March 17 at DeWitt; March 28 at Ovid and County Association, May 1. A bake sale is also planned for Jan. 21.

Mr and Mrs Max Walasek and Agnes were in Detroit Sunday for a pre-Christmas with Mrs Walasek's sister and Mr Walasek's brother.

Three children were baptized during the worship hour at the Shepardsville Church Sunday morning. They were Timothy Allen, son of Mr and Mrs Allen Personous; Meredith Ann Sage, daughter of Mr and Mrs Sage and Shawn Renna, daughter of Mr and Mrs Perry Hillton.

There will be a family night and watch night service Dec. 31 at the Shepardsville Church. There will be a potluck supper at 7:30 followed by games with a Communion service near midnight.

Mr and Mrs Sam Sherwood were recent callers on his aunt, Miss Agnes Sherwood, at the Young's Nursing Home near Maple Rapids. Miss Sherwood is 87 years young and is quite spry and alert for one of her years. Mrs Sherwood reports that her sister is not so well.

Mrs Grace Kruger of Saginaw, called on her mother, Mrs Clara Jenks. Other callers for Mrs Jenks were Mrs Earl Brown, Mrs Max Miller and Rev Spalenka of Ovid and Mr and Mrs Frank Oberlin of Flint.

Annette and Robin Hill of rural Owosso and Linda Cramer of Ovid, were weekend guests of their grandmother, Mrs Oral Elliott.

Mrs Elliott told your correspondent that the patients enjoyed the caroling of the Youth Fellowship Sunday evening.

Some of the ladies of the church have been busy painting the Sunday school rooms of the Educational Unit.

The Assembly of God Church in St. Johns, of which Rev Joseph Eger Jr., is pastor, had their church Christmas program last Sunday evening.

Mr and Mrs Steve Komives expect to spend Christmas in Detroit. Mr Komives has a birthday Saturday.

Mrs George Parmenter and Mr and Mrs James McLeod called on Mrs Agnes McLeod, their aunt, in Flint recently.

Mr and Mrs George Wurts of rural St. Louis were callers Sunday of the George Parmenters.

Calvary Baptist Church had their Christmas Cantata Sunday evening and Diane Robinson had a solo in it.

Mr and Mrs Clay Robinson and baby, and Miss Brenda Robinson of Gladstone are spending a few days with Mr and Mrs Edsel Robinson.

May all of you have the merriest of Christmases and the happiest of New Years.

A fine is a tax for doing all wrong. A tax is a fine for doing all right.

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### Wacousta

By MRS. EDWARD KRAFT—627-2039

MASONIC INSTALLATION  
Wacousta Masonic Lodge No. 359 held public installation Saturday evening at the Temple when Bruce Harlow was installed as master; Kenneth Mattson, senior warden; Tom Turpin, junior warden; Lewis Babbitt, senior deacon; Charles Troop, junior deacon; A. Earl Rowland, secretary; David Schroeder, treasurer; Herman Openlander, chaplain; Paul Garlock, marshal; Gary McDonough, Larry Davis, Roger Brokob and Montey Reams, stewards and Cecil Stevens, tiller.

Carl Miller acted as installing officer; Edward Kraft, installing secretary; Richard Rosler, installing marshal and Rollin Noble, installing chaplain. Mrs James Colborn, soloist, was accompanied by Mrs Don Lowell. Mr and Mrs Paul Garlock had charge of refreshments in the dining room after the installation which was attended by about 100.

Wacousta Community Methodist Church will hold communion, Christmas Eve at 7.

The MYF of the Wacousta Community Church plan to go caroling Thursday evening.

Marsha Jastram, Tom and James Lowell arrived home from college last weekend for Christmas vacation.

Wacousta School will be closed for Christmas vacation Dec. 22 through Jan. 3.

Mr and Mrs Edward Kraft were Grand Rapids callers Thursday evening.

Mr and Mrs Douglas Candler Jr. and family of Columbus, Ohio, spent the weekend with their parents, Mr and Mrs Douglas Candler Sr.

Little Miss Carla Covert entertained several of her friends Saturday afternoon in honor of her 9th birthday.

Mr and Mrs Harry Classen have purchased the Allcane Beekman property on Corison and Forrest Hill roads.

Mr and Mrs Edward Kraft and daughters entertained Sunday Mrs Faye Walker and Mrs Vera Walker of Sunfield.

Dr and Mrs A. Steiner have returned after spending several weeks with relatives in New York.

Fifteen members of the Watertown Wacousta Child Study Club enjoyed a dinner and Christmas party at Horne's last Tuesday evening.

Mrs Mary Parker and daughter of Hastings and Mr and Mrs Duane Dietrick of Lake St. Helen called on Mr and Mrs Edward Atherton Sr. and family Sunday, Mr and Mrs Paul Chamberlin and family were involved in an auto accident Sunday evening when they were struck in the rear by another auto. Luckily they received only minor injuries.

Mr and Mrs John Walters and family have moved into their new home on Riverside Drive. Mr and Mrs Alfred Patterson are spending the winter in Ruskin, Fla.

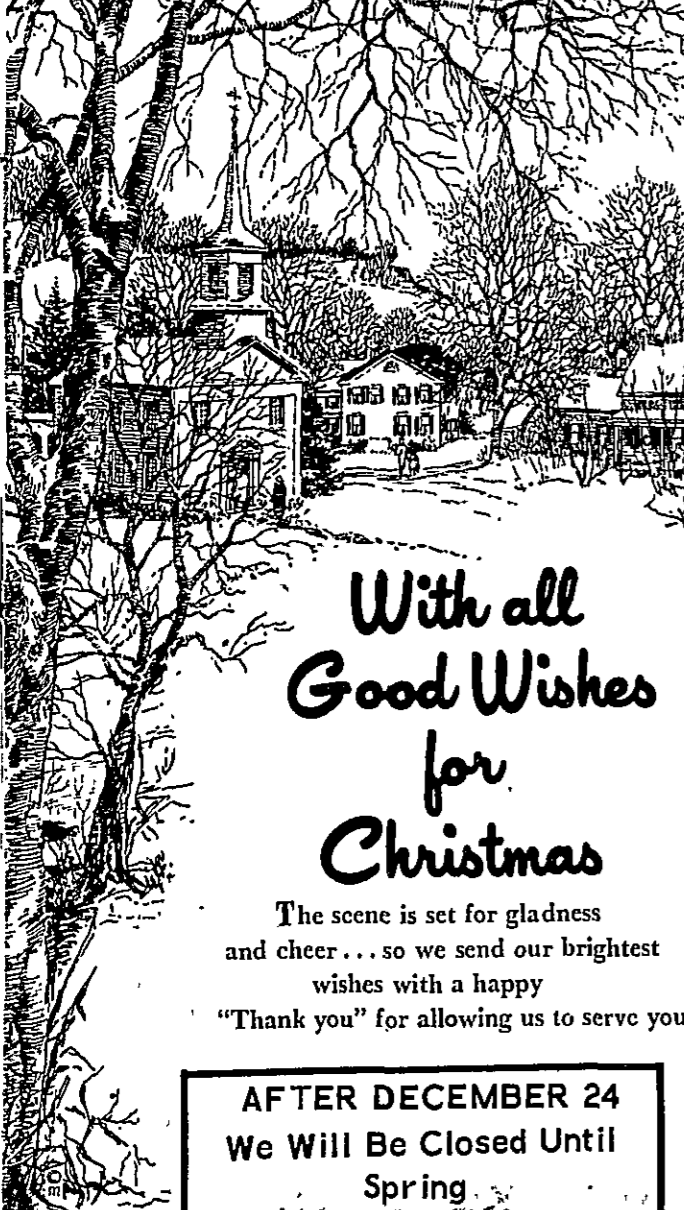


Christmas Greetings

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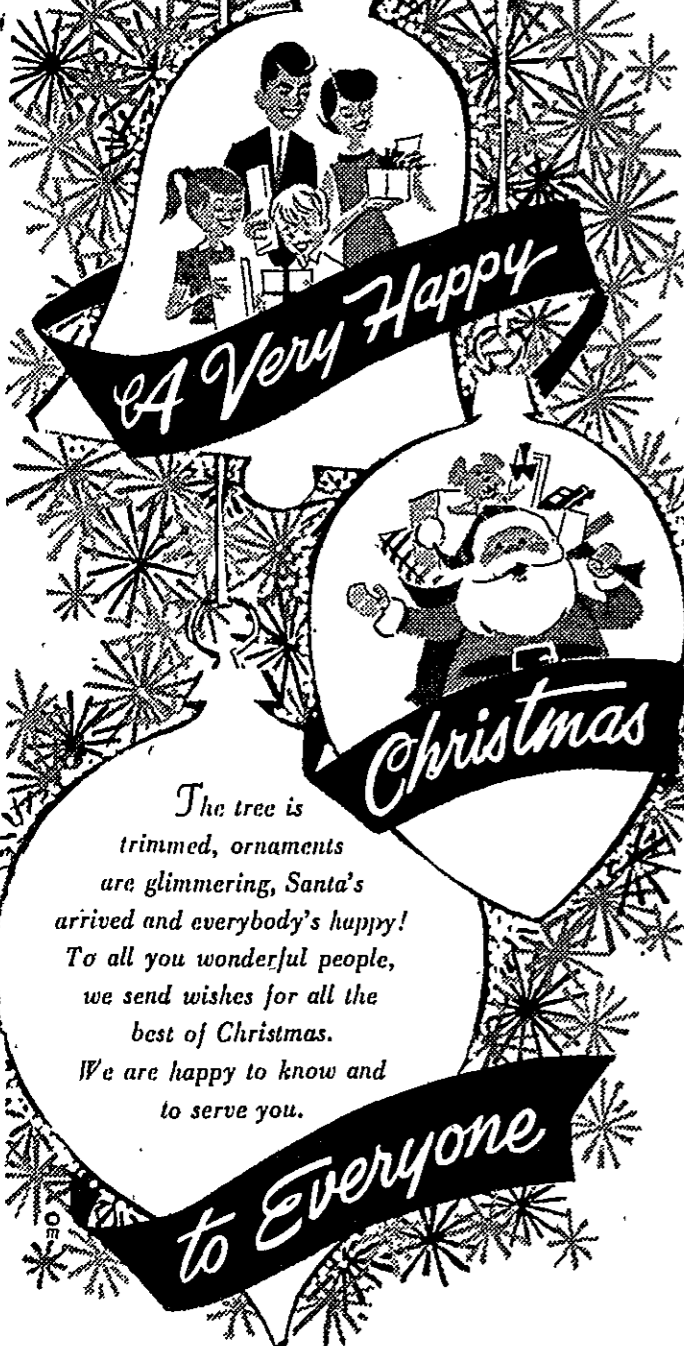
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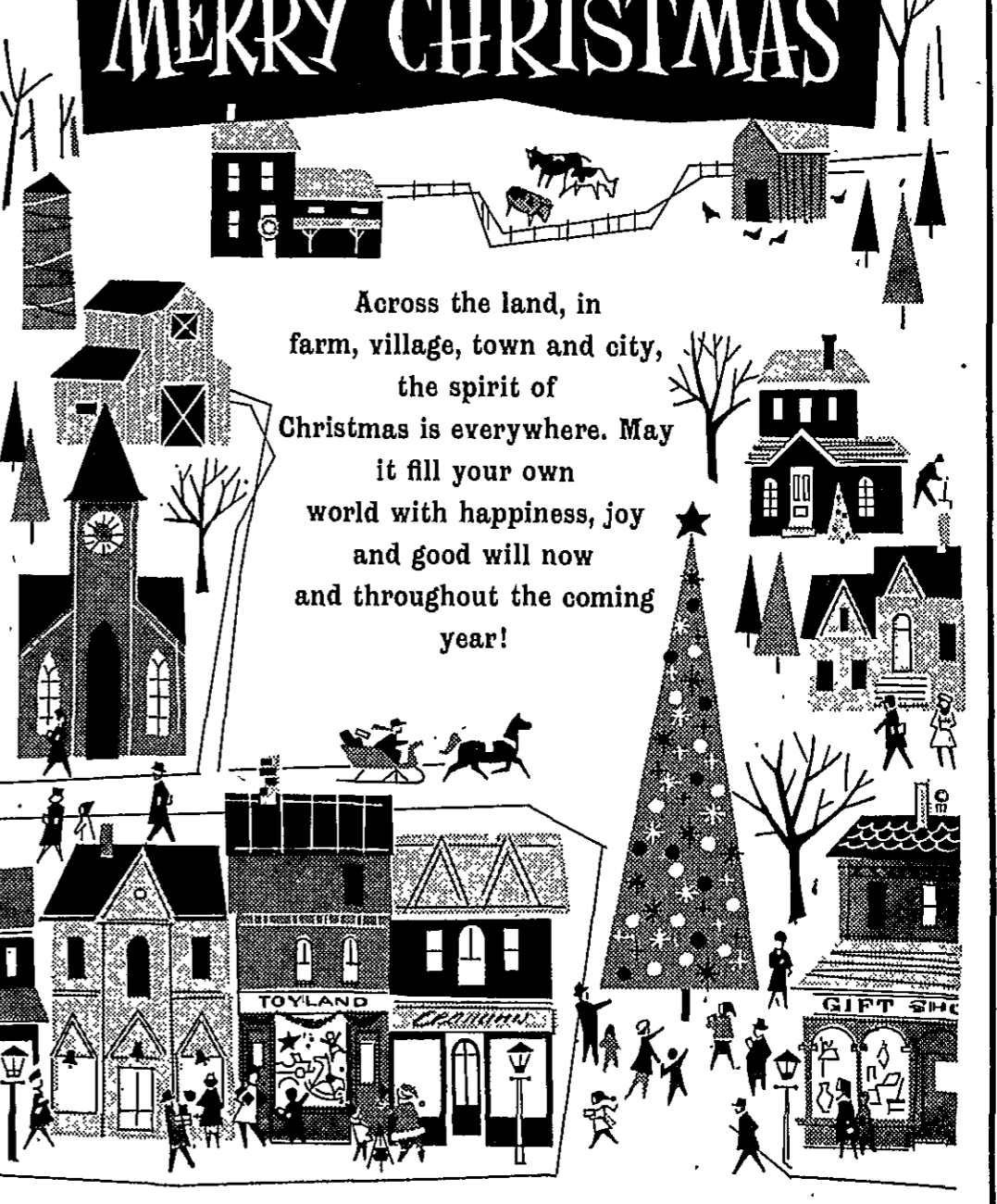


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### City plans water meter reading blitz

The St. Johns Water Department intends to read water meters for the October, November, December, 1966, quarter commencing the week between Christmas and New Years.

It is planned to take all hourly rated employees of the city and concentrate on Dec. 28-29, attempting to read all meters on these two days (except the downtown stores).

Each employee will have an identification badge and will identify himself upon request.

At those homes where the residents are not available, a meter reading card will be left, hoping that the occupant will read the meter, put the information on the prepaid postal card and mail to the water department.

It is planned that each employee will receive a bonus for each meter he reads, but he also will be severely fined for each mistake in reading that is attributable to his work. Reading mistakes generally correct themselves upon the first correct reading but do at times cause problems, and the Water Department hopes to keep these to a minimum.



WINNER WITH BIGGEST RACK

Marvin Bissell of 704, W. Baldwin Street, St. Johns, holds the rack from a 12-point buck which won him a West Point 22 automatic rifle in a contest sponsored by Alan R. Dean, Hardware. Bissell got his buck Nov. 13 in Luce County in the Upper Peninsula. It dressed out to 176 pounds. Dick Cortright of Dean's holds Bissell's new rifle and admires the big rack. Second place winner in the contest was Bill Aldrich of Ovid, who brought down a 10-point buck near Ovid Nov. 19.

### Safety tips for winter sports

With good sense and some forethought, many of the accidents associated with winter sports can be avoided. The first common sense rule is that all equipment used be in A-1 condition. Check your child's sled before he goes whooshing downhill. Is the steering mechanism in good shape? Does it respond quickly to the directing hand?

Are the ice skate blades sharp enough so that junior doesn't find himself partly immobilized when he expects to be waltzing gracefully around the rink? Do the skate shoes fit properly? This is important, because balance is affected if the feet don't have enough room and the shoe doesn't hug the ankle properly.

Are the skis the right length for the height of the user? Do the

boots fit well? Does the binding holding the boot to the ski hold fast? Are the ski pole loops secure?

Good sense also requires that the sportsman do what he can do—and not try fancy stuff too advanced for him. Going up and down the intermediate slope until its incline is handled perfectly is better than trying the advanced run too soon, with maybe a broken leg as a souvenir.

Skate, sled and ski in the proper surroundings. A supervised skating rink is better than an unsupervised lake which may or may not be thoroughly frozen. A hill in a park is better for sledding than a hill letting out into the street, where the traffic may be having stumps or rocks too close to the surface is asking for trouble.

## Area teams get balanced scoring in victory, defeat

### DeWitt hotshots roll over Webberville 75-51

DeWITT — DeWitt's Panthers found shooting field goals rather fascinating Friday night at Webberville and rolled to a 75-51 victory in a Central Michigan Athletic Conference game.

The Panthers connected on 48 per cent of their shots in the first half and 52 per cent in the second half. The DeWitt five of Coach Mark VanderJagt used a fast break effectively and led the whole game.

DeWitt led by 16 points at the half—39-22—after pulling out to a 20-12 lead after the first eight minutes. The Panthers outscored Webberville 15-14 and 22-15 in the third and fourth periods.

FOUR PLAYERS scored in double figures for DeWitt. Dale Foster set the pace with 21 points, while Dave Parker, who "played a whale of a game," according to Coach VanderJagt, had 19 points, Jim Decatur 14 and Mike Fuller 11. Bob Terrell had 15 points for Webberville.

Individual scoring for DeWitt (field goals, free throws and total points): Dave Parker 8-3-19; Dale Foster 9-3-21; Mike Fuller 4-3-11; Jim Decatur 5-4-14; Roger Kaminski 1-3-5; Rick Payne 0-1-1; Jim Bouts 0-4-4. Totals 27-21-75. Total fouls for DeWitt 22; Steve Markham fouled out.

IN OTHER Clinton area games, Fulton High nudged Saranac 60-56, Laingsburg lost to Portland St. Patrick 72-62, and Ovid-Elsie lost to Chesaning 77-62.

At Chesaning, four Ovid-Elsie

### DeWitt reschedules postponed game

DeWITT — DeWitt High School's postponed game against Novi will be played at DeWitt Dec. 30 at 7 p.m., Coach Mark VanderJagt announced last week. The Novi game, originally scheduled to open the season Nov. 29, was postponed because of a snow storm.

The fellow who can learn from his mistakes has a life-long school of his own making.



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## SPORTS



players scored in double figures, but it wasn't enough to offset a 24-7 Chesaning blitz in the first quarter that really put the Marauders behind the eight-ball. Larry Dane had 11 points and Mike Clement 8 for Chesaning in the early spurge.

Ovid-Elsie rallied strongly in the second quarter, pulling to within 37-26 at halftime. They relapsed—Chesaning had a 20-12 margin—in the third period before finishing stronger by a 24-20 margin in the fourth quarter.

L. D. Jones with 14 points, Dave Latz with 13, Mike Seybert with 12 and Sam Sincropl with 11 points led the Marauders. Individual scoring for Ovid-Elsie (field goals, free throws, total points): L.D. Jones 5-4-14; Jerry Gazda 1-3-5; Dave Latz 3-7-13; Sam Sincropl 4-3-11; Mike Seybert 5-2-12; Don Young 1-0-2; Jerry Weir 1-1-3; Cesario Garcia 1-0-2. Totals 21-20-60.

FULTON HIGH SCHOOL trailed most of the game but went ahead in the last two minutes to beat Saranac 60-56 in Tri-Central League game at Saranac. Jeff Gray led the rally with nine points in the second half as Fulton scored its second victory of the year against two defeats. Three players scored in double figures for the Pirates.

Fulton's rally actually started in the second quarter after they found themselves down 20-10 at the first stop. The Pirates closed the gap by only one point in the second quarter, but then outscored Saranac 16-8 in the third period to pull within one, at 44-43, as the fourth quarter started. The rally continued, and Gray put Fulton ahead to stay with a jumper with 1:48 left in the game.

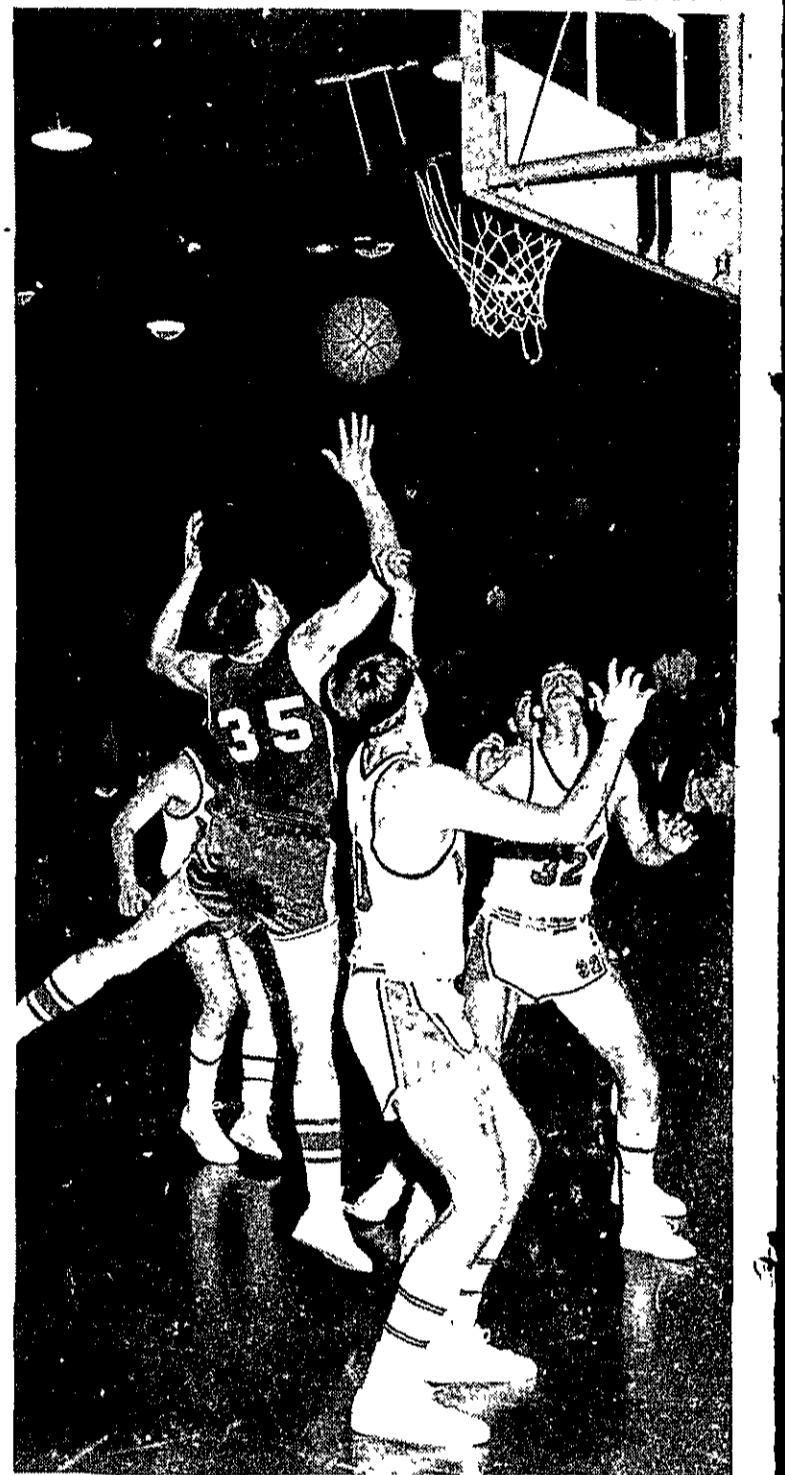
Individual scoring for Fulton (field goals, free throws and total points): Dan Eyer 1-0-2; Randy Loudbeck 2-0-4; Greg DeMott 6-1-13; Ed Setterington 1-2-4; Rick Troub 5-4-14; Randy VanSleke 3-0-6; Jeff Gray 5-2-12; Brent Bailey 0-2-2; Dan Barrett 1-1-3. Totals 24-12-60. Fulton committed 20 fouls, with Troub fouling out.

Fulton hit on 24 of 52 field goal attempts (46.1 per cent) and 12 of 21 free throw tries (57 per cent).

LAINGSBURG COULDN'T hold onto a lead which they enjoyed throughout most of their game with St. Patrick's at Laingsburg Friday night. The Wolfpack lapsed seriously in the fourth quarter, lost their five point lead and dropped the game by a score of

72-62. Laingsburg led 15-11 at the end of the first quarter and 36-28 at halftime before St. Patrick's began rallying. They still led 57-52 after three quarters, but then the Shamrocks got to the Wolfpack, outscoring them 25-10. St. Patrick's Larry Meyers scored 15 of his 17 points in the second half, and Art Baker got most of his 18 points during that time.

Scoring for Laingsburg (field goals, free throws and total points): Dan Jorae 6-3-15; Dennis Steere 5-6-16; Al Veith 5-2-12; Gene Smith 4-0-8; Ken Brink 1-2-4; Al Chadwick 2-1-5; Jack Gee 1-0-2. Totals 24-14-62. St. Patrick's totals 28-16-72. Steere and Jorae fouled out for Laingsburg.



St. Johns' Brian Swatman (35) works between two Alma defenders for a close shot at the basket and two points in Friday night's game at Alma. Alma's No. 32 is Paul Dean. Alma won the game 85-64.

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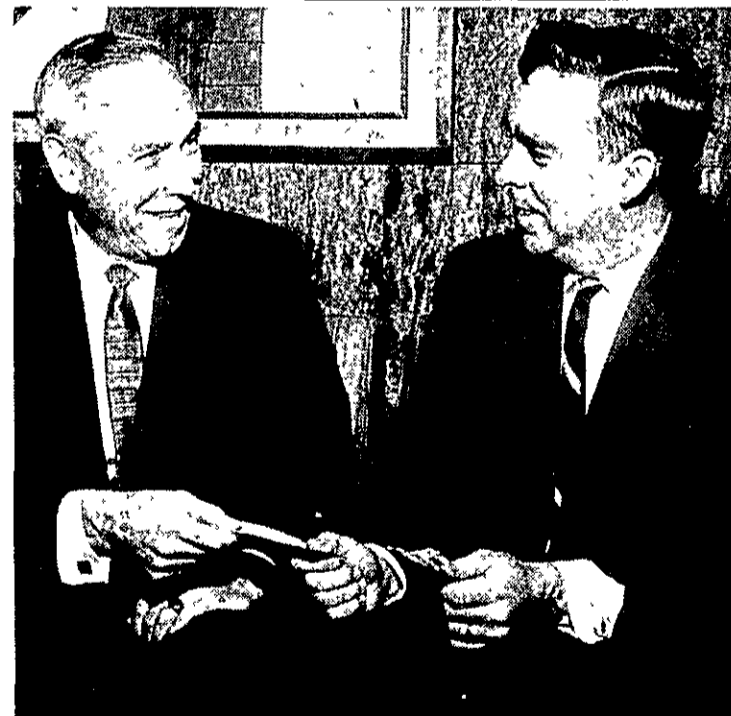
## Merry Christmas

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### TO HEAD OLDS' SPORTERS

Oldsmobile Outdoor Club's new president is Richard Ely (right), of R-1, St. Johns. As one of his first official undertakings, Ely sold the first 1967 membership in the club to Oldsmobile General Manager Harold N. Metzger (left). See story on page 9A.

### Roads official congratulated on TV appearance

Clinton County's coordinator for better roads, Ken Greer of St. Johns, has sent a letter of thanks and congratulations to Les Drago, county road engineer for the county road commission, on his appearance on WILX-TV as deputy good-roads coordinator.

"The choice of the intersection causing the most serious accidents isn't easy in Clinton County," Greer told Drago, "and the one you've chosen (US-27 and Clark Road) is certainly a good safety lesson in itself."

"HERE WE HAVE an intersection on one of our better roads which is causing a safety problem, and as usual it would require additional road money to develop and prove a solution."

"May I commend you on accepting the appointment as one of Clinton County's deputy good roads coordinators and for taking your valuable time and aiding in this program for better roads," Greer told Drago in conclusion.

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# Wings can't stop Dean, lose 85-64

St. Johns got some balanced scoring from four basketball players Friday night, but they couldn't contain the Panthers' Paul Dean as Alma whistled past the Redwings 85-64 in a West Central Conference game at Alma.

Dean, a 6-2 sharpshooter, scored 31 points against the Wings despite a four-man zone defense with the fifth man sticking with Dean. He hit nine field goals and drew enough fouls to collect another 13 points at the free throw line.

The Alma star was also a bear off the backboards, pulling down 11 offensive rebounds and 10 defensive rebounds. Alma out-rebounded the shorter St. Johns team 55-36.

AS DEAN CONTINUED to hit, Alma's Jim Garcia, a low-scoring guard, got hot, too, and hurt the Redwings with 14 points, including some field goals from the 15-foot range.

Despite their defensive problems of containing Alma, there were some bright spots in the Redwings' performance. Coach Bill Swears noted. One thing was the balanced scoring. John Berkhausen and Gary Boyce each netted 15 points, while Brian Swatman had 12 and Steve Gregory 10.

Sophomore Terry Meier, who recently came up from the junior varsity, started Friday night and did a good job, Swears said. He scored six points. Berkhausen and Gregory also turned in much-improved performances over previous outings, the coach said.

ST. JOHNS NEVER did hold a quarterly scoring advantage. They made the game close for most of the first quarter before they sagged a bit and Alma staged a scoring burst that gave the Panthers a 26-17 first-period lead. The Wings could hit less than 25 per cent of their field goal attempts in the second quarter and fell farther behind, 41-29, at halftime.

The score at the end of the third quarter was 63-50, and both coaches began sending in players off the bench. During

that last stanza, the Redwings connected only four times on 24 field goal shots and were outscored 22-14.

All in all, the Redwings were successful in only 28.9 per cent of their field goal shooting—22 for 76. Twenty of 35 free throws were good, a 57.1 percentage. Alma's field goal percentage was 34.2 on 26 of 76 shots.

INDIVIDUAL SCORING for St. Johns (field goals, free throws, personal fouls and total points): John Berkhausen 6-3-3-15; Brian Swatman 3-6-4-12; Bill DeGroot 0-1-3-1; Gary Boyce 4-7-3-15; Terry Meier 3-0-2-6; Randy Humphrey 1-1-5-3; Steve Gregory 4-2-4-10; Don Palmer 1-0-0-2; Tom Rademacher 0-0-1-0; Bob Cochran 0-0-1-0. St. Johns totals 22-20-26-64.

The Redwings were to play Grand Ledge in St. Johns Tuesday night and then will be off for the Christmas holidays. They'll see action next on Jan. 6 at home against Charlotte.

## Local man heads Olds' sporters

Richard Ely of R-1, St. Johns has been elected president of Oldsmobile's 3,200-member Outdoor Club for the coming year. A senior project engineer in Oldsmobile's chassis development group, Ely succeeds William Gelsenhafer.

A 13-year Oldsmobile employee, Ely has been a member of the Outdoor Club since 1958.

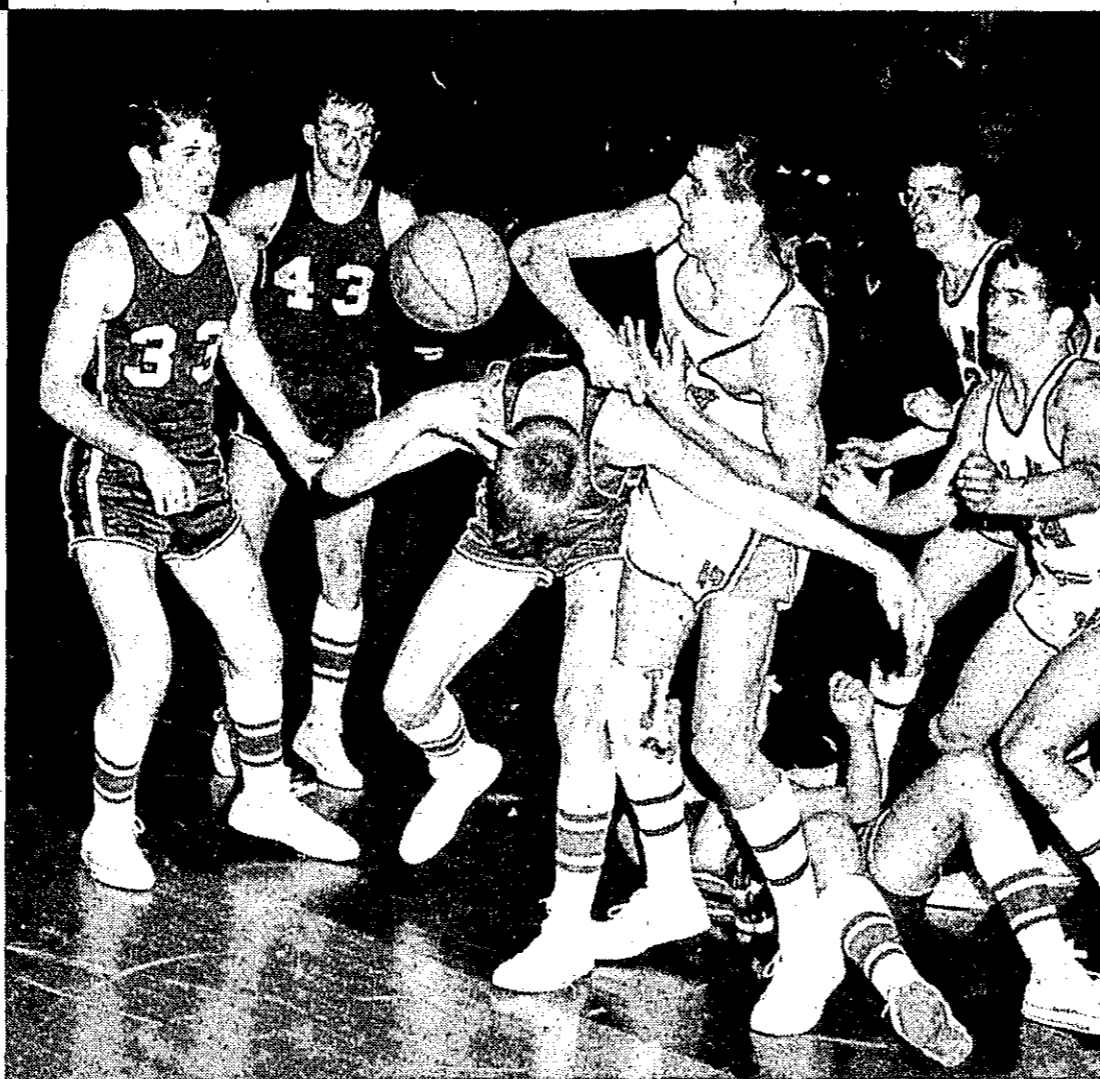
Among his objectives during 1967, Ely said, is an intention of boosting membership over the 4,000 mark. A membership drive will get underway immediately after the first of the year, Ely announced.

Among the Outdoor Club's many projects are annual fishing and hunting contests, three family night get-togethers, and a winter outing to Houghton Lake for a weekend.

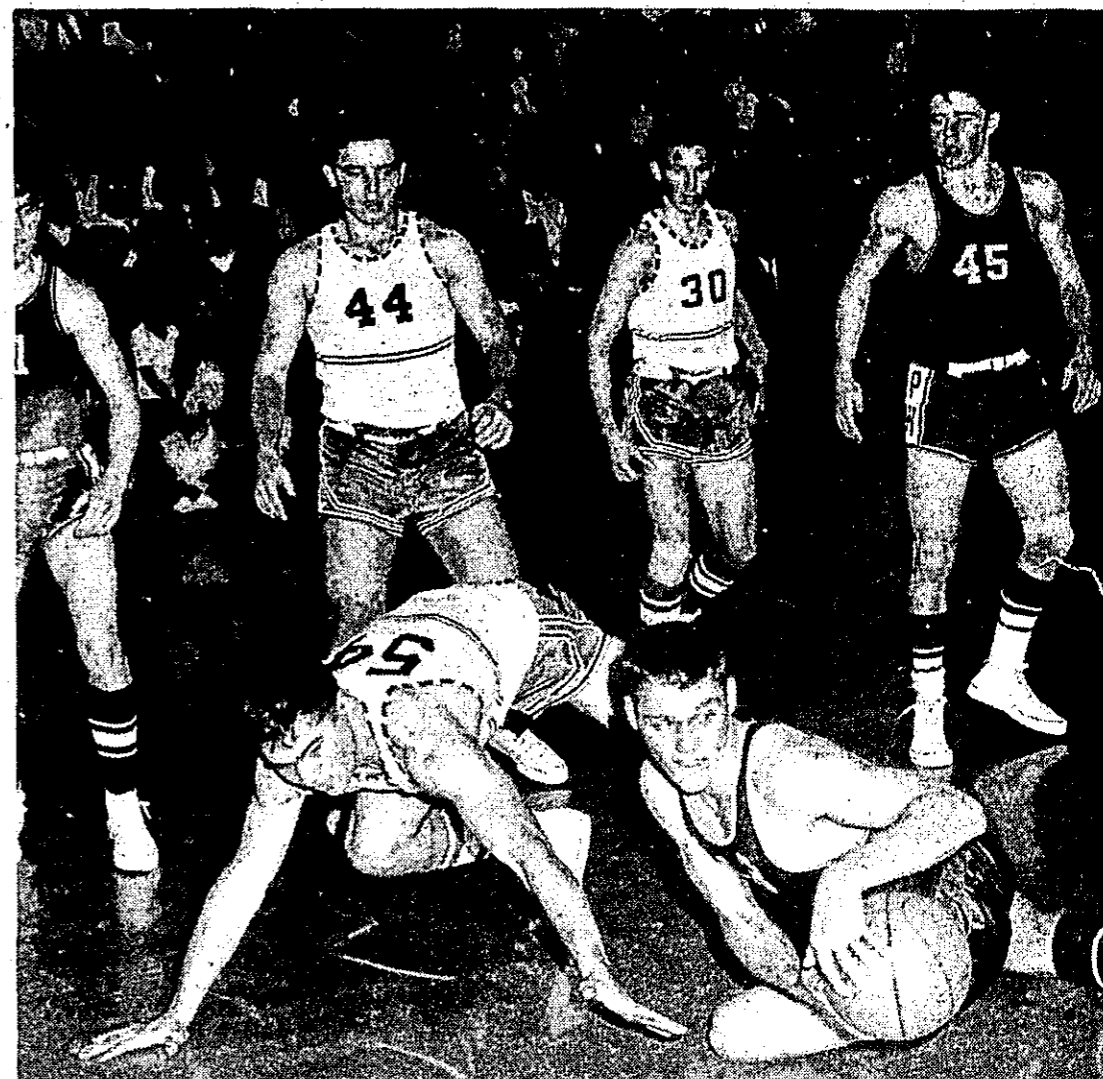
Ely lived in Mason until mid-November when he moved to St. Johns with his family.

A little knowledge is sometimes a dangerous thing-- to the party about whom it's known. Consideration for others' rights is the strongest link in the chain of human friendship.

## Hey, it gets a little rough out on the hardwood



Basketball involves more than just shooting the ball through the hoop. There has to be aggressive play to get control of the ball, and sometimes a wild scramble results. The camera captured two scrambles in two Clinton games Friday night. In



picture at the left Jeff Nobis of St. Johns gets bent over in a scramble for a rebound with Alma players. Tom Rademacher (33) and Bob Cochran (43) move up to save the ball for St. Johns. In picture at right, Pewamo-Westphalia's Chuck Gross (31)

sweeps the ball away from Fowler's persistent Stan Pohl (54) in first-quarter action at Fowler. Tom Barker (11) and Larry Smith (45) of P-W and Bruce Thelen (44) and Brendon Goerge (30) of Fowler watch the activity.

**CLINTON AREA BASKETBALL SCORES & SCHEDULES**

**Last week's scores**

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13—  
Fulton 59, Carson City 41  
Morrice 77, DeWitt 65 (non-league)  
Charlotte 70, Alma 62  
Lakewood 39, Maple Valley 35 (non-league)  
Ionia 75, Greenville 54  
Central Montcalm 63, Saranac 47  
Lakeview 68, Montabella 51  
Williamston 91, Webberville 71 (non-league)

FRIDAY DEC. 16—  
Alma 85, St. Johns 64  
Grand Ledge 62, Lakewood 50  
Hastings 62, Ionia 61  
Charlotte 68, Greenville 60  
Fowler 68, Pewamo - Westphalia 60  
DeWitt 75, Webberville 54  
Portland St. Patrick 72, Laingsburg 62  
Bath 66, Potterville 42  
Chesaning 77, Ovid-Elsie 64  
Fulton 60, Saranac 56  
Yestaburg 84, Ashley 43 (non-league)  
Carson City 63, Edmore-Montabella 51  
Portland 56, Central Montcalm 44  
Bullock Creek 71, Ithaca 70  
St. Louis 72, Perry 64

**JV scores**

TUESDAY, DEC. 13—  
Fulton 41, Carson City 33

FRIDAY, DEC. 16—  
Saranac 49, Fulton 40  
Chesaning 64, Ovid-Elsie 54  
Fulton 61, Pewamo-Westphalia 11  
St. Patrick 72, Laingsburg 61  
Potterville 39, Bath 37 (double overtime)  
Alma 52, St. Johns 48  
Webberville 58, DeWitt 34

## Fowler remains unbeaten, on top in CMAC title race

FOWLER—The Fowler Eagles will start 1967 undefeated, after they edged arch-rival Pewamo-Westphalia 68-60 Friday night for their fifth victory and fourth in Central Michigan Athletic Conference play.

The Eagles thus hold the undisputed league lead, with Bath and Portland, St. Patrick's tied for second place with 3-1 conference marks.

Fowler's victory over P-W was actually more decisive than the final score would indicate. The Eagles jumped off to a 22-10 first quarter lead and led by

as much as 15 points in the third period and 20 points in the last eight minutes.

PEWAMO-WESTPHALIA had scoring flashes, however, and pulled to within five points on a couple of occasions. After trailing by 20 points early in the fourth quarter, they chopped the Fowler lead to seven points against the Eagle reserves.

Both teams got balanced scoring. Bruce Thelen had 16, Joe Koeningknecht 14 and Mike Nobach and Ron Brown 11 each for Fowler, while Glenn Schafer had 20, Ervin Thelen 16 and Tom

Barker 12 for P-W. Fowler hit 50 per cent of their field goal shots but only 10 of 23 (43 per cent) of free throw tries. The Pirates scored on 24 of 63 field goal shots (38 per cent) and on

12 of 19 free throw shots (63 per cent).  
Individual scoring—  
FOR FOWLER: (field goals, free throws and total points):

Bruce Thelen 6-4-16; Joe Koeningknecht 6-1-13; Mike Nobach 5-1-11; Ron Brown 5-1-11; Brendon Goerge 2-3-7; George Goerge 2-0-4; Stan Pohl 3-0-6. Totals 29-10-68.

For Pewamo-Westphalia: Tom Barker 5-2-12; Glenn Schafer 6-8-20; Chuck Gross 1-0-2; Tom Huhn 1-0-2; Ervin Thelen 8-0-16; Mike Pung 0-1-1; Larry Smith 3-1-7. Totals 24-12-60.

## Wrestlers lose first decision

St. Johns' wrestling team lost a dual match decision to Grand Ledge last Tuesday night and then placed in a four-way tie for 10th place in the Lansing Invitational Wrestling Tournament over the weekend.

The Redwings' loss at Grand Ledge was their first of the year after two victories. The score was 27-18, Grand Ledge, with each team winning and losing two individual matches by pins.

Ninety-five-pound Roger Ordway and 120-pound Tom Harper for St. Johns pinned their opponents. Larry Wood, 103 and Terry Thurston, 145, won their matches by decision. Dick Holcomb, 127, and his Grand Ledge opponent wound up in a draw.

LOSING THEIR matches were Armando Rositas, 112; Nolan Johnson, 133; Doug Thurston, 154; Craig Knight, 165; Dick Vitak, 180; and Ken Jacus, heavyweight. Vitak and Jacus lost by pins.

In the Lansing Invitational meet, with lots of Class A competition from Lansing schools, Owosso and others, Tom Harper took a fourth place, Terry Thurston a third and Ken Jacus a fourth. Teamwise, St. Johns gathered 25 points, good for a four-way tie for 10th place among the 16 teams competing.

## Bath sticks close with 66-42 win over Potterville

BATH—As in football, the basketball version of the Bath Bees are continuing to stick close to Fowler in the Central Michigan Athletic Conference race.

The Bees overwhelmed Potterville in the middle two periods Friday night and licked the Vikings 66-42. It was Bath's third victory of the league season against one loss and maintained a second-place tie with Portland St. Patrick's one game behind league-leading Fowler.

IT TOOK THE Bees a full quarter to get warmed up against Potterville, but then Coach Hal Beatty's charges took off, and with a full-court press defense, swarmed over the Vikings 30-17 by halftime.

The third quarter went much the same way, and Bath upped

their lead to 22 points—48-26—going strong again after being out of the lineup the first few games because of an auto accident injury, scored 24 points to lead the Bees. Doug Smalley with 15 points and Mike Helnze with 12 led Potterville.

INDIVIDUAL scoring for Bath: (field goals, free throws, total points): Terry Barnard 1-2-4; Mark Ankey 0-1-1; Mike Tucker 3-0-6; Elias David 3-0-6; Doug Petoskey 1-2-4; Dan Tucker 2-0-4; Bruce Miller 12-0-24; Randy Tucker 3-3-9; Merlin Truman 3-2-8. Totals 28-10-66. Potterville totals 15-12-42. Bath committed 16 personal fouls, but no one fouled out.

## DeWitt cold, Morrice wins, 77-65

DEWITT — Despite balanced scoring from three players, DeWitt's basketball Panthers lost their third game of the year last Tuesday night, Dec. 13, to a hot-shooting Morrice five, 77-65.

Morrice, playing on their own court, snapped in 52 per cent of their field goal shots, while DeWitt could hit only 31 per cent.

While DeWitt got balanced scoring, it was Morrice's John Carr whose scoring made the difference. Carr scored 36 points to tie a Morrice school record, and 20 of those points came in the third quarter as Morrice boosted their lead to 60-45.

DEWITT WAS outscored in every quarter by the hot-shooting Morrice team, who won their first game. Morrice held quarterly scoring advantages of 15-8, 20-17, 25-20 and 20-17.

Dale Foster was DeWitt's high point man with 20 points, while Mike Fuller had 14 points and Jim Bouts 12. Individual scoring (field goals, free throws and total points): Dale Foster 9-2-20; Mike Fuller 6-2-14; Steve Markham 0-0-0; Jim Decatur 4-0-8; Jim Bouts 5-2-12; Roger Kaminski 2-1-5; Bill Ballard 1-4-6. Totals 27-11-65.

## Fulton hits stride in 59-41 win

MIDDLETON — Fulton got balanced scoring last Tuesday night — three players were in double figures — as they cruised to a 59-41 victory over Carson City in a Tri-Central League basketball game.

Greg DeMott was the high scorer with 18 points, closely followed by Randy VanStickle with 15 points and Randy Loudenbeck with 10 points. Rounding out the Fulton scoring were Dan Eyer with 6, Denny Upton with 1, Rick Troub with 8, Brent Bailey with 2 and Ed Setterington with 1.

Fulton bounced out to a 14-9 first quarter lead, and then doubled Carson City's output in each of the second and third periods to build up leads of 34-19 at the half and 50-27 at the end of the third stanza. Carson City's 14-9 scoring edge in the fourth period wasn't enough to make any difference in the outcome.

The Fulton Pirates outshot Carson City 25-19 in field goals and 9-3 in free throws. Fulton committed 13 fouls and Carson City 17.

Dick Wiles' 14 points was the high output for Carson City.

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# Booth space selling fast for Farm, Home Show

Only 63 feet of inside space remain "unsold in the Auto, Farm, Home and Sport Show being held here April 6, 7 and 8 under the sponsorship of the St. Johns Chamber of Commerce.

Chamber officials are enthused with the tremendous response the show has generated and report that most of the space was sold to businessmen who contacted the Chamber and asked to be called on.

"We have not had to resort to soliciting, except in a few instances," Chamber Manager Betty Jane Minsky stated.

THE REMAINING space will be sold on a first-come, first-serve basis, she said, and urged anyone who was considering participating to call her office so that he could be called on and the space contracted for.

In addition, an annex has been set up in what is the concession stand building on the 4-H grounds and already this is filling up. One firm plans to exhibit 70 motorcycles there. The black-topped area is almost completely sold out to camping and sporting

goods dealers and much of the surrounding grounds has been taken by implement dealers.

Those already contracted for inside space in Smith Hall are: Clinton County Extension office, Chamber of Commerce concession stands, DePeal Music Center, Mel Warren Insurance Agency, Beck and Hyde Farm-arna, Fish and Dunkel, Clinton National Bank, Karber Block and Tile, Rainbow Lake Development Corp., Woodbury Florist, Central National Bank, E. F. Boron, Pierce Bakery, Dean's Hardware, Investors Diversified, Heathman's, Hub Tire, Kurt's Appliance, NFO, Clinton County Farm Bureau, WRBJ Radio, Petrolane White's Gas, and Herbruck Cheese Co.,

A NUMBER OF THE firms have taken both inside and outside space for double exposure. Among those displaying outside or in other buildings on the grounds will be: Clinton Crop Service, Na Chur Food, Davis Cycles, Phillips Implement, Oliver Montague Agricultural Implements, Clinton Tractor, Pe-

rolane, Beck and Hyde Farm-arna, Clinton National Bank and S & H Farms.

The show will be held during evening hours only, with the exception of Saturday when it will be open during the afternoon.

As an added attraction, the Amazing Conkline, a magic act, will put on half-hour performances during each evening as well as during the Saturday afternoon opening.

A planned publicity program has already been started with publicity and promotion planned throughout the entire Central Michigan area.

A program will be sold so that visitors will know what is going on and when and where to visit the various dealers.

## 60 attend Exchange Club party for kids

Some 60 members of the St. Johns Exchange Club and their children attended the club meeting last Thursday for a party during which the "man in the red suit" put in an appearance and gave gifts to the children.

Special guests were the children of the Clinton County Children's Home. Christmas songs were led by Charles Huntington. Milo Rowall is club president.



GIRL SCOUTS STUFF ENVELOPES WITH MARCH OF DIMES MESSAGES

Over 12,000 Clinton County residents will be receiving envelopes soon containing messages about the work of the National Foundation and urging participation in the 1967 March of Dimes. Most of the envelopes were stuffed with the material by these girls of Girl Scout Troop 310 of Eureka. Left to right are, in row nearest table, Mona Jean Ferrall, Ramona Hubbard, Karen Worden, Kathy Zamarron, Cindy Weller, Joellen Bearup and Ann Graham; and behind them, Debra Wickwire, Cindy Lewis, Kathy Eastment, Linda Waggoner and Cadet Scouts Gloria Kaye Waggoner, Vicki Zamarron and Debra Eakins. Mrs Gordon Waggoner, Mrs James Graham and Mrs Robert Ferrall are troop leaders.

# NEWS in Brief

**APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE**  
Applications are available from Mrs George Osgood or John Briganti for families who would like to host a foreign student during the 1967-68 school year under the Youth for Understanding program. The deadline for making applications is April 30, 1967.

**MEET AT WOLDUMAR**  
Administrators from all 25 school districts in Clinton, Eaton and Ingham Counties met at Woldumar, the outdoor conservation education center near Millett, recently to discuss the program of the Tri-County Outdoor Education project. Each superintendent was requested to write a letter of support for their respective schools by Jan. 1 if they intend to utilize the outdoor education in their school systems.

**TRAVEL EVENTS**  
Michigan travel events during the next week, listed by the Michigan Tourist Council, include: USSA Central Division Cross Country Senior Junior Training Camp at Houghton Dec. 26; Ski Festival at Gaylord Dec. 26-Jan. 1; and Junior Alpine Training Camp at Mount Ripley, Houghton, Dec. 27-30.

**TOP 10 STORIES**  
What were the top 10 local news stories during 1966? The Clinton County News will pick the 10 it figures were most significant in the publication of the annual yearly review in next week's issue.

**FINED FOR DRUNKENNESS**  
Cletus S. Terrell, 36 of R-1, DeWitt, was fined \$50 plus \$25 costs by Justice of the Peace Gordon Willyoung following Terrell's arrest Dec. 11 on a charge of being drunk and disorderly. Terrell was arrested by sheriff's officers in Watertown Township.

**TWO FOR ONE**  
The Michigan State Highway Commission reports there are 113,000 miles of roads and streets in Michigan - nearly two miles for every square mile of land.

**MAKE JULY 4 PLANS**  
The St. Johns Chamber of Commerce will participate in the July 4 celebration next year by holding an auction on Saturday evening, July 1, the first day of the big four-day celebration.

**Social security deduction to rise**  
Your take-home pay will be slightly lower Jan. 1 when employee and employer contributions for social security are each increased from 4.2 to 4.4 per cent.

The higher rate will be paid on the first \$6,600 of annual salary, meaning the maximum tax on this amount will go from the present \$277.20 to \$290.40 in 1967.

The funds are used for the federal social security and medicare programs. Weekly contributions, for example, on a \$100 salary, would go from \$4.20 to \$4.40, escalating upward depending on your earnings.



LITTLE ERIC MEETS SANTA

Nine-month-old Eric Ruechert, son of Mr and Mrs Elwood Ruechert of Laingsburg didn't quite know what to make of Santa Claus Saturday when Santa offered him a candy cane during a visit to the pediatrics ward at the hospital.

## ON TARGET

with the St. Johns Chamber of Commerce  
By BETTY MINSKY  
Secretary-Manager

A total of 23 families entered the Christmas home lighting contest, co-sponsored this year by the St. Johns Jaycees and this organization. Of them, 10 were in religious categories and 13 in the non-religious themes.

For the convenience of those of you who are planning to pack up the kiddies and spend an evening out looking at the Christmas lighting around town, I'm listing below the addresses of those who entered. Perhaps this will save you time and guarantee that you'll see some nice displays on your drive around town.

And, this seems like a fine opportunity too, to say thank you to the 23 families who not only took the time to put up outdoor displays, but who entered our contest. We are sorry that you all can't be winners. But, to the six of you who will receive a call sometime yet this week, we say "congratulations!"

- ENTRANTS ARE:**  
Richard Plowman, 505 Giles Street  
Richard Worrall, 801 N. Clinton  
David Pierson, 805 N. Mead  
Ward Martelli, 405 E. Gibbs  
Brian Woodbury, 204 N. Traver  
Dale Beers, 300 E. State  
Jerry Atkinson, 508 S. Scott Road  
Nick Hallsky, 422 Meadowview  
John Lynch, 110 E. McConnell  
Ken Penik, 604 Lambert  
Terry Larner, 303 Lindy Lane  
Gerald Latimer, 608 Church  
Richard Kerr, 404 Wight  
Charles Luther, 209 W. Higham  
George Gavenda, 813 N. Spring  
Kenneth Martin, 307 N. Kibble  
C. Lee Pederson, 705 E. Railroad  
John Flak, 307 E. Baldwin  
Russell Doty, 1006 S. Oakland  
Anthony Kuntz, 506 S. Oakland  
Arthur Halfmann, 501 Wight  
The Grost family, 804 W. Park  
L. Campbell, 109 N. Morton

## Have You Met?

A COLUMN DEVOTED TO NEWCOMERS TO THE ST. JOHNS AREA

FRANCIS B. FARNAN and his wife Dorothy have recently moved from Mount Pleasant to 1823 S. Baker, St. Johns. He is the manager at the Home Sewing Center at the Logan Shopping Center in Lansing. Mrs Farnan is a beauty operator and had owned her own shop in Mount Pleasant.



RAY OSBORN

## Osborne gets nice Yule gift for hard work

Merchants who deal in Christmas gift items - like Ray Osborn, proprietor of the Gamble Store in St. Johns - sometimes get Christmas gifts, too.

Last Thursday Osborn received a check for a large amount of money as his Christmas bonus for extra amount of sales of Gambles appliances during the last 12 months.

Dwight Allen, Gambles zone superintendent, presented Osborn with the check Thursday. Allen said 18 of the 25 stores in his central and western Michigan zone qualified for bonuses, but Osborn's was by far the largest.

## Road Commission Weekly Report

The Board of Clinton County Road Commissioners held their regular meeting on Monday, Dec. 19. This was the last meeting for commissioner George E. Libey.



# Christmas Greetings

On that first Christmas, a special Star shone bright over the Mother and Child. May the Christmas star of peace, joy and happiness shine bright over you and yours for Christmas and all through the year.

## Hi-Way Cafe

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## Christmas Greetings

We're thankful for our many friends and wish them happiness at this very special time. Merry Christmas!

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## Road Commission Weekly Report

When the meeting recessed for lunch, all the commissioners that George had served with were on hand to go to lunch with him. Peter Edinger was on the board with George in 1940 and 1950. Roy Van Velsor served with George from 1949 to 1961 and Joe Hanses was on the board from 1951 to 1957. These three, with Paul Nobis and Bernard Zeeb, present commissioners, made up the farewell luncheon meeting.

THE PRESENT MEMBERS expressed regret that George was leaving and all present agreed that he had certainly been a sincere and dedicated servant of Clinton County for the past 18 years.

Local 794 has asked for a meeting time to be set to resume negotiations on the new labor contract. The time has not been resolved. No further negotiation meetings had been scheduled.

Your road clerk will be away this week - visiting family in Washington, D. C.

So we take this opportunity to wish you all a merry Christmas and safe driving for the holiday season and all 1967.

DON EWING  
Road Clerk

## Christmas tree project year-around job for active boys in Bath FFA

BATH - When the Bath FFA gets done selling Christmas trees off the tree farm owned by the Eyde Construction Co., they won't just take their money and go home.

Come springtime the FFA will launch an active "reforestation" project, planting trees to replace the ones cut, rebuilding roadways and spraying and pruning trees. The 100-acre farm is located 10 miles east of Bath at the corner of Bath Road and M-78 in Shiawassee County.

THE TREE FARM project is a cooperative venture - particularly this Christmas season. In selling Christmas trees off the farm, the boys and the FFA get paid for their work.

Hourly pay for the first eight hours each boy works goes to the FFA, as does 25 cents for each other hour worked.

But after eight hours, the boys begin to earn money for their labor. The first payroll Dec. 16 amounted to \$362. Before the Christmas tree-selling season ends, some 20 boys will have worked a total of about 800 hours.

Some boys put in only a few hours on the tree project; others work more, like the project's manager, Bill Coffey, who's put in 120 hours so far. Coffey decides what boys sell trees and who cuts and who hauls. He has to see to it there are enough boys on hand during the busy hours to handle the customers.

AND IT CAN BECOME busy at times. A busy Saturday may result in the sale of \$1,000 worth of trees. Scotch pine and spruce are



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# CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS

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MARCH OF DIMES MATERIAL DISTRIBUTED TO WORKERS

Though Monday night's snowstorm cut attendance way down, some March of Dimes workers were on hand to receive campaign material from drive Chairman Robert LaFave. He passes some pamphlets across the table to Mrs. Gordon Waggoner (seated) of Eureka while Mrs. Barbara Walter of DeWitt (left), Mrs. Patricia Coffman and Mrs. Lyle Fenner, Clinton County National Foundation chairman, look on. This year's March of Dimes drive will get under way between Christmas and New Years and will continue through most of January.

Pomona Grange meets with Olive

Clinton County Pomona Grange met with Olive Grange Saturday with a good attendance. At the morning session Pomona voted to buy the book "History of the Grange." The Grangers voted to express opinions to the St. Johns Chamber of Commerce and the Farm Bureau regarding the joint meeting during Michigan Week.

Immediately following dinner a memorial service was given by the chaplain, Mrs. Elsie Exelby, assisted by others. The charter was draped in memory of Nellie Baumgartner, Patience Devereaux, Chester Raby, Edna Newman, Augusta Lankton, Cassie Pope and Arla Raby.

THE SPEAKER of the afternoon was Mrs. Frank Weinbrecht of Hastings, Flora of Michigan State Grange. She spoke on ways of improving the Grange as to membership, attendance, programs and time for beginning and closing the meeting. She was accompanied here by Mrs. Leo Barry of Barry County, Pomona Grange.

The following program was given: Christmas poems by Michael and Steven Smith, piano solo by Vickie Thelen, recitation by Earl Parnell, vocal solo by Vickie Thelen and a play "Christmas Crazy Class." Christmas carols were sung. Bingham Grange will entertain Pomona on Wednesday, Jan. 18.



merry, merry Christmas

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BOWLING News from Around St. Johns Area Bowling Leagues

SHIRTS AND SKIRTS LEAGUE - Four teams are wrapped up in a duel for first place after last Friday's bowling. Penney's Paints, Ken's Service and Dush Construction are all tied with 35-25 records, and KPs are only one game behind. The KPs had the high scores Friday, with a 711 game and 1960 series. Kay Penix had a 210 high game and 569 high series for the women, while Bill Burnham rolled a 211 high game and 545 high series for the men. Jean Pardee had a 201 game, Dale Anderson 206 and Rex Turner 206.

BLAZZ INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE - League-leading Reo Patison's team dropped four points last Wednesday to shorten their lead over second place Saxton's to only two points. High game and series last week went to Bill Good's team with scores of 958 and 2547. Hata had the high series of 592 while Burl rolled a 222 high game. Other 200s were by Marlis 211, Ebert 207 and 204, Boog 206, Hata 208, Attenberger 203 and Stan Wassa 200.

NITE OWLS - Marge Cowan rolled a 200 high game and 484 high series in the Nite Owls League last Thursday, while Bee's Chevrolet had the high team scores of 848 game and 2390 series. McKenzie Insurance leads Advance Castings by two points. Doris King picked up the 6-7-10 split.

TUESDAY TEA TIME LEAGUE - Bee's Chevrolet and Olds fired a 904 game and 2404 series last week and lead St. Johns Furniture by one game in the battle for first place in the league. Kay Penix's 179 game was high and Cecile Ritz had the best series with a 478 score. Carol Keys had a triplicate 112.

INDUSTRIAL MIXED LEAGUE - The Mixers rolled a 672 high game and 1927 high series Friday and trail league-leading Rog-Alls by one game. Helen Kaminski had the high scores of 190 and 512 for the women, while Karlis Dakers' 223 game and Ed Kaminski's 575 series topped the men. Other 200 games were by Kaminski 200 and 208, Larry Kuhns 208, Dick Kuhns 201 and Ken Powers 200.

KINGS AND QUEENS LEAGUE - The L & B's continue in first place with a one point lead over the second place Night Hawks. The Poor Souls in fourth place, took high single game for team with a 650. The 4-M's took team series with an 1835. In the individual statistics it was Thelma Miller with the high single game for the women with a 215, while Ron Harter did it for the men with a 208. In high series it was Thelma Miller with a 555, while Rudy Masarik had 532 for the men.

CAPITOL LEAGUE - Only four points separates the first six places as Frechen's Tavern and Becker's Appliance are tied with 36 points. One point separates the next four teams; Western Auto, Central Michigan Lumber, Carlings Beer and HIKlas Beverage. HIKlas took high single game with an 873 while Moriarty Lumber took high three game with an 2405. In individual honors it was Ernie Lance with high single game with a 251. For high series it was Russell Mudge with 556. 200 games were by Dick Droste 206, Russell Mudge 206, Ted Matice 204, Louie Minarik 200, Harold Pease

205, Bill Taylor 206 and Terry Masarik 204.

FIRST NIGHTERS LEAGUE - Heathmans ended the first half of the season with a six point lead over second place Woodbury's. Heathmans also took high single game with a 842, but the Independents came through with the high three game with a 2426. In individual honors it was Cynthia Tiedt with a 189 for high single game while Ellen Martens took high series with a 509.

COFFEE CUP LEAGUE - The Cookie Cuties maintain a comfortable lead of five points over the Fireballs, with the Snack Bar close behind. The Pin Pals dominated team play as they took high single game with a 615 and high series with a 1776. In the individual bracket it was Shirley Wagar all the way with a 177 high single game and a 474 high series.

SHIRTS AND SKIRTS - Ken's Service leads the way with a three point lead over Dush Construction, while Penney Paint and the Fearsome Foursome dominated team play as they rolled a 681 for high game and 1923 for high three game. In individual honors it was Elly Cowan and Ann Wawsczyk with 190, while Richard Snyder took mens' honors with a 241. For high series it was Elly Cowan with a 495 and Richard Snyder with a 601. Other 200 games were by Wayne Dush 212 and Bill Burnham 204.

TWIN CITY LEAGUE - Strouse Oil rolls along in front while Clark's and Krogers' are tied for second and Zeeb and GenTel are tied for fourth, one point separating these four teams. Zeeb Fertilizers dominated team play as they rolled a 901 game and a 2478 series. Roger Heathman took individual honors with a 223 game and a 568 series. Other 200 games were by Ron Harter 201, Terry Masarik 214, Bob Nurenburg 215 and Frank Glowacki 201.

CITY CLASSIC LEAGUE - Hub Tire has a two game lead over Chick's Service. Warrens Insurance, Jim's Insurance, Lakes Jewelry and Dick's Barber Shop are all within easy striking distance. Hub Tire took high team game with a 994 while WREJ took team series with a 2737. Gordon Ripple and Bob Cart-

wright shared high single game with 232 while Bud Michele took high series with an even 600. Other 200 games were by Keith Shafley 202, Joe Trefill 201, T. Larner 214-201, R. Simcox 204, C. Smith 224, D. Hamilton 210, K. Barrett 214, R. Dunkel 220, T. Silvestri 202, G. Dunkel 213, N. Hata 207, S. Mihalak 202, and B. Michele 200-213.

NIGHT HAWKS LEAGUE - Dale Martens whipped up a 213 high game and 524 high series to set the scoring pace in the league last Tuesday. Henry Schmid had a 204 game. Third-place Zeeb Fertilizer P had the high game of 868, while first place Beck's Farm Market had a 2399 high series.

FOWLER WOMEN'S LEAGUE - Frechen's Market holds a two-point margin on first place after bowling Dec. 12; they have a 39-17 won-lost record. Necchi 3194 had the top team scores of 778 game and 2100 series. Alma Armbrustmacher rolled a 211 high game and 507 high series. Marie Feldpausch had a 202 game.

COMMERCIAL LEAGUE - K.K.L. not only leads the league by four points but dominated team play as they rolled a 998 for high single game and a 2725 for high series. In the individual honors it was J. Spusta with a 236 game and a 615 series. Other 200 games were by K. Penix 204, B. Botteger 211, S. Pardee 214, G. Chick 235, F. Bulock 213, A. Linman 201, L. Chick 222, C. Floate 216, K. Barrett 216, M. Markman 200, H. Pease 201, J. Lance 233, D. Hardman 222, R. Kuhns 208, C. Lynam 201 and R. Lynam 224.

RAINBOW LAKE LEAGUE - The Starfish are holding a one point lead over the Salmon, while the Goldfish and Trout make it a close third and fourth. The Bluegills rose to the bait as they rolled a 608 for high team game and then tied with the Goldfish for high team series with a 1779. In individual honors it was Mert Warren with a 162 and Jack Floate with a 185 for high single game. In high series it was Maxine Floate with a 437 for the women and Clare Floate with a 504 for the men.

WEST PHALIA WOMEN'S LEAGUE - Carlings has a two point lead over Simon's, who also have a two pin lead over third place Ringles. High team series went to Simons Flower Shop with a 2303. Rita Witten dominated the individual honors with a high game of 198 and a high series of 513.

SATURDAY NIGHT MIXERS LEAGUE - The Armbrustmach-

er's took individual honors as Alma rolled a 201 for high game and a 508 for high series. For the men it was Bob who had a 205 high game and a 546 high series. The Feds had high team game with a 687 while the Bombers took team series with a 1920.

RAINBOW LAKE - MAPLE RAPIDS MIXED LEAGUE - The fourth-place Trout rolled the high game of 613 and the third-place Goldfish put together a 1738 high series Sunday evening. The Starfish and Salmon are tied for the league lead. Gordo Warren had a 215 high game and Clare Floate a 582 high series for the men, while Lane Tyler's 189 game and 443 series were best for the women. Floate had a 212 game.

KINGS AND QUEENS LEAGUE - The 4-M's rolled a 752 high game and 2071 high series Sunday and are tied for second place with the Night Hawks two games behind league-leading L & B's. Thelma Miller had a 218 high

game and 538 high series, while Bob Pratt's 215 game and Rudy Masarik III's, 543 series were high for the men. Don Walker had a 203 game and Keith Penix rolled a 212.

FIRST NIGHTERS - Hilda Smith rolled a 202 game and 470 series to set the scoring pace Monday night. The Happy Five had an 849 high game and Cigo had a 2331 high series; both teams are tied for first place as a new round of competition starts. Lois Kettler had a 200 game and Ethel Kuhns rolled triplicate scores of 134.

CAPITOL LEAGUE - Becker's Appliance holds a one-game lead over Western Auto after Monday night's bowling. Becker's had the high game of 833 and Hi-Klas had a 2407 high series. Roger Heathman had the high individual scores of 245 game and 608 series; that also included a 200 game. Other 200s were by Don Hambleton 213, Jerry Henning 200, Terry Larner 202, Bob Schaefer 204 and Lee Pertler 213.



Christmas Blessings

May this holy season of Christmas, with its message of love and peace, enrich your lives with many blessings.

Bob and Kathy Prowant L & L Restaurant ST. JOHNS, MICH.

COHO FINGERLINGS reared from these eggs will be planted in the Big Huron River, Baraga County; the Platte River, Benzie County; and Bear Creek, Manistee County. The three northern streams received introductory plantings of about 850,000 young cohos last spring. They are in line to be stocked next spring with approximately 2,000,000 more cohos raised from eggs supplied by Oregon, Washington and Alaska.

11 complete self-help class

Eleven persons completed a medical self-help course and received diplomas last Thursday evening at the First Congregational Church in St. Johns.

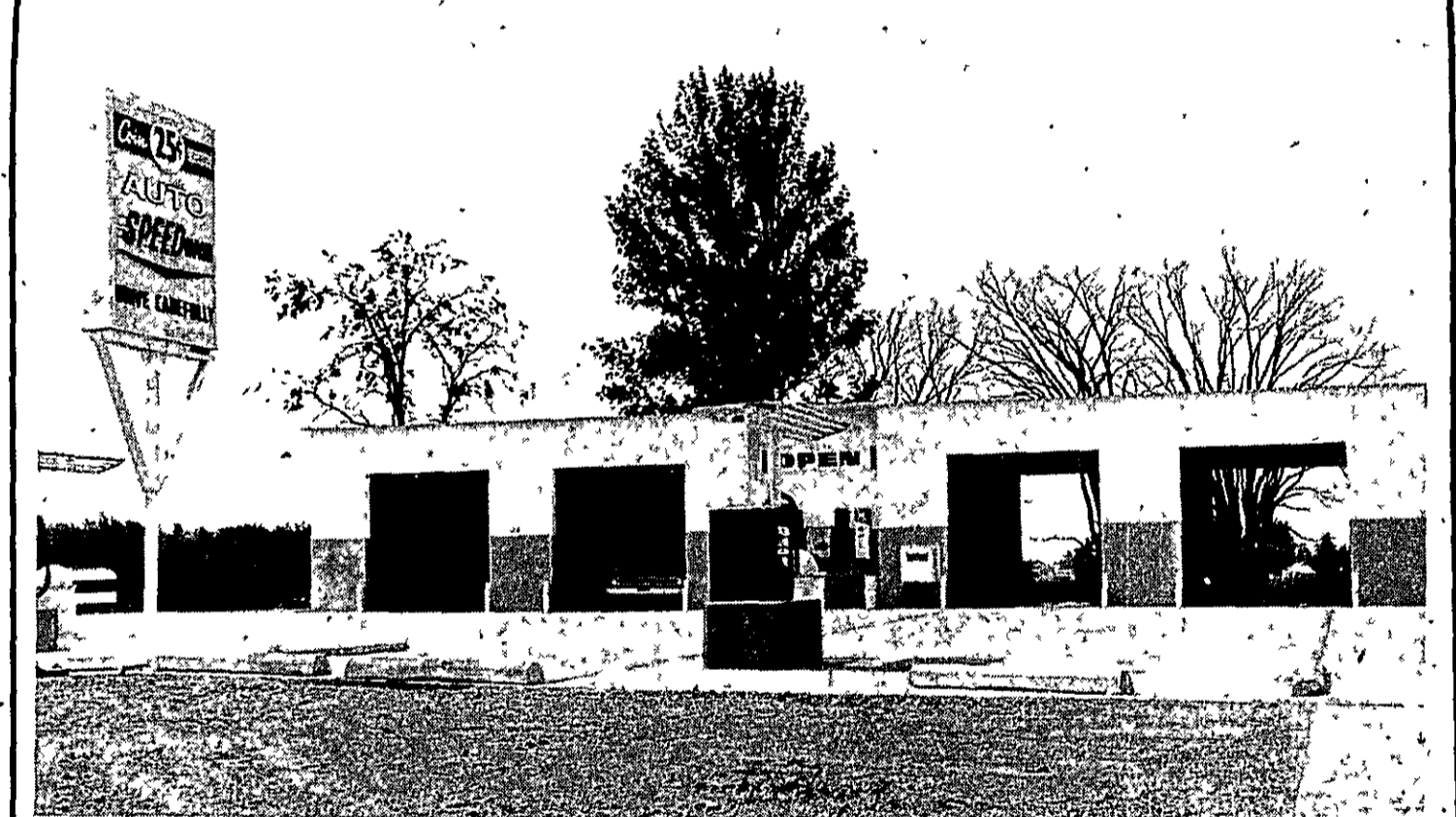
The course was sponsored by the Duets of the First Congregational Church. Graduates were Mrs. Garold Bunge, Mrs. Edna Fiegler, Mrs. Terry Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Pope, Mrs. Connie Bauerle, Mrs. Thelma French, Mr. and Mrs. Stan Pewoski and Mr. and Mrs. John Hoag.

3 injured in rural crash

Three persons were treated at Clinton Memorial Hospital following a two-car crash on Shepardsville Road south of French Road Friday evening. They were Eleanor Thornton of Elsie and Albert Ensign, 42, of Bannister - the drivers - and Ensign's passenger, Steve Slamka, 45 of Bannister.

State police said the crash occurred as Mrs. Thornton was pulling out of a driveway and Ensign was coming over a crest of a hill. The three were treated for cuts and bruises.

NOTICE DR. JAMES SCOTT M.D. of 203 West Main Street, DeWitt IS MOVING TO 607 Turner Street, DeWitt effective January 1, 1967



Merry Christmas

It's Christmastime. The land is cloaked in white serenity... hearths are aglow with golden embers of warmth and homeliness... peace and happiness fill the air. With our deepest appreciation for all the blessing bestowed upon us, we reach out to our friends and neighbors to share with us the joys of this Holy Season.

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# South Greenbush

By MRS. HAZEL BEEBE—Phone 224-7003

### CHURCH NOTES

A fine program was given by the children and young people of the Greenbush Methodist Sunday School Sunday evening. The younger children gave some nice recitations and songs after this the young people presented the play "Why the Chimes Rang" followed by the candle lighting service. Everyone enjoyed the beautifully decorated Christmas tree and the gifts.

Mr and Mrs Richard Kingsbury entertained the following at a pre-Christmas dinner Sunday: Mr and Mrs Bert Whitlock and Delbert of St. Johns, Mr and Mrs Thomas Moore and Roger of Bannister and Mr and Mrs Ronald Beck of Elsie.

Mr and Mrs Stanley Welton were in Flint Sunday. Mr and Mrs George Hubbard were Tuesday visitors of Mr and Mrs John Meehling of Montrose. Bert Hubbard accompanied them and has remained for an indefinite visit.

Some of the young people home from various colleges for vacation are Dan Bross, David Livingston and Dennis Whitlock all of MSU, Della Davis from CMU and Allen Davis from MTU at Houghton.

Clarence Burk underwent surgery last Tuesday at University Hospital in Ann Arbor. At last report he is recovering satisfactorily.

Elmer Swagart entered Clinton Memorial in St. Johns Saturday.

Mr and Mrs Howard Simecox of Mount Pleasant called on her mother Mrs Ralph Silvernall Sunday afternoon. From there they went to call on his mother, Mrs Guy Simecox of rural St. Johns.

Eddie Light of St. Johns was a Sunday dinner guest of Mr and Mrs Orrin Blank.

Saturday evening Mr and Mrs James Graham Sr. and Annie, Mr and Mrs Kenneth Grievie and Bernal, Mr and Mrs James Graham Jr and Miss Dorothy Gleason of Lansing surprised Mrs Don Nichols of DeWitt. It was her birthday. Sunday she was entertained at the James Graham Jr. home. Mrs Minnie Daldron and daughter Linda of Lansing were also present.

Michael Ask spent the weekend at Grosse Pointe with Dean Hagman who was a counselor on the ship Michael came to America on last summer. Michael is an exchange student from Sweden and makes his home with the Roy Davis family. He was able to visit several places of interest while at Grosse Pointe.

### 4-H NOTES

The French's Corners 4-H Club will have their Christmas party Tuesday evening, Dec. 27, at the home of Mrs Maxine Hunter of French Road.

Miss Catherine Stevens of St. Johns visited her mother, Mrs Grace Stevens, Sunday.

Mrs Evert Johnson of Owosso was an overnight guest Thursday at the William Butler home. Mr and Mrs Les Eddson of Cornua were visitors there Sunday.

Mr and Mrs Russell Curtis of Portland were Sunday dinner guests of Mr and Mrs Kenneth Grievie and family. Later that afternoon they attended the Christmas party at the Rivard Nursing home in St. Johns where Kenneth's and Mrs Curtis' father is a patient.

Mr and Mrs Edward Schneider and family entertained his brother, Mr and Mrs John Schneider of Lansing, for dinner Sunday.

Patrick Schneider, son of Mr and Mrs Edward Schneider, spent a few days at Clinton Memorial Hospital.

Holly Davis returns home this week Wednesday from England where she has been studying music and doing her practice teaching.

Roy Davis flew to Florida last week to visit his father, Arthur Davis, who is seriously ill there.

Mr and Mrs Rhinard Schulz spent Sunday afternoon with his brother and family. Mr and Mrs Alfred Schulz in DeWitt. Saturday evening they were in Shepardsville visiting her sister and family, Mr and Mrs Alfred Cramer.

Mr and Mrs Frank Todocsluk entertained recently for her mother, Mrs Harry Rosekrans' birthday. Guests were Harry Rosekrans and Miss Bernice Schuller of St. Johns. Other recent guests were Capt. Ivan Darling and daughters of St. Johns.

Mr and Mrs Ron Beemer and sons of Grand Rapids came Sunday to visit her father, Elmer Swagart, at the hospital in St. Johns.

Mr and Mrs Frank Todocsluk entertained at a pre-Christmas dinner Saturday evening. Guests were Mr and Mrs Harry Rosekrans, Mr and Mrs Keith Rosekrans of St. Johns, Mr and Mrs Carl Rosekrans of East Lansing, Mr and Mrs E. G. Stockwell, Mr and Mrs Eugene Havens and Mr and Mrs Gordon Howard. Sunday Mr and Mrs Todocsluk and family were guests of Mrs John Todocsluk in Fowlerville.



DR GILBERT DERATH

Gilbert W. DeRath, PhD, was recently appointed director of the Lansing Mental Health Clinic. He'll be in charge of both the adult and child guidance clinics, whose merger was also announced by V. A. Stehman, M.D., acting director of the Michigan Department of Mental Health. The Lansing Mental Health Clinic serves Clinton, Eaton, Ingham and Livingston counties. Mrs Earl Canfield, Clinton County health nurse, is secretary of the health clinic.

## NEWS in Brief

### TO SERVE ON COUNCIL

E. J. Tupper of the St. Johns Dog n Suds Drive-In has been appointed to serve on the Food Research Council of Dog n Suds, Inc., one of 20 drive-ins picked by the home office. Tupper will assist with testing new products as well as performing periodic tests on existing products at the drive-in.

### LIGHT ON THE BLINK

The top red light on the microwave tower at the west edge of St. Johns is on the blink—it's not blinking. General Telephone Co. District Manager Bill Graef said the faulty light will be repaired as soon as replacement equipment arrives.

### CONNOR TO SPEAK

Secretary of Commerce John T. Connor will head the list of speakers for the 99th Michigan Press Assn. annual meeting Jan. 27 and 28 at Michigan State University.

### TAVERN BURGLARIZED

An estimated \$60 in change was reported taken from the Hilltop Tavern at Bath by thieves early last Thursday morning. Coin boxes on cigarette machine, pool table and juke box were pried open. State police are investigating.

# Gunnisonville

By MRS. LOUI FRITZ, Correspondent

## Hartmans honored

The children of Mr and Mrs Alva Hartman held an open house at the home of Mrs Hartman's brother and sister-in-law, Mr and Mrs Charles Fritz of 214 Franklin Street, DeWitt, in honor of their parents' 25th wedding anniversary Sunday, Dec. 11.

About 160 friends and relatives attended. The 25th anniversary cake was decorated by Mrs Arnold Gross, cousin of Mrs Hartman and serving during the day were Mrs Charles Fritz, Mrs Ron Parkinson, Mrs Clara Lincoln, Misses Lou, Jeanne and Karl Sue Fritz and Nancy Kay Hartman. Mrs Ernie Fritz, Mrs Hartman's mother, poured coffee.

Mrs Hartman wore an orchid presented her by her husband. Special guests included Mr and Mrs Ernie Fritz, Mrs Hartman's parents, Mr and Mrs William Hartman, Mr Hartman's parents, Mr and Mrs William Rollman, an aunt and uncle of Mrs Hartman, who have been married 62 years and Mrs Mildred Hartwick, another aunt of Mrs Hartman.

THE HARTMAN children are Mrs Ron (Patty) Parkinson of Mason, Alrman Barry K. Hartman of Fort Custer and Nancy Kay at home and their grandchildren, Ronnie Al, Julie, Kay and Patricia Lynn Parkinson.

Guests were present from Gaylord, Grass Lake, Elsie, St. Johns, Bath, East Lansing and Lansing.

The teen choir, directed by Mrs A. Hartman, sang the anthem; Mrs Malcolm Hershey accompanied them. The Christian Fellowship coffee hostess was Mrs Marvin Rhynard.

The children's Christmas program of Gunnisonville Church Sunday school was presented to a capacity crowd of parents and friends Saturday evening, Dec. 17, at 7. Following the program Santa Claus arrived and gave out the gifts and treats from the Christmas tree. Mrs John Hagy and Mrs John Headley directed the program. Mrs Alva Hartman directed the music and Mrs Malcolm Hirshey was pianist. Refreshments were served by hostess Mrs Ernie Fritz. She was assisted by Mrs Clint Wright, Mrs Margaret Stampfly and Mrs Oliver Angell.

There will be candlelight services Christmas Eve at 7:30 p.m. at Gunnisonville Community Church.

## J. P. Keiths to spend holidays in Africa

Dr and Mrs John P. Keith and daughters Rhoda and Liz of East Lansing left Wednesday, Dec. 14, for Africa where they will spend Christmas with his parents, who are missionaries near Johannesburg.

Dr Keith was born on the mission farms and this is his first visit back in 20 years. They will spend three weeks there and his parents, Rev and Mrs Keith, will return with them as far as Greece. Then they will tour the Holy Land for two weeks and come to Dr Keith's at East Lansing.

Dr Keith was a former minister at Gunnisonville Community Methodist Church and Mrs Keith is a special education teacher at Pinecrest school in East Lansing.

In the morning worship service at Gunnisonville the four children of Mr and Mrs Richard Symonds, John, Donald, Gall and Dian, received the rites of baptism administered by Rev William Cessna. Nine new members were received into the fellowship of the church. Included were Karen and Karl Shirey, John Hagy Jr., John, Donald and Gail Symonds, Robert and Trudy Schoals and Miss Susan Green.

The senior choir of Gunnisonville Church will present their cantata "The Gospel Songs of Christmas" at the morning worship service from 10 to 11 a.m., directed by Mrs Allen Cable with Mrs William Cessna as the pianist.

Mr and Mrs Ernie Fritz were visitors Saturday, Dec. 17, of her sister, Mrs Mildred Hartwick, at Elsie. The occasion was a family Christmas dinner. Guests included Mr and Mrs H. Ted Sandford of Flint, brother and sister-in-law of Mrs Fritz and Mrs Ethel Bishop of Lansing, another sister.



## Bannister

Mrs Robert Valentine Phone 862-4342

## Methodist children have Yule program

The children of the Bannister Methodist Sunday School presented their Christmas program Sunday evening to a capacity crowd. The rhythm band, consisting of two, three, four and five year olds opened the program. Mrs David Green assisted by Rosemary Saxton leads the group.

Mrs John Schlarf's group of first and second graders gave a skit "How Is This?" Debra Felt rendered an organ solo. Mrs "Don Hinkley's class of three and four year olds had a playette with Sandy Schlarf as Mary and Bruce Valentine as Joseph. Two angels were Sherri Criner and Lisa Peck. Shepherds were Jaylene Swarthout, Lonnie Nixon, Eric Felt and Wendy Green.

The three choirs of the church each performed special selections. Mrs Ray Peck's class of fifth and sixth graders gave a play entitled "The Jones Family Worship" written by the group.

JEFF LEYDORF brought a brass octet from Owosso to perform for the program.

The seventh and eighth graders directed by Donald Hinkley and Mrs Ray Canfield made a living Christmas tree. To conclude the program the senior choir led the congregation in singing familiar carols and Ray Canfield gave the benediction. Candy was given out following the program.

The Chippewa Chippers 4-H Club went Christmas caroling Friday evening. After caroling 24 members met at the home of their president, Vicki Valentine. Gifts were exchanged and refreshments served.

Sixteen members and friends of the senior choir of the Bannister Methodist Church went Christmas caroling Saturday evening. After caroling the group enjoyed entertainment and refreshments.

Mrs Edna Nowlin of rural Elsie and Mrs Jessie Kinley of Owosso were Saturday callers of Mr and Mrs Frank Leydorf.

Mrs Howard Andersn and children called on Mr and Mrs Frank Leydorf. Mr and Mrs Dudley Watson of rural Eagle stopped Saturday evening at the Alton Oberltner home and left word that Mrs Watson's mother, Mrs Emma Carstensen of Marlon Springs passed away that evening. Mrs Carstensen is a great-aunt of Mrs Oberltner.

# Westphalia

By MRS. JOSEPH FEDEWA, Correspondent Box 147, Westphalia—Phone 587-3682

## Yule party for Christian Moms

About 200 ladies gathered for a 6 p.m. potluck together with the Sisters as guests. The ladies brought gifts for a pantry shower for the Sisters. The reception table was graced with a doll dressed as a nun.

Fr Miller, Fr Hackett and Mr Spences, music director, were seated at the main table with the officers. Each table was beautifully decorated and the tree was surrounded by bright gifts. Nineteen new members were enrolled in church at 7. They are Beverly Platte, Hope Fox, Jeanette Trierweiler, Linda Wieber, Monica Schneider, Karen Smith, Marie Feldpausch, Wilma Hengesbach, Michelle Droste, Mary Simon, Jean Platte, Christine Smith, Bernida Fedewa, Adeline Schneider, Joanne Jegla, Alice Bengel, Jane Lucas and Jeanette Spitzley.

MRS SPENCER AND the Junior Band entertained with several selections including Christmas music. Mrs Maybelle Thelen played the accordion to accompany her four daughters who sang Christmas melodies. More band music ushered in roly poly Santa Claus who gave out gifts and brought the evening to a close.

Serving on the lunch committee were Irene Thelen as chairman, Joan C. Thelen, Joan Thelen, Lillian Thelen, Marian Thelen, Mary Ellen Thelen, Mary Jane Thelen and Matilda Thelen. Laurina Thelen was chairman for the entertainment committee. Her helpers were Jean, Joyce and Marie Thelen.

Mrs Estella Geller entertained the Bridge Club Wednesday evening.

Joseph Schmitt, son of George Schmitt, is being treated at St. Lawrence Hospital for two broken legs he received in an auto accident Friday evening.

Mr and Mrs Robert Sliksky and daughters of Ovid were Sunday supper guests of Mr and Mrs Alton Oberltner and daughters.

Mrs Wanda Moore of Ithaca and Larry Krueger of Lake were weekend guests of Mr and Mrs Arthur Krueger.

Miss Kay Hawley of Ovid spent Friday night with Mr and Mrs Roy Saylor.

Roy Saylor called on his brother Frank Saylor of Flint Sunday.

Sharon Stewart recently returned from St. Louis, Mo., where she attended the National Junior Horticulture Association Convention as a member of the Michigan 4-H team. The team placed sixth in the national competition and Sharon placed 14th. The convention visited the St. Louis zoo, the Botanical Gardens, the planetarium and the Ralston Purina Research farms. The Michigan delegation visited Lincoln's home in Springfield and New Salem, a reconstruction of Lincoln's general store.

## Chapman District

By Mrs Gerald Pope

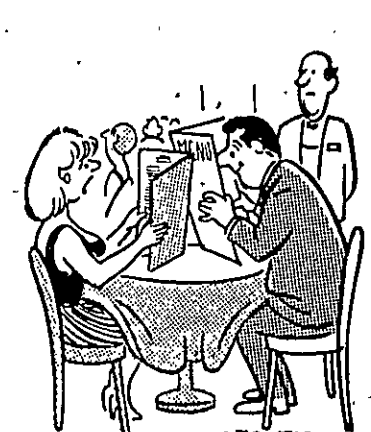
Mrs Larry Selbert (the former Gail Auten) and her infant son left Thursday by jet to join her husband in San Diego, Calif. He is in the service and visited several eastern ports. Her address is 2021 G. St., San Diego, Calif.

Several from the community attended Pomona Grange, held at Olive Grange, Saturday. A dinner was served by Arlene Hoag and other Olive Grange members.

Mr and Mrs Gerald Pope were Sunday afternoon callers of Rev and Mrs Friesen.

The Chapman School will have their Christmas party Thursday afternoon.

Mrs Jeri Guernsey and daughters and Darrell Pope were Thursday evening dinner guests in the Gerald Pope home.



"I'm not very hungry. I wish you hadn't fed me all those jelly beans."

wa were Sunday dinner guests at the Joe Fedewa home Sunday. Mrs Catherine Lenneman had the misfortune of falling in her home and breaking her hip. She is a patient at St. Lawrence Hospital in Lansing.

### FORESTERS MEET

The Catholic Order of Foresters regular monthly meeting was held last Tuesday evening. After the meeting, a Christmas party was held for all members present, and for all juvenile members 10 years old and older. Following the lunch, appropriate games were played and door prizes were awarded to lucky winners.

Mrs Bud Hengesbach and daughter Linda, and Janice Hengesbach of Grand Ledge visited Mrs Hengesbach's mother, Mrs Adele Fink, Sunday. They also visited Mrs Elizabeth Hengesbach.

Sunday eight ladies gathered at the home of Mrs Anna Droste to help her celebrate her birthday anniversary. Cards were played for entertainment followed by refreshments.

Mrs Pauline Trierweiler was hostess to the Euchre Club Tuesday evening.

Monday afternoon Mrs Mary Bengel entertained the T.O.B. Club.

Many relatives and friends attended the funeral Mass at St. Therese Church in Lansing Monday morning for Mrs Mary C. Morris, who passed away at Ford Hospital in Detroit during the past week. Burial services followed the Mass at St. Mary's Cemetery. She is survived by a brother, Joseph, and a sister, Mrs Robert Pline of this community.

Employees of Westphalia Builders & Supply Co. and their wives gathered at St. Mary's Hall Friday evening for a Christmas party.

From your correspondent come wishes for a very Merry Christmas.

The family of Mrs Pauline Thelen held their Christmas gathering Sunday.

Tuesday evening Mr and Mrs Fred Feldpausch entertained friends at a card party.

Alberta Theis visited Mrs Dorothy Manning of Portland at St. Lawrence Hospital Wednesday evening.

Mr and Mrs Don Schneider and family and Mr and Mrs Mark Kieth and son attended the Schneider Christmas party at St. Mary's Hall Saturday afternoon.

Mrs Theresa Fox underwent surgery at Clinton Memorial Hospital during the past week.

During the past week Mrs John Martin Jr. entertained a Tripoley group at her home.

Mr and Mrs Larry Thelen and son, formerly of Lansing, moved into the home they recently purchased from Mr and Mrs John Lehman.

Mr and Mrs Ed Schneider, Mr and Mrs Gerald Pung, Mr and Mrs Leonard Schneider, Mr and Mrs Joe Fedewa and Mr and Mrs Richard Schneider spent Saturday evening at the home of Mr and Mrs Gerald Platte.

Mrs Florence Wieber is now convalescing at the home of her daughter, Mr and Mrs Joseph Fedewa.

Wednesday evening Mrs Dennis Thelen entertained the Tripoley group.

Recently several neighbors gathered at the home of Mrs Gilbert Hengesbach.

Mr and Mrs Cyril Jegla entertained members of their family at a Christmas gathering at St. Mary's Hall Sunday afternoon.

The children of Mr and Mrs Louis Klein gathered at their home Sunday for a Christmas party.

Mr and Mrs Simon Smith entertained his brothers, sisters, nieces and nephews at a Christmas gathering at their home Sunday.

Mr and Mrs Edward Wieber and family, Mr and Mrs Dennis Thelen and family and Art Fedewa.

Sunday evening, the home of Mr and Mrs Roger Thelen, was the scene of a birthday party honoring Mrs Gerald Smith. Present for the occasion were the guests of honor's parents, Mr and Mrs Wesley Dunham and son Mark of Lansing, Mr and Mrs Isadore Smith and son Fred and Mr and Mrs Smith and family. During the evening cards were played and refreshments were served. Mrs Smith was presented with a lovely gift.

Mr and Mrs Aloysius Droste and members of their family gathered at the home of Mr and Mrs Jim Pung for the Christmas gathering Sunday.

Mrs Adele Fink spent Monday and Tuesday with her daughter, Mr and Mrs Bud Hengesbach and family of Grand Ledge. During the past week Mrs Dorothy Platte was hostess for her Pedro Club.



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MEETING PROVIDES INFORMATION ON URBAN RENEWAL

Businessman Robert Conn (standing right) addresses a question on St. Johns' proposed urban renewal to engineers from Vilican-Leman and Associates during a public information meeting last Tuesday evening at the city building. Seated at the head-table are Lee Jolgren and George Vilican of Vilican-Leman, and standing is Terry Foster, St. Johns' assistant urban renewal coordinator. About 50 persons attended the meeting. Another public meeting is being planned for sometime in January.

## Clinton Area Deaths



Victor Stephens

ST. JOHNS — Victor E. Stephens, pharmacist and owner, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Carrier-Stephens Co. of Lansing, died Friday morning in Clinton Memorial Hospital following a brief illness. He was 79 years old. Mr. Stephens was one of the founders of Carrier-Stephens Co. in 1923, along with M. R. Carrier, R. E. Olds and A. B. Hardy. It was incorporated as an outgrowth of the drug and chemical division of the Worden Grocery Co.

MR STEPHENS HAD been a resident of St. Johns for the past 72 years. His home was at 207 Wight Street. Born at Morley, Sept. 1, 1887, he was the son of Victor E. and Amelia Brown-Stephens. They moved to Greenbush Township in 1894 and into St. Johns two years later, at which time Mr. Stephens started working at the D. H. Hunt Drug Store.

In 1912 he became a registered pharmacist and continued with the local drug store. In 1923 he helped close-out the drug and chemical division of the Worden Grocery Co. of Lansing and was in

on the formation of the Carrier-Stephens Co., of which he became owner.

The Hunt Drug Store is a division of Carrier-Stephens Co. Mr. Stephens was a member of the American Legion, being a World War I veteran, and was the first post commander of the Edwin Stiles Post in St. Johns. He was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and its Holy Name Society and the Lansing City Club.

IN 1962 THE Michigan Board of Pharmacy and the Michigan State Pharmaceutical Assn. honored Mr. Stephens by entering him in the 50-Year Club as a registered pharmacist.

Mr. Stephens married Agnes Caudy in St. Johns Jan. 21, 1962, after his first wife, Hazle, had died in 1949.

Surviving are his wife, Agnes, and one sister, Miss Sybil Stephens of San Diego, Calif.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday morning at 10 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church, and burial was in Eureka Cemetery. The Rosary was recited Monday evening at 8 p.m. at the Hoag Funeral Home.

### Burton V. Ripple

OVID — Burton V. Ripple, 64, of 293 E. High Street, Ovid, died at his home Friday, Dec. 16, at 10 a.m. of a heart attack.

Funeral services were held at Houghton Funeral Home of Ovid Monday, Dec. 19, at 1:30 p.m. with Rev. Beatrice Townsend of Laingsburg officiating. Burial was in Greenwood Cemetery of Fowlerville.

Mr. Ripple was a WWII veteran, a member of the Dawson Crawford Post of the American Legion of Owosso No. 57 and had worked at Motor Wheel of Lansing for 31 years until his retirement in September.

HE WAS BORN May 7, 1902, at Laingsburg, the son of John and

Anna Ripple. He attended Laingsburg High School.

Mr. Ripple had made his home in Ovid for the past 13 years and prior to that had lived in Owosso, Perry and Laingsburg.

He and the former Nellie Dunn were married Nov. 21, 1953, at Angola, Ind.

Survivors include his wife, Nellie; two sisters, Mrs. Beatrice Willard and his twin sister, Mrs. Beulah Sparks both of Laingsburg and a brother, Gordon, of St. Johns.



B. TeGrootenhuis

ST. JOHNS — Mrs. Bessie Te Grootenhuis, 81, of 108 Spring Street, St. Johns, died Dec. 18 at 12:40 a.m. at Clinton Memorial Hospital after a two and a half week illness.

Funeral services were held at Osgood Funeral Home of St. Johns Wednesday, Dec. 21, at 1:30 p.m. with Rev. Keith Bovee of the First Methodist Church of St. Johns officiating. Burial was in Ithaca Cemetery.

Mrs. Te Grootenhuis was born Nov. 30, 1885, in Lily, S. D., the daughter of Theodore and Isabelle Preston DePeel. She graduated from Ferris Institute in 1908.

SHE CAME TO Michigan in 1902, to Ithaca in 1926 and St. Johns in 1956.

Theodore Te Grootenhuis, who died in 1936 and she were married Nov. 11, 1909, at Ithaca.

MRS TE GROOTENHUIS was a member of the First Methodist Church of St. Johns and the Elizabeth Circle.

Survivors include two daughters, Miss Fern Te Grootenhuis of St. Johns and Mrs. Grace Lois Stammen of Mount Clemens and a granddaughter, Wendy Sue Stammen of Albion.

### Mary C. Morris

DEWITT — Mary C. Morris, of 804 Dill Road, DeWitt, died at Henry Ford Hospital of Detroit Friday, Dec. 16, at 12:45 a.m. She was 48.

Funeral services were held at St. Theresa Church of Lansing Monday, Dec. 19, at 10 a.m. Fr. Max Flisher officiated. Burial was at Westphalia.

Prayers were recited at Vincent-Rummel Funeral Home of DeWitt Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 3 and 8 p.m.

MRS MORRIS was born Nov. 12, 1918, at Westphalia, the daughter of Peter and Louise George Simon. She attended Westphalia schools and made her home in DeWitt since 1947.

She and William V. Morris were married June 25, 1942, at St. Mary's Church of Westphalia.

MRS MORRIS WAS a member of St. Theresa Church, Immaculate Conception Circle and the

Clinton County Farm Bureau and was employed by the Michigan School for the Blind.

Survivors include her husband, William; a daughter, Mae at home; three sons, Ronald of Perry and Peter and Daniel both at home; a grandson, Keith; a brother, Joseph of Westphalia and three sisters, Mrs. Robble Pline of Pewamo, Olivia Mix of Taylor and Mrs. Regina Simon of Arizona.

### Douglas Lomason

ST. JOHNS — Mr and Mrs Karl Hecit of St. Johns are the grandparents of Pvt. Douglas L. Lomason of Lake Orion, who died Dec. 4 at the Camp Pendleton, Calif., US Naval Hospital.

### Bridgeville

By Mrs. Thelma Woodbury

Mrs. Lianne Van Horn returned to her home Tuesday from Carson City Hospital. Little Kelly Renee had to remain in the hospital for an indefinite time.

Mrs. Carol Wright and daughter, Charlotte, returned to their home Friday from Gratiot Community Hospital.

Mr and Mrs John Woodbury called on his aunt, Mrs. Mable Flansburg, at Gratiot Community Hospital Friday night.

### Krepps District

By Mrs. Lucille Heibek

### Jolly Knitters have party

The Jolly Knitters 4-H Club held their Christmas party at the home of Sandra Cornell Saturday, Dec. 10, with 16 members present.

After a short business meeting, Sandra Ashenfelter read the story of the Nativity and the group sang several Christmas carols. A gift exchange followed.

The hostess, Mrs. Jack Cornell, assisted by Sandra served refreshments of cake, ice cream and punch.

The January meeting will be held at the home of Kathleen Phinney. The date is to be set later.

Mr and Mrs Joseph Smith attended the Smith family pre-Christmas party at the home of Mr and Mrs Simon Smith of Westphalia Sunday afternoon.

Charles Smith is home on Christmas leave from Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo.

Mr and Mrs Ronald Cuthbert and sons attended a pre-Christmas dinner and gift exchange of the Falvor-Miller family at the home of Mr and Mrs Charles Falvor Sunday.

Mrs. Richard Cramer called on Mr and Mrs Edwin Heibek Friday afternoon.

Mr and Mrs Virgil McGinnis and family, Mr and Mrs Robert Pakti and family, Mr and Mrs Kenneth Heibek Jr. and family, Mr and Mrs Paul Krumm and family and Mrs. John Hills of DeWitt were guests of Mr and Mrs Kenneth Heibek Sr. at a pre-Christmas dinner Sunday.

Mr and Mrs Wesley Smith and family were Sunday dinner guests of Mr and Mrs Jack Cornell and family.

Mr and Mrs Max Leonard called on Mr and Mrs Homer Osborn of Ashley Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Richard Butler and children of Mason spent Saturday afternoon with Mr and Mrs Paul Duski.

## Elsie

By MRS. NEVA KEYS, Correspondent

## Michael Slagh's 'Glimpses of Russia'

ELSIE — Michael Slagh, only son of Dr and Mrs Earl M. Slagh is currently studying at Loyola University's Rome Center in Italy. In a letter to the Elsie news correspondent, Neva Keys, he gave a 'glimpse of Russia' as he saw it on a recent trip.

"In early November, I received a letter from my Nigerian friend, Henry, inviting me to visit him at Lvov, USSR. Located in Lvov is a medical institute where Henry began his studies in 1964. Thanksgiving vacation was near (Nov. 18-27) so I immediately applied for my Hungarian and Russian visas.

"The train passed through flood-torn Florence and Venice, highballed through the Carnic Alps and finally halted in historic Vienna. There I rested for the night and went sightseeing the following day. I departed on a late afternoon express, crossed the Austro-Hungarian frontier, and three short hours later, proud but drab Budapest loomed before me. By luck, I happened to meet a young Australian traveler, so we teamed up and found a comfortable hotel for the night.

"THE NEXT day we went sight-seeing and couldn't help but notice all the Communist propaganda. The most popular poster showed a US plane bombing a huddled Vietnamese mother and child.

"At the Hungarian-Russo border there was a two-hour custom delay and later a switch of trains. My suitcase was thoroughly searched and I had to fill out a currency declaration. As the train slowly departed, I saw the border well-guarded by soldiers, searchlights and miles of barbed wire.

"At the Ivov train station I was met by my interpreter and taken to my hotel. All tourists to the Soviet Union are required to lodge in special tourist hotels and to purchase meal coupons. I found the hotel very modern and comfortable and the food delicious. That evening my friend, Henry, came and we went to the students' dormitory to meet his friends and to listen to his "Rubber Soul" album. The Russian students were very friendly and at times I was mistaken for a Russian.

"THE NEXT DAY I wandered around the city (pop. 450,000) and noticed the lack of automobiles. The Russian "red star" was everywhere from building tops (in neon) to garden floral arrangements. Lenin's picture was pres-



MICHAEL SLAGH

ent in almost every store and the Russian space feats were widely publicized in many display windows.

"On my last evening in Russia, Henry and I went to a ballet show in the opera house. Living up to their reputation, the Russians put on a dramatic and unforgettable performance.

"On the way back to Budapest, I met three soldiers who were much more friendly than their forbidding uniforms would lead one to believe. They took me to dinner and presented me with souvenirs such as Russian coins, sports medals and even a ring. In return, I gave them JFK half dollars which pleased them beyond words. The only English they knew was the word "okay" so we had to depend on my Russian phrase book and broken German.

"SOME OF THE typical questions that they asked me were: my age, how many brothers and sisters, what sports I liked, if I had a girl friend and if I preferred blonds or brunettes.

"As the train neared Rome, I thought back about my last nine days and what impressed me most. I finally came to the conclusion that it was the profound similarity between people that I had imagined so different. Actually, only local customs and language had separated us. When we can bridge the gap of misunderstanding, then world peace can really be achieved."

Following graduation from Elsie High School, Michael spent the summer of 1965 in Eindhoven, Holland on the "Youth for Understanding" program and made trips to France, Belgium

and Germany. That fall, he entered St. Regis College, Denver, Colorado on a liberal arts course and earlier this year traveled in most of the states of the U.S., Mexico and Canada and this fall began his studies in Rome.

Michael's address is: Michael Slagh, Loyola University, Via Camilluccia 180, Rome, Italy.

## County Line News

By Mrs. Doris Fisher

The County Line EUB Women's Society held their Christmas party in the form of a family night for all families Saturday evening, Dec. 10. There were contests for the children and singing of Christmas carols. A pantomime reading by Ella Mae Beck, "A Bride Shopping for Christmas Dinner at Bens Market," filled the room with laughter. The reading of a Christmas prayer closed the program. Refreshments were served from a table centered with a lighted Christmas tree and blinking lights. The January meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Gladys Hankey in Eureka with a noon luncheon.

A large crowd attended the Christmas program at Salem EUB Church Sunday evening. Lighted candles were placed in the windows by the choir as everyone sang "Silent Night." The children gave recitations. The offering taken goes for the support of the EUB home for orphans and elderly people.

Travel folders have been described as a sort of trip-tease.

## North Bengal

By Mrs. Wm. Ernst

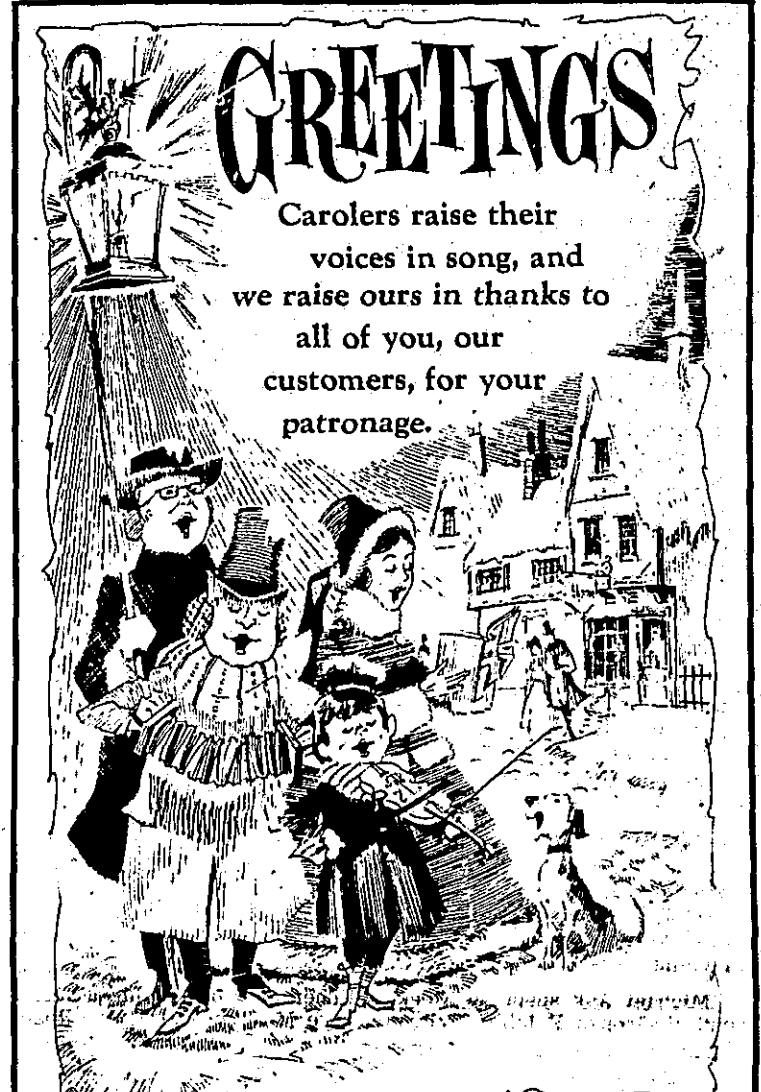
Mr and Mrs William Ernst and Maxine were Sunday pre-Christmas dinner guests of Misses Agnes Beardt and Peggy Lee Mowhatt of Chesaning.

Mrs. Fred W. Pasch spent Thursday afternoon with Mr and Mrs William Ernst.

Mr and Mrs Robert Eldridge and Mr and Mrs Erwin Tiedt attended the Wheeler-Hendershot wedding and reception at St. Johns Saturday evening.

Mr and Mrs Clark Jeffers and son of Milford and Miss Peggy Sturgis and friend of Detroit were recent visitors at the home of Mr and Mrs Fred W. Pasch.

Mrs. Keith Tiedt is a medical patient at the Clinton Memorial Hospital in St. Johns.



## GREETINGS

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# WANT ADS

### ★ NOTICES

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COMPTON encyclopedias are the finest. Your representative is Ronald Motz. Phone 224-3363 44-1f

### ★ IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of my dear husband William Purves, who passed away six years ago Dec. 21st, 1960, sadly missed by his loving wife.—Mabel. 35-1p

### ★ HELP WANTED

MAN TO TAKE CARE of property for rent for one-man cabin No. 1. Slegels, E. State St. Must be sober and reliable. 33-1f

LADY FOR dishwashing and light cleaning, Monday through Friday, 3 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Apply in person at the Hi-Way Cafe, St. Johns, Michigan. 28-1f

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### ★ WANTED EMPLOYMENT

WELL DRILLING and service. Pumps, pipes and supplies. Free estimates. Carl S Oberlitter, 4664 N. State road, Alma. Phone 463-4364. 48-1f

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PHONE St. Johns 224-4242 33-4

### ★ WANTED MISCELLANEOUS

WANTED—Good standard typewriter. Phone 224-4710 after 6 p.m. 34-2th

BALED ALFALFA hay. Will buy at your farm or delivered to milking parlor. Green Meadow Farms, Elsie. Phone 862-5009. 7-1f

### A Merry Christmas

May you enjoy warmth and cheer—friendships dear... and every joy of the holiday season!



IT'S Christmastime! We add our voice to the chorus... wishing all our good friends a very Merry Christmas!



### ROY BRIGGS and STAFF

Gerald A. Pope, 224-7476  
Derrill Shinabery, 224-3881  
Winnie Gill, 224-2511  
Duane Wirick, 224-4863  
Roy F. Briggs, 224-2280  
Herbert Houghton, 224-3934  
Archie Moore, DeWitt 669-6645

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C. Downing  
Middleton 236-5130  
Cecil Smith  
DeWitt 669-9125

### ★ FOR RENT

FOR RENT — Air hammer for breaking up cement, etc. We have two available. Randolph's Ready-Mix Plant, North US-27, phone 224-3766. 11-1f

### ★ HELP WANTED

COOK WANTED at Daleys Fine Foods, S. US-27. 35-2

WANTED—Used car salesman. Apply Vince Ackles, Cains, Inc., South US-27. 35-1

GENERAL OFFICE help—typing required. Apply in person at Cain's Inc., St. Johns. 35-1

MAN OR BOY for part time work, early morning. Apply in person at Southgate Plaza Laundry. 35-2

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UNSKILLED LABORERS, no experience necessary, day rate \$2.19, night rate \$2.24 plus fringe benefits. Saylor-Beal Mfg. Co., St. Johns. 21-1f

STANLEY Home Products offer many fine opportunities. Call Arlene Lounds, 582-2490. 16-1fth

### HELP WANTED TYPISTS

PART TIME Must be able to type 50 words per minute accurately. Phone 224-2361

### CLINTON COUNTY NEWS

Ask for John Hannah

WANTED—Truck driver with experience. Apply in person at Central Michigan Lumber, 407 N. Clinton, St. Johns. 25-1f

SALE'S EXECUTIVE—Top ranking life insurance company has an opening for one sale's person. Two and one-half years of individual training and financing. Sales background helpful, but not essential. We also have openings for part-time agents, men or women. Write, stating qualifications, to Agency Manager, 1035 N. Washington, Lansing, Michigan 48906. 14-1f

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Ph 224-2361

### ★ LIVESTOCK

75-80 PIGS FOR SALE. Carl J. Kramer, Pewamo 824 - 2011. Inquire Kramer's Tavern from 9:00 to 1:00. 34-2p

3 BELTED BLACK-white boar hogs, about 235 to 500 lbs. August Kohagen, 2 miles west of Fowler, 1 north. 34-2p

13 EWES, 6 LAMBS and 2 bucks, 1 registered. Call 224-4111 after 5:30 p.m. 34-2p

12 FEEDER PIGS, call John Clark, Phone 224-7233 or 1st place east of US-27 on Maple Rapids Road. 34-3p

YORKSHIRE BOAR, 400 lbs., Herb Thelen, 2 miles north of Fowler. Phone 582-3694. 34-1p

### ★ CALF STARTER

LARRO CALF RAISE now better than ever. A calf pre-starter that takes calves through critical first 29 days of life. One 25-lb. bag mixed with water will make 270 pounds of milk replacer solution; a solution that contains the same solids as Holstein milk, plus antibiotic vitamin, mineral and growth stimulant fortification. Larro Calf Raise costs only \$4.45 for a 25-lb. bag. Makes a milk replacer solution for only \$1.59 per 100 pounds.

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### LIAL GIFFORD HATCHERY

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### ★ POULTRY

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1965 MERCURYS — 4-door sedans and hardtops. Several to select from starting at a low \$1895.

1966 COMET convertible, traded in on a new Cougar. This is sharp with V-8 engine and bucket seats.

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### STAN COWAN MERCURY

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1965 F-35 STATION WAGON—power steering, power brakes, windshield washer, 13,000 actual miles. Also a 1952 Chevrolet pick-up. Norman Brown, Fowler Phone 582-2494. 34-2p

### ★ FOR SALE

FOWLER GAMBLE Store is open every evening until Christmas. 34-2

REDUCE safe, simple and fast with GoBess tablets, only 98¢. Glaspie Drugstore. 24-12p

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### CARLAND SALES and SERVICE

Phone Owosso, SA 3-3227 Carland, Michigan 24-1f

ALL SIZES, Clasp envelopes in heavy Kraft paper. Sizes 4 3/8" x 6 3/4" through 11" x 14"—The Clinton County News, St. Johns. 22-1f

TRUCK AND PICK-UP racks, made with oak lumber, 16 ft. portable cattle mangers with flooring. Phone Fowler 582-2094. Simons Planing Mill. 34-3

MAYRATH augers and elevators, 42 and 52 ft. W.H. Flowers, 5612 N. Scott Road. 29-1f

CHRISTMAS TREES. Cut your own beautiful Pine, Spruce or Fir. \$2.40. 4811 Ballantine Rd. 3 miles east, 4/10 mile south, then 9/10 mile east from East Dewitt. 33-3p

KODAK BROWNIE Movie camera 8 mm with fast f/2.3 lens. Also Kodak Brownie 8 mm movie projector and splicer. Price \$50. Phone 224-7187. 34-2p

FOOTE trailer hitches for sale, \$9.95 plus installation. Willis Hettler Motor Sales, 812 E. State St. Johns. Phone 224-2311. 26-1f

GAMBLES in Fowler will hold every Christmas lay-away till Christmas eve. 34-2

FRONT QUARTERS of beef, USDA choice, good and standard, take your pick 39¢. Sides of beef USA choice, good and standard 45¢ per lb. A pork package \$28, includes steak, chops, roasts, sausage and etc. Town and Country Food Center, Westphalia. Phone 587-3451. 34-2

WEDDING INVITATIONS and announcements. A complete line—printing, raised printing or engraving. Dozens to choose from.—The Clinton County News, phone 224-2361, St. Johns. 53-1f

STILL A GOOD selection of toys at Gambles in Fowler. 34-2

GOOD USED HOUSE trailer, Estate of John J. Halfmann, 2 west, 1 1/2 north of Fowler. 34-2p

### ★ LIVESTOCK

REGISTERED ANGUS bull, service age. Stanley Geller. Phone 224-7266. 33-2p

YORK BOAR, wt. 375 lbs. 3 north, 2 1/2 west of Fowler. Fred O'Connor. Phone 582-2023. 35-2p

7 HEREFORD feeder heifers, 4 Holstein steers, 64 head of Hereford and Angus steers, Richard R. Stevens, Phone 634-5407 Bancroft. 35-2p

HOLSTEIN BULL, 2 years old, Phone 582-2451. 35-2p

TWO PUREBRED Yorkshire boars, Claude Weber, 6 miles south of Fowler, 1/2 mile west on Jason Road. Phone 587-4123. 35-1p

37 YORKSHIRE feeder plgs, Lawrence Pierce, 5 miles west, 2-3/4 north of St. Johns. Essex Center Road, Phone 224-3946. 35-2p

HOLIDAY WISHES, thank you to our customer friends and helpful neighbors who purchased and recommended our Hampshire hogs and a double thank you for return purchases. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Leo and Bernice Heller, 7-3/4 miles west of DeWitt. 35-1p

ENTIRE HERD of fresh or near fresh young Holstein cows and heifers including bull and calves. Also 125 head of young ewes and last spring lambs. Walter O'Neill, Fowler-Maple Rapids Road. 34-1p

### ★ FOR SALE

200 BALES of nice wheat straw. Glenn Doty, Cutler Road at Forest Hill. 34-2p

REDBONE - WALKER PUPS, 6 weeks old, \$20 and \$25. Phone Jack Gretzinger, 224-4433. 34-3dh

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### FOR RENT

HOUSE FOR RENT

10c each 12 for \$1.00

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120 E. Walker St. Johns 26-6dh

500 BALES Alfalfa hay at 40¢ a bale. Inquire after 7 p.m. Arnold Rademacher. Phone 587-4021. 35-1p

FOR THAT SPECIAL someone on your shopping list—7 weeks old German Shepherds, unregistered, only \$29.50. We'll keep your secret until Christmas. Bob Chapman. Phone 582-3269. 35-1p

COLORFUL PAPER napkins, imprinted with name or names for weddings, receptions, showers, parties and other occasions. Cocktail sizes make inexpensive and appreciated gifts. — The Clinton County News, phone 224-2361, St. Johns. 24-1f

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TRUCKLOAD SALE of Pure Vinyl Floor Tile with the pattern completely through the tile for lasting good appearance, for the price of vinyl asbestos. FACTORY DIRECT PRICES on CURTIS MATIS black and white and Color television. We also have a good assortment of Voice of Music stereo. Visit our new furniture store, Ashley Hardware, Ashley, Michigan. Phone 847-2000. 34-3

WANT AD Station—People in the Fowler area can take their News want ads to Finkbeiner's, Fowler. 6-1fth

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NORWOOD hay savers and silage bunks, all steel welded with rolled edges to last a lifetime. See at our yard, 5 1/4 miles south of Fowler. Phone 587-4231. Fedewa Builders, Inc. 22-1f

LOOK OVER the Hi-Fi stereo and color TV at Fowler Gamble Store, open evenings till Christmas. 34-2

CLASSIFIED AD DEADLINE — beginning with the November 24th issue all classified ads must be in by Monday at 5 p.m. —adv-

### ★ FOR SALE

TWO NYLON 15 in. 6-ply mud and snow ties for pickup, less than 1500 miles. 4 miles south of Fowler. Francis Thelen. 35-1p

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N. US-27 Phone 224-4713 12-1f

GERMAN Shepherd puppies for sale, 10 weeks old, 3 females. \$10 each. Phone DeWitt 669-9409 after 4 p.m. 35-1p

4010 JOHN DEERE diesel, \$3-, 550, 730 John Deere diesel \$2700, two 70 John Deere gas, \$1300 each, D17 LP Allis Chalmers \$1650, 2010 John Deere diesel \$1550, 77 Oliver diesel \$400. Jubilee Ford with 3 pt. blade \$775, Case 430 \$1050, two International 300 utilities \$700 each, Farmall H with loader \$375, John Deere 50 \$675, WD 45 gas \$975, manure loaders to fit WD and 300 International utility \$125 each, 4-bottom international trip - back trailer plow, \$375, front mounted cultivator for Moline 445 4-star or 5-star series, dealers welcome. Also good selection of used tractor parts. Al Galloway Used Tractor Parts, Phone 224-4713. 35-2

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CARDS OF THANKS

I wish to thank friends and neighbors and Greenbush Church, Sherwood School, for cards and flowers sent to me during my stay in Carson City hospital. — William Bellingar. 35-1p

I wish to express sincere thanks to my friends and relatives of the Bengal and Blingham communities who remembered me with cards, gifts, flowers, and prayers during my stay at the Foote Memorial Hospital in Jackson. Thank you, also, to the Bengal Community Aid and Sunday School, the Kundubblers S. S. Class, Rev and Mrs Friesen for their thoughtfulness, Donna Love for her special concern, and to my own immediate family for their understanding and love. And a most sincere thank-you to Dr W. R. Stackable. —Mrs Marietta Mohnke. 35-1p

I wish to express my heartfelt gratitude to all my family, friends, relatives and neighbors for their many prayers, visits, cards and gifts since my stay in the hospital. A special thanks to Annette. My family and I send the Happiest wishes to each of you. — Mrs Eileen Spitzley. 35-1p

I wish to thank all the people who gave me the most unusual ear muffs. I think this is the most useful and nicest gift I have ever received. — Dale Chapman, Clinton County Drain Commissioner. 35-1p

I wish to thank my family, friends, relatives and neighbors for their cards, flowers and visits and Dr Krozachik and the hospital staff for their wonderful care during my stay in the hospital, and all those who have remembered me since my return home. —Mrs Richard Pung Sr. 35-1p

We wish to thank all our neighbors, friends and relatives who sent flowers and cards at the time of the death of our husband, father and grandfather. It was deeply appreciated. —Mrs Herbert Maddern, Mr and Mrs Ronald Miller and sons. 35-1p



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LEGAL NOTICES

Final Account Patterson—Jan. 5 STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Clinton, Estate of LAURA J. PATTERSON, Deceased. It is Ordered that on January 5, 1967 at 10:00 A.M. in the Probate Courtroom at St. Johns, Michigan a hearing be held on the petition of Foster F. Newman, executor, for allowance of his final account, and assignment of residue. Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.

TIMOTHY M. GREEN, Judge of Probate. Dated: November 23, 1966 Louis E. Wirtel, Attorney for Fiduciary 200 S. Bridge St. Grand Lodge, Michigan 32-3

Final Account Otto—Jan. 11 STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Clinton, Estate of EDMUND OTTO, 474 ED OTTO, Deceased. It is Ordered that on Wednesday, January 11, 1967, at 9:30 A.M. in the Probate Courtroom in St. Johns, Michigan a hearing be held on the petition of Jean Martin for allowance of her final account as administratrix of the estate of said estate. Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.

TIMOTHY M. GREEN, Judge of Probate. Dated: December 2, 1966 Frederick M. Lewis, Attorney for Estate 100 North Clinton Avenue St. Johns, Michigan 33-3

Final Account Blakeslee—Jan. 6 STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Clinton, Estate of ARCHER H. BLAKESLEE, Deceased. It is Ordered that on Friday, January 6, 1967, at 9:30 A.M. in the Probate Courtroom in the City of St. Johns, Michigan a hearing be held on the petition of Levi A. Blakeslee, executor, for allowance of his final account and for assignment of residue. Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.

TIMOTHY M. GREEN, Judge of Probate. Dated: November 23, 1966 Alpha F. Wert & Wood, Attorney for Estate 115 P. Walker St. Johns, Michigan 33-3

Crowell—Feb. 23 STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Clinton, Estate of MORRIS A. COWELL, Deceased. It is Ordered that on Thursday, February 23, 1967, at 10:30 A.M. in the Probate Courtroom at St. Johns, Michigan a hearing be held on claims of creditors and a hearing be held on the petition of Fredrick H. Warren, fiduciary, 217 E. 2nd Street, Oakley, Michigan. Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.

TIMOTHY M. GREEN, Judge of Probate. Dated: December 1, 1966 Ralph B. Boschner, Attorney for Fiduciary 140 E. Corunna Avenue Corunna, Michigan 31-3

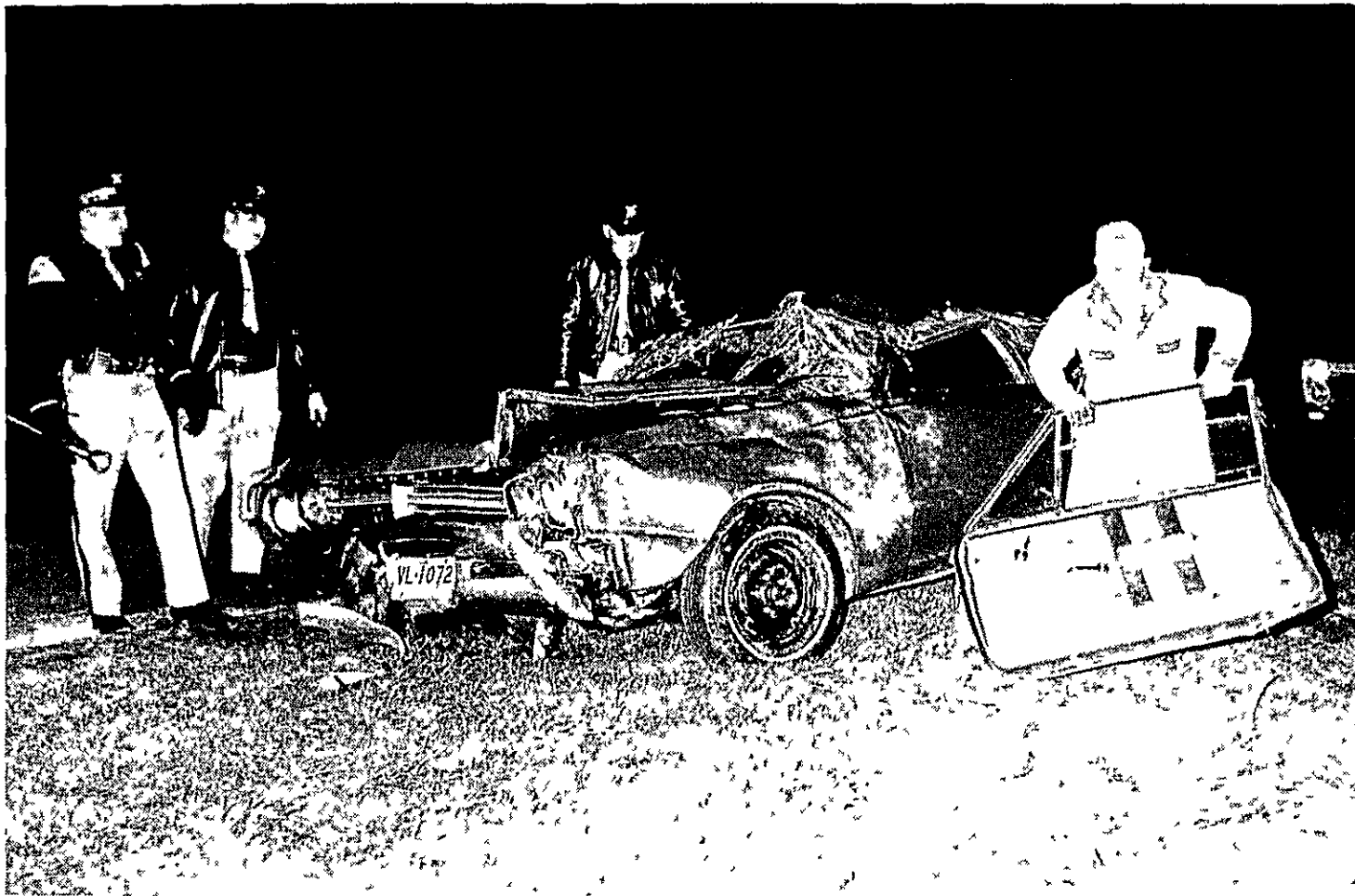
Markets

Table with market prices for New Corn, White Wheat, Oats, Navy Beans, New Crop Soybeans, and Egg Market (Large, Medium, Small).



WINNER OF YULE FEATHER TREE

Mrs Frank Karek (right) of 1210 S. Lansing Street, St. Johns, was chosen the winner Monday of this Christmas feather tree given away by the Central National Bank of St. Johns. Mrs Beth Dean, teller at the bank's Southgate office, designed and made the tree. A light at the base shines up into the core of the feather tree and softly illuminates it at night.



FOWLER MAN HURT, CAR MANGLED

John J. Schmitt, 22, of Taft Road, R-2, Fowler, suffered extensive leg injuries Friday night when this car he was driving rolled over on US-27 at Centerline Road. Schmitt, going north, apparently fell asleep, sheriff's deputies said. The car swerved onto the median at the Centerline Road cross-over, came back across the highway, then skidded on its top back across the highway and rolled three times on the median. Schmitt was thrown out. Here Deputies Ray Terpening (left), Tony Huffnagel and Dick May inspect the car, and Willis Hettler holds up a dislocated door. Schmitt was in "fair" condition Tuesday at St. Lawrence Hospital in Lansing.

Alward-Plowman

By MRS. KEITH WOHLFERT, Correspondent

Mr and Mrs Leon Wohlfert and family of South Haven spent Saturday and Sunday night with his family, Mr and Mrs Jack Wohlfert, Ken and Betty. On Sunday they attended the Reeve Christmas gathering in St. Johns at the home of Mr and Mrs Charles Edwards. Other guests of the Wohlferts Saturday evening were Mrs Keith Wohlfert and children and Mr and Mrs Robert Voisinet, Paul and Debbie and Bobby, Laurie, Lesa and Barry Voisinet.

Several from this vicinity attended the Christmas Concert Thursday evening at St. Johns High School. Debbie Cowles and Debbie Prior from Plowman School sang in the elementary choir. Miss Susan Wickerham was accompanist to this group.

Miss Shirley Collard had her tonsils removed Thursday morning at St. Lawrence Hospital.

Mrs Mabel Westmorland is improving at Clinton Memorial Hospital.

Saturday afternoon Mrs Jack Wohlfert, Mrs Leon Wohlfert visited the museum at Michigan State University.

The Busy Bees were entertained at a Christmas party Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs Walt March.

Saturday callers of Mr and Mrs Duain Peck and family were Mr and Mrs Tom Bailey and girls and Mr and Mrs Russle Bower and daughter.

Sunday Mr and Mrs Duain Peck and boys attended the Pierce family Christmas dinner at the home of Mr and Mrs Dale Pierce.

Miss Leona Paseka was an overnight guest of Miss Betty Wohlfert Sunday night.

Mr and Mrs John Greenfield and Mr and Mrs Lyle Greenfield attended the Christmas open house honoring Mrs Ivy Greenfield Sunday at the home of Mr and Mrs Lynn Van Dyke in Lansing.

Mr and Mrs Jerry Smith and baby and Mrs Glenn Smith and boys were Friday evening callers of Mr and Mrs Lyle Smith. Mr and Mrs Rowlan Smith and girls were Sunday dinner guests.

Tuesday Mr and Mrs Walt March called on Mr and Mrs Fred Hansen at St. Johns. Wednesday the Marches visited Mr and Mrs Eric Sames at Detroit and Thursday evening they visited in the William Weeseman home. Their grandson, Mark Weeseman, was an overnight guest Friday.

Mr and Mrs Cliff Phillips called on their father, Lewis Phillips, Sunday evening.

Mr and Mrs Robert Secord, Larry and Cathy were Saturday evening supper guests of Mr and Mrs Lloyd Spiece. Sunday dinner guests of the Secords were Mr and Mrs Robert Secord Jr. and Mr and Mrs Dennis Rathburn.

Mrs Lottie Martize attended the Riley and Olive Aid at the home of Mrs Susie Harper.

Saturday evening callers of Mr and Mrs Almond Cressman were Mr and Mrs Walt March. Sunday the Marches attended their grandchildren's Christmas program.

Mrs Robert Secord was a Monday luncheon guest of Mrs Mina Secord and Del Rae Spiece at Ashley.

Jaycees at Fowler plan carol session

FOWLER — The Power Jaycees will have a hayride Friday during which they'll sing Christmas carols around the community. The project, started by Dick Fink, will commence at 7:30 p.m.

Bill Bertram is the newest member of the Fowler Jaycees. The chapter will sponsor a medical self-help course in Fowler starting about Feb. 1.

Northeast Eagle

Mrs Andrew Kempf Phone 627-6710

Willing Workers Circle will meet Jan. 6 with Alberta Huhn. Devotions will be by Doris Snyder, study, Nina Newth and program, WCTU Notes, Florence Jastram. It will be guest day. Dinner will be at 12:30.

Mr and Mrs David Rood of Saranac are the parents of a baby girl born Dec. 9. Wendy Sue weighed 6 pounds, 12 ounces.

David Allen is now at Faith Nursing Home in Charlotte. He remains about the same.

Mr and Mrs Carl Barnes and Karla Kay, Mrs Mildred Barnes and Mr and Mrs John Cosens and daughters were Sunday dinner guests of Mr and Mrs Dan Barnes and sons of Jones. The occasion was Mildred's birthday.

Mr and Mrs Richard Becker and baby of Tennessee plan to spend Christmas with Mr and Mrs Harold Becker and Mr and Mrs William Becker and sons.

Vickie Black was an overnight guest of Bonnie Henretty last Friday.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr and Mrs R. V. Henretty and daughters were Mr and Mrs R. T. Locke of Lansing, Mr and Mrs Richard Locke and sons of Lansing were afternoon callers.

Mrs Alta Kebler spent a couple of days with Mrs Francis Cusack of Ionia last week.

Mrs Neal Kebler and sons of Charlotte called on Mrs Alta Kebler Sunday afternoon.

East Victor

By Mrs Ray Ketchum

Mr and Mrs Jesse Perkins celebrated their 83 wedding anniversary last Sunday. Their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren were guests.

Mr and Mrs Orval White and Mr and Mrs Elmer Smith of this vicinity attended the NFO Convention at Milwaukee, Wis.

Mrs Eda White entertained her Pedro Club last Saturday evening. High prizes went to Irene Upton and low to Mable Dennis and Gerald Barreth.

Mrs Jennie Grenvold of Las Vegas, Nevada, is spending some time with her parents, Mr and Mrs Jesse Perkins.

Mr and Mrs Clyde Hollandsworth and daughter of Lansing spent a few days recently with her grandparents, Mr and Mrs Orval White.

The Ketchum family Christmas dinner was held Sunday at the Victor town hall. A large crowd attended.

Mr and Mrs Robert Dennis and family entertained the Dennis

Fowler

Mrs Alfred Lounds Phone 582-2490

Fowler Cubs have 25 members

A Cub Scout Pack meeting was held Sunday, Dec. 11, at the Fowler High School cafeteria. Fowler Jaycee President Francis Schaefer was present to give the pack charter to Cubmaster Dud McKean. He also awarded Bobcat certificates to the new Cubs. They are James Thelen, Norman Koenigsnecht, Neal Becker, Donald Taylor, Tony Duda, Steve Myers, Jim Pung, Mike Schaefer, Jeff Thelen and Rick Fink.

Bear-badges were awarded to Gary Schrauben, Brian McKean, Leon Koenigsnecht and Doug Taylor. Steve Thurston received his Wolf badge and Gold Arrows were earned by David Halfmann and Brian McKean.

A Candle Tree ceremony was held. Each Cub received a candle which he placed on the appropriate branch of the tree, in accordance with the rank he has attained. As he progresses, he will be able to move his candle up a branch.

SKITS WERE GIVEN by each Den, in keeping with the December theme "Christmas in Foreign Lands". The highlight was the breaking of a Mexican Pinata, which contained candy for all the children.

There are currently 25 boys enrolled in Cub Scouting in Fowler. If any other boys are interested, please call Cubmaster Dud McKean. Each Den meets Monday afternoon after school until 5.

Mr and Mrs Louis Goerge and family of Brighton, Mr and Mrs Richard Campbell and family of Ypsilanti and Phyllis Goerge all visited their parents, Mr and Mrs Vince Goerge, during the past week.

Southeast Eagle

By Mrs Harold Sullivan

Keith McGill has returned to Virginia after spending a furlough with his parents, Mr and Mrs Albert VerLinde.

Mr and Mrs Elbert Lawrence are spending the holidays in Florida.

Mrs Ruth Armantrout spent Sunday with her mother in Lapeer.

Bill Wright is spending the holidays with his wife and family from Viet Nam.

Mr and Mrs Harold Sullivan and Bernice Ann called on Mrs Mary Hunter at Saginaw Hospital and Mary Ann Murday at Fairgrove who is suffering from a broken ankle.

Mr and Mrs Ed Smazel and daughter showed in Grand Rapids at Western Livestock Show.

family Sunday for Christmas dinner. Guests were Mr and Mrs Edgar Dean of Saginaw, Mr and Mrs Duane Dean and family and Mr and Mrs Howard Dennis.

Mr and Mrs George Weeks and family and Mr and Mrs Clyde Hollandsworth and daughter of Lansing spent Sunday with Mr and Mrs Orval White.

Pewamo

By MRS. IRENE FOX, Correspondent—Phone 824-2021

Mr and Mrs Norbert Fox and family of Lansing were visitors of Mr and Mrs Henry J. Schaefer and family Sunday, Dec. 18.

Thursday evening dinner guests of Mrs Mary Wahl were Mr and Mrs Ronald Motz, daughter Carla and son Ronald II and Miss Isabell of Mexico City.

Miss Isabell is an exchange student at the home of Mr and Mrs Ronald Motz and family of rural St. Johns.

Miss Marie Cook was dismissed from Clinton Memorial Hospital Monday, Dec. 12, Wednesday, Dec. 14, she became ill and after her brief stay at home was admitted at Clinton Memorial Hospital. Her condition as of this writing is good but she may have to spend Christmas at the hospital.

A pre-Christmas dinner for Mr and Mrs Raymond Pease and sons Tom and Tim was Sunday, Dec. 18, at the home of their mother, Mrs Irene Fox and Art Fox. Mr and Mrs Raymond Pease and sons expect to leave Jan. 7 for a two months stay at Tucson, Ariz.

Mrs Mildred Fox entertained the Fox family to a Christmas dinner Sunday, Dec. 18. Those present were Mr and Mrs Thomas Fox of Detroit, Mr and Mrs Richard Fox of Ionia, Mr and Mrs James Fox, Mr and Mrs Donald Fox of Alma, Miss Marjorie Fox and Mr and Mrs Arthur Bussa and family all of Detroit, Mrs Nellie Fox of Pewamo, John Fox and friend Joyce of Detroit and Mrs Mary Wahl.

A pre-Christmas dinner was enjoyed at the home of Mr and Mrs Edward Schaefer at Clare for the family of the late Mr and Mrs Henry Schaefer. Those attending were Mr and Mrs Charles Cook, Mrs Rose Stump, Mrs Lurine Schaefer, Mrs Hilda Schaefer, Mrs Mary Young of Portland, Mr and Mrs Otto Schaefer and Mr and Mrs Louis Schaefer and Mr and Mrs Aurelia Anderson of Lansing. Shortly after Mr and Mrs Otto Schaefer arrived they received a phone call saying their son, Alvin, had a hunting mishap. He tripped and accidentally shot himself in the side above the hip. He was taken by Geller ambulance to St. Johns and later transferred to a Lansing hospital.

Mr and Mrs Stephan Klein entertained the Klein family at a pre-Christmas turkey dinner Sunday, Dec. 11.

FIREMAN RETIRES Joseph Heckman has retired as a volunteer fireman after 20 years of active service. During this time Mr Heckman was assistant Fire Chief for 10 years. Many thanks for work well done. Mr Heckman's place will be filled by Anthony Thelen of Pewamo. Earlier Clem Schneider also retired and was replaced by William Thelen.

The following from Pewamo enjoyed the play Sunday given at St. Joseph's Seminary at Grand Rapids, Mrs Henry Weber, Mrs Joseph Klein Jr. and son Roger and daughter Letha and Gene Goodman, Mr and Mrs William Savole and Mr and Mrs Raymond Huhn. The Seminararians returned home with their parents for the holidays.

St. Joseph's parish of Pewamo will have midnight Mass, Christmas Day at 7:45 Christmas carols will be followed by a Mass at 8 a.m. At 10:10 Christmas carols will precede Mass at 10:30.

Benedict Cook of Las Vegas, Nevada, spent five days at the home of his mother, Mrs Anna Cook and attended the funeral of his father, Anthony Cook.

Mrs Dora Klein and Mrs Vera Cook were visitors of Mrs Anna Pline Sunday afternoon. Mrs Pline is a patient at the Ionia County Memorial Hospital at Ionia.

Mr and Mrs Jerome Barker had a pre-Christmas dinner Sunday for Bernard Bengel of rural Fowler. Mr and Mrs Julius Bengel, Mr and Mrs Bernard Bengel and Mr and Mrs Michael Cook and family of rural Pewamo and Miss Doris Simon of Westphalia, friend of Bill Barker, attended.

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# CHRISTMAS

"Unto you is born this day in the city of David  
 a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord." On  
 that Holy Night nearly two thousand years ago, humble  
 shepherds and stately kings alike sought the sacred  
 Manger, to worship and rejoice. As once again we celebrate  
 Christmas, may we experience anew that wonder and  
 rejoicing, and may we find in the Miracle of  
 the Manger the joy and promise, the hope and inspiration  
 that came to Earth upon the first glad  
 Christmas Eve. Let us indeed celebrate the  
 holiday, with all its deepest meaning . . . in  
 our thoughts, in our prayers, and in our  
 hearts . . . that the real spirit of Christmas shall  
 ever flourish. To you and yours, a truly merry Christmas!

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'A government against the people'

# Will our nation have enough Cicero's?

(Editor's Note: Miss Wendy Waldron, daughter of Mr and Mrs W. F. Waldron of 12498 Wacousta Road, R-1 Eagle, was recently awarded a \$25 ninth place prize in an essay contest on "Respect for Law Enforcement" sponsored by the Fraternal Order of Police, State Lodge of Michigan. The Clinton County News is happy to be able to present this prize-winning essay to our readers.)

By WENDY WALDRON  
of rural Eagle, Mich.

The foundation of our laws is a basic foundation, a rudimentary foundation handed down to us from every civilization on earth. We live, today, in a faster and more international world than any civilization before us. This and only this separates us from our ancestors.

Ours are good laws made by good men, tested by societies as long ago as the conception of civilization itself.

Suffering its rise and fall before the birth of Christ, the Great Roman Republic fashioned the means for our nation, the United States of America, to be conceived some 1,800 years later.

Our forefathers enlarged upon this philosophy of ancient Rome, giving all of us personal freedom and our Bill of Rights. Even now we feel our forefathers' presence with us as our contemporary legislators write the civil rights law.

Presently, we are living in an age of liberalization, an age crying for emancipation from the mores of our predecessors, the morals of our parents and the established laws of our land. If history is to repeat itself, we will decline, as ancient Rome did, from expedient politics; and we will fall, as ancient Rome did, from outside conquest.

People question our laws today with the idea that our laws encumber and restrict us, that they are taking away our personal freedom. As our constitution guarantees to all of us life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, neither you nor I can harm another without taking away his pursuit of happiness, taking his freedom and in a larger sense taking our own freedom—the freedom to expect him to allow us life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

Only an atheistic and egocentric hermit can act completely as he wishes, for he has no one to hurt and no one to harm him.

But we are not hermits. We live in a communal society. We come in contact with thousands of people each day. Thus our laws are but simple agreements, as to how we will act when we meet each other, to preserve the happiness, the liberty and the life of all. Whether it be a traffic law, a business law or just smuggling a pint of whisky across the border, you are breaking the promise you made with another.

We break a law for our own immediate convenience. Our foresight fails to see the better good for which we made this law.

Our laws are not restrictions placed on us by an imposing government. For we are the government and we found these

laws to protect and insure our freedom and our welfare.

Our age of emancipation cries for laws which allow us the pursuit of happiness at the expense of others. A law which allows us to hurt others and to be hurt by others is not a law—it's anarchy.

In Abraham Lincoln's immortal words, ours is a "government of the people, by the people and for the people." Now our age of liberalization shouts for a government of the people, by the people—but against the people.

If we permit ourselves to break our laws and thus undermine our political foundation, our society, as ancient Rome, will fall and we will have destroyed our own freedom.

One hundred and six B.C. Marcus Tullius Cicero, destined to become one of the greatest statesmen, lawyers, and orators of all time, was born. Cicero was an "old" Roman. He was patriotic, virtuous, honest, and above all Cicero respected his country's laws. In the face of a "new" and changing Rome, a society based on expediency, Cicero spoke out against corruption and the disrespect for the laws of his country.

Ours is a time of increasing disrespect for our nation's laws and a time of civil rebellion. To lose respect for our laws is to lose our freedom to change these laws. We have been called the apathetic American. To merely respect our laws and agreements is not enough. To respect, to obey, to uphold, to speak out and to demand that these laws be obeyed is the ultimate.

Rome fell because she had not enough who dared with Cicero to be patriotic.

Will our nation have enough Ciceros?

## Bloodmobile here Jan. 11 will fill big need for blood

The reliability of St. Johns blood donors was a big factor in scheduling the next bloodmobile visit to the city after the holidays.

The winter visit of the bloodmobile here was originally set for Dec. 8, but scheduling problems at the Red Cross Regional Blood Center in Lansing upset that plan.

Red Cross officials, noting the generosity of local residents in giving blood—1,643 pints in the last nine visits—decided to schedule the St. Johns bloodmobile visit where it would do the most good—after the holidays.

IT WILL BE HELD Wednesday Jan. 11, from noon until 6 p.m., at the St. Johns Municipal Building.

The post-holiday period is traditional one of "low blood pressure" at the Red Cross office. The usual higher toll of holiday traffic accidents result

in a large demand for blood for the victims. Then, too many persons who contemplate surgery wait until after the holidays to have it done; this further depletes the supply of blood.

Mrs. Kenneth Spicer of 804 E. Baldwin Street, chairman of the St. Johns bloodmobile visit, said a goal of 250 pints is being sought for the Jan. 11 date. This would be a record number of pints donated, but the goal was set more to fill the post-holiday needs than to set a record.

THE BEST DONOR turnout was in July 1965 when 236 pints of blood were donated. Last August only 199 pints were donated, the lowest number in two years.

The American Legion Auxiliary will provide the canteen for the bloodmobile visit.

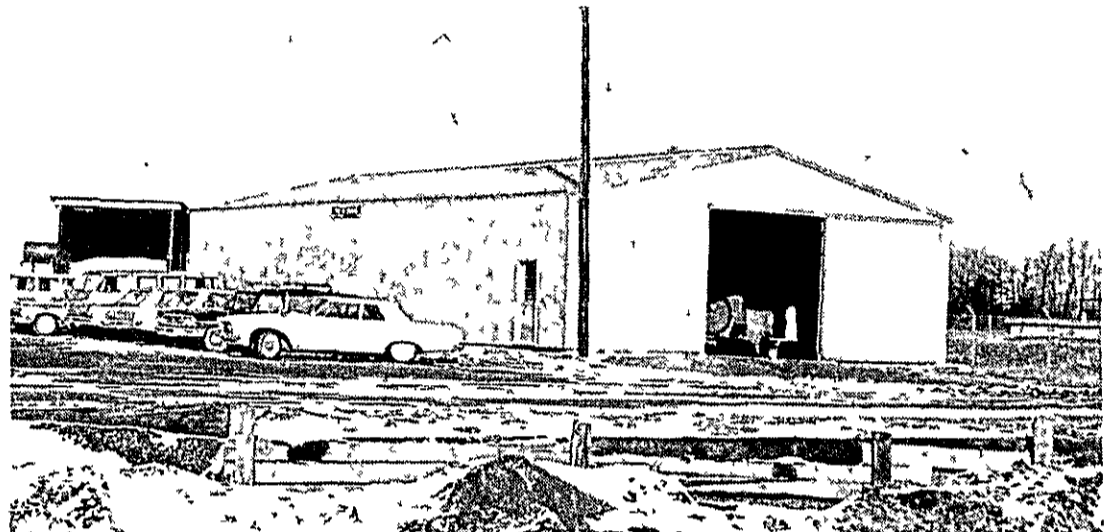
## Trio indicted for bank holdup

The three DeWitt Township men arrested in connection with the \$27,050 robbery of the Clinton National Bank's Valley Farms office Nov. 21 have been indicted by a federal grand jury.

The indictment, returned in Grand Rapids last Tuesday, Dec. 13, charges the three entered the bank, threatened bank employees with shotguns and ransacked the vault.

The men are Charles L. Beckner, 22, James Ray Eubanks, 21, and John W. Stevens Jr., 23. They were remanded to the Kent County Jail in Grand Rapids pending arraignment.

It pays to stick to a course of action—every endeavor has its ups-and-downs, but has no place for in-and-outers.



NEW EQUIPMENT BARN FOR CITY'S DPW

The City of St. Johns has been using this new pole barn for several weeks for the storage of equipment for the Department of Public Works. The building, 38 by 80 feet in size, was built by Moriarty Buildings of St. Johns. It is located between the new DPW building and the sewage disposal plant on North US-27.

# Clinton County News

SECTION B

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1966

## Recount maintains tie in Watertown clerk race, drawing stands as valid

The recount of Watertown's ballots on the township clerk race didn't change the results of the November election. It still ended in a tie, and Mrs. Mildred McDonough will be the township clerk because she won a drawing between the two tied candidates.

The Clinton County Board of Canvassers made the recount last Tuesday afternoon. By their calculations—which went unchallenged by the two candidates in attendance—Mrs. McDonough and Mrs. Opal Bancroft each received 183 votes. Herman Openlander, a third candidate, received 97 votes.

THE WATERTOWN Township Board of Canvassers, in their Nov. 10 check of the election board's count, came up with a 190-190 tie. The next day, in the presence of the board of canvassers and the two Watertown precinct chairmen as witnesses as provided by law, a drawing was held, and Mrs. McDonough won.

Mrs. Bancroft asked for the recount. Although the voting figures are different in the findings of the Watertown and county boards of canvassers, the outcome was not changed, and this prompted the county canvassers to issue a statement certifying that they found "no change in the results of the election" and that they concurred "with the prior certification of the Watertown Township Clerk."

THE CANVASSING board's opinion and that of the state elections office, according to County Clerk Paul Wakefield, was that the drawing stands as valid. "There are no provisions for the recount board to split a tie," Wakefield said. "They broke the tie under the law (Nov. 11)."

Wakefield said the canvassing board found the ballots sealed up and in order for the recount. They threw out a large number of the ballots. In precinct one, for example, there were 444 ballots, but only 285 were counted.

Some ballots bore stickers and write-in names but didn't have an X in the box opposite the names; other ballots included only last names written in. All

three clerk candidates were write-ins; the original candidate, incumbent Mrs. Ruby Saxton, died less than a week before the election. Her name was blanked out on the ballots, and only write-ins and sticker candidates were allowed because of the late hour.

THE COUNTY canvassing board's recount showed Mrs. Bancroft with 120 votes in precinct one and 63 votes in precinct two, for a total of 183.

Mrs. McDonough received 110 votes in precinct one and 73 votes in precinct two, for a

total of 183. Openlander received 55 votes in precinct one and 42 votes in precinct two, for a total of 97 votes.

Members of the Clinton County Board of Canvassers are Nancy V. Cheney, Lester Clark, Earl Darnell, Jeannette E. Babbitt and Paul Wakefield.

## Christmas seal donations here ahead of '65 pace

Support for the fight against tuberculosis and other respiratory diseases can be seen in the increased numbers of contributions to the 1966 Christmas seal campaign, reports Mrs. Ellen Ziegler, campaign chairman for the Michigan Tuberculosis and Respiratory Disease Association.

Clinton County residents are helping to boost the fund raising campaign to a new state record. Contributions to the end of the first five weeks have reached

\$3,639, compared to \$3,487 at the same time last year.

State-wide returns are substantially ahead of last year and, while it is too early to predict the exact outcome, it is felt that the campaign will see a sizable increase and top the campaign goal of \$1,500,000.

Christmas seal funds support the work of Michigan tuberculosis and respiratory disease associations in their year-round programs of education, case detection and research in tuberculosis and respiratory disease control.

The country with the highest average age for marriage is Ireland with 31.4 years for males and 26.5 years for females.

## Service Club's Yule dinner, dance Dec. 28

The Clinton County 4-H Service Club's Christmas dinner and dance will be held at the Bingham Grange next Wednesday evening, Dec. 28. Reservations must be made by Dec. 22.

Mikael Ask, one of St. Johns' foreign exchange students from Sweden on the Youth for Understanding program, will speak, showing films of his country and playing music.

Less than 8% of the American people produce the food and fiber for all the rest, say Extension experts at Michigan State University.

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# Season's Greetings from Clinton County Businessmen

**Merry Christmas**

Greetings and sincere wishes for a holiday season full of the warmth of a good, old-fashioned Christmas.



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### What's in a Name? Shakespeare Called Play 'Twelfth Night,' But He Chose Different Subject

"After dinner to the Duke's House, and there saw 'Twelfth Night' acted well, though it be but a silly play and not related at all to the name."

So wrote the English diarist, Samuel Pepys, in recording the events of January 6, 1663.

Later critics have taken a more enthusiastic view of William Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night" than did Mr. Pepys, but they have to agree that the comic gambol bears no relationship to its title. Apparently, the play was so named because it had been written to be performed on Twelfth Night.

Had Shakespeare chosen to do it, he had ample materials at hand to create a play that was really about "Twelfth Night."

Epiphany, the Twelfth Night of Christmas, traditionally the night when the Magi brought gifts to the Christ Child, was a most important festival in Shakespeare's time, and many customs surrounded it.

Characters ready for Shakespeare's pen were such traditional folk as "Patrick O'Tater," "Lady Bluestocking," "Captain Blunderbuss," and others. At Twelfth Night frolics, the young people, especially, dressed themselves in costumes to suggest these characters.

Shakespeare, however, preferred to write of Sir Toby Belch, Malvollo, Olivia and others, and critics can only speculate upon what might have been if he had taken "Twelfth Night" for his theme as well as his title.

Evil flourishes in the world because good people let their differences divide them instead of letting the thing on which they agree unite them.

### No Christmas!

"Hear ye, hear ye! Christmas will not be celebrated. All who observe that abominable day will be severely punished!"

An unlikely message for a town crier? Not in the time of Oliver Cromwell!

Cromwell and his Puritan Party did indeed consider Christmas an "abominable day," and on December 24, 1653, they succeeded in getting the English Parliament to pass a law making Christmas celebrations of any kind illegal.

Imprisonment or exile was the penalty for disobedience.

A few days before Christmas, town criers went through the streets warning against holiday celebrations.

In England, the ban lasted eight years — and even longer in the United States. The belief that Christmas merry-making was sinful came to the New World with the Pilgrims.

New England states outlawed Christmas observances until the middle of the nineteenth century. In Boston, for instance, Christmas was illegal until 1856!

Margaret Sullivan, Betty Todd and Randy VanSickle.

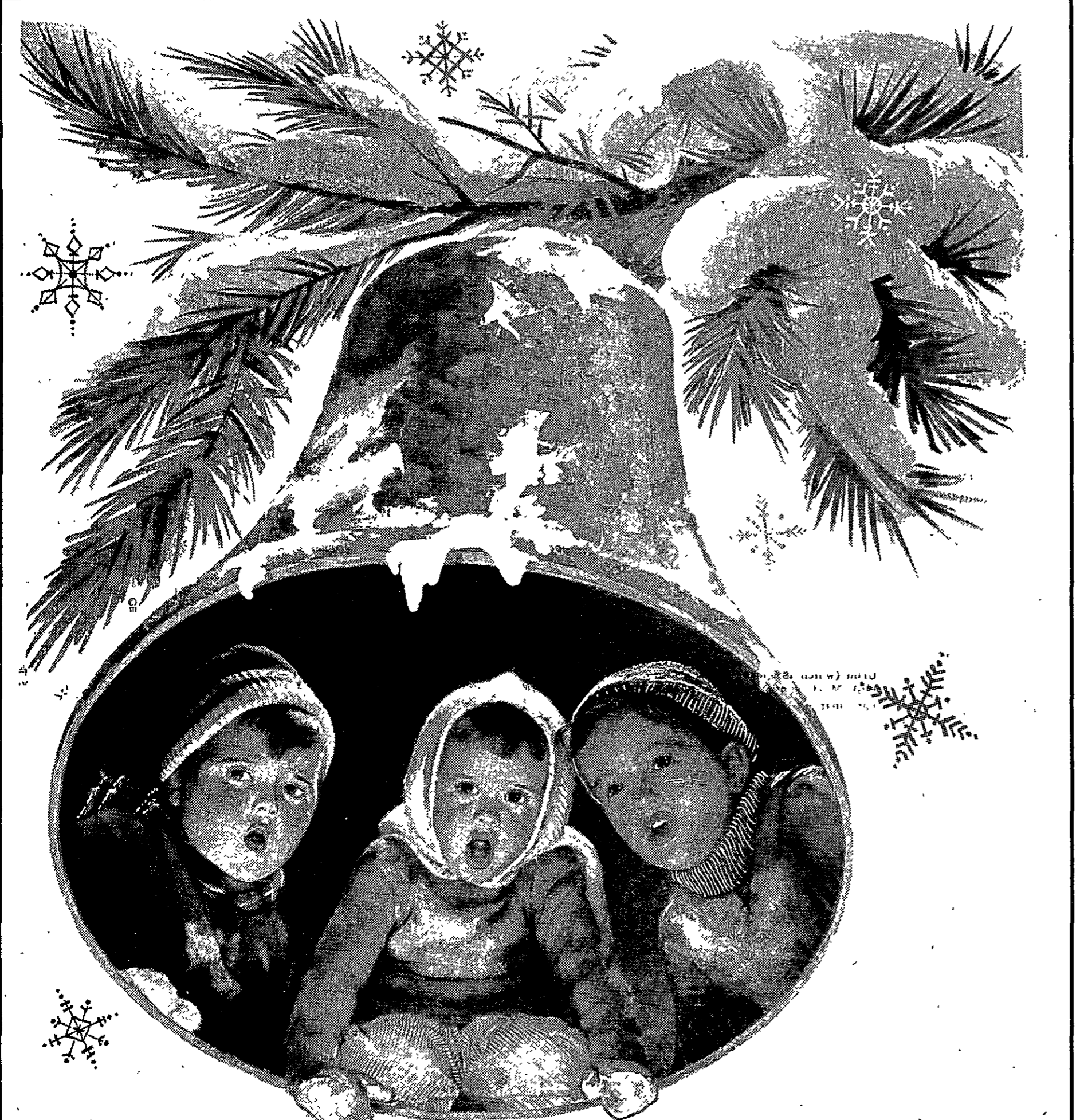
Sophomores: Karen Logsdon, Patricia Guernsey and Dennis Skriba with high honors; Sydney Armstrong, Gloria Benner, Connie Cooper, Karen Loudbeck, Thomas Redman, Susan Sattler, Jayne Troub, Marjorie Troub, Jemery VanSickle and Roxann Warner, all with honors; and Mary Pihl, Myra Pihl, Linda White, Ann Wood and George Zamarron.

Freshman: Gary Betz and Jane Mahler with honors; and Janet Owen, Douglas Salisbury and Darrell Taylor.

EIGHTH GRADE: Alvido Ayen and Melante Smith with high honors; Cindy Helms, Susan Schmidt, Linda Smalley, Carolyn Stevenson, Gail Troub, Karen Upham, Laurie VanSickle and Kim Vaughn, all with honors; and Linda Braman, Marshall Coleman, Frank Kerkes, Susan Cook, Jacalyn Felghner, Reuben Lopez, Joy Mahler, Patricia Schmidt, Russell Swanson, Linda Whitford, Susan Wood and Beverly Zimmerman.

A dollar may not do as much for us as it used to but perhaps we don't do as much for a dollar, either.

When you are on top you have to send the elevator back down so that others may get to the top.



# Merry Christmas

Rosy cheeks sparkling eyes, happy voices... children in anticipation of everything that Christmas brings: the family tree, stacks of presents, bells ringing out sweet carols, stockings filled with goodies, Santa Claus...and the solemnity of each tiny creche. Watching the delight, the awe, the wonder in a child's face is knowing the Spirit of Christmas. To all, our sincere greetings of the season plus our gratitude and thanks.

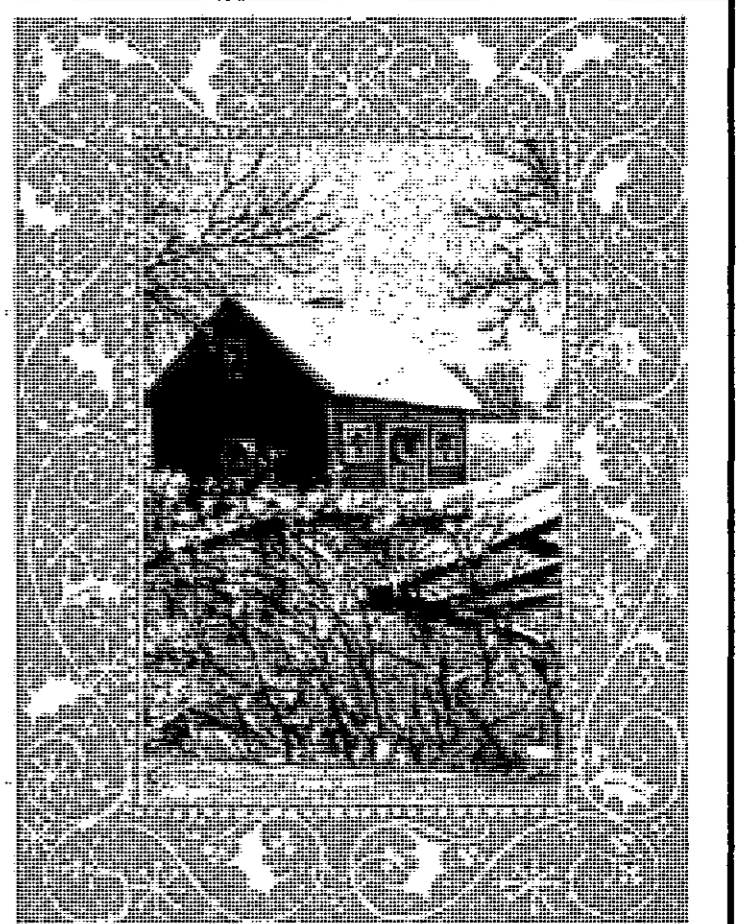
### 96 on Fulton High's 2nd honor roll

MIDDLETON — Ninety-six Fulton High School students in grades eight through 12 were named to the second marking period honor roll. Nine of them received "high honors."

Listed on the honor roll were:

Seniors: Lana Aldrich and Nancy McKinney with high honors; Sandra Borie, Grant Daniels, Gregg Daniels, Greg De Mott, Duane Dickinson, Marcia Greer, Shirley Horwath, Janet Manchester, Linda Miller, Anina Olszen, Dorine Slepr, Brenda Upton, Dennis Upton, Ronda Wilson, Vivian Wiseman, Robert Wittenbach and Kathryn Wood, all with honors; and Connie Augst, Kathleen Bellinger, Patricia Brown, Pamela Dean, Carl Hagenbaugh, Rosemary Houlden, Patricia Knight, Terrance Proko, Linda Scott, Wanda Sislér and Michael Wright.

JUNIORS: KAREN Cole and Julie Stoneman with high honors; Luanne Dodge, Diane Halsted, Thomas Paine, Kenneth Pierce, Connie Reynolds, Colleen Shnabargar and June Wright, all with honors; and Daniel Barrett, Larry Bongard, Jerry Fabus, Cathy Halsted, Patricia Holland, Randy Loudbeck, Rex Miller, Steven Schmidt, Rodger Sherman,



## Greetings

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Mrs. Masarik put the finishing touches on the cake. The wreath is complete with red holly berries, red ribbon and Merry Christmas.



Mary Masarik of 305 W. Lincoln Street, St. Johns, decorates cakes in her spare time. During the Christmas season, she replaces the usual roses with holly wreaths.

# CLINTON COUNTY NEWS PAGE for Women AND MEN, TOO

## Honoring Christmas, In Poetry and Prose

"I will honor Christmas in my heart, and try to keep it all year."  
So wrote Charles Dickens, for whom Christmas was a favorite topic — so much so that most people, asked to name someone who wrote about Christmas, would immediately answer, "Dickens."  
Not only Dickens, but almost every writer, from the little-known to the famous, has been inspired at some time in his career to "honor Christmas" in prose or poetry. For instance —  
At Christmas I no more desire a rose  
Than wish a snow in May's new-jangled mirth,  
But like of each thing that in season grows.  
William Shakespeare  
At Christmas play and make good cheer,  
For Christmas comes but once a year.  
Thomas Tusser  
For somehow, not only at Christmas, but all the long year through,  
The joy that you give to others is the joy that comes back to you.  
John Greenleaf Whittier  
England was merry England, when  
Old Christmas brought his sports again.  
Sir Walter Scott  
I heard the bells on Christmas Day  
Their old familiar carols play,  
And soft and sweet the words repeat,  
"God is not dead, nor doth he sleep."  
Henry Wadsworth Longfellow  
So shall we learn to understand  
The simple faith of shepherds then,  
And clasping kindly hand in hand,  
Sing, "Peace on earth, good will to men!"  
James Russell Lowell  
"Happy Christmas to all, and to all a good-night!"  
Clement Clarke Moore

## Yule Customs Reveal Many Variations

Cherished memories, heart-felt joys, children's laughter — everywhere, these mean Christmas.  
The spirit of Christmas knows no boundaries. It lives in the hearts of men in many lands. Though its message of joy is always the same, the legends and lore of the season are as varied as the peoples who celebrate the Holy Birth.  
Customs of each country may be similar, yet marked by their own individual character.  
**In Newfoundland**  
Citizens of Newfoundland show their Christian ethics with the Christmas custom known as "Fishing for the Church." On this day huge quantities of fish are caught and brought by the parishioners of a village to the church, where they are sold. Proceeds of the sale go toward buying firewood for the curate.  
**In Czechoslovakia**  
It's customary among the Czechs to break off a cherry tree branch, at the beginning of Advent. The branch is placed in a pot of water in the kitchen and kept in the warm air.  
At Christmas time, it's hoped, the twig will burst into bloom and make a festive decoration.  
**In Scandinavia**  
The Julmtoten is a friendly gnome, who not only brings gifts to Scandinavian children but guards the household and farm as well. To keep him happy, the children give the cattle extra fodder and leave sheaves of grain for the birds on Christmas Eve.  
**In Turkey**  
A unique holiday tradition in Turkey requires the head of the church to throw a wooden cross into the Bosphorus. On Christmas Day, three boys dive after it.  
The finder takes the cross from house to house and receives in return food and gifts from those who are allowed to see the cross.  
**In Iceland**  
Since trees are scarce in Iceland, families must use their ingenuity creating a Christmas tree. A pole with branches of greenery tied to it is the solution in many Icelandic homes. And the valuable real



## CINDY GREGORY Travels a lot, been in 35 countries

Cindy Gregory, a freshman at Rodney B. Wilson High School, lists among her favorite things to do playing baseball, driving a tractor, cooking and traveling.  
And traveling she has done a lot of. She thinks she has been in at least 35 different countries.  
Presently she is attending school here and living with the Richard Woodhams family of R-6, St. Johns. The Woodhams have three children, Janice 14 (the same age as Cindy), Jack 12 and Susan 8.  
CINDY IS THE daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clark Gregory, former St. Johns residents. Her mother is the former Lynne Lawrence.  
This is the first school in the United States Cindy has attended but this is the fifth country she has attended school in. She has gone to US government sponsored schools and local schools in Pakistan, India, Yemen and Turkey.  
She speaks five languages; Arabic, Turkish, English, Hindi and Urdu (which is spoken in Pakistan). Most of her languages she has learned from servants or friends rather than from books. This year in school, however, she is taking French.  
IN ADDITION to French, Cindy is also enrolled in biology, algebra and English. She will finish the semester here and transfer to a Washington, D. C. area school next semester. Cindy plans to go on to college and work with retarded children "as my mother has," she said.  
This year also marks her first Christmas in the United States. She and her parents will be spending Christmas in California visiting relatives. While there they will see Mr. and Mrs. William F. trees are saved for industrial use.

## Necessity caused Yule traditions

By HELEN B. MEACH  
Extension Home Economist  
Would you believe that many of our Christmas traditions came about through necessity?  
The warmth of glowing candles for example, so long associated with the holiday season springs from the fact that more artificial light has always been needed on the shortest days and longest nights of the year which just precede Christmas in the north.  
Traditional Christmas foods were, in the past, determined by the climate and agriculture of the local area. Today, in the United States, we're free to pick and choose our favorites from a dozen different cultures giving us, in our world of fully processed, protectively packaged, rapidly transported food, the most cosmopolitan Christmas cuisine imaginable.  
ALL COUNTRIES have special sweets, cakes and cookies for the holiday season. In Norway, a good homemaker bakes 14 kinds of cookies — one kind for each day of the Yuletide celebration. Many an American homemaker does this too, perhaps not realizing the reason for what has come to be a family custom. Sweden has a special Christmas bread, Julekaka, which is a butter-rich saffron yeast bread containing glazed fruit. The Danes serve their friends an apple cake made with layers of bread crumbs, applesauce, jam and whipped cream. The English are noted for plum pudding, mince pie, and fruit cake with thick sugar frosting. All these cal-



orie laden goodies are guaranteed to warm cold hearts after a snowy trip for a holiday visit. Dried fruits and nuts have always been important ingredients in holiday foods, and in many Scandinavian countries dried fish and a smoked split boar's head are needed to make Christmas all it should be. Roast goose, the traditional Christmas meat in Germany and Denmark, has been largely replaced in the United States and Canada by roast turkey, and even in England, the Boar's head seems to be yielding to native American turkey and stuffing making the exchange of Christmas traditions something of a two way street.  
EVEN WITHIN the borders of the United States there is a gentle mingling of geographical traditions resulting from the increased mobility of our population. Along the eastern seaboard, the stuffing for the turkey may include oysters while Iowans replace the oysters with pork sausage and Californians always include walnuts. However, there's nothing today to prevent a displaced Marylander or Virginian from obtaining oysters in Iowa and introducing her new neighbors to the delights of this eastern specialty dish.  
Neighbors may enjoy one another's customs and perhaps adopt some as their own. However, through it all, the religious significance of Christmas remains unchanged.



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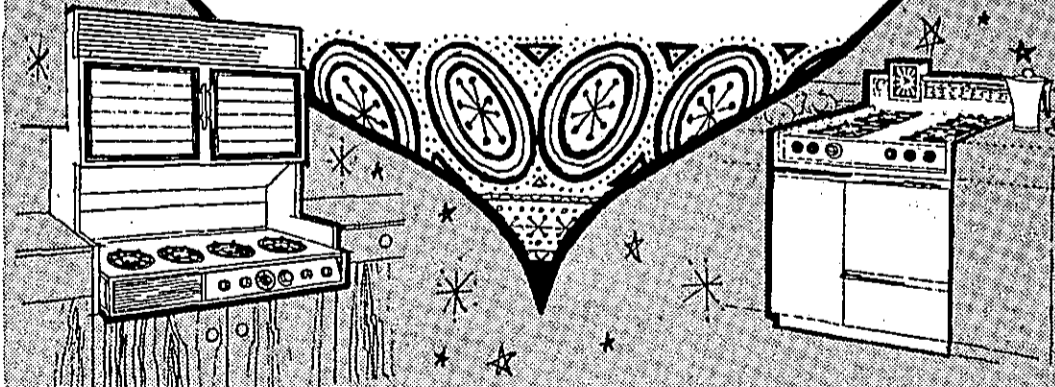
### Open Letter from VAN W. HOAG

Dear friends,  
The first Christmas found shepherds in adoration and wise men bearing gifts for the newborn Saviour.  
This same Jesus Christ later said, "What you do for these, the least of My brethren, you do so also unto Me."  
A true commemoration of Christ's birth should include generous gifts to the poor and needy so they too may know a Merry Christmas.

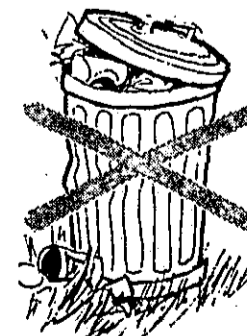
Sincerely,  
Van W. Hoag  
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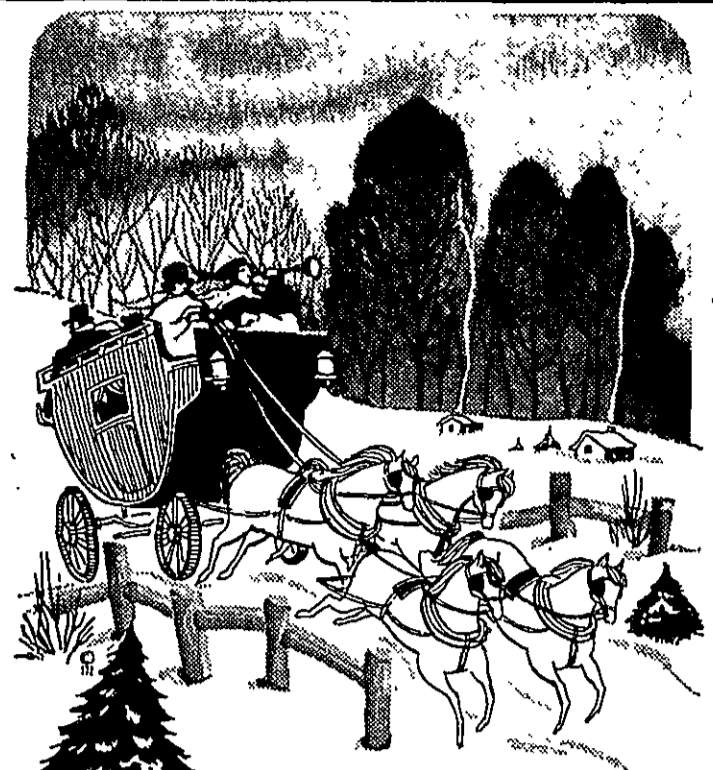
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### OLD-FASHIONED Christmas Wishes

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### Extra police in DeWitt nixed

DeWITT — The DeWitt Township Board of Trustees turned down a request from its police chief for reinforcements for him during the holidays, because the township budget won't cover the cost.

The trustees rejected the request of Chief Bruce Angell II at the township meeting Dec. 12. Supervisor Oliver Angell acknowledged there was a need for an assistant, but the budget doesn't provide for it. He also noted the township police department had used most of its funds for the calendar year.

Trustee Miles Merrill's motion to hire and uniform an assistant died for lack of support.

The trustees gave temporary approval of plans for a subdivision to be known as Walnut Estates No. 5, to be located on Herbison Road near US-27. Robert F. Keusch forwarded the plans to the board.

Trustees also approved purchase of a pickup truck from Bill Buck Chevrolet in DeWitt.

### DEWITT PASSENGER HURT

Carla J. Oster of 12686 Holly Lane, DeWitt, suffered neck and back injuries in a two-car crash at Saginaw and Center streets in Lansing Friday night and was taken to St. Lawrence Hospital. She was a passenger in a car driven by Thomas W. Oster of the same address that collided with a car driven by Robert E. Groening of Okemos.

### State's uninsured motorist laws explained

Michigan's two new laws involving uninsured motorists require each insured motorist to make a decision about how he wants to protect himself and his family, James L. Milstein, representing the Michigan Insurance Information Service informed members of the Jason Center Community Farm Bureau at the home of Mr and Mrs Ben Rossow Thursday, Dec. 8 at 8:30 p.m.

The Motor Vehicle Accident Claims Fund, which collects \$1 from an insured motorist when he buys his vehicle license plates, and Uninsured Motorist Insurance, which costs \$3 to \$4 a year and now must be included in all automobile liability insurance policies, unless it is rejected in writing by the insured, are not the duplication of protection which they may appear to be, Milstein explained.

"Both provide death or injury coverage up to \$10,000 for one person and \$20,000 for more than one, if an uninsured motorist is legally at fault," he pointed out, "but they have these differences:

"THE CLAIMS FUND also covers property damage up to \$5,000, except for the first \$200. Most Uninsured Motorist Insurance does not, because insured motorist have comparable protection in their collision coverage.

"Voluntary payment of a claim can be made by the Claims Fund if the uninsured motorist agrees or does not resist within 30 days. Otherwise, it is necessary to get a court judgment against him. UM Insurance pays voluntarily, with no involvement of the uninsured or a court and with arbitration provided in event of disagreement.

"The Fund requires court proceeding in hit-run claims. UM Insurance does not. The Fund can pay only for accidents in Michigan and only to Michigan residents. UM Insurance pays anywhere in the United States or Canada, and covers passengers, regardless of their residence.

"ALSO, THE Claims Fund is secondary coverage to UM Insurance, so a motorist with the

latter coverage has maximum protection \$20,000 for one person and \$40,000 for more than one, if he needs it."

The intent of the Claims Fund the speaker said, is to create additional pressure on the uninsured, and to try to make those who remain uninsured the primary source of payment for accident loss which they cause, by charging them a \$35 fee. The fee charged in insured motorist recognizes that keeping most of the burden on the uninsured may not be a practical possibility, he added.

Thus far, fewer than 150,000 uninsureds have paid about \$5,000,000 into the Claims Fund and nearly 3,800,000 insureds have paid in \$1 each, he reported. About half of the state's insured motorist have had Uninsured Motorist Insurance for several years, and under the new law more than 95 per cent are acquiring it, he said.

Mr. Milstein is Manager of the Records Department, Actuarial Division, of the Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Group.

### DeWitt woman hurt slightly in crash

Arlene H. Schrader of 5640 W. Chadwick Road, R-2, DeWitt, complained of pains after her car went out of control and into a ditch on Howe Road west of Schavey Road last Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Schrader, going east on Howe, said she met a truck at the crest of a hill. She said the truck seemed to be toward the center of the road, and when she braked to stop she lost control.

### Window moisture key to home humidity status

On that first chilly morning, how much moisture showed upon your windows?

If there was just a little condensation, chances are your humidifying equipment was working normally, according to Ken Munger, of R. E. Benson Plumbing and Heating. However, if there was no condensation on windows, your home is moisture deficient.

A BOOKLET on indoor comfort published by Lennox Industries Inc., major manufacturer of heating and air conditioning, recommends that, under these conditions, the humidifier be checked.

With the advent of really cold weather, a practically constant fringe of frost on windows or storm windows indicates a correct level of humidity and the absence of this frost is a clear evidence of humidity deficiency. Where the heating equipment is served with a plate-type humidifier, it probably should be replaced with a spray-type of much higher capacity.

IF, ON THE other hand, the beginning of the heating season found your windows streaming with moisture, you probably have a clogged flue and combustion products, which contain a lot of water, are "spilling" into the house. This chimney clogging can be caused by birds' nests, flaking from old combustion deposits, or masonry deterioration. In any case, the services of a competent heating service man are recommended, according to Lennox.

To obtain the booklet mentioned above, write Lennox Industries Inc., 1011 S. 12th Avenue, Marshalltown, Iowa, 50158.

A WINNER "Lufkins Von Sluggar," a female dog owned by Richard Pearson of DeWitt, won three points at the Lansing German Short-haired Pointer Club specialty show recently.

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**DISCUSS TELFARM**  
Clinton County Extension Service personnel conducted a series of meetings Monday and Tuesday at Smith Hall to discuss Telfarm reports with farmers using the MSU-developed accounting plan.

**BIRTH RATE DOWN**  
The daily birth rate this year in the nation's community hospitals reached a peak of 9,389 in September, a decline of nearly 5 per cent over the peak month in 1965, according to a survey by the American Hospital Assn.

**GETS SCHOLARSHIP**  
DeWitt Township Police Chief Bruce Angell II has received a \$50 scholarship from the Automobile Club of Michigan to enable him to attend a traffic accident investigation school at MSU.



## TO WISH YOU Christmas Blessings

May your family be blessed with a truly joyous holiday, filled with all the peace and happiness of that first Christmas Day.



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## CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Radiantly, a star shines across the years... recalling the joy of the first Christmas, and gleaming still in hope and happiness for all. Let us rejoice, as we cherish the manifold blessings of this holy season.

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### The Christmas Story...

Bright shines the Star across the years, bright glows the Christmas story... to tell of a time when Wise Men brought rare and precious gifts, to symbolize their adoration for the Child that lay in a manger. May you know all the gifts of a blessed Christmas.

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## Christmas Greetings

Christmas is a tranquil snowy scene and brightly-wrapped gifts... it is a time of hope and rejoicing for the many things it is our privilege to possess. We wish you an "old-fashioned" Christmas, filled with love and good cheer, and the deep satisfaction of friendships renewed. Happy Holidays!

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## A visit with Santa

Santa Claus made three public visits to St. Johns on the last three weekends in an effort to get last-minute orders for toys from girls and boys—and to check on how they've been behaving throughout the year. Some of the kids were real talkative, others were shy and still others were kind of curious. It all depended on their age. Santa, with the aid of the Chamber of Commerce and the 40 & 8 passed out candy canes, too, in his stops at the Grand Trunk depot.



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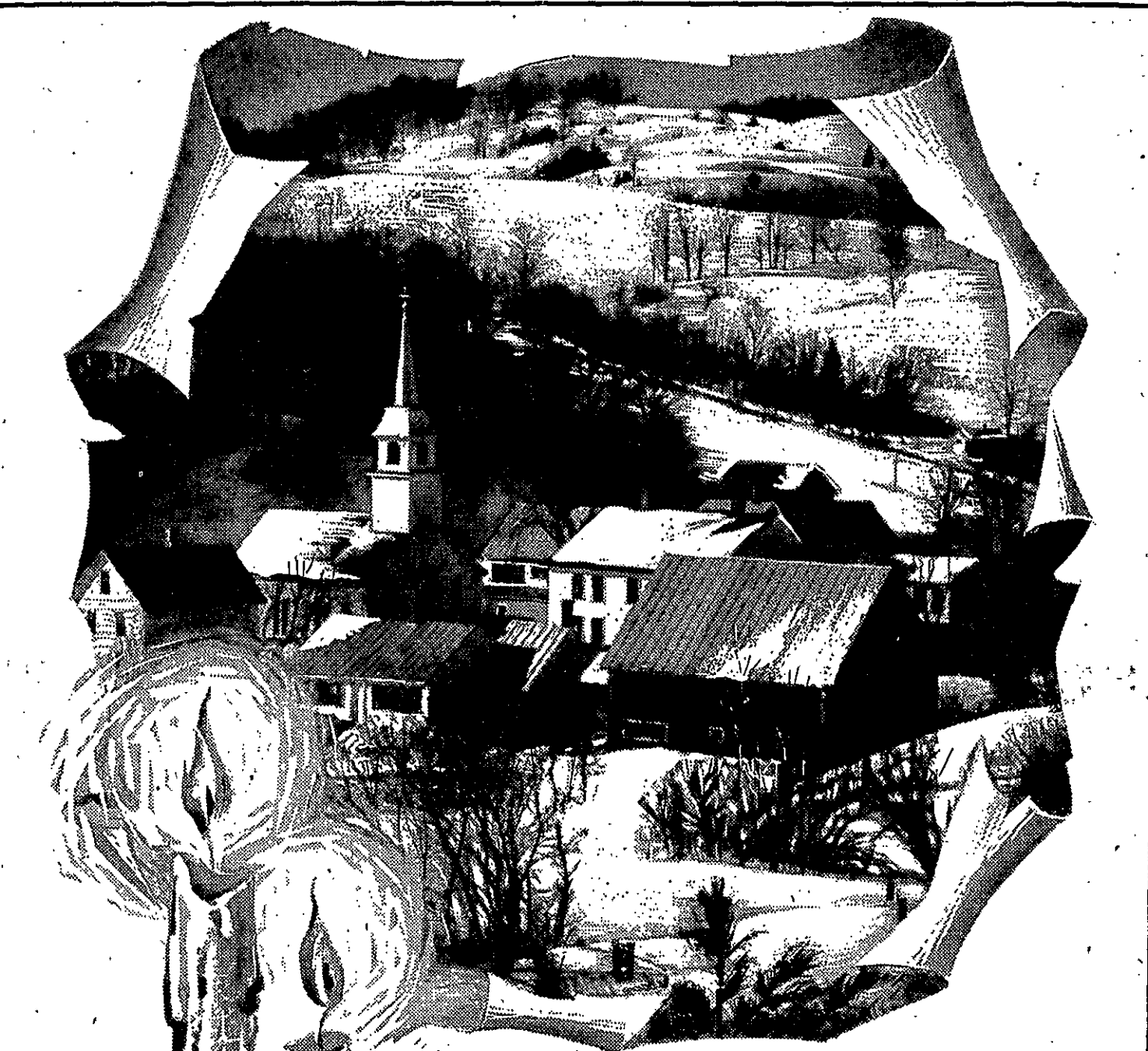
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It's Christmas, so we're taking this joyous time to wish our fine customers all the best of the holiday and to express thanks for your patronage.

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## CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Candles glowing warm and bright, countryside in snowy white tell of Christmas peace and pleasure, full of joys for all to treasure. Hope you'll be blessed with the Season's best!



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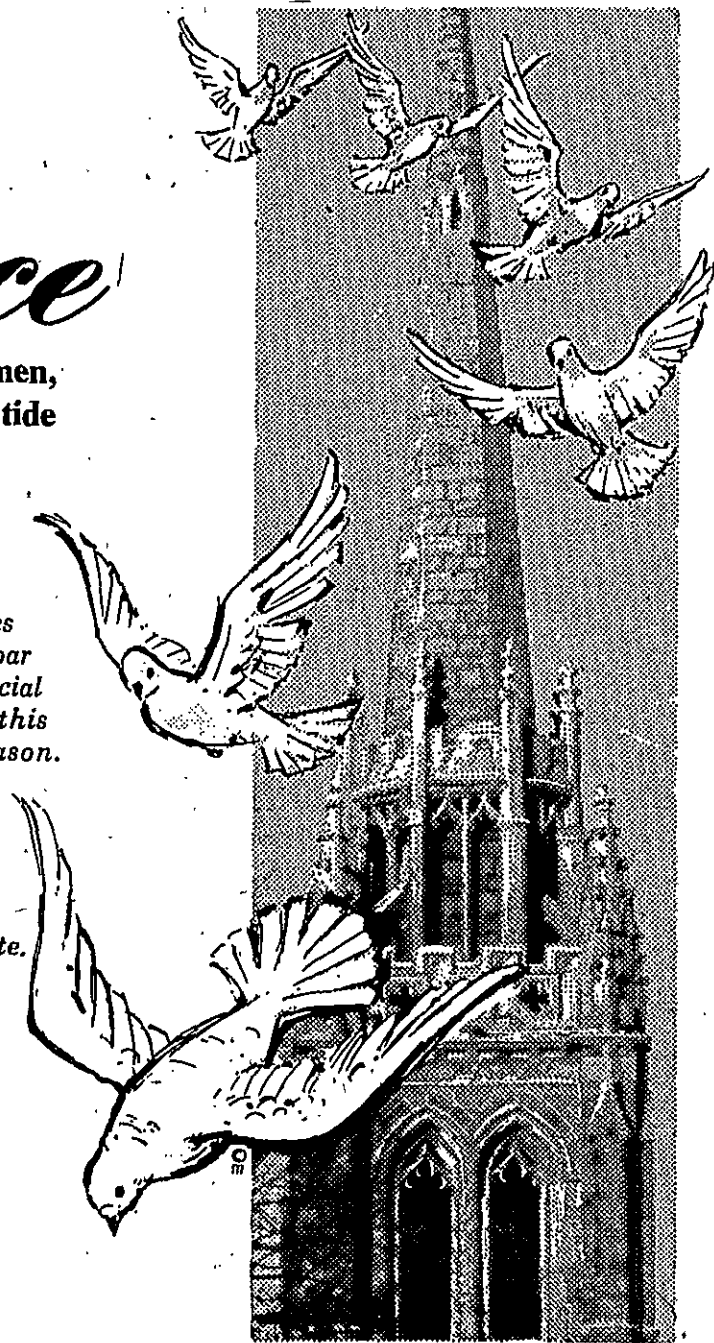
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## Peace

good will to all men, at holy Christmastide

And the angels sang, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." Our hopes for peace everlasting soar Heavenward with special faith and fervor in this Holy Christmas season. We join our hopes to yours, and send sincerest wishes for blessings most abundant and happiness truly complete.



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### Swegles Cubs welcome new Cub den

The Swegles School Cub Scout Pack welcomed eight Scouts to a new den at their meeting Dec. 12. Mrs. William Patten is den mother. The new members who received their bobcat pins are Steven Showers, Craig Harrison, Ward Rand, Jimmy Shoemaker, Randy Atkinson, Bobby Diltner, David Lundy and Tommy Patten.

Older Scouts attending their last meeting and receiving awards were Mark Randall, John DeWitt, Brian McCarthy and Kevin Knight, all of Mrs. Cora Lee Roof's den. All received lions badges.

Other awards were made to boys attending their last meeting as Cub Scouts. They are member of Mrs. Harold Shane's den. They are Terry Devereaux, lion badge; Tom French, lion badge and gold and silver arrows; Ted Moeller, lion badge and gold arrow; Mike Paradise, lion badge; Chris Richards, lion badge and gold arrow; and James Shane, lion badge and gold and silver arrows.

All the presentations were made by Packmaster John Minsky.

The evening's program included group singing of Christmas carols and a three-legged race, which was won by Ricky Atkinson and Craig Harrison.

### Social security man here every Tuesday

Roger W. Seamon, manager of the Lansing office of the Social Security Administration, states that a representative from his office will be at the courthouse in St. Johns every Tuesday from 9:30 to noon.

Anyone desiring information regarding old-age and survivors insurance benefits, social security account numbers, or other business concerning social security, may contact him at those times.



# Next Sunday In Clinton County Churches

All Churches in Clinton County are invited to send their weekly announcements to The Republican-News. They must reach us by 10 a.m. Monday to insure publication in the current week's issue.

### St. Johns Area

**FIRST METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Keith A. Boyce, Minister  
CHRISTMAS DAY  
8:30 a.m.—Morning Worship  
9:30 a.m.—Church School  
10:30 a.m.—Coffee Hour  
11 a.m.—Morning Worship, Sermon: "Ye Shall Call Him Emmanuel."  
CHRISTMAS EVE—DEC. 24  
7:30 p.m.—Family service for everyone. There will be special music by all three choirs and singing of Christmas hymns, Christmas meditation by Rev. Keith Boyce.

**SHEPARDVILLE METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. John C. Huhtala  
9:30 a.m.—Morning Worship  
11 a.m.—Church School

**PRICE METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. John C. Huhtala  
10 a.m.—Church School  
11 a.m.—Morning Worship  
Price Methodist Men's Club—3rd Saturday of each month, 7:30 p.m.  
Price Women's Society—4th Wednesday of each month  
Price MYF—1st and 3rd Sunday of each month

**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**  
Gerald Churchill, Minister  
Wednesday, December 21  
7:30 p.m.—Senior and Youth Choir rehearsals  
Saturday, December 24  
1 p.m.—Children's Choir rehearsal  
7:30 p.m.—Service of carols and candles. Nursery care will be provided in the narthex.  
Christmas Day  
11 a.m.—Family Worship Service. Sermon: "The Birth of the Messiah." Children will be baptized. Instead of Church School at 9:30, we ask you to bring your children to Family Worship.  
Tuesday, December 27  
9:45 p.m.—Girl Scouts and Brownies  
7:30 p.m.—Boy Scout Troop No. 81  
8 p.m.—Senior Choir rehearsal

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Roger Harrison, Pastor  
512 S. Whittemore St. (South US-27)  
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School, Arthur Romik, Supt.  
11 a.m.—The Morning Worship Service, Broadcast on WRBJ.  
11:00 a.m.—Children's Church  
7:00 p.m.—The Evening Worship Service  
Nursery for babies; activity for toddlers during Sunday School, morning and evening worship services  
8:00 p.m.—Junior High Youth Fellowship  
6 p.m.—Junior Youth Fellowship  
8:00 p.m.—Senior Youth Fellowship  
7:00 p.m.—Family Night Service (Wednesdays)  
The Second Monday—Monthly Deacons Meeting  
The First Tuesday—Ladies' Missionary Society  
The Sunday Church with the Salvation Message.

**ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
Rev. William G. Hanker, Pastor  
Rev. Edwin F. Schoettle, Assistant Pastor  
Rectory—109 Linden St.—Ph. 224-3313  
Convent—110 S. Oakland—Ph. 224-3789  
School—201 E. Cass—Ph. 224-2421  
Mass Schedule  
Sundays—6:00, 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 and 12 noon.  
Holy Days—6:00, 8:00 and 11:45 a.m.; 5:30 and 7:00 p.m.  
Weekday Mornings—7:30 on non-school days; 8:00 on school days.  
Holy Communion at 7:15.  
Weekday Evenings: 7:15 p.m.  
Sacrament of Penance: Saturdays: 8:30 to 9:00 p.m.; 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday: 7:00 p.m.; after Novena on Thursday.  
Sacrament of Penance—Thursday from 8:30 to 9:00 p.m.; 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.; during Friday Masses.  
Mass and Holy Hour on Thursday at 7:15 p.m.  
Holy Communion on Friday at 8:00 and 7:15 p.m.  
Masses on Friday: 7:30 and 8:15 p.m.; 7:15 p.m.  
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 8:30 p.m. on Thursday thru 7:15 p.m. on Friday.  
Devotion—Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena: after 7:15 p.m. Mass on Tuesday.  
Religion Instructor Classes—Adult instruction and inquiry class: Monday at 8:00 p.m. High School students: Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. Catholic Grade School children: Saturday at 10:00 a.m.  
Baptisms—Each Sunday at 1:30 p.m. by appointment.  
CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE 1966  
Tuesday, December 20  
Confessions after 7:15 p.m. Mass and Novena.  
Wednesday, December 21  
Confessions after 7:15 p.m. Mass.  
Thursday, December 22  
Confessions from 8:30 to 9:00 p.m.; after 7:15 p.m. Mass.  
Friday, December 23  
Confessions from 8:30 to 9:00 p.m.; after 7:15 p.m. Mass until 9:00 p.m.; Christmas Communion will be brought to the aged and infirm who are shut-ins. Please call the Rectory at 224-3313 if you know of any parishioner not on our regular Communion list.  
Saturday, December 24  
Confessions from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m., 2:30 to 5:00 p.m. NO EVENING CONFESSIONS.  
Sunday, December 25  
High Mass concelebrated by Father Hanker and Father Schoettle at 11:30 a.m. The singing before and during Mass will be led by the Adult Parish Choir under the direction of Brother Gregory, O.E.M., from DeWitt, Mich., with Mrs. Matilda Smith at the organ.  
Morning Masses will be at 8:00; 9:30; 10:30. (High Mass sung at 9:30 a.m. in the Holy Family Station WREBJ); 10:30; and 12:00 noon.)

**ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
Corner of East Walker and Mead St.  
Rev. Hugh E. Banning, Pastor  
Rectory 224-2860 Office 224-2865  
1st Sunday of Month—8 a.m. Holy Communion; 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion and Sermon.  
Other Sundays—8 a.m. Holy Communion; 10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer and Sermon  
Fall Schedule  
10:30 a.m.—Nursery School  
11 a.m.—Church School, kindergarten to 6th grade  
CHRISTMAS SERVICES SCHEDULE  
December 24  
11 p.m.—Choir and congregation carol sing.  
December 25  
11:30 a.m.—Holy Communion  
10:30 a.m.—Holy Communion

**ST. JOHN'S BAPTIST TEMPLE**  
400 E. State Street  
Rev. Roy G. Gies, Pastor  
Sunday School at 10 a.m., with classes for all ages. Teaching from the Book of Acts.  
Morning worship at 11 a.m.  
Sunday, 8 p.m., study hour, with adult group, young people's group and Jet Cadets group.  
Sunday, 7 p.m., evangelistic message.  
Thursday at 7, prayer meeting and study hour.

**CHURCH OF GOD**  
Whittemore and Railroad on US-27  
Rev. Duane Browhaker, Pastor  
9:00 a.m.—Worship Service  
10:00 a.m.—Church School  
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship  
5:30 p.m.—Church Fellowship  
7:00 p.m.—Adult Prayer group  
7:30 p.m.—Evening Service  
Thursday, 7:30 p.m.—Prayer meeting; choir practice 8:30 p.m.

### CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

515 North Lansing Street  
Rev. Eldon Raymond, Minister  
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School  
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship  
6:15 p.m.—Young People's Service  
7:00 p.m.—Evening Worship  
Wednesday, 7 p.m.—Prayer meeting

**ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
US-27 at Sargis Street  
Rev. Theodore C. Moeller, Jr.  
First Tuesday of the month, 8 p.m., Ladies' Guild.  
9 a.m.—Sunday School and Adult Bible Class, H.S. Bible Class at parsonage  
10:15 a.m.—Divine Worship, Holy Communion first Sunday of the month.  
Church nursery  
Third Wednesday of the month, 7:30 p.m. Ladies' Women's Missionary League.  
Adult information courses held at the convenience of interested parties. Phone 224-7400 for specific information. Church office hours: Tuesday through Friday, 9-12. Telephone 224-3544.

**FREE METHODIST CHURCH**  
305 Church Street  
E. D. Courser, Minister  
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School  
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship  
7:45 p.m.—Evening Worship  
Thursday, 7:45 p.m.—Prayer service  
8:00 p.m.—(2nd and 4th Thursdays)  
Free Methodist Youth meeting

**ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
S. US-27 & E. Baldwin  
Joseph F. Eger, Jr., Pastor  
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School  
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship  
6:30 p.m.—Youth Service  
7:00 p.m.—Church School evening  
7 p.m.—Wednesday, second and fourth, WMC  
7:30 p.m.—Thursday evening service

**SEVENTH DAY ADVENTISTS**  
690 North Lansing Street  
Elder, E. K. Mills, Pastor  
Services held on Saturday  
9:15 a.m.—Church Service  
10:30 a.m.—Sabbath School Service

**EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN CHURCHES**  
Bingham-Bengal  
Eugene Friesen, Pastor  
Bengal  
9:30 a.m.—Worship Service  
10:30 a.m.—Church School  
11 a.m.—Worship Service  
10 a.m.—Church School

**JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES**  
Kingdom Hall  
1693 N. Lansing Street  
Public Talk: "The Bible's Internal Proof of Divine Authorship."  
4:15 p.m.—Watchtower Study: "What Has God's Kingdom Been Doing Since 1914?"  
7:30 p.m.—Tuesday night book study: "Things It Is Impossible for God to Lie."  
8:30 p.m.—Ministry School: Written Review 1 and 2 Thessalonians and 1 and 2 Timothy.  
8:30 p.m.—Service Meeting: Building on a Solid Foundation (1 Cor. 3:10)

### ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

515 North Lansing Street  
Rev. Herbert Schmidt, Pastor  
9:30 a.m.—Worship Service  
10:30 a.m.—Sunday School

**Riley Township**

**ST. PETER LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
MISSOISSI SYNOUD  
4 1/2 miles south on Francis road  
2 1/2 miles south on Church road  
John Vanczy, Pastor  
8:30 a.m.—Worship Service  
9:30 a.m.—Sunday School and Bible Class

**Gunnisonville Area**

**GUNNISONVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
Clark and Wood Roads  
Rev. William C. Cessa, Pastor  
9 a.m.—Sunday School  
10:00 a.m.—Morning Worship  
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**Maple Rapids Area**

**LOWE METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Rudy A. Wittenbach, Minister  
9:00 a.m.—Church School  
10:15 a.m.—Morning Worship

**MAPLE RAPIDS METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Rudy A. Wittenbach, Minister  
9:00 a.m.—Worship Service  
11:15 a.m.—Church School

**GREENBUSH METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Rudy A. Wittenbach, Minister  
10:30 a.m.—Church School  
11:30 a.m.—Morning Worship

**CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
Maple Rapids, Michigan  
Rev. Donald Voss, Pastor  
10:00 a.m.—Worship Service  
11:15 a.m.—Sunday School  
7:00 p.m.—U.C.Y.M. meets on alternate Sundays  
8:00 p.m.—Thursday Chapel choir practice  
10:00 a.m.—Saturday, Cherub choir practice.  
8:30 p.m.—Service meeting

### Bath Area

**BATH METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Reginald B. Becker, Minister  
10:00 a.m.—Worship Service  
11:00 a.m.—Sunday School  
11:00 a.m.—Church School  
7:00 p.m.—Jr. MYF at the church  
8:00 p.m.—MYF at the church

**BATH BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Rev. James L. Bunch, Pastor  
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School  
6:30 p.m.—Youth Fellowship  
7:30 p.m.—Evening Service  
Midweek service on Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

**ROSE LAKE CHURCH**  
Reorganized, L.D.S.  
Elder Jack Hodges, Pastor  
Corner of Union and Still Roads  
10:00 a.m.—Church School  
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship  
7:00 p.m.—Evening Worship  
7:30 p.m.—Wednesday, evening service

### Eagle Area

**EAGLE METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Alfred Tripp, Pastor  
9 a.m.—Sunday School  
10:00 a.m.—Morning Worship  
11:30 a.m.—Church School  
7:30 p.m.—Evening Service  
7:30 p.m.—Senior MYF Sunday  
7:30 p.m.—Senior MYF Wednesday

**EAGLE FOURSQUARE CHURCH**  
Rev. Mrs. Royal E. Pastor  
10:30 a.m.—Sunday School  
11:15 a.m.—Morning Worship  
7:30 p.m.—Wednesday Prayer meeting

### Ovid Area

**OVID FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
South Main Street  
Rev. Earl C. Copelin, Minister  
Myron Woodruff, Church School Supt.  
Ira Beardlee, organist  
9:00 a.m.—Morning Worship  
11:00 a.m.—Church School  
7:00 p.m.—Wednesday, Senior Choir  
8:00 p.m.—Bible Study and Prayer service

**CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Donald Voss, Pastor  
Corner M-21 and Elsie Road  
George Rogers, Pastor  
10 a.m.—Morning worship hour  
6 p.m.—Youth training hour  
7 p.m.—Evening gospel hour  
Wednesday, 7 p.m.—Youth choir practice  
Wednesday, 7 p.m.—Bible study and prayer service

**CHURCH OF GOD**  
Ovid, Michigan  
Rev. L. Sanders, Pastor  
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School  
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship  
8:00 p.m.—Youth Fellowship  
7:30 p.m.—Evening Service  
7:30 p.m.—Wednesday, Bible Study;  
8:45 p.m.—Choir practice

**OVID UNITED CHURCH**  
Rev. Gordon Spalanka, Minister  
Mrs. Duane LaRue, church school superintendent  
9:30 a.m.—Church School  
11 a.m.—Morning Worship  
8 p.m.—Junior High Youth Fellowship  
7 p.m.—Senior High Youth Fellowship  
Wednesday, 4 p.m.—Junior choir rehearsal; 7:30 a.m.—Chancel choir rehearsal  
Thursday, 3:45 p.m.—Children's choir rehearsal  
2nd Tuesday each month, 8 p.m.—Official board meeting  
1st Wednesday each month—Women's Fellowship executive board meeting  
2nd Wednesday each month—Women's Fellowship general meeting  
3rd Monday each month, 6:30 p.m.—Men's club meeting

### DeWitt Area

**DEWITT COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
(Inter-denominational)  
Rev. Fred Wingo, Pastor  
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School  
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship  
7:45 p.m.—Evening Service  
7:45 p.m.—Thursday, Prayer and praise service

**SALEM EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH**  
Rev. Ralph Conine  
10 a.m.—Sunday School  
11 a.m.—Morning Service  
7:30 p.m.—Midweek Services

**ST. MARTIN DEPOIRRE MISSION**  
Rev. Francis J. Ganley, Pastor  
Sunday Mass—9:15 a.m.  
No Weekday mass

**ST. STEPHEN'S MISSION**  
Fulton Area  
Rev. Richard Anderson of St. John's, Alma, is in charge  
Services every Sunday at 9 a.m. at North Parkers, Rainey Lake. For information, call 682-3561, 682-2071 or 682-2491.

### Matherton Area

**UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH**  
Matherton Michigan  
Rev. N. J. Wibert, Pastor  
9:45 a.m.—Sunday School  
10:45 a.m.—Sunday School  
8:00 p.m.—Wednesday, Midweek prayer meeting  
We welcome you to the fellowship of our services. Our desire is that you may find the warmth of welcome and the assistance in your worship of Christ.  
First and third Sundays Matherton Church, second and fourth at Fenwick Church

**MATHERTON COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
2:00 p.m.—Sunday school  
3:00 p.m.—Worship service

### Fulton Area

**FULTON FULL GOSPEL CHURCH**  
1/2 mile east of Perrinton on M-51,  
1/2 mile south  
Rev. Fred Wingo, Pastor  
9:45 a.m.—Sunday School  
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship  
7:00 p.m.—Youth Service  
7:45 p.m.—Evening Service  
7:45 p.m.—Thursday, Prayer and praise service

### Pewamo Area

**ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
Pewamo, Michigan  
Rev. Francis J. Ganley, Administrator  
Sunday Masses—6:10, 8 and 10:30 a.m.  
Daily Mass—7:30 a.m.  
Holy Baptism—Sunday, 1 p.m.  
Sacred Confession—Saturday, 3:30 p.m.  
Family Holy Hour for Peace—Saturday, 7:15 p.m.

### Victor Township

**GROVE BIBLE CHURCH**  
Rev. Robert Prange, Pastor  
Price and Shepardville roads  
10:00 a.m.—Sunday school. Classes for all ages  
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship  
7:30 p.m.—Evening Service  
7:30 p.m.—Wednesday, prayer meeting  
Ladies Missionary circle meets 4th Thursday  
Couples Club meets 4th Saturday in month

### Valley Farms Area

**VALLEY FARMS BAPTIST CHURCH**  
241 E. State Road  
Rev. LaVern Bretz, Pastor  
10:00 a.m.—Morning Worship, Junior Church for children through 6th grade  
11:15 a.m.—Church School. There is a class for everyone from the youngest to the oldest. The Bible is our textbook  
5:30 p.m.—BYF for both Juniors and Seniors  
7:00 p.m.—Evangelistic Service  
8:00 p.m.—Morning Choir practices  
Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.—Mid-week Prayer Service; 8:00 p.m.—Morning Choir practice  
Saturday 10:00 a.m.—Jr. Choir practice  
1st Thursday 7:30 p.m.—Woman's Mission Society  
2nd Saturday 2:00 p.m.—Ann Judson Guild  
3rd Tuesday 6:30 p.m.—Men's Fellowship

### Eureka Area

**CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
Eureka, Michigan  
Rev. Jack Barlow  
Sunday School  
11 a.m.—Morning Worship

**ELsie Area**

**ELsie METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Gordon Showers, Minister  
9:30 a.m.—Morning Worship  
10:30 a.m.—Sunday School, Supt., Lyle Dunham

**DUPAIN METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Gordon Showers, Minister  
10 a.m.—Sunday School, Supt., Kenneth Kiger  
11 a.m.—Worship service

**DUPAIN CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Rev. Ralph Woodard, Pastor  
10 a.m.—Bible School  
Jack Schwark, Jr., S.S. Supt.  
11 a.m.—Morning Worship

**ST. CYRIL CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
Rev. Cyril C. Smolinski, Pastor  
Rectory: Senneter, Phone 682-9270  
Sunday Masses—8:10 a.m.  
Daily Mass—7:30 a.m., First Fridays 8 p.m.  
Holy Days—7 a.m. and 8 p.m.  
Confessions—4 to 5 and 7:30 to 9 every Saturday except First Fridays before Mass

**ELsie BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
115 E. Main St.  
Roy F. LaDuke, Pastor  
10 a.m.—Sunday School  
11 a.m.—Morning Worship  
7 p.m.—Evening Service  
7 p.m.—Wednesday Bible Study

### Westphalia Area

**ST. MARY'S CHURCH**  
Rev. Rev. Joseph H. Miller, Pastor  
Rev. Walter L. Spillane, Assistant Pastor  
Sunday Masses—8 and 10 a.m.  
Weekdays—During school year 7:00, 7:45 and 11:15 a.m.  
Saturdays—8 a.m. and 7:30 a.m.  
Holy Days—5:30, 7:30, 9 a.m. and 8 p.m.  
Evening Mass—Friday, 8:00 p.m.

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# 235 make Ovid- Elsie junior, senior honor rolls

OVID-ELSIE - Two hundred thirty-five students in the high school and junior high grades of the Ovid-Elsie Area Schools have been named to the honor roll for the second marking period. The number includes 101 in the junior high and 134 in the high school.

12th Grade: Gwendolyn Baker, David Bates, Ida Brady, Donna Chapko, John Craig, Joan Crell, Robert Davis, Nathan DuBots, David Ensign, Lydia Eby, Mary Farr, Bruce Foersch, Jay Goodrich, Georgia Goacinski, Ronald Green, Dennis Gruesbeck, Bonta Halle, Hazel Hallock, Cheryl Hiltle, Darwin Hunt.

George Keck, Karen Kristin, Dan Kusenda, Robert Kusnier, Taru Latvalanti, Pamela Loznak, Carol Martinka, Mary Marton, Donna McDiarmid, Kathryn Melvin (all A's), Susan Miller, Jackie Moore, Jeanette Palatka, Carol Porubsky, Bruce Powelson.

Janet Saxton, Kathy Seconsky, Margie Semans, Mike Seybert, David Showers, Karen Smith, Rita Spayde, Carol Squires, Michael Stambersky, Linda Sturgis, Jo Tefertiller, James Thelen, Jean Tody, Lois Underhill, Chris Wallfelt, Rita Washburn, Linda Witt, William Zuchschwerdt and Janice Zvonek.

11TH GRADE: Ross Baker, Kathy Beach, Jo Ellen Chaffee, Dennis Darling, Dave DuPond, Norman Dunkel, Richard Easlick, Susan Farr, Cesar Garcia, Jerry Gazda, Laura Green, Maria Gurden, Joanne Hutra, Lyman Jones, David Latz, Shari Lemke, Thomas Maron, Brenda Parmenter, Mary Patrick, Gertrude Thelen, Jessie VanDeCreek and Jo Vosttrizansky (all A's).

TENTH GRADE: Dennis Barrett, Jean Brewbaker, Bruce Call, Robert Craig, Colleen Daley, Pamela Darling (all A's), Kelvin Fitzell, Francine Fowler, Sandra Grubaugh, Bruce Harden, Diane Hoshield, Keith Keck, Joanne Ladiski, Kay Ladiski, Becky Latz, Nancy Island, Carolyn Lindauer, Raelene Loznak, Verna Lyon, Susan McCreery, Karla Mead, Daryl Melvin, Veri Nicholson, Patricia O'Donnell, Paula Onstott, Rosemary Prikasky, Susan Salander, Nancy Shlabery, Phyllis Stewart, Margaret Thornton, Douglas Tody, Rick Warren and Juva Lea Wilkins.

NINTH GRADE: Richard Acre, Susan Babcock, Ruth Baker, Sue Besko, Julie Byrnes, Paul Byrnes, Rosemary Foersch (all A's), Debra Forrester, Joyce Freed, Bryon Green, Ruth Ann Hubbard, David Hunt, Dawn James, Rozanna Litomisky, Jan Michutka, Sally Miller, Ann Myers, Douglas Parmenter, Diana Robinson, Kathy Szilagyi (all A's), Kristin Taff, Linda Vaniman, Debra Watson, Suzanne Willlett and Penny Witt.

Elsie 8th Grade: Susan Albaugh, Geraldine Baese, Bruce Bergman, Terry Bernath, Marie Blakely, Elaine Bloomer, Diane Bohl, Elaine Chapko, Brenda Clark, Rick Doubrava, Elizabeth Ensign, Ronald Gallo, Cheryl Holton, Dennis Hoshield, Kurt Kristin, Dana Lannen, Jane Latz, Wanda Libertin, Ronald Lover, Wendy Munson, Monica Nemcik, Cheryl Porubsky, Thomas Purnford, Keith Reha, Darrell Roof, Tom Roof, Kathy Smith, Danny Somers, Mary Temple, Alan Thornton, Kam Washburn and Carvin Woodard.

Ovid 8th Grade: Susan Alderman, Sue Austin, Frederick Arnett, Mark Bashore, Richard Bates, Danny Bowles, Annette Chamberlain, Martha Copelin, Linda Cox (all A's), Joseph Eger, Michael Leslie, Dennis Long, Michael Maag, Ann Marks, Deborah Maron, Gregory Palen (all A's), William Parker, Gary Rivest, Steve Simpson, LeRoy Thomas, Duane Wieber and Charles Wiegel.

OVID 7TH GRADE: Nanette Beauchamp, Randy Byrnes, Sue Chamberlain, Linda Copelin, Jack Craig, Frank Delaney, Frank Ferden, Virginia Fowler, Ardith Gruesbeck, Dennis Hunt, Douglas C. Miller, Margo Mitchell, Gwen Nethaway, John Patrick, Wayne Root, Marcia Tait, Agnes Walasek, Terry Welsh, Phyllis Whitmeyer, Colleen Wilcox, Barry Wisner,

## Elsie

By MRS. NEVA KEYS, Correspondent

### Women's Literary Club has Christmas party

ELSIE-The Women's Literary Club held its annual Christmas program Tuesday evening in the home room of the high school building. Mrs. Lewis Carter and Mrs. Don Richards served as hostesses and Mrs. Merle Green as program chairman.

Mrs. C. S. Goodrich told a story about a Salvation Army doll, dressed as a nurse, and its effect upon a little 8-year-old girl who received it and later became a nurse.

Scripture readings of the Christmas story by Mrs. Duane Green interspersed the program. Christmas music in the program included: vocal selections by Janice Kelley, Sharon Dunham and Sandy Grubaugh, Mrs. Donovan Williams and Mrs. Rose Smith. Accompanists were Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Garth Brewbaker and Sharon Dunham. Group singing of carols was led by Mrs. Goodrich.

MRS. DURWARD Conklin presided for the business meeting in which the following donations were made; money to aid in Christmas for the Clinton County Children's Home; Girlstown and the Esther Hunter Library Scholarship Fund, Michigan State Federation projects; gifts of food for two needy families; and money for Christmas decorations for the Elsie Public Library.

At the close of the meeting, Mrs. Mildred Beauhall, Mrs. Glenn Horn and Mrs. Carl Maynard served Christmas cookies and coffee. The first 1967 meeting will be Jan. 3 with reports on "Christian Teens Abroad" in which several area young people participated last summer. It will be held at the same place.

### Barry A. Meiser

Mr and Mrs R. C. Conklin have received word that their grandson, Airman Barry A. Meiser has been selected for technical training at Lowry A.F.B., Colo., as a U.S. Air Force Munitions specialist.

He recently completed basic training at Lackland A.F.B., Texas. His new school is part of the Air Training Command which conducts hundreds of specialized courses to provide technically trained personnel for the nation's aerospace force.

Airman Meiser is a 1966 graduate of Chesaning Union High School and son of Mr and Mrs Floyd Meiser of 4930 W. Burt Road, Montana.

### Ovid

Mrs Aphra Pixley

Mr and Mrs Leon Hooker of Livonia were Sunday guests of Mrs Aphra Pixley.

Mr and Mrs Edwin Wisner are the parents of a son born Friday at Owosso Memorial Hospital.

### New Cub pack started at Ovid

OVID - District 5 Boy Scout Commissioner Rudy Masarik last week announced the formation of a new Cub Scout pack at Ovid.

Thirty Cub Scouts, nine den mothers and assistant den mothers and eight committeemen to run the pack were enrolled Dec. 15 on the budget system.

A training session will be held by Masarik Jan. 4 at 7:30 p.m. at the Northside Elementary School in the new gym.

Personnel at the Northside School assisted in passing out the commitment cards and arranging with parents for the organization meeting.

Mrs Daisy Louth left Saturday to make her home at Harrison.

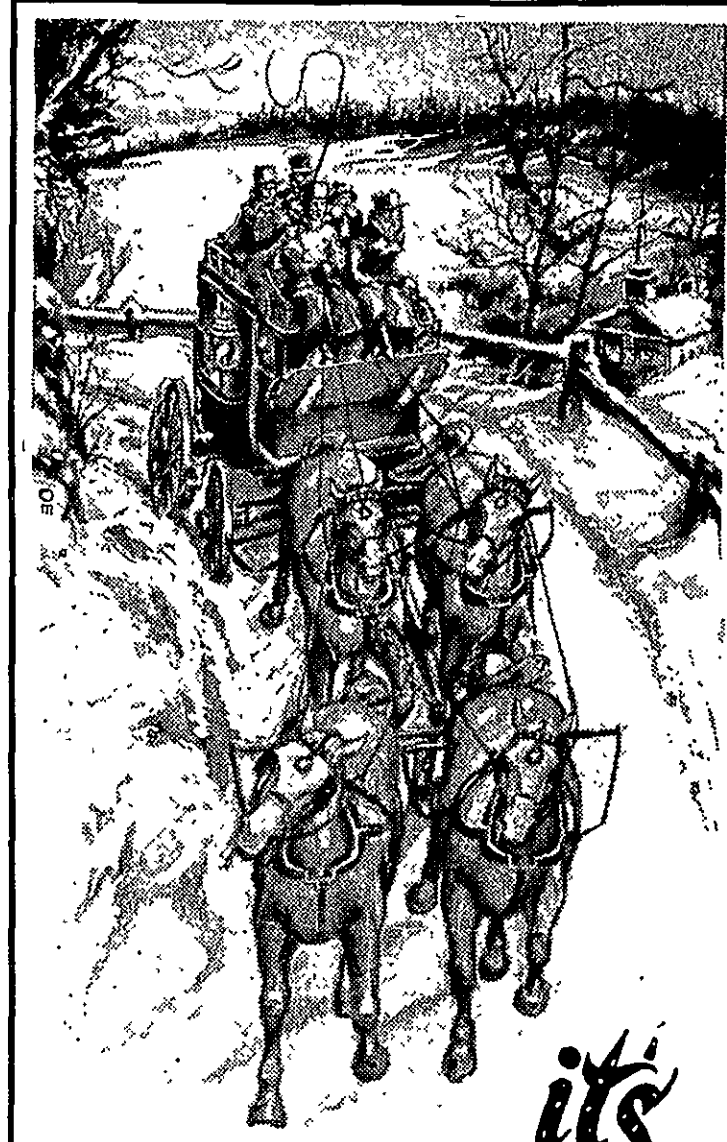
Mr and Mrs Paul Jones and family, Mr and Mrs Lyle Somers and family and Mr and Mrs Elmer Clapp and family of Chapin, Mrs Mary Mort of Elsie, Mrs Clara Somers of Owosso and Mr

and Mrs Jerry Boone were guests of Mr and Mrs Harold Fink for their family Christmas.

Mr and Mrs Stuart Baker of Troy were Sunday guests of Mrs. William Keck. Mrs. Grace Baker returned home with the Bakers. Mr and Mrs George Fowler and Pamela were Sunday guests of Mr and Mrs. Ted Gulick in Detroit.

Mr and Mrs Art Kelley Sr. have left to spend the winter months in Florida.

Mr and Mrs John Michels, Mr and Mrs Robert Michels, Mr and Mrs Walter Larie and Robert Hewson of Lansing, Mr and Mrs Donovan Hopkins and Mr and Mrs Roy Shaw of Owosso, Mrs Herschel Woodhams and daughter of St. Johns, Mr and Mrs John Cannon of Roscommon, Mrs Barbara Carver of Kalama-zoo, Mr and Mrs Robert Michels of Flushing, and Mr and Mrs Al Gubord of Holt were in Ovid Thursday to attend the funeral of Al Michels.



# it's Christmas!

May Christmas bring you all the joys of the season and all the warm satisfactions of sincere friendships. We thank you for your generosity during the past year.

## The Village Inn

Fine Dining  
ELSIE, MICH.

### Mrs Pearl hosts Blue Star Mothers

ELSIE-The Blue Star Mothers met at the home of Mrs Frances Pearl Thursday. A miniature Christmas tree and Yuletide theme was used in the home decorations.

The new officers selected were president, Mrs Albert Craven; vice president, Mrs Albert Ensign of Bannister; treasurer, Mrs Frances Pearl and secretary, Mrs Archie Saxton.

Installation will be held Jan. 10 at the home of Mrs George Serviss.

An exchange of gifts and luncheon was enjoyed after the meeting. The mystery package was drawn by the hostess.

A LETTER TO the Chapter from Howard L. Cook stationed at Charleston, S. C. and presently aboard the USS Bordelon DD881 was read. It was a "thank you" for the Christmas card and gift sent earlier by the Blue Star Mothers to servicemen of this area.

In his letter, he wrote he had been to Bermuda, Rock of Gibraltar, Spain, Malta and Naples, Italy.

Comparing these places to USA, he noted that all ports where he had stopped were very mountainous, dirty and smelly, with horse-drawn taxicabs except on "The Rock."

The houses look as though they were from the Stone Age and the many castles he saw in Naples were made of chipped stone, or rock.

AT HIS FIRST wedding anniversary, Christy Wortman and David Wyrick.

ELSIE 7TH GRADE: Splicea Bergman, Karan Brewbaker, Sandra Buchele, Linda Chapko (all A's), Alan Cobb, John Dunham, Cathy Ensign, Bill Foran, John Glowney (all A's), Lu Ann Green, Brenda Harden, Lester Heinze, Darlene Hoshield, Marcia Latham, Nancy Lemke, Jill Loynes, Frances Marlon, Marcie Moore, Deanna Purvis, Neil Schulz, Linda Sheldon, Brenda Smalec, Patty Speri and Joe Wassa.

He closed his letter with an original poem to express his thanks to the Blue Star Mothers. His address is: Howard L. Cook 599-61-23 MRFN, USS Bordelon (DD-881), WFO New York, N.Y. 09501.

THANK YOU BLUE STAR MOTHERS By "Cookie" Thank you Blue Star Mothers For the usual Christmas gift. I know I'm not forgotten. Yes, it really gave a lift.

It brought a piece of home to me, From far across the sea. To say I'm gone is not quite right. I'm still there mentally.

I hope you like this poem from me, 'Tis good as I can do. Remembering me was thoughtful, so Again I say, Thank You.

Present 'Unto Us a King' Dec. 21

The First Baptist Church will hold its Christmas program Wednesday evening, Dec. 21 at 8 p.m. A pageant "Unto Us A King" will be presented at the close of the young people's program.

The Baptist Women's Christian Service met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs Alice Craven. Mrs Florence Baese was in charge of the devotionals and Mrs Norris Beck, the program.

There was an exchange of gifts and also a gift of money to send for mission work. A potluck supper was served at the close of the program.

Mr and Mrs William Coeltus and daughter, Barbara, of St. Clair Shores were Sunday dinner guests of Mr and Mrs Robert Wooley and family and Douglas Wooley.

## Christmas Greetings

Trimming the tree, hanging up stockings, exchanging greetings... treasured moments for all of us at this festive time. May we wish you many such moments, and a happy holiday.

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To Greet You at Christmas

With fond hopes that all your holiday dreams come true, we send you our best wishes for a Merry Christmas.

## DARLINGS

of Elsie and Ovid

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Yule parties, activities at St. Johns herald vacation



By GAY BOND  
St. Johns High School

While Santa Claus is putting the last and final screws in a rocket launcher and sewing the final seam in one of Barbie's shimmering gowns, the students at R. B. Wilson are dreamily eyeing the calendar for this Friday.

At this time Christmas vacation will begin. School books will become remote objects as skiing, sledding, dances, parties and countless days of sleeping in will take their place. Vacation will be in existence for 10 days, with classes resuming Jan. 3, 1967.

TO GIVE THE Christmas spirit a helping hand the Stu-

dent Council is sponsoring a room decoration contest. Every second hour room is asked to participate, with the winning room receiving a prize. For instance, you might even encounter a skeleton decked up in his Christmas finery. The judges will be made up of students from each of the four classes.

Throughout the halls the sounds of Christmas music is being heard before school and at noon. Besides this the music will be piped in the offices, study hall and the library to add to the Christmas atmosphere.

The Choral Department is in charge of the Christmas program presented to the students today (Thursday) in a double assembly. The concert choir, the Wilson-

aires, the Wilsonettes, boy's glee club, and the men's glee club are presenting Yuletide selections.

AT THIS TIME OF year parties seem to be in order. The Junior Classical League held its Christmas party Monday, the 19th, at St. Joseph. The party was in the tradition of the ancient feast of Saturnalia.

The slaves, who were the newly initiated members, brought gifts to their masters. They in turn donated the toys to needy children. The second-year students, the masters, did skits on Roman history.

The Future Teachers had their Christmas party Monday night. Linda Botmer was the chairman with her committee made up of Gladys Fedewa, Jo Dohornery and Marilyn Motz. Initiation of new members also took place with Mikael Ask, our

Swedish exchange student, as the guest of honor.

A CHRISTMAS party was held Dec. 13 for the Future Homemakers. Songs, refreshments, and a white elephant exchange gift was the order of the agenda. Mall Schrieber, our German exchange student, spoke about her native country. This Friday evening, Dec. 23, they plan to go caroling.

Results of the clothing drive was released. The FHA collected 10 bags of clothing each containing 20 pounds. They wished to express their gratitude for those contributing clothes.

A new club appearing on the scene is the Business Club with the teachers of the Business Department serving as the advisers. A board was chosen with Mark Ott, Don Randolph, Nancy Steffens, Gail Ohant, Diane Robinson, Kathy Pope, Donna Ballard and Kathy Smith as the members of the board.

P-W bands' concert, play appreciated

By G. SUE THELEN  
Pewamo-Westphalia High

Appreciation and thanks are extended to Mr Thomas Spencer and the P-W Junior Band and Senior Band for their fine performance on Dec. 15. Mr Dennis Pilmore and the drama club receive the same for their humorous presentation of "Our Miss Brooks."

The FHA girls helped to spread Christmas cheer by decorating the school this past week and traveling to the Avon Nursing Home for the aged. They presented gifts to the elderly, visited, sang carols and left cookies and punch for them.

P-W Student Council President Louie Thelen, Jane Stump and Roy Simon, members, went to Laingsburg on Wednesday, Dec. 14, for the League Student Council meeting. At the League Dance at St. Patricks in Portland on Feb. 25 the best varsity cheerleader from each school in this league will be chosen.

Another Exchange Day will be held on March 29. The number of student council members permitted to visit another school on this day has been changed from three to four.

P-W will host the next league meeting on April 5, 1967.



IN 'OUR MISS BROOKS' REHEARSAL

Debie Cook, Lavern Schneider and Linda Thelen are shown in rehearsal for "Our Miss Brooks and the Christmas Carol," a skit presented by Pewamo-Westphalia High School students at the annual Christmas concert last Thursday evening. Dick Bollinger (left) and Theresa Thelen (right background) watch the actors. The community chorus and junior and senior high school bands provided other entertainment last Thursday.



DON HENNING

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89 on second P-W honor roll

The following students at Pewamo - Westphalia High School have attained a "B" or better average in all their academic classes for the second marking period which ended Dec. 2.

Seniors: Sharon Andrews, Susan Bedenbender, Kathleen Bengel, Richard Bollinger, Debbie Cook, Ann Cotter, Tom Huhn, Mary Ann Piggott, Luke Schaefer, Miriam Spencer, G. Sue Thelen, Louis Thelen, Nancy Jo Thelen, Dale Trierweiler, Beth Vance, Chris Wieber, John Wieber, Norma Wohlfert, and Jenny Wood.

Juniors: Sandra Bengel, William Bengel, Pat Davarn, Richard Fedewa, Beth Hogle, Raymond Horn, Raymond Horn, Diane Huhn, Margaret Keilen, Jane Kramer, Janet Kramer,



Joan Kramer, Linda Kramer, Diane Manning, Mary McCormick, Mary Lou Platte, Cheryl Rademacher, Don Schrauben, Diane Simon, Martin Simon, Rosemary Smith, Jane Stump, Alan Thelen, Theresa Thelen, Ken Weber, Laura Welland, and Claudia Wieber.

Ovid-Elsie group visits Carrolton

By CATHY ROBINSON  
Ovid-Elsie High School

Dec. 13 six Ovid-Elsie Student Council members visited Carrolton High School in Saginaw. They arrived about 10 o'clock on Tuesday morning and stayed through the afternoon. Members who went were Jose Rios and Mick Stambersky seniors. Thelma Dunham, Cathy Robinson, and David Williams, juniors, and Lester Reed, sophomore.

First the O-E students were given a full tour of Carrolton High. After the tour the O-E students were given a chance to visit some of the classrooms to see how the teachers and students of Carrolton differed from Ovid-Elsie.

At noon hour the Carrolton student council officers took the O-E students to lunch in their modern cafeteria.

LATER IN THE day the two councils held an informal meet-

ing at which they exchanged their ideas. Pep assemblies and a code of ethics were the most discussed topics. Different ideas were brought up on how the students of today should dress. Some felt that long hair was out of the question; others felt that if it was kept clean and if it did not impair his vision it was O.K. The Ovid-Elsie student council has not yet written a code of ethics, so the ideas brought up will be a great help.

After the first of the year the students of Ovid-Elsie should be moved into the newly completed school; at this time the Ovid-Elsie Student Council would like to invite Carrolton Student Council officers to visit the new school.

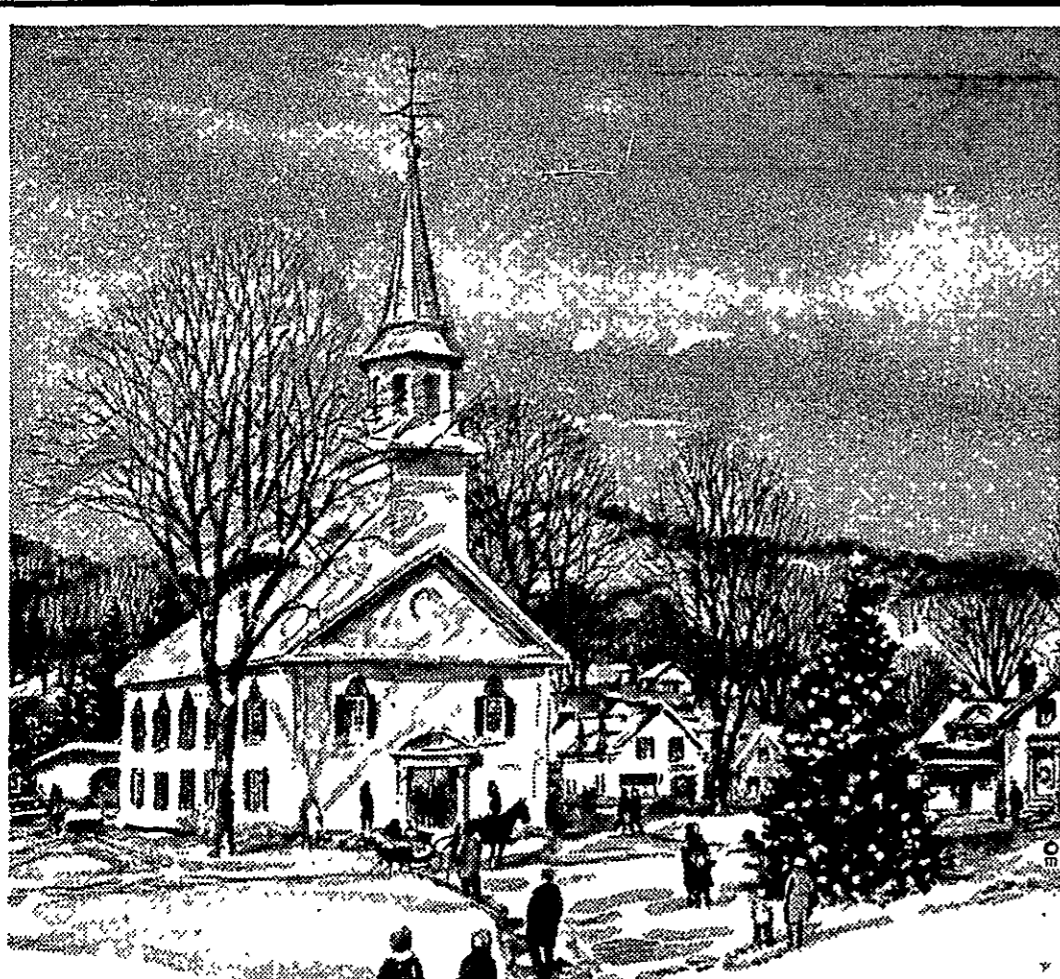
People seldom notice old clothes if you wear a big smile.

Navy offers new enlistment plan

The United States Navy Recruiting Service recently established a special regular Navy direct procurement program for data systems technicians and machine accountants. An option of two, three, or four-year enlistments is available.

The program is opened to men and women between the ages 24 and 40 who possess experience in maintenance, programming or operation of various types of computers.

Individuals who feel they are qualified should contact Chief Petty Officer Noland at the U.S. Navy recruiting office located at 114 1/2 N. Ball Street, Owosso.



Best Wishes for Christmas

As we celebrate this joyous occasion of the birth of the Christ Child, let us remember especially the hope that was born anew and the love that filled the world on that first Christmas. May their light shine today, so that peace and understanding will prevail among men.

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Name Swegles room mothers for party today

Room mothers for the classrooms of Swegles Street School have been chosen by the teachers. The room mothers will assist the teachers during the annual Christmas party today (Thursday) at 2 p.m.

The following room mothers will be available for the December party:

Morning kindergarten: Mrs Thomas Goff, Mrs Richard Chant, Mrs Raymond Geller and Mrs Jack Desprez.

Afternoon kindergarten: Mrs Roger Feeman, Mrs Richard Cronkrite, Mrs Richard Wagar, Mrs Robert Brock and Mrs Martin Hill.

First grade: Mrs Gale Desprez and Mrs Burton Kramer. Second grade: Mrs Bert Dickson and Mrs Thomas Wilson.

Third grade: Mrs Joseph Barrett and Mrs Wayne Larson. Fourth grade: Mrs Robert Spencer and Mrs Joseph Hallenbeck.

Fifth grade: Mrs Peter DeCamp and Mrs Joseph Toth. Sixth grade: Mrs Walter Hoten and Mrs Leo Brunner.

Grades five and six: Mrs Raymond Signs and Mrs Lewis Moldenhauer.

Special education: Mrs Carl Frechen and Mrs James Mackie.

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A Joyous Christmas

The glowing light of the wondrous star shone down upon a humble stable at Bethlehem, revealing to the Wise Men, and to all, the Hope and Promise of the world. We wish for you, on this Christmas Day, hearts happy and joyous as the Wise Men's.

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Luminarias — small candles in paper sacks — lined the sidewalk route from the Maple Rapids Village Park to the Methodist Church Sunday night as villagers observed the approaching Christmas with joint services of the Methodist and Congregational Christian churches. Some 1,200 candles and sacks were used.

## Luminarias light way for Maple Rapids worshippers

MAPLE RAPIDS—The Maple Rapids Congregational Christian and the Methodist Church united in their annual Christmas observance Sunday evening.

The people met at the nativity scene in the village park at 6:30 to sing Christmas carols, then at 7 p.m. went to the Methodist Church where the pageant "Where Lies the Holy Child?" was presented. Afterward a time of fellowship was enjoyed, and cookies, coffee and punch were served.

The path from the nativity

scene to the church, as well as the sidewalks to many homes, were lighted with luminarias as they were last year. The luminarias are candles inside a small paper bag, and some 1,200 of them were used to line the walks.

BOYS AND GIRLS of the community assisted several adults in the project, which was sponsored by the Methodist Church.

Luminarias were used in Santa Fe, N. M., as long ago as 1626 as a re-enactment of the shep-

herds' fires that blazed the night Christ was born. They've been used to light processions and celebrate Christmas festivities since that time.

The first luminarias were made of little piles of dry wood, and later when paper bags were available they were used. The luminarias are made by folding down the top of a medium sized grocery bag (five-pound is a good size), putting in a few inches of sand and adding a short candle.

Puritans have tried in the past —without success—to popularize



the word farolitos for the paper bag lights.

THE CUSTOM OF decorating with the luminarias has spread to the far corners of our land. They are used more extensively in the southwest but have been seen in East Grand Rapids, Lansing, rural Lowell and many other Michigan communities. One community—Anderson, Ind.—in recent years used approximately 30,000. The sight of these lights is appealing and inspirational.

## Festival of Christmas planned at Congregational

The stage is set for a gala observance of the Festival of Christmas at the First Congregational Church of St. Johns. Two large trees, decorated by the Doublets, stand at either side of the chancel. The altar is appropriately decorated with red and white poinsettias beneath the illuminated cross. The light from the four Advent candles sheds a soft glow over all.

The Rev Gerald Churchill, minister of the Congregational Church, states that preparations have been completed for the church's traditional Christmas eve service of carols and can-

dles. The service, to which the public is invited, will be held this Saturday night at 7:30. Mrs. Basil Delbert will preside at the organ. Harold Brown, minister of music, has arranged for Christmas music of exceptional beauty.

UNDER HIS DIRECTION the senior choir will sing "The Kings of the East," arranged by Brown, and "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" by Holst. Mrs. Teresa Sisson will sing "O Holy Night" by Adam, and Miss Barbara Delbert will sing "What Child is This," arranged by Wolff.

The youth choir, directed by Mrs. Myron Humphrey, will sing "Who is This in Manger Sleeping" by Elizabeth Brown with recorder obligato by Charles Huntington I. For the offertory a string trio consisting of violin, cello and piano will play the Pastoral from Corelli's "Christmas Oratorio." Instrumentalists will be Russell Brown, John Cleveland, Mrs. Jack Smith and Mrs. Manning Brown. Rev. Mr. Churchill will read a sheaf of Christmas poems and Charles Templeton's "The Hope of Christmas." Climaxing the service will be the traditional spreading of the light as the congregation sings "Silent Night."

INSTEAD OF CHURCH school on Christmas Day the entire congregation of the Congregational Church will share a family worship Sunday morning at 11. The baptism of children will be a highlight of the service. In addition to a Christmas Prelude by Mrs. Delbert, Brown and sons Larry and Russell will play a "Sonata for Flute, Cello and Piano" by Lotti. For the offertory, Larry Brown will also play a cello solo, "Largo" by Eccles.

The senior and youth choirs will sing "News of Great Joy" by Claude Means and a trio (Teresa Sisson, Cynthia Jones and Helen Lewis) will sing a Flemish carol, "A Babe So Tender" arranged by K. K. Davis. Rev. Mr. Churchill's sermon will be "The Miracle of Small Beginnings."

### South Watertown

By Mrs. Bruce Hodges

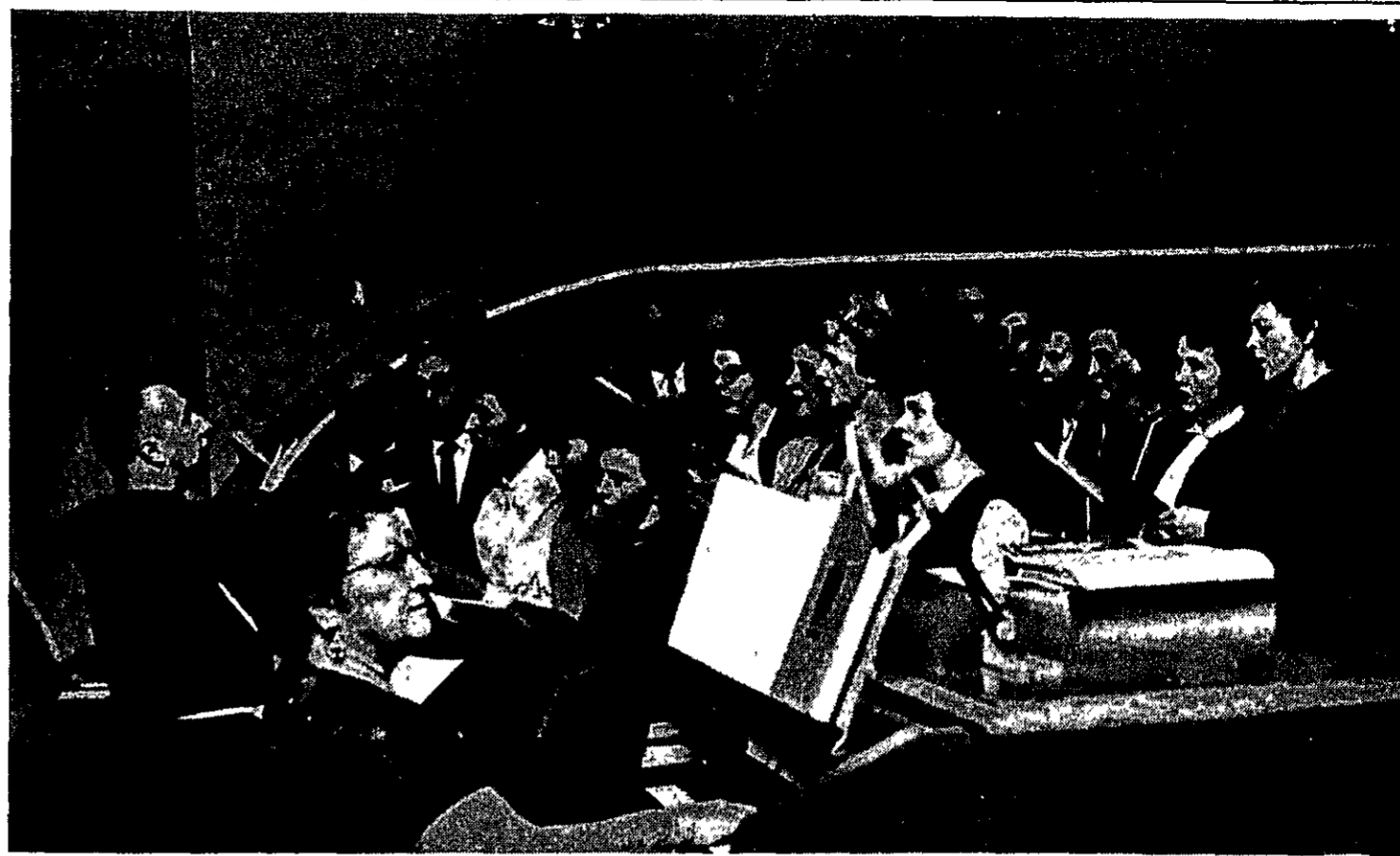
The Starr Aid Society held its Christmas dinner meeting with Mrs. Vaughan Montgomery Thursday with a good attendance. A box was sent to the state hospital at Traverse City. Children were remembered at Mount Pleasant Training School. Senior members were sent poinsettias and a local family was given aid. An auction sale, with Mrs. Ruth Gierke as auctioneer, proved entertaining and gave a substantial boost to the treasury.

Mr and Mrs Bruce Hodges entertained Sunday evening at a pre-holiday dinner. Guests were Mr and Mrs Bemsley Woodman of Dimondale, Mr and Mrs Rhine Krug of Charlotte, Mr and Mrs Herbert Harotke, Mr and Mrs Vaughan Montgomery and Mr and Mrs Burl Hodges.

Mr and Mrs Lawrence Maier spent Sunday in Detroit as guests of their aunt, Mrs. Martha Maier. Miss Helen Lowell attended a Christmas party Thursday evening at the home of Miss Camille Hammerberg of East Lansing. Other guests, all retired teachers, were Mrs. Harriet Sandberg, Mrs. Ruth Wadell, Mrs. William Wise and Mrs. Robert Earl, all of Lansing.

Mr and Mrs David Hodges were Sunday luncheon guests of Mrs. Eleanor Monroe and family of Dansville.

The perfect gift for a man who has everything would be a girl who knows what to do with it.



Members of the St. Joseph Catholic Church choir practice for Christmas eve's carol service, under the direction of Brother Gregory Horning, OFM, at left. Mrs. Matilda Smith, organist at the church for 30 years, will accompany the choir in the service.

## Catholic choir to sing carols Christmas eve

The St. Joseph Catholic Church Adult Choir will begin singing Christmas carols for the mid-night Mass service Saturday at 11:30 p.m. They will sing contemporary new arrangements of Christmas carols published by the World Library of Sacred Music, Cincinnati, Ohio.

The newly reorganized choir is under the direction of Brother Gregory Horning, O.F.M., of the Franciscan Retreat House, Detroit. Born in Bay City, Brother Gregory holds a bachelor of sacred music and master of music degrees. A veteran of the Korean War before entering the religious order, he also spent one year in the missions of the Peruvian jungle, South America.

HE IS A FORMER faculty member of the Palestinian Institute of Music in Detroit, a training school for church organists where he was director of Gregorian Chant. He taught

both grade and high school in Detroit. He is a member of the Lansing Diocesan Music Commission, as well as the International Consociation of Sacred Music, Rome, Italy, and Church Music Association of America.

He became director of the 30-voice St. Joseph Choir at the Request of Bishop Joseph Green in April 1965.

He will be assisted at the organ by Mrs. Matilda Smith, who has been resident organist at the parish for the past 30 years. Mrs. Smith, who resides in St. Johns, began as organist in January 1937.

There are also three assistant organists who are residents of St. Johns, Mrs. Evangeline Caudy, Mrs. Muriel Rehmann, and Mrs. Jaqueline Schneider who are presently taking instructions from Brother Gregory.

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MERRY MERRY CHRISTMAS

Everywhere, Christmas carols ring out telling the joys of the season... we add our best wishes.

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May the joyous spirit of peace, love and kindness born on that Holy Night bless your home and family, always. At Christmas-time, all of us here wish all of you every happiness and the best of good fortune.

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**CHRISTMAS GREETINGS**

The fond memories of an old-fashioned Christmas stir misty recollections of snow-covered hillsides, the freshly cut family tree, kitchens rich with the aroma of holiday delicacies, the cold, clear air ringing with friendly greetings. Today, we echo those same warm sentiments as we wish you all a very Happy Holiday!

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# Business and Professional Announcements, Legal News

## COURTHOUSE NEWS

### New Suits Started

**PAUL WAKEFIELD**  
County Clerk

Clinton National Bank and Trust Company vs. Gerald Holmes and Wilma Holmes.  
Wicker Sand and Gravel Inc. vs. George Rasnid.

### Marriage Licenses

Gary L. Nelson, 21, of Greenville and Carol M. Knopf, 18, of 1579 Turner Street, Lansing.  
Roland H. Adams, 48, of 14140 Turner Road, DeWitt and Harriet M. Brooks, 43, of Horton.  
Allen Jay Stephens, 23, of Detroit and Melissa Jean Jopke, 21, of 300 S. Oakland Street, St. Johns.

Dale Joseph Meis, 36, of R-1, DeWitt and Edith Irene Cole, 32, of Lyons.  
Ernest E. Clark Jr., 18, of Ottawa Lake and Ilana M. Johnson, 18, of 332 Oak Street, Maple Rapids.

Jack Ford Wheeler, 22, of R-2, DeWitt and Karen Louise Henderson, 19, of 506 E. High Street, St. Johns.  
Robert R. Linebaugh, 18, of Portland and Laura L. Higbee, 16, of R-1, Eagle.

### City Building Permits

Dec. 13: Andrew Kuhnmuensch, 1102 S. Clinton, dwelling.  
Dec. 14: John Rehmann, 605 S. Mead, one story addition.

### County Building Permits

Dec. 13: Elsenhour Construction Company, M-78, Bath twp., building move.  
Dec. 12: Alco Construction Company, 4000 Capital Blvd., DeWitt twp., office building.  
Dec. 12: Bell Furniture, N. East Street, DeWitt twp., addition to commercial building.

Dec. 8: Fred Florist, 401 Oak Lane Drive, DeWitt twp., dwelling and garage.

### Real Estate Transfers

Paul Wallace to Dale A. and Barbara A. Weaver, property in Bath twp.  
Edwin D. Sleight and Edwin F. and Hazel M. Bowen to Robert B. and Gwenth J. Tait, property in Olive twp.

Lake Geneva Land Company to Rexford J. Carl, property in DeWitt twp.

Alvin E. and Beverly Iszler to John T. and Mary Watkins, property in Olive twp.

Robert B. and Gwenth J. Tait to State of Michigan, property in Victor twp.

Mildred Irwin Matthews to Aubrey and Helen Lewis, property in the Village of Maple Rapids.

Iah Mae Burger to Lucille A. Scarlett, property in Bath twp.

Lake Geneva Land Company to

Leonon G. McDonald, property in DeWitt twp.

Robert H. and Bethel B. Pierce to Leslie E. and Valeria K. Tedhams, property in Bath twp.

Ralph L. and Inez R. Olmstead to Scott Building Inc., property in DeWitt twp.

Mildred B. LaRoue to Gerald P. and Germaine C. Miller, property in the Village of Westphalia.

Joseph I. and Carolyn M. Martin and Edward P. and Anne M. Smith to Gerald P. and Germaine C. Miller, property in the Village of Westphalia.

Marion and Edith Walling to Noel Franklin and Donna M. Smith, property in Essex twp.

Arnold C. and Pearl L. Tucker to Robert F. Keusch and Julius E. Keusch, property in DeWitt twp.

Robert F. Keusch and Julius E. Keusch to Martin H. and Dorothy L. Bandt, property in DeWitt twp.

Arthur Ray and Alta M. Lowden to Richard K. Brown, property in Bath twp.

Louis M. and Julia M. Herman to East DeWitt Bible Church, property in DeWitt twp.

Hassen and Mary Joseph to Chester and Lola Bolyard, property in the Village of Maple Rapids.

Stanley R. and Jennie E. Loznak to Gale L. and Marcella A. Baese, property in the Village of Elsie.

The food industry is providing about 210 billion meals per year at an average cost of less than 40 cents per meal say specialists at Michigan State University.

### LEGAL NOTICES

Final Account Whidden—Jan. 18 STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Clinton.

ARTHUR W. WHIDDEN, Deceased  
It is Ordered that on Wednesday, January 18, 1967, at 10:00 A.M. in the Probate Courtroom in the City of St. Johns, Michigan a hearing be held on the petition of Frederick M. Lewis, administrator, for allowance of his final account and for determination of heirs.

Publication a n d service shall be made as provided by Statute a n d Court Rule.

TIMOTHY M. GREEN, Judge of Probate.  
Dated: December 14, 1966  
100 North Clinton Avenue  
St. Johns, Michigan 33-3

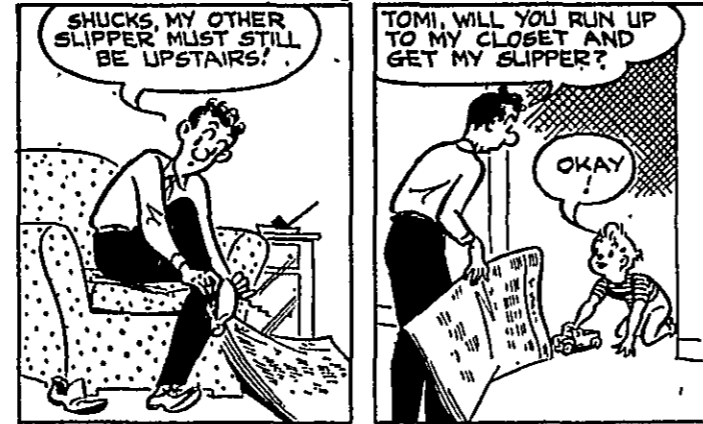
Claims Boren—Mar. 8 STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Clinton.

EDWARD F. BOREN, Deceased  
It is Ordered that on Wednesday, March 8, 1967, at 9:30 A.M. in the Probate Courtroom in the City of St. Johns, Michigan a hearing be held at which all creditors of said deceased are required to prove their claims. Creditors must file sworn claims with the court and serve a copy on Robert A. Conn, 204 Wight St., St. Johns, Michigan prior to said hearing.

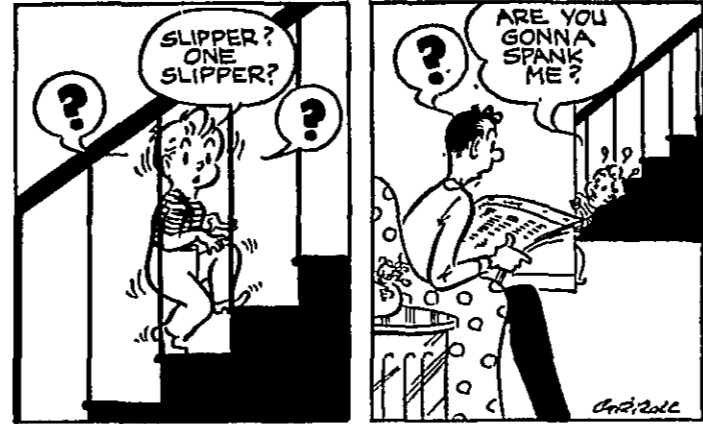
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TIMOTHY M. GREEN, Judge of Probate.  
Dated: December 14, 1966  
By Jack Walker  
Attorney for Petitioner  
Clinton National Bank Bldg.  
St. Johns, Michigan 35-3

### Life With The Rimples



### By Les Carroll



## County Canvassers' Statement

General Election, County of Clinton  
Tuesday, November 8, 1966

STATEMENT OF Votes given in the County of Clinton, State of Michigan, at the General Election held on Tuesday, the Eighth day of November, in the year one thousand nine hundred sixty-six, for the offices and proposal named herein.

GOV. AND LT. GOV.	3,813	STATE PROPOSAL NO. 1 (Lower the Voting Age)	4,885
Ferency-Bruf . . . . .	8,198	Yes . . . . .	6,285
Romney-Milliken . . . . .	13	No . . . . .	11,170
Horvath-Bentley . . . . .	12,024		

SECRETARY OF STATE  
State of Michigan  
County of Clinton

We do Hereby Certify, That the foregoing is a correct statement of the votes given in the county of Clinton, for the offices and proposals named in such statement and for the persons designated therein, at the General Election held on the 8th day of November, in the year one thousand nine hundred sixty-six.

In Witness Whereof, We have hereunto set our hands and caused to be affixed the seal of the Circuit Court for the County of Clinton this 14th day of November, in the year one thousand nine hundred sixty-six.

NANCY V. CHENEY  
LESTER CLARK  
JEANNETTE E. BABBITT  
EARL DARNELL  
Board of County Canvassers

U. S. SENATOR (Full Term)  
Williams . . . . . 4,099  
Griffin . . . . . 7,792  
Muncy . . . . . 13  
11,904

U. S. SENATOR (To Fill Vacancy)  
Williams . . . . . 3,946  
Griffin . . . . . 7,672  
Muncy . . . . . 18  
11,636

REP. IN CONGRESS (3rd District)  
Todd . . . . . 2,946  
Brown . . . . . 8,369

REP. IN CONGRESS (6th District)  
Wenke . . . . . 1,289  
Chamberlain . . . . . 2,062  
3,351

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Fill . . . . . 4,094  
Thurber . . . . . 4,350  
Augenstein . . . . . 7,299  
O'Neil . . . . . 7,312  
Carlen . . . . . 19  
Girard . . . . . 24  
23,098

REGENT UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
Collins . . . . . 4,194  
Murphy . . . . . 4,072  
Brown . . . . . 7,552  
Huebner . . . . . 7,082  
Goons . . . . . 20  
Slm . . . . . 22  
22,942

MEMBER BOARD TRUSTEES MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY  
Conyers . . . . . 3,934  
Huff . . . . . 4,120  
Merriman . . . . . 7,424  
Thompson . . . . . 7,326  
Grove . . . . . 17  
Mills . . . . . 26  
22,847

MEMBER BOARD GOVERNORS WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY  
McKee . . . . . 4,137  
Schmier . . . . . 4,045  
Sokolowski . . . . . 7,183  
Stockmeyer . . . . . 7,388  
Miller . . . . . 26  
DeLisi . . . . . 19  
22,798

STATE SENATOR (30th District)  
Kurka . . . . . 4,249  
Lockwood . . . . . 7,408  
11,857

REP. STATE LEGISLATURE (87th District)  
Volker . . . . . 2,610  
Woodman . . . . . 4,463  
7,073

REP. STATE LEGISLATURE (88th District)  
Hanus . . . . . 4,498  
Allen . . . . . 3,042  
4,498

JUSTICE—SUPREME COURT  
Brennan . . . . . 3,882  
Kavanagh . . . . . 6,439  
Smith . . . . . 4,323  
Warshawsky . . . . . 2,139  
16,783

CIRCUIT JUDGE (29th Circuit)  
Corkin . . . . . 6,841  
6,841

January 25, 1967, at 10:00 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom in the Courtroom in the City of St. Johns, Michigan a hearing be held on the petition of Esther M. Macdon, executrix, for allowance of net final account.

Publication a n d service shall be made as provided by Statute a n d Court Rule.

TIMOTHY M. GREEN, Judge of Probate.  
Dated: December 14, 1966  
Robert H. Wood, Wert and Wood  
Attorney for Estate  
115 E. Walker  
St. Johns, Michigan 33-3

Heirs Mankey—Jan. 7 STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Clinton.

JOHN KARL MANKEY, Deceased  
The Court Orders:  
Hearing on petition of Edward P. Mankey praying that he be appointed administrator and that heirs be determined on the 11th day of January, 1967, at 10:00 A.M. in the Probate Courtroom in the City of St. Johns, Michigan, prior to said hearing.

Publication a n d service shall be made as provided by Statute a n d Court Rule.

TIMOTHY M. GREEN, Judge of Probate.  
Dated: December 5, 1966  
Richard A. Shulaw  
Attorney for Petitioner  
511 West Main Street  
Owosso, Michigan 48867 33-3

Claims Witt—Mar. 3 STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Clinton.

OTTO W. WITT, Deceased  
It is Ordered that on Friday, March 3, 1967, at 9:30 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom in the City of St. Johns, Michigan a hearing be held at which all creditors of said deceased are required to prove their claims. Creditors must file sworn claims with the court and serve a copy on Eileen Sillman, executrix, of RFD No. 4, St. Johns, Michigan, prior to said hearing.

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TIMOTHY M. GREEN, Judge of Probate.  
Dated: December 8, 1966  
Alba F. Wert of Wert & Wood  
Attorney for Estate  
115 E. Walker  
St. Johns, Michigan 34-3

Claims Halfman—Feb. 23 STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Clinton.

JOHN J. HALFMAN, Deceased  
It is Ordered that on Thursday, February 23, 1967, at 9:30 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom in the City of St. Johns, Michigan a hearing be held at which all creditors of said deceased are required to prove their claims. Creditors must file sworn claims with the court and serve a copy on Clifford J. Hoffmann, Administrator, RFD No. 2, Fowler, Michigan.

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TIMOTHY M. GREEN, Judge of Probate.  
Dated: December 7, 1966  
Alba F. Wert of Wert & Wood  
Attorney for Estate  
115 E. Walker  
St. Johns, Michigan 34-3

Claims Knapp—Feb. 23 STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Clinton.

BESSY A. KNAPP, Deceased  
It is Ordered that on Thursday, February 23, 1967, at 9:30 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom in the City of St. Johns, Michigan a hearing be held at which all creditors of said deceased are required to prove their claims. Creditors must file sworn claims with the court and serve a copy on Clifford J. Hoffmann, Administrator, RFD No. 2, Fowler, Michigan.

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TIMOTHY M. GREEN, Judge of Probate.  
Dated: December 7, 1966  
Alba F. Wert of Wert & Wood  
Attorney for Estate  
115 E. Walker  
St. Johns, Michigan 34-3

Claims Lamb—Jan. 25 STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Clinton.

EDNA LAMB, Deceased  
It is Ordered that on Wednesday,

January 25, 1967, at 10:00 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom in the Courtroom in the City of St. Johns, Michigan a hearing be held on the petition of Esther M. Macdon, executrix, for allowance of net final account.

Publication a n d service shall be made as provided by Statute a n d Court Rule.

TIMOTHY M. GREEN, Judge of Probate.  
Dated: December 14, 1966  
Robert H. Wood, Wert and Wood  
Attorney for Estate  
115 E. Walker  
St. Johns, Michigan 33-3

Heirs Kurka—Jan. 11 STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Clinton.

JOSEPH KURKA, Sr., Deceased  
The Court orders hearing on petition of Jerry Kurka and Joe Kurka, Jr. praying admission of instrument as will of deceased, granting administration to Joe Kurka, Jr. and heirs be determined on Wednesday, January 11, at 10 A.M. at the Probate Courtroom in the City of St. Johns, Michigan.

Publication a n d service shall be made as provided by Statute a n d Court Rule.

TIMOTHY M. GREEN, Judge of Probate.  
Dated: December 7, 1966  
Clark Shannahan  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
115 E. Walker  
St. Johns, Michigan 34-3

Heirs Hilgbee—Jan. 11 STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Clinton.

VEIN O. HIGBEE, Deceased  
It is Ordered that on the 11th day of January, 1967, at 11:00 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom in the City of St. Johns, Michigan a hearing be held on the petition of Charles A. Higbee for probate of a purported will, and for granting of administration to the executor named, or some other suitable person, and for a determination of heirs.

Publication a n d service shall be made as provided by Statute a n d Court Rule.

TIMOTHY M. GREEN, Judge of Probate.  
Dated: December 7, 1966  
Deming & Deming  
Attorneys for Plaintiff  
Grand Lodge, Michigan 34-3

Heirs Kurka—Jan. 11 STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Clinton.

JOSEPH KURKA, Sr., Deceased  
The Court orders hearing on petition of Jerry Kurka and Joe Kurka, Jr. praying admission of instrument as will of deceased, granting administration to Joe Kurka, Jr. and heirs be determined on Wednesday, January 11, at 10 A.M. at the Probate Courtroom in the City of St. Johns, Michigan.

Publication a n d service shall be made as provided by Statute a n d Court Rule.

TIMOTHY M. GREEN, Judge of Probate.  
Dated: December 7, 1966  
Clark Shannahan  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
115 E. Walker  
St. Johns, Michigan 34-3

Claims Pope—Mar. 3 STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Clinton.

CASSIE L. POPE, Deceased  
It is Ordered that on Friday, March 3, 1967, at 9:30 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom in the City of St. Johns, Michigan a hearing be held at which all creditors of said deceased are required to prove their claims. Creditors must file sworn claims with the court and serve a copy on Raymond C. Pope, the executor, prior to said hearing.

Publication a n d service shall be made as provided by Statute a n d Court Rule.

TIMOTHY M. GREEN, Judge of Probate.  
Dated: December 9, 1966  
Alba F. Wert of Wert & Wood  
Attorney for Estate  
115 E. Walker  
St. Johns, Michigan 34-3

ORDER TO APPEAR  
STATE OF MICHIGAN—In the Circuit Court for the County of Clinton.

ALLEN BURGESS, Plaintiff vs. JOYCE BURGESS, Defendant

At a session of said Court held at the Courtroom in the City of St. Johns, Michigan, on the 7th day of November, 1966.

Present: Honorable Leo W. Corkin, Circuit Judge.

On or about the 7th day of November, 1966, an action for Divorce was filed by Allen Burgess, Plaintiff, against Joyce Burgess, in this Court. It is hereby Ordered that the Defendant, Joyce Burgess, whose address and whereabouts are unknown, shall answer or take some other action as may be permitted by Law, on or before the 10th day of February, 1967. Failure to comply with this Order will result in a Judgment by Default against said Defendant for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed in this Court.

This Order shall be published in the Clinton County News at least once a week for six consecutive weeks, unless a copy of this Order has been served on the defendant in person or by registered mail, at least twenty days before the time prescribed for the Defendant's answer.

LEO W. CORKIN, Circuit Judge  
Dated: November 7, 1966  
Frederick M. Lewis  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
100 North Clinton Ave.  
St. Johns, Michigan 30-6

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DR. NELSON S. HOWE, JR.  
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## The Charter Township of Bath

Township Board Report

Minutes of the board meeting of Dec. 5, 1966.

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Shepard with all members present. Minutes to the regular and special meeting of Nov. 14 were read and approved.

Letter from the Tri - County Regional Planning Comm. advising the board that our application for assistance under the 701 Housing and Urban development plan had not as of this date been assigned a project number.

Trustee Brook moved that the low bid for the township hall be accepted and contracts signed with Britsch Const. to build hall. Total contract bid \$57,899.00. Seconded Trustee Trofatter. Carried unanimously.

Other costs well and pump, septic tank and drain field, architects fees was estimated at a total of \$4,825.00. Supervisor given authority to contract for well and pump, and septic tank and drain field.

Police report showed 96 hours worked, 1099 miles traveled, 6 tickets issued, 1 fire assist and the liquor licenses checked 11-30-66.

Applications for police department were received from R. Miller, R. Kindy, D. Wagner, J. Wheeler, J. Church and C. Gutzk. Applications placed on file.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:15 p.m. until Dec. 8, 1966 at 8 p.m.

LEE D. REASONER  
Clerk

Minutes of the special meeting Dec. 8, 1966.

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## Meet the teacher

... a brief biographical sketch of the new teachers in the St. Johns School System

### Joan F. Burke

Miss Joan F. Burke, who's teaching kindergarten through eighth grade at Chapman School, is new to the St. Johns School System this year. She formerly taught at East Meadow School, Long Island, N. Y. She is a native of New York.

Miss Burke holds a bachelor of arts degree from Misericordia College at Dallas, Pa., where she majored in social studies. She is presently doing graduate study in education at Michigan State University.

She was a member of the East Meadow Teachers Assn. and is presently a member of the Michigan Education Assn. Outside interests include water sports, riding and football games. She attends St. John's Church in East Lansing and resides at 1130 Beech Street in East Lansing.



### James W. Spring

Teaching third, fourth and fifth grades at Olive Center School this year is another newcomer to the St. Johns School System, James W. Spring, a native of Baldwinsville, N. Y. (near Syracuse).

This is his first year as a teacher. He formerly was involved in volunteer work for three years at the Michigan School for the Blind. His wife, Christine, is a student at Michigan State University in special education for the blind. The couple live at 7285 Trout Lake Drive, East Lansing.

Spring attended MSU studying in fisheries and wildlife. He is a member of the National Fisheries Assn., Canadian Board of Fisheries, and Cornell Fisheries Assn., as well as the Michigan Education Assn.

Hobbies and outside interest include hunting, especially for raccoon, fishing and working with dogs. He also devotes a great deal of time to work with blind children.



### CCN copies fly to men in Vietnam

Service men in Vietnam are receiving their copies of the Clinton County News just as fast as the post office can get them there - by air mail.

Under Public Law 89-725 - the Dulski Military Mail Act signed by President Johnson Nov. 2 - second-class publications such as newspapers and magazines published weekly or more often, and featuring current news of interest to the military, will be airtailed from San Francisco to the armed forces serving in Vietnam.

## News About Clinton County - Service Personnel -

Pvt. DENNIS A. HILLER, 20, son of Mr and Mrs Allen R. Hiller, R-2, Kinley Road, Ovid, completed eight weeks of advanced artillery training Dec. 15 at the Army Artillery and Missile School, Ft. Sill, Okla.

He was trained as a cannoneer in field artillery.

His training included maintenance and firing of artillery guns, howitzers and heavy machine guns. Instruction was also given in ammunition handling and communications.

During his last week of training, he participated in day and night firing exercises.

Army 2nd Lt. WALTER L. MORRILL, 22, son of Mr and Mrs Gaylord T. Morrill, 15377 Lake Drive, Bath, participated in a four-week field training exercise conducted by the 3rd Armored Division near Hohenfels, Germany.

During the exercise, which ended Dec. 5, he took part in weapons firing and tactical maneuvers as part of an Army program to maintain the combat proficiency of his unit.

Lt. Morrill is a platoon leader in Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion of the division's 48th Infantry near Gelnhausen.



Pvt. TERRY GRIFFITH, son of Mr and Mrs Merlyn Griffith of 802 Church Street, St. Johns, has been promoted to the rank of Specialist 4th Class of the 1st Cavalry Division in Vietnam.

Sp. 4 Griffith is a 1964 graduate of Rodney B. Wilson High School. Prior to induction he was employed as assistant manager at the Eberhardts Store in St. Johns.

He was inducted Dec. 7, 1965, and received his basic training

at Fort Knox, Ky. He continued schooling at Fort Carson, Colo. He was transferred to Aberdeen, Md., and graduated June 3, 1966, receiving his diploma in Ordnance Supply.

He was ordered to Vietnam August 23rd and is now in charge of the division's motor pool. He is stationed near Hamens, 60 miles from Saigon.

His address now is: Sp 4 Terry Griffith/US 55865 241/Hq. Co. 2/8 Cav. / 1st Div./APO San Francisco, Calif. 96049

Army Pvt L. LEHNER, 18, son of Mr and Mrs Oren Lehner, R-1 Hubbardston was assigned to the 565th Transportation Company in Vietnam, Dec. 5.

Pvt Lehner, a stevedore in the company, entered on active duty in June 1966 and was last stationed at Ft. Lee, Va.

Pvt MICHAEL J. MORIARTY, 19, whose parents, Mr and Mrs Joseph P. Moriarty, live at 908 N. Clinton Avenue, St. Johns completed an automotive course at the Army Armor School, Ft. Knox, Ky., Dec. 9.

During the eight-week course, he was trained to maintain and repair fuel and electrical systems, engines, transmissions and chassis units of the Army's armored vehicles.

Engineman 3C DAVID A. CLEVELAND, USN, son of Mr and Mrs Myron D. Cleveland of 204 Floral Avenue, St. Johns,

is serving off the cost of Vietnam as a crewmember aboard the destroyer USS Norris.

The Norris, since her arrival on station late November, has fired nearly 60 tons of high explosives at 214 enemy targets. During a 32-hour period recently she fired 627 rounds of ammunition from 1,400 yards offshore, destroying 33 enemy structures, seven tunnels and three bunkers in addition to three sampans in nearby waters.

Cpl. DARREL L. HOEVE, son of Mr and Mrs George Hoeve of R-6, St. Johns, recently finished training in communications at Ft. Riley, Kan. He is now serving with the newly reactivated 9th Division, 1st Bn., 11th Artillery in Vietnam.

His wife, Sheila, is now residing with her parents at 302 S. Traver Street, St. Johns.

### FM BIGGEST EMPLOYER

Federal Mogul is the biggest employer in St. Johns with about 600 on the payroll. The St. Johns Public School system is the second largest employer with 240. Sealed Power is next with 200 and Saylor Beal is fourth with about 100.

### MSU COURSE HERE

Michigan State University will offer a course in child psychology in St. Johns beginning Jan. 9. Seventeen other courses will be held in Albion, Battle Creek, East Lansing, Grand Ledge, Hillsdale, Jackson and Owosso.

*As we hear again the wondrous story of Christmas, our hearts are ever gladdened, and our joy, renewed.*

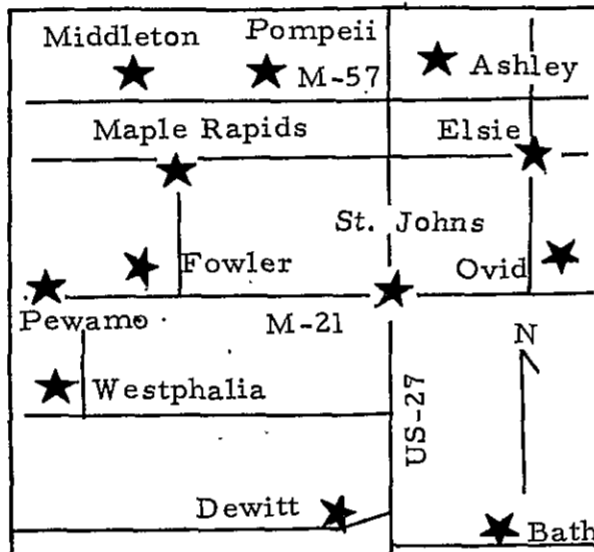
## DePeal's Music Center

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## CLINTON AREA SHOPPING GUIDE

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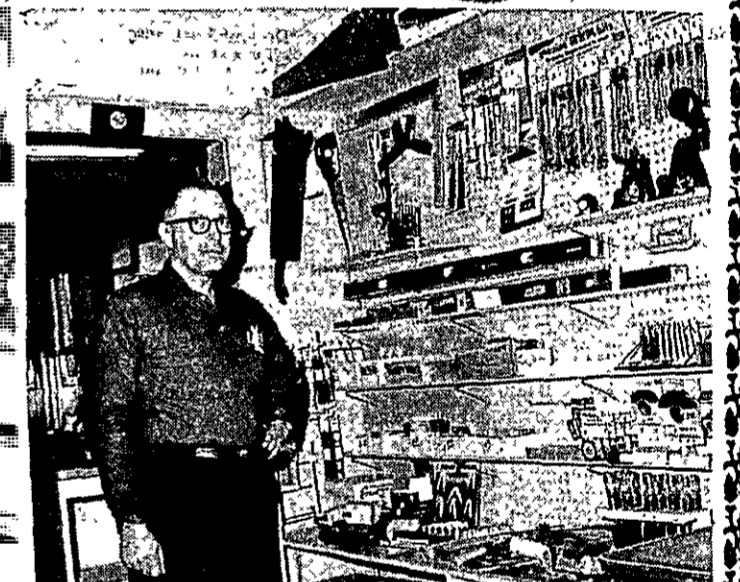
Now is the time to take that short drive and shop the Clinton area. You will find wonderful selections and many bargains from dozens of merchants who over the years have developed some of the finest shops in the area, or for that matter anywhere. Enjoy the ride and the new discoveries.



For gifts for the home or for the individual... see Lawrence Keck of Kecks Appliance in DeWitt. Appliances both large and small, TV or a dishwasher for Mother. Keck's have the ideal gifts for Christmas.



Salesmen Carroll Brown and Maynard Dodge are shown with a beautiful 3-piece chair set, an example of the beautiful furniture you'll find at Dodge Furniture in Middleton. Famous names you'll recognize in furniture and floor covering include Kroehler, Stratostorer, Mohawk, Springair, Paoli, Lloyd and Armstrong to mention a few.



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## Christmas Joy

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# "Tight money" to continue

Farmers are faced with a tight money situation, and "prospects are poor for much improvement in the near future," according to a Michigan State University agricultural economist.

In a report in "Michigan Farm Economics," Dr. John R. Brake said, "Interest rates will continue high - probably 7 to 7 1/2 per cent on short term and real estate credit. In addition, down payment requirements will be larger than last year."

**BRAKE NOTED THAT** tight money is a result of a series of events which probably began with the decision to increase the U. S. commitment in Vietnam.

increased without being offset by increased taxes (government income)," he said. "Supplies of goods and services did not keep pace with the high level of wages and salaries."

"Optimistic businessmen wanted to expand their businesses. Consumers were in a buying mood."

"Knowing that all such conditions lead to increased prices as consumers and producers bid for goods and services, the Federal Reserve Board of Governors late in the fall of 1965 initiated action to stabilize prices. They raised maximum interest rates that banks could pay on some forms of long term savings."

"THIS ACTION WAS taken to encourage saving by those with funds. It also raised interest rates to discourage borrowing. As a result, banks raised their interest rates on long term savings and on loans to their customers."

Brake noted that farmers, like other businessmen, have been affected by tight money. Credit

has been harder to obtain and more costly.

Then, how long will money remain tight? Brake said that depends on government action on taxes and spending and on the mood of the public.

"If taxes are increased and/or government spending decreased substantially, monetary controls could be eased. Or, if the public mood were to become less in-

clined toward expansion and borrowing, the demand for money would ease and interest rates should drop.

"But," Brake added, "with the continued effort in Vietnam, the 'Great Society' programs, and strong demand for goods and services, it is difficult to see much easing of credit in the next six months or so."

## Aglime tonnage increases

The National Limestone Institute's survey of agricultural liming materials applied to the farmland of this nation in 1965 shows the highest usage in 15 years. This figure has been exceeded only three times in the nation's history - 1946, 1947 and 1950.

These three years preceded the de-emphasis of using Agricultural Conservation Program funds for this important mineral product. Because of crop surpluses and changes in the concept of the role of agricultural limestone in conserving the nation's soils, the decade 1953 - 1962 stands out as a period when aglime usage fluctuated from 19 to 23 million tons as compared to a peak of over 30 million tons in 1947 and an estimated annual need of 80 million tons.


riculture's leaders - the colleges of agriculture, the Extension Service with its county agents, the fertilizer and limestone industries, agricultural publications, and others are paying off by the greater usage of agricultural limestone on the nation's farms. The continued efforts of these groups will increase the usage of this ever increasingly important mineral product in the years to come.

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### Upton elected to ASC unit

Verne Upton of Essex Township was elected to the Clinton County ASC Committee at the county convention last Thursday. He replaces Charles Smith of Essex, who retired from the committee.

Victor Clark of Eagle Township was elected first alternate, and Neil Barnhart of Bingham was named second alternate.

Other members of the committee are Lawrence Hart of Bath Township, chairman, and Leon Schumaker of Riley Township, vice chairman.

### USDA activity calendar

Jan. 4: Farm management workshop on income tax, Earl Haas in charge, Smith Hall, 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Jan. 7: St. Johns Co-Op annual meeting at Smith Hall, 12 noon.

Jan. 9: Adult farmer class on income tax, Earl Haas in charge, St. Johns High School vo-ag room, 8 p.m.

Jan. 11: Farm management workshop, H1 Brown in charge, Smith Hall, 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Jan. 14: Holstein Breeders annual meeting at Smith Hall, 12 noon.

Jan. 18: Farm management workshop, H1 Brown in charge, Smith Hall, 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Jan. 25: Farm management workshop, Earl Haas in charge, Smith Hall, 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Jan. 30: Adult farmer class on farm records, Earl Haas in charge, Ovid high school building, 8 p.m.

### Brooks, Darling reelected as PCA directors

H. L. Brook of East Lansing and Paul Darling of Owosso were reelected to three-year terms as directors of the production Credit Assn. of Lansing at the annual stockholders meeting Dec. 8.

Over 500 members and guests attended. Mark R. Westbrook, president, of Ionia, was chairman.

Herbert VanAken of Eaton Rapids reported for the board of directors, and Arnold K. Musolf of East Lansing, secretary-manager of the association, gave the financial report. He stated that the Lansing association loaned over \$12 million to its farmer members this past year.

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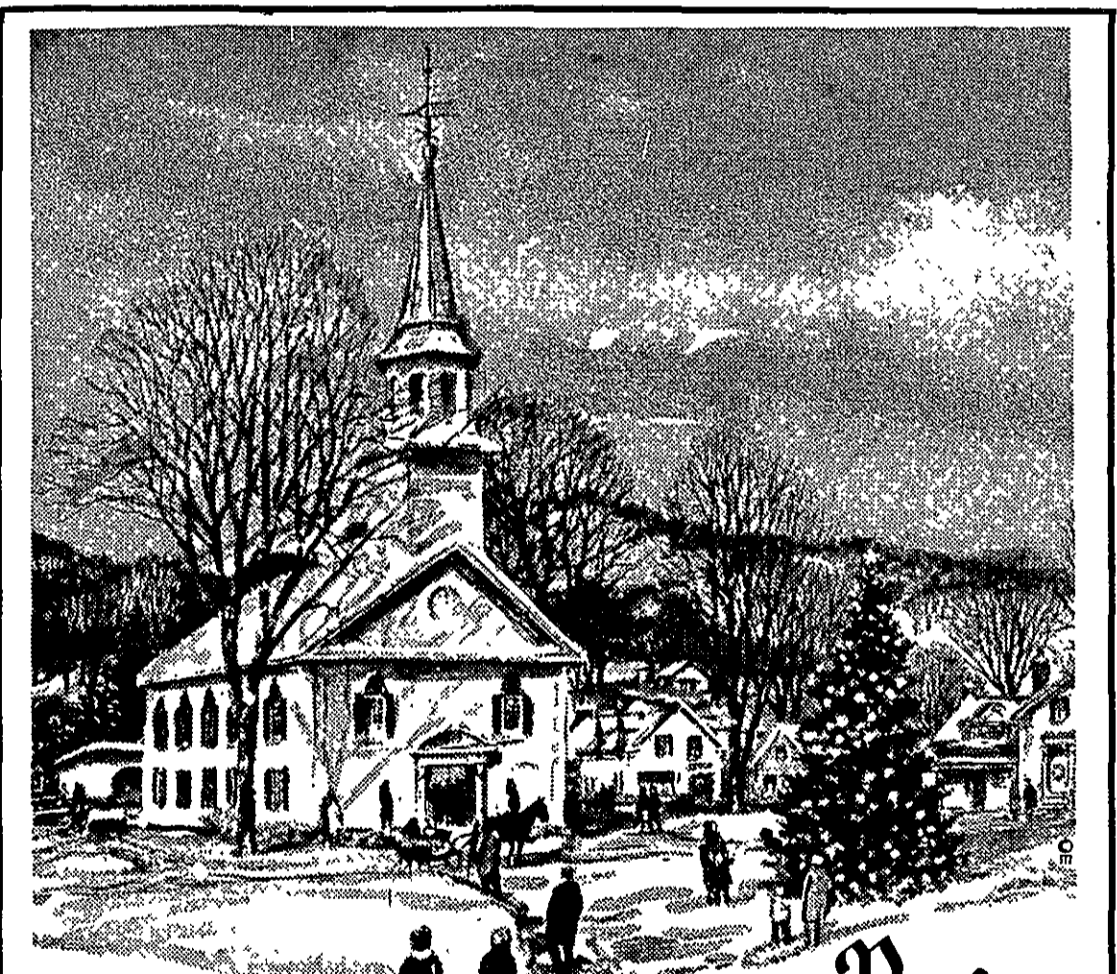


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# Planets, not 'star', may have guided wise men long ago

The "star" said to have guided the Wise Men to Bethlehem may have been a conjunction of the planets Mars, Jupiter and Saturn, according to University of Michigan astronomer Hazel M. Losh. "In the year 7 B.C. a close grouping of the three planets meeting in the constellation of Pisces could have had some real significance," said Professor Losh.

"Such an arresting figure most certainly would have drawn the attention of astrologers who would have attached mystical meaning to the appearance."

BECAUSE OF THE uncertainty of the early calendar, Professor Losh believes 7 B.C. may not have been too early for the observation of this phenomenon associated with Christ's birth.

"The Christmas celebration," she said, "most likely was set to agree with the early pagan festival attendant upon the rejoicing in the turning northward of the sun at the winter solstice, and the promise of the return from the cold bleak temperatures to warmer weather."

This year the winter solstice occurs just three days before Christmas—on Thursday, Dec. 22, at 2:29 a.m. At that instant, the sun will be at the most southerly point it reaches in its apparent journey. We will then have the shortest day of the year—9 hours—and the longest night—15 hours.

ACTUALLY, Professor Losh added, at this time of the year we are closer to the sun, but the rays are hitting obliquely and with less force.

Christmas will also have some striking and colorful constellations accompanying it, she said. The large five-sided figure of Auriga with the bright yellow star, Capella, will rise soon after sunset. Taurus, symbolized by a great letter V, will rise about the same time with its orange eye, Aldebaran, at the lower point.

Adding to this array will be Jupiter coming over the eastern horizon about three hours after the sun sets. It rises below and almost in line with Castor and Pollux in the constellation Gemini.

To the immediate right of Jupiter as it rises will be Procyon in Canis Minor and, farther right and southwest, will be the brightest star in the sky, Sirius, in Canis Major.

AMID THESE brilliant figures, said Professor Losh, interest centers mostly around Orin with the two dogs and the hare, Lepus, below him. "Those who devised the constellations evidently intended to depict a hunting scene with the dogs pursuing the hare and the hare, in turn, crouching low and close to Orin, the hunter, seeking his protection."

The "beard" of the bearded dragon lizard is a spiky fringe that opens, umbrella-like, round its head in moments of excitement.

## Across the Years, Music Reflects Holiday Joy, As Carolers Sing Traditional Songs of Christmas



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"Carol, brothers, carol. Carol joyfully. With the coming of Christmas, almost everyone accepts the injunction of the old song to 'carol joyfully.' From special church services to family gatherings, a 'carol sing' is a traditional pleasure.

The custom of singing carols at holiday time is an ancient one—begun, perhaps, even before the first Christmas, at celebrations such as the Roman Saturnalia.

Modern interest in music, and in learning to play musical instruments, has given carol singing a healthy boost. In most homes, at least one member of the family can be depended on to provide instrumental accompaniment for carols—and the instrument may vary from the old favorite piano to the currently popular guitar.

Music in any form has long been especially beloved as a means of expressing Christmas joy. Early Christian believers were forced to worship in secret—and therefore, quietly. Then, in the fifth and sixth centuries, Christianity came out of the catacombs—and exultation for freedom of worship was expressed in the glad ringing of church bells.

Early hymns and carols, however, were in Latin. Carol singing in its modern form—in the common language of the country—probably originated in 1223, when St. Francis introduced the first realistic replica of the manger scene, in the little town of Greccio, Italy.

From this beginning, the practice of erecting a creche or crib soon became a Christmas tradition in many towns. Around the representation of the first Christmas, villagers gathered to marvel, pray and sing. Often, the creche was constructed in a churchyard or on a public street. Thus it was natural for the worshippers to stroll away from the devotional service—formal or informal—and continue singing the beloved carols as they made their way home.

This spontaneous action may well have led to the custom of going from place to place to sing carols. And the more music, the better, was the rule. Any musical instrument, however humble, was a welcome addition and accompaniment.

In later centuries, the "wassailing" or "gooding" expeditions helped the growth of caroling. Singers went from house to house, receiving treats as rewards for carols.

Even oppression could not put an end to carol singing. When the Puritans abolished Christmas observances in England, printed sheets of carols were bootlegged for a penny. And poets and musicians went right on composing carols, as they do today.

### Kincaid District

Mrs Porter C. Parks

Russ Sullivan of Lansing visited his parents, Mr and Mrs Don Sullivan.

Peter Rothstein was in an automobile accident last Friday evening. He is in Lansing General Hospital.

Mr and Mrs William Stafford and sons of Muskegon visited Mr and Mrs Don DuMond and family last Sunday evening.

Mrs. Tillie Hooker and Mrs. Gusta Wirth of Grand L edge visited Mrs Don DuMond last Tuesday.

Mr and Mrs Don Potts returned from their Florida honeymoon last Thursday evening.

Mr and Mrs Don Potts were last Saturday night supper guests of Mr and Mrs Archibald Potts, and were visitors in the same home at Dimondale the following evening.

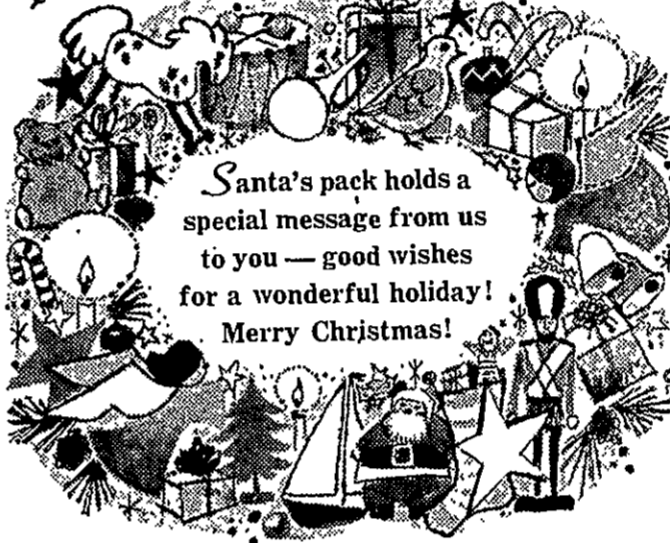
Mr and Mrs Elmer Hardenburg and Stuart, Mr and Mrs Harvey Hoerner and Jill and Mr and Mrs Don Potts visited Mr and Mrs Harold Hoerner last Sunday.

Harold Hoerner accompanied a friend to Muncie, Indiana.

Mr and Mrs Don Potts visited Mr and Mrs Roger Potts last Friday afternoon at Lansing.

E. G. Parks and children visited Mr and Mrs Eldoris Hahn last Sunday.

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### MORE BRICKWORK ON NEW COURTHOUSE WING

Second-floor work on the new Clinton County Courthouse east wing got under way last week, with bricklayers building up the walls with blocks and brick, despite cold, grey skies. Note the little stoves on the scaffolds, used to keep the mortar from freezing.

## Year-around turkey supply is research aim

Odds are three to one that the last turkey you ate in Michigan came from out of state.

But scientists, with the aid of the Upper Peninsula's cool climate, hope to reduce these odds considerably.

Starting in February an expanded turkey research program will begin at Michigan State University's agricultural experiment station at Chatham. During the months that follow, MSU poultry scientists, under the direction of Dr. John Wolford, will test the feasibility of producing turkey eggs at times during the year when turkeys do not lay eggs in the South.

WOLFORD EXPLAINS that high temperatures curtail egg production in the early spring months in many of the South's leading turkey egg producing states such as Texas and the Carolinas. He feels that the cooler temperatures in the Upper Peninsula may allow year-round egg hatching and provide continuous supplies of turkeys of various sizes.

"We know of no turkeys being raised in the Upper Peninsula," said Wolford. "This should be an advantage. A lack of turkeys also means no 'turkey diseases' that can be spread to other flocks." Research at the Chatham re-

search experiment station will include studies of controlled breeding (for hatching at different times of the year), physiology, nutrition and other factors related to the efficient production of high quality birds.

WOLFORD NOTED that Michigan's potential for expanding turkey production be exemplified by looking at the past records of Minnesota and Wisconsin states with climate and feed situations similar to Michigan. They have expanded production 43 and 93 percent, respectively, in the past seven years.

The potential Michigan market, at 7 pounds per person per year, is about 3 3/4 million birds for the state's 8 million consumers. Today Michigan produces only about one-third that number. Also, the northeast U.S. market is within reach of Michigan's potential supply.

### Extension offers new guides on farm taxes

The Clinton County Cooperative Extension office in the courthouse now has copies of the farm income tax guides, which will be distributed free to farmers wanting them.

Further information on farm income taxes will be presented at a farm management meeting on income tax Jan. 4 at Smith Hall, with Extension Agent F. Earl Haas in charge. Income tax will be discussed during the afternoon session; the morning meeting will take up other farm subjects including workmen's compensation.

### SELLS ANGUS BULLS

Stanley Geller of St. Johns recently sold an Aberdeen-Angus bull each to Russell Bauerle of DeWitt and Harley Avery of Grand Ledge.

## Farmers Week opens Jan. 30

Michigan State University's annual Farmers' Week is scheduled for Jan. 30 to Feb. 3, 1967.

The big mid-winter educational event for farmers and farm families will have its usual features and some new ones, according to Byron Good, general chairman.

Two new buildings will be used for the first time for the event. Forestry, conservation, water resources and rural recreation meetings will be held in the new natural resources building. It is located on South Campus, south of Anthony Hall on Farm Lane and Wilson Road.

Poultry and rabbit meetings will be held at the new Poultry Research Center on Jolly Road, more than a mile south of the main campus, near I-96.

Among the featured speakers will be Dr. Paul A. Miller, assistant secretary of health, education and welfare. Dr. Miller spent 15 years at MSU serving as director of the Michigan Cooperative Extension Service, vice-president, and provost. From 1962 to last summer he was president of the University of West Virginia. He will speak at the annual farm management banquet on Thursday, Feb. 2.

Programs are scheduled for all types of farming and special youth and women's events are also planned.

Most people who boast they can keep a secret are the ones who keep it in loose-lip form.

## Christmas Wishes

Holiday time is a house filled with gladness, the happy lilt of welcoming voices. May this be yours on Christmas.

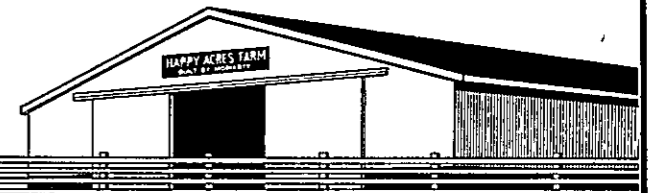


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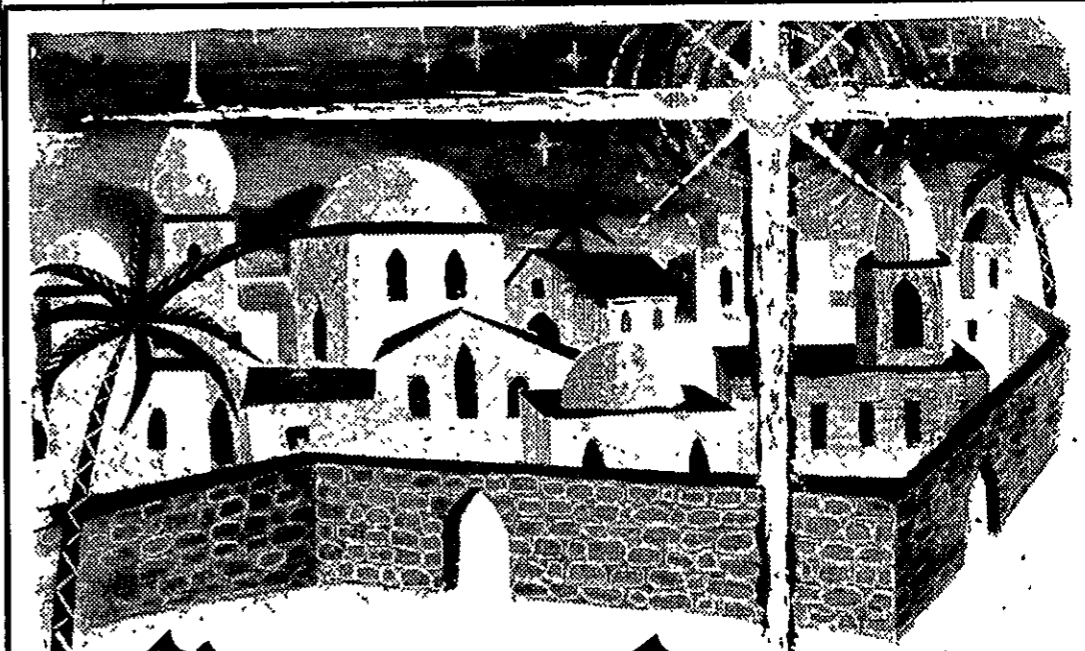
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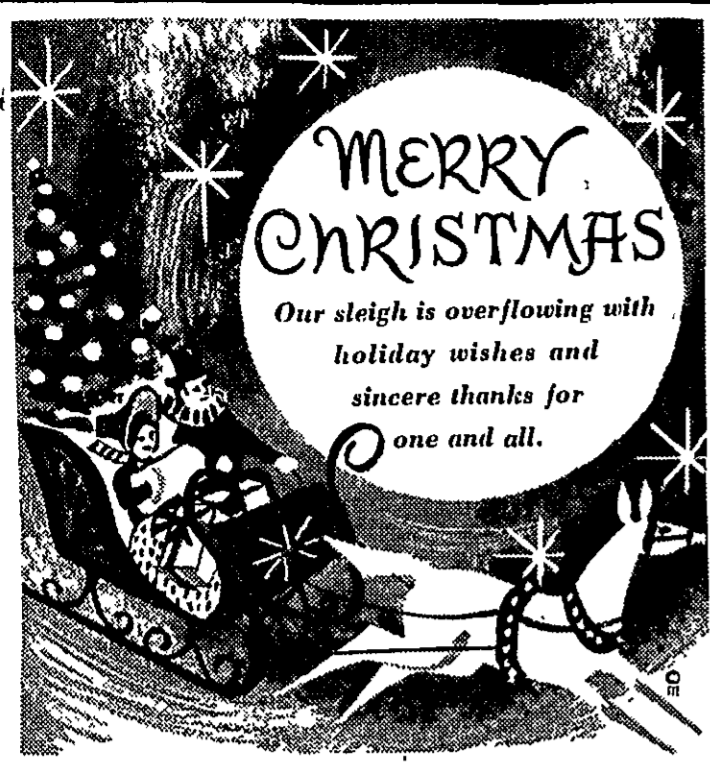
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# Havens to head DHIA, records show county dairy production up

Mervin Chamberlain of Ovid and Eugene Havens of St. Johns were reelected to the board of directors of the Clinton County Dairy Herd Improvement Assn. at the group's recent annual meeting.

Later, at a meeting of directors Dec. 13, Havens was chosen as president of the association for the coming year. Leon Miller was named vice president and Bill Brook secretary.

The annual meeting featured reports that showed Clinton County DHIA testers were doing better than the state average. Several trophies were awarded for farmers whose herds and cows were the top producers.



EUGENE HAVENS New DHIA president

year-old, 30-35 months, Laweda Farms, owner, 18,056 pounds of milk and 647 pounds of butterfat.

fat; junior three-year-old, 36-41 months, Charles Bracey, owner, 14,341 pounds of milk and 710 pounds of butterfat; senior three-year-old, 42-47 months, Duane and Velmer Green, owners, 21,903 pounds of milk and 899 pounds of butterfat; four-year-old, 48-59 months, Harold Bracey, owner, 21,097 pounds of milk and 809 pounds of butterfat; five-year-old and over, Charles Bracey, owner, 19,276 pounds of milk and 955 pounds of butterfat.

13,123 pounds of milk and 472 pounds of butterfat, compared to the state average of 12,248 pounds of milk and 451 pounds of butterfat.

If ladies' styles follow their present trend, the next creation may be a gownless evening strap.



Those who would a-wassailing go on Christmas Day are indebted to Henry VII. The English king introduced the drink of hot ale and spices from the Scandinavian countries in the 1400's.

THERE WERE 54 herd completing DHIA testing in 1966, two more than the year before. The total number of cows completing testing numbered 3,010, compared to 2,920 a year earlier.

On owner sampler records, there were 41 herds (down three from last year, and 1,546 cows (one more than last year) completing testing. On owner-sampler records, the county averaged

THE AVERAGE Clinton County cow completing testing produced 13,373 pounds of milk and 482 pounds of butterfat in 1966, compared to the state average of 12,686 pounds of milk and 471 pounds of butterfat. In both cases, particularly with Clinton County, the averages were considerably higher than in 1965.

In other categories Clinton was better than the state. Pounds of milk received per pound of grain was 3.0 in Clinton and 2.8 statewide. Feed cost per hundred-weight of milk was \$1.56 in Clinton and \$1.68 statewide. Clinton farmers got a return of \$2.79 per \$1 of feed, while the state average was \$2.64.

Trophy winners were Charles Bracey of R-1, Ovid, for high herd under 35 cows; Laweda Farms of R-2, St. Johns, for high herd over 35 cows; Green Meadow Farms of Elsie for high cow on a mature equivalent basis; and Dana Sue Hazle of R-5, St. Johns, for high 4-H dairy cow.

BRACEY'S 28-COW herd had an actual production of 16,248 pounds of milk and 572 pounds of butterfat. Laweda Farms' 50-cow herd had an actual production average of 16,015 pounds of milk and 576 pounds of butterfat. Green Meadows' high cow had 24,093 pounds of milk and 989 pounds of butterfat.

Fifteen herds were reported with five-year averages of over 500 pounds of butterfat. They were herds of Charles Bracey 572 pounds, Harold Bracey 559, William Mayers 559, Rostan Mehney 555, Francis Motz 540, Dale Anderson 537, Robert Wilcox 529, Ed DeLamater 523, Laweda Farms 517, Robert Borton 510, George Smith 509, Robert Reese and Son 507, Leon Miller 506, Mervin Chamberlain 506 and Oscar Simon 502.

ACTUAL PRODUCTION by cows in various age groups, based on 305-day lactation records completed during the year, show the following top animals: Junior two-year-old, 24-29 months, Charles Bracey, owner, 14,140 pounds of milk and 665 pounds of butterfat; senior two-

## ASC PROGRAM

### Lots of interest in Cropland Adjustment



W. M. SMITH County ASC Manager

We are getting a lot more requests to retire cropland under the 1967 Cropland Adjustment Program than was anticipated. Our requests are more than double the funds allocated to our county to date. However, there is a possibility that our allocation may be increased.

Cropland adjustment agreements will be approved in the same order that requests are made. Unless a lot more funds are made available a number of farmers are going to be disappointed.

THE 1967 FEED grain signup will begin about Jan. 30 and run

through March 3.

There is a change in the feed grain program for the producers who have a base over 25 acres and intend to plant some corn; these producers cannot earn a diversion payment. However, they will be eligible for price support payments on 50 per cent of their feed grain base if this amount is planted.

Notices of feed grain bases, yields, and payment rates will be mailed around the middle of January. We have been informed that the notices will be mailed to us about Jan. 8. The notices will be completed and mailed

to feed grain producers as soon as possible.

FEED GRAIN producers going out of the state and not returning before the close of signup should have their mail forwarded or stop at our office and give us their address. We will mail an application upon request to those who cannot come to the ASCS county office.

I want to remind wool and lamb producers that Dec. 31, 1966 is the end of the wool marketing year for the wool incentive program. All receipts for shorn wool and unshorn lambs sold in 1966 must be submitted to our office for payment before the end of January 1967.

I want to urge everyone who has sold or purchased farm land to report it to our office as soon as possible. This will avoid delay when you come to our office and want to participate in a program. Farm reconstitutions take considerable time to complete and a large number at one time will delay program participation.

## Paint trees to prevent damage

If you see a fruit grower painting the trunks of young trees with a white paint, don't think he's ready for the psychiatrist.

This fruit grower is just trying his best to produce some homegrown apricots for your table.

Michigan State University researchers have found that painting the trunk of young apricot trees with latex-based white paint helps keep the southwest side of the trunk from becoming very warm on sunny days in late fall and winter and then suffering

because of night-time freezes. Alternate freezing and thawing injures the bark and wood and permits wood-destroying fungi to gain entrance and cause a large canker.

MSU SCIENTISTS warn orchard men against using oil-based paint containing turpentine or oil which would kill or seriously injure the trees. Whitewash formulas were tried but will not last throughout the winter and will give inadequate coverage of the trunks by late January.

Led by Stanley Johnston, who developed the famous Haven varieties of peaches, Michigan State University horticulturists have made considerable progress in developing apricot varieties that are adapted to Michigan conditions. Two Michigan varieties, South Haven 6 and Curtis, are now available for planting from Michigan tree nurseries. Horticulturists, however, suggest planting a limited number of trees as they consider apricot growing in Michigan still in the trial stage.

A new Michigan State University publication, Extension Service Bulletin 533, gives full information on "Growing Apricots in Michigan." It is available from the Bulletin Office, Michigan State University or from county Extension offices.

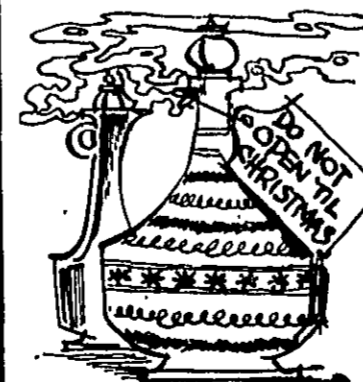
## NFO plans booth at farm show

The Clinton County NFO voted last Tuesday to have a booth at the St. Johns Chamber of Commerce's big Auto, Farm, Home and Sports Show.

Kris Gage reported on the resolutions and also reported about the tremendous crowd reaction when it was resolved to have a milk holding action. She also reported that a milk holding action got unanimous support at the national convention.

Elmer Smith, who represented the 3rd District on the by-laws committee, gave his report. The main changes were that a state must have 20 chartered counties before they can have a director and a district must have five chartered counties before it can have a member on the committees.

It was decided to have another meeting today (Thursday, Dec. 22) to make further plans to hold milk. Anyone who is interested in attending the meeting is welcome. Paul Zammeron reported present plans are to drop milk 38 cents cwt. next month.



Nowadays it's model trains and dolls, slippers and ties, but the first Christmas gifts were gold, frankincense and myrrh, the gifts of the three wise men to the Christ Child. Frankincense is a fragrant gum resin used in making incense, and myrrh is a bitter, gumlike substance used in making incense or perfumes.



Christmas is a time for family and friends... for exchanging gifts and greetings... for a spirit glowing with good will. May we express our thanks, with best wishes for a happy holiday.

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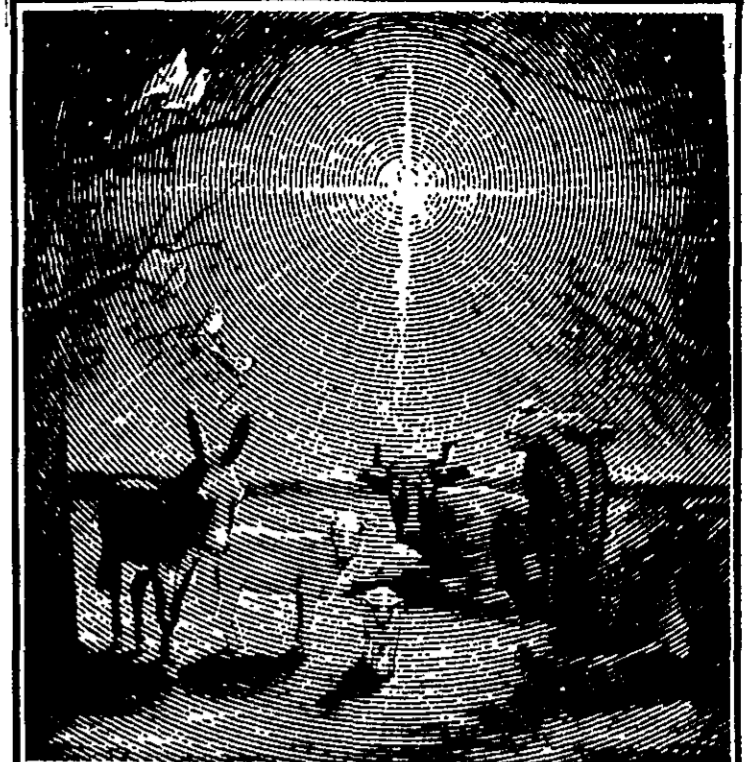
Peaceful as a countryside wrapped in snowy white, the quiet contentment of Christmas spreads across the land. We greet you with the wish that great joy may be yours at this happy, holy time. And with sincere thanks, we extend to you our great appreciation for your favors and friendly good will.

## CLINTON COUNTY FARM BUREAU

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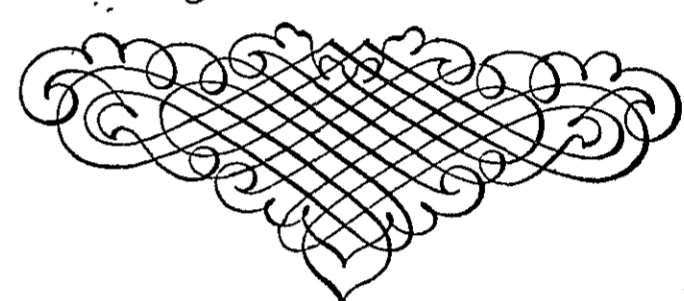
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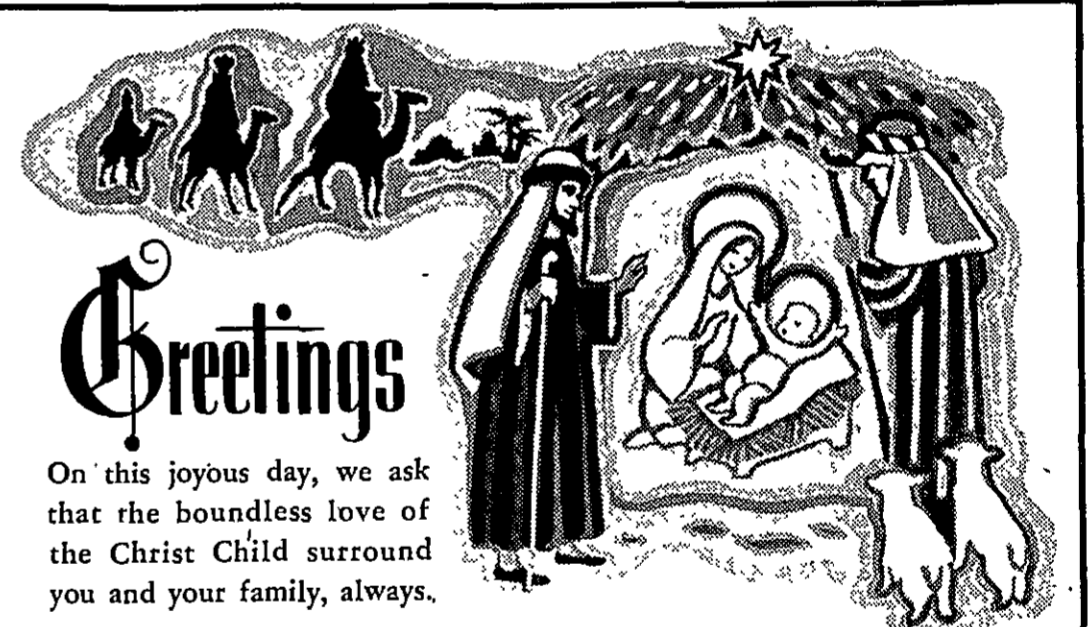
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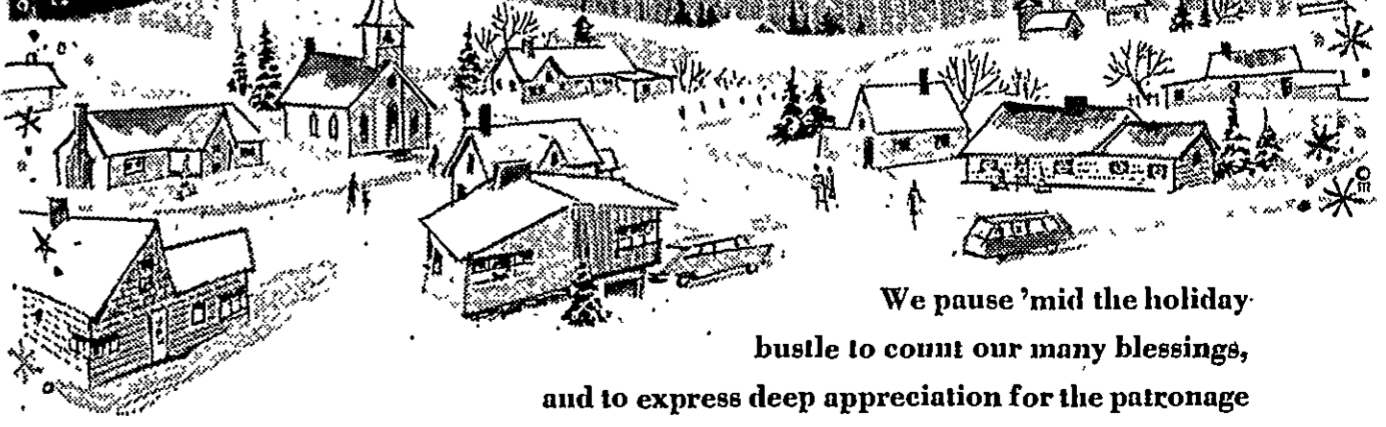
# Greetings

On this joyous day, we ask that the boundless love of the Christ Child surround you and your family, always.

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Frank Chapko and Ernie Heinze ELSIE, MICH.

# Christmas Greetings



We pause 'mid the holiday bustle to count our many blessings, and to express deep appreciation for the patronage you have given us. To you and yours, our fondest Christmas greetings!

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EDITORIAL PAGE

A simple story of Christianity

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be enrolled. This was the first enrollment, when Quirinius was governor of Syria. And all went to be enrolled, each to his own city.

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child.

And while they were there, the time came for her to be delivered. And she gave birth to her first born son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

And in that region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with fear. And the angel said to them, "Be not afraid, for behold, I bring you good news of a great joy which will come to

all the people; for to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a babe wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger."

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace among men with whom he is pleased!"

When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us."

And they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they saw it they made known the saying which had been told them concerning this child; and all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them. But Mary kept all these things, pondering them in her heart.

And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

-Luke 2:1-20 (RSV)

Turn the hungry days into days of new hope

This is the season we watch the calendar - just so many days left for shopping, for mailing Christmas cards, for arranging holiday parties with our families and friends.

To half the people on earth, dates mean nothing. Tomorrow will be like today and yesterday - days of hunger and suffering. World leaders warn that the gap between food supplies and people in the underdeveloped countries may lead to mass starvation.

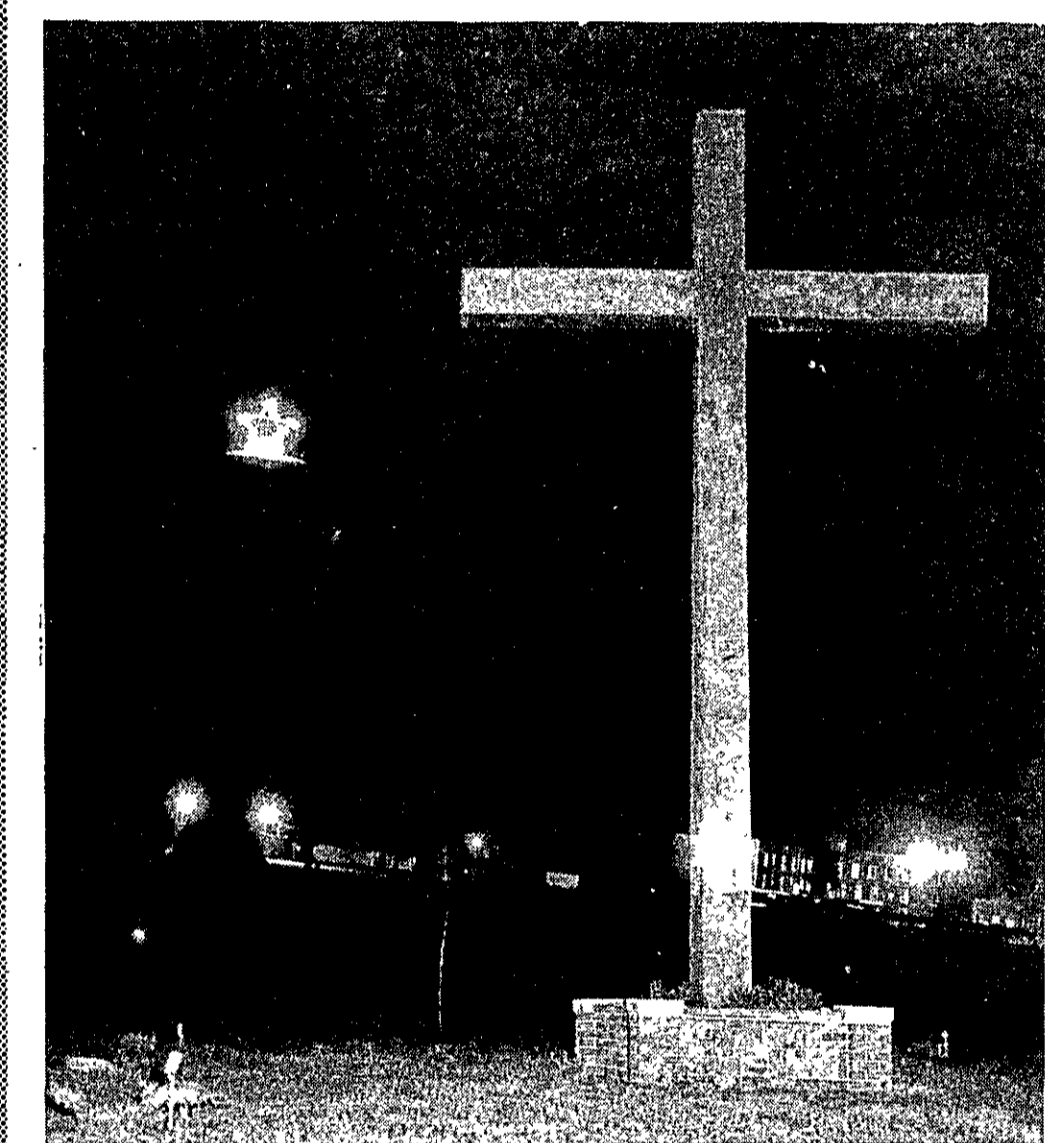
"The United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization says: "The world food situation is now more precarious than at any time since the period of acute shortage immediately after the Second World War."

The holiday-season CARE Food Crusade appeal offers a way for Americans to help, with gifts in the true spirit of goodwill and concern for mankind. By combining public contributions, U.S. donations of farm foods and host government support toward local costs, CARE seeks to feed 40,000,000 persons in 32 countries during the coming year, in the name of the American people.

To complete this plan CARE needs \$6,500,000, to provide 6,500,000 food packages at a dollar per package. The gifts will nourish famine victims in India, war victims in South Vietnam, helpless children and despairing adults on four continents from Latin America to Africa. You can turn their hungry days into days of new life and hope. Mail your check to: CARE Food Crusade, Guardian Building, Detroit 48226.

DID YOU EVER NOTICE that when a concern gets the "Let 'er slide" attitude toward its work, customers begin to slide across the street to its competitor?

SEVERAL INTERSECTIONS around St. Johns have street signs that have been turned by someone mischievous so that the names on the signs are not aligned with the proper streets. It would be a small task for homeowners on the affected corners to turn the signs back the way they belong.



Signs of Christian St. Johns

COUNTRY FLAVOR

A tree and a star



HAYDN PEARSON

On the day before Christmas, a man and his son took an axe and climbed the pasture slope. They went through the maple sugar grove and into the belt of evergreens on the hill above to get the tree.

Gray day or bright, it was a sanctuary among the trees. The air was fragrant with resin; the needled branches made music as the breeze passed through them. Sometimes there was a cover of snow and one could read stories in the whiteness;

sometimes the ground was bare and the brown needles made a soft carpet.

One searched for just the right tree, a seven-foot spruce with symmetrical branches and a strong top spike to hold a white star to represent Him who came to earth long ago with a message to guide men. When the tree was set in its box in the living room, decorated with red paper bells, shining silver balls and strands of cranberries and popcorn, father stood on a chair and fastened the Star.

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I also want to send a special wish to my senior classmates, that were so nice to me. I know most of them are at college, but nevertheless I hope that somehow

it will reach them. But for you, that are spending Christmas vacations at home, take my wish of a prosperous and happy New Year. Our summer vacations are already here and everybody is leaving to the beach. I have to attend the university till ends of January. But afterwards I'll rush down to the beach. I like my studying a lot, and for the moment I'm doing well at it. Hope everybody in town is fine. I'd love to hear from you. Lots of love and best wishes from

PAT BLUMGRUND Ayacucho 740 5/11 Buenos Aires Capital Federal Argentina

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RAMBLIN' with Rink

By LOWELL G. RINKER



We're told that in days gone by, the coming of Christmas had a much different meaning than it has today. It meant the family gathering at grandmother's on Christmas Eve, and in the merriest of fashions putting up the Christmas tree-freshly cut from the woods by the men.

It meant the youngsters slyly nibbling at popcorn as they gaily put it on the strings to wrap around the tree. The ladies would put the tinsel and bulbs on and everyone would join in dangling icicles from the very tips of the limbs. Oh, what fun when the whole family met for Christmas.

SLOWLY THE house would grow quiet, and the crackling logs in the fireplace would dim to glowing embers. Even the children, so boisterous earlier, were now quiet - scarcely breathing lest they not hear Santa Claus arrive. But sleep always came on the falling snow, and always before Santa did. Christmas morning always started early, even before that tasty breakfast of pancakes, bacon and eggs. The house was a shambles of torn and scat-

tered wrapping paper. No one could help but laugh and be gay - the family was together at Christmas.

BY THE TIME everybody started home late Christmas Day, the spirit of that day and its joys and meaning were locked in the heart of each person.

But times change, and people drift apart. There are three cars per family now, and everybody takes off in a different direction. When a few dog together in one spot for a "traditional" Christmas, the early Eve is spent in front of the TV, dimly backlit by Christmas decorations that have up for weeks.

About 9 p.m., perhaps, the gifts are opened. Some families, however, do yet wait for Christmas morning to open theirs. Whatever the case, the Christmas morning after the late movie the night before is usually late in starting. The

family eats breakfast in shifts and the men resume their positions in front of the TV to watch the Christmas Day pro football games.

BY THE TIME the gathering breaks up, spent flash-bulbs reveal the only way this Christmas will be remembered. Everybody leaves for home, happy in their own way.

Let it always be this way, even though it's not the same happiness felt in the days gone by. It is a superficial happiness of the Superficial Sixties, but it provides us with a respite from life's drag.

Let's grab this chance and accept the Christmas spirit, not for what it is in our commercialized environment, but for what it could be and for what it has been in the past.

Have a merry Christmas.

-rink

from the HOPPER

By STEVE HOPKO



In two days the spirit of Christmas will be here. You have almost been able to feel it as the holiday has drawn near. Stores have been sparkling with gifts and the streets have been festooned with lights, bells and cedar rope.

THE AIR HAS been filled with the music of Christmas. The go-go sound that is labeled music today has given way to the old carols of the past. Songs like Noel, It Came Upon A Midnight Clear, plus the songs of a lighter vein such as Rudolph, The Red-Nosed Reindeer and Santa Claus Is Coming To Town.

Christmas shoppers have been on a spree as they have jammed the stores. Traffic has stepped up and parking seems to be at a minimum almost anywhere you go.

CHRISTMAS PARTIES have been in full swing. Most of these are sedate and orderly. Others throw restraint to the winds and let loose for a night of whoopee.

All this will reach a crescendo this week in the last rush to buy the forgotten or last minute gift.

AND, IN ALL this hustle and bustle, crowding and shoving there is another side to the spirit of Christmas. This side has been almost forgotten in our plans of celebration, but will return to one and all come Christmas evening. This spirit is the greatest one of all.

IT IS THAT spirit that gave us Christmas nearly 2000 years

ago in a manger in Bethlehem when the Christ child was born. Christmas is one of our greatest religious holidays. It is observed by Christian, as well as those with other beliefs and those with no beliefs at all.

THE MAJORITY of the people in the free world should and many will observe Christmas as it should be observed. . . . In the churches and cathedrals where in prayer and in song the real tribute will be paid to Christ whose birthday it is.

For this is the real, the true spirit of Christmas.

To one and all . . . My Best Wishes for a Very Merry Christmas.

-Steve

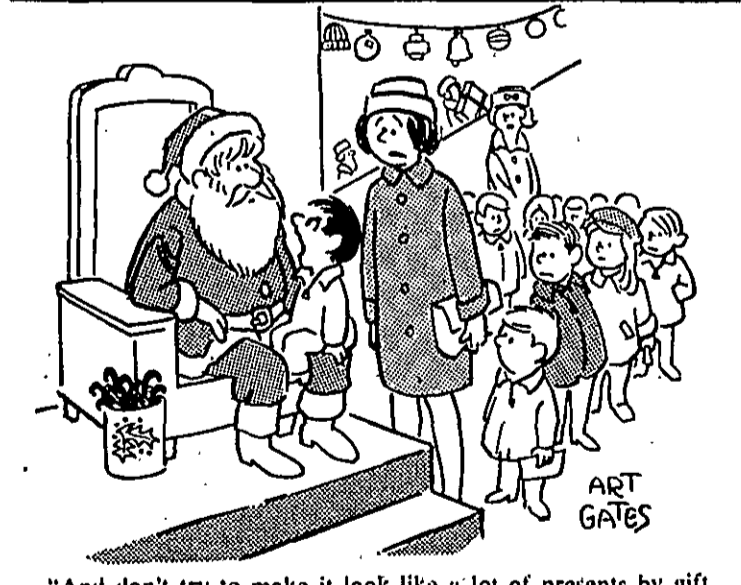
STRICTLY FRESH

The high cost of food is just another blow below the belt.



Go-go girls are just a bunch of busybodies.

More of us would be willing to lend an ear to other people's troubles if they didn't try to chew it off.



"And don't try to make it look like a lot of presents by gift wrapping things like school notebooks and apples!"



Make it None for the Road!

Be sure of a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

ANTHONY'S GENE OF MICHIGAN

GRASSROOTS OPINION

OCALA, FLA., STAR-BANNER: "An opinion survey reveals that most Americans favor a cut in federal spending rather than increased taxes as a means of controlling inflation. What this shows is that more people are becoming aware of the real cause of the rising inflation which is troubling our country today. . . . Do the politicians want us to believe that giving them more money to spend will result in a lower cost of living-that is, a dollar with more purchasing power?"

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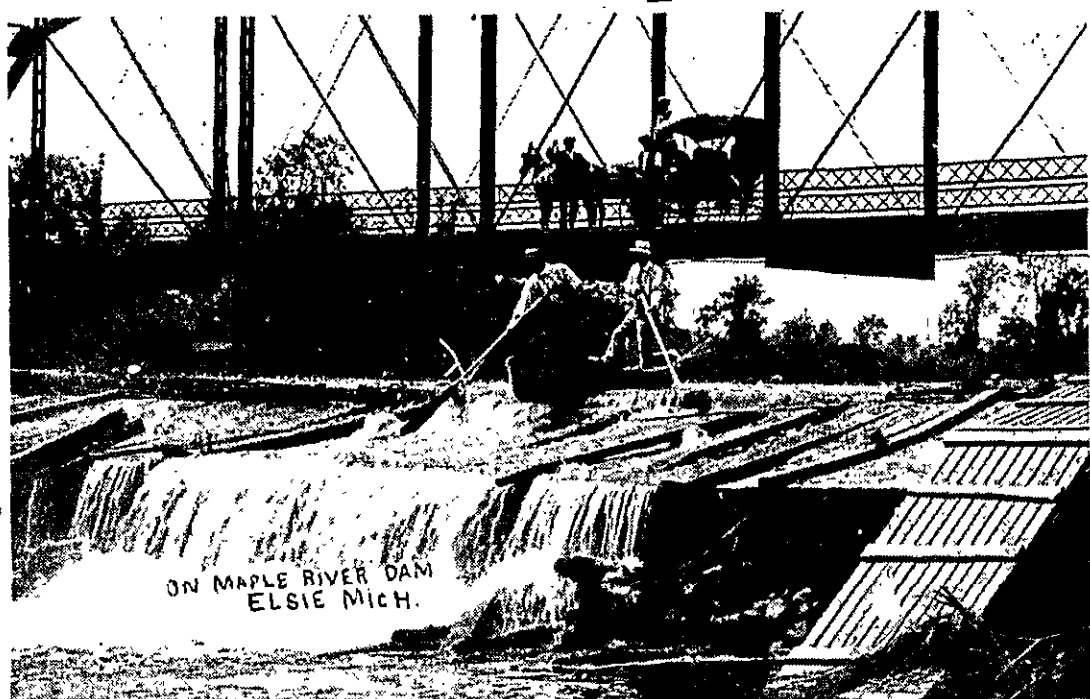
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# A look into the past . . .



ON MAPLE RIVER DAM  
ELSIE MICH.

## THE OLD, OLD DAM AT ELSIE

The Elsie bridge and Elsie dam on the Maple River has made an interesting series of pictures, and they keep coming in. Mrs Pearl Blank of St. Johns contributed this one showing the old, old dam in use before the one published last week was built. The picture is on a post card; Mrs Blank said the date is not known for sure, but it was probably about 1904. It appears the men in the canoe are sportingly "shooting the rapids."

### MICHIGAN MIRROR

## Everyone can help by taking part in 'Christmas' in Vietnam



BY ELMER E. WHITE  
Michigan Press Assn.

"Every family should give serious consideration to taking part in Michigan Christmas in Vietnam," stated Gov George Romney at a kickoff press conference where the idea was presented.

Briefly, this campaign urges Michigan citizens to demonstrate their Christmas spirit by working through one of several agencies now functioning in Vietnam to help the people and servicemen there.

"The most severe need," stated the Governor, "is for soap." He said that nearly every child needs medical attention and most of this need is related to the fact that they cannot keep clean. Soap, food and money, it is hoped, will stream to Vietnam because of Michigan people and their generosity.

NEWSPAPERS AND electronic media of the state were encouraged to get facts of the campaign to the Michigan public in time for the Dec. 18-24 special week which was proclaimed by the governor. The Michigan effort, it is hoped, will stretch well into next year.

Local Jaycee, Red Cross and religious offices are geared to work with state citizens, accepting their gifts and donations on the spot and sending them on to Vietnam.

Organizations cooperating fully in this program are:

American Friends' Service Committee, American National Red Cross, CARE, Catholic Relief Services, Christian Children's Fund, Foster Parents Plan, International Rescue Committee, Lutheran World Relief, Project Concern, USO, Vietnam Christian Service, World Medical Relief, World Rehabilitation

Fund, World University Service, and World Vision International Relief Organization, Community Development Foundation, Save the Children Federation, NAE - World Relief Commission, People-To-People Health Foundation, Inc., (Project HOPE), Seventh Day Adventist Welfare Service.

PROSPECTS FOR legislative action aimed at more effectively measuring campaign expenditures may have been enhanced by a question which arose following the November election.

It seems the report filed by former Gov. G. Mennen Williams exceeded the limit now specified by law in spending for his unsuccessful bid at the U.S. Senate seat. The report may be misleading, however.

Present law specifies that a candidate may spend \$40 for each 1,000 votes cast for gubernatorial candidates in the previous presidential year election.

AMBIGUITY IN THE LAW permits the candidate to spend this amount while any number of separate committees may also spend this much or more, depending on whether they come under the law's reporting requirement.

In the most recent election, it seems Williams' campaign workers lumped his own spending and that of several committees into one report. Thus his spending went beyond the limit of the law.

Williams' opponent, the incumbent and victorious Sen Robert Griffin (and other major office seekers for that matter) took the other route. He filed a personal spending report and individual committees working in his behalf filed separately.

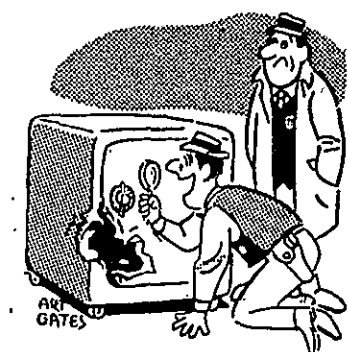
Taken together, several other candidates would have gone over the spending limit as well as Williams.

REVISION OF THIS law, which in effect is unenforceable because of its ambiguity, has been urged for several years, primarily by Secretary of State James M. Hare, whose office tries to administer this law.

Hare has contended that in addition to lacking teeth, the law's ineffectiveness is creating a situation in which only the wealthy can seek public office.

In 1948, when Williams gained his first term as governor, he spent less than \$50,000 on the campaign. In 1960, N. E. Staebler's futile bid for the same office cost him over \$175,000, and supporters of Gov George Romney spent nearly \$290,000 on his second term bid. Neither candidate reported any personal spending.

What is needed, Hare says, is a law which will require registration of all political committees working in a candidate's behalf and a firm but reasonable limitation on the overall spending.



"Ah! Here's a nice clean glove print!"

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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the burns. I stopped at his (Greer's) office, thinking he had given some thought about it and would apologize. I started our very short talk by telling him I didn't think he was a gentleman, and I still think the same way, only more so.

HE INTERRUPTED me when I asked him why the street wasn't cleaned so late in the evening. He jumped to his feet when I told him not to interrupt me when I was speaking to him and ordered me out of the office. I said to him then and I would again he may think he manages the town but he doesn't own it yet.

I stepped into the police office to explain why I was there when Ken ordered me out of that office, too. I informed him he didn't want me in his office and he could get out of the police department. I wasn't talking to him, but he kept coming back. He asked me what I wanted of him; I said "You wouldn't talk to me in your office, so get on your way." He came back again and said I took 30 minutes of his time. I wouldn't waste that much time on him.

MY SECOND SOUND-off happened last summer. I wanted to look at my tax papers. I waited over half an hour, and still they could not find them. What if I had a real estate deal on and had to have these papers to show? I never did know the reason for the delay. I know they should be available for anyone to see anytime.

When you pay hundreds of dollars in taxes each year, you should get something for your tax dollar. We are gone all day because we have a restaurant out of town and sometimes our trash and branches lay out by the curb for weeks. Why I don't know, because they are in the right containers, except for brush. We often take it to the dump ourselves to get it off the street.

I know this is a long sound off, and I hope I never will have to again, but I think if more folks would let the people know about rudeness and lack of service, we could have a better, more pleasant town to live, work or play in. I know I am only one of 6,000 people here in St. Johns, but perhaps one voice will help someone in the same situation.

DENA NORTHOUSE  
West Walker Street  
St. Johns

## Firemen's job goes thankless

MY HUSBAND HAS been a fireman for years and years and he has made countless runs to fire, drownings, calls of distress for heart, asthma, cats in trees, etc.

Every Memorial Day for years he has taken his own car and jugs of water and inhalator for the band children. He and Carl Geller have done it for years without thanks from anyone. It would be real nice to go to the lake or a long vacation, but they said the band kids needed them. Even when our girls were out of school it continued.

The only reason I even mention their good deeds is that I think the good and kind things should be brought out at times. But we hardly ever tell the good deeds that folks do for one another, just the bad. They wait for people to pass on before nice things can be said about them.

We have lived on West Walker since 1949, and all the ice storms, sleet and much worse storms, and the city had less, much less, equipment than they have now, and they managed to keep said street cleaned.

Sometimes it was below zero and some hotter than Hades, but if streets that firemen live on aren't important enough to clean, I guess it is not very important to go to the aid of people in distress in the dead of night or stormy weather.

Next time you hear a fire whistle blow when the wind is blowing hard and it's ever so cold and you are in your warm beds, think again.

DENA NORTHOUSE  
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The country with the most psychiatrists is the United States, with 17,809 practicing in a recent year.

Common sense is a sure-fire remedy for most troubles - a medicine which of all medicines is hardest to get.

## So why should adults strike holier-than-thou pose?

Young people get blamed for an awful lot of things - many rightfully so and many times without reason. The ones who are most sensitive about it are the teenagers we are all proud of. The Wilson Torch of Dec. 9 carried a letter sounding off against the criticism of teenagers, and it quoted this article by Dr James Laird. There's a lot of thinking material here for adults.

If the world is a mess, who made it so? Not young people but adults.

Who manufactures, distributes and advertises the consumption of alcoholic beverages as "the thing to do?" Adults. Who produces and makes a tidy profit of pornographic materials? Adults.

Who dreams up motion pictures that laugh at marriage and wink at extramarital sex affairs? Adults.

Who employ call girls, swap wives, keep mistresses, and look forward to out-of-town business conventions as a chance to live it up? Adults.

WHO CHEAT ON their income tax, bribe policemen and work shady business deals to make an extra buck? Adults.

Who write the dramas that exalt violence and pile up corpses on the TV screens? Adults.

So why should adults strike a holier-than-thou pose and castigate young people for their antics? Adult delinquents make juvenile delinquents. Character is contagious, and so is a lack of it. The adult world sees itself mirrored in the world of youth and is horrified at what it sees, but what it sees is merely the reflection of its own deficiencies.

Thus youth might say to their elders, "Don't tell us about the virtue of abstinence with liquor on your breath; don't talk to us about safe driving as you speed along the freeway at 85 with one eye on the rear-view mirror; don't lecture us on pornography peering over the pages of Playboy; don't scold us about cheating as you falsify your income tax; don't criticize us for imitating you. You have taught me all you don't like about us."

Our children are too smart; they see through our pretenses and our shams and they refuse to be taken in. They see an adult world that preaches one thing and does another. So youth ignore the sermons and ape adults.

Even so, the number of juvenile delinquents among the teen-age populace is surprisingly small. For every youth that runs afoul of the law there are hundreds who are trying decently to get along in a world they find an ominous and perplexing place.

Basically, young people are not terrible at all. It is our fault, not theirs. On the other hand their sensitivity to the phony is a cause for hope.

## Seasonal suggestions

By W. E. DOBSON

The air is crisp 'n crunchy,  
The trees are white with snow,  
There's greenery 'n trimm'n's  
Most everywhere we go;  
The winter birds are feeding  
Outside the dining room,  
The air is tense - expectant -  
When the red poinsettia's bloom.

There's lots of busy shoppers  
In this hustle - bustle time.  
'N folks are countin' pennies  
With now 'n then a dime;  
The clerks are wan 'n weary;  
There's no time 't swing a broom -  
For it's gittin' close to Christmas  
When the red poinsettia's bloom.

All the children are excited  
'N mostly on a tear,  
As they ask a million questions  
When there's Christmas in the air;  
Schooteachers have a problem,  
'Kids" are crazier 'n a loon -  
There's no hope of concentration,  
When the red poinsettia's bloom.

Each new year brings new surprises,  
'N people come and leave the stage  
And we marvel at the changes  
Time has wrought within our age;  
For a time of real affection  
That will drive away the gloom -  
There's no time just like the season  
When the poinsettia's bloom!

## The "Low Down"

From the  
Congressional Record

### The 90th Congress will convene at noon Tuesday, Jan. 10

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Those anti-poverty expense accounts

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-J. C.

None are so blind as the man who takes too many eye-openers.

some foreign countries make an intoxicating drink out of bananas - no wonder all their trouble comes in bunches.



We wish you joy . . . in laughter and good cheer . . . joy in gifts and glad surprises . . . joy in friends and family . . . joy at Christmas, with all its deep meaning. May the true old-fashioned joys of the season come to you . . . and linger long.

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## O, Holy Night

Each year at Christmas, the sacred story lives anew. As we reflect upon that holy time, of a Child born in Bethlehem, may we find inspiration in His life, to guide us on our way. Sincere greetings to all.

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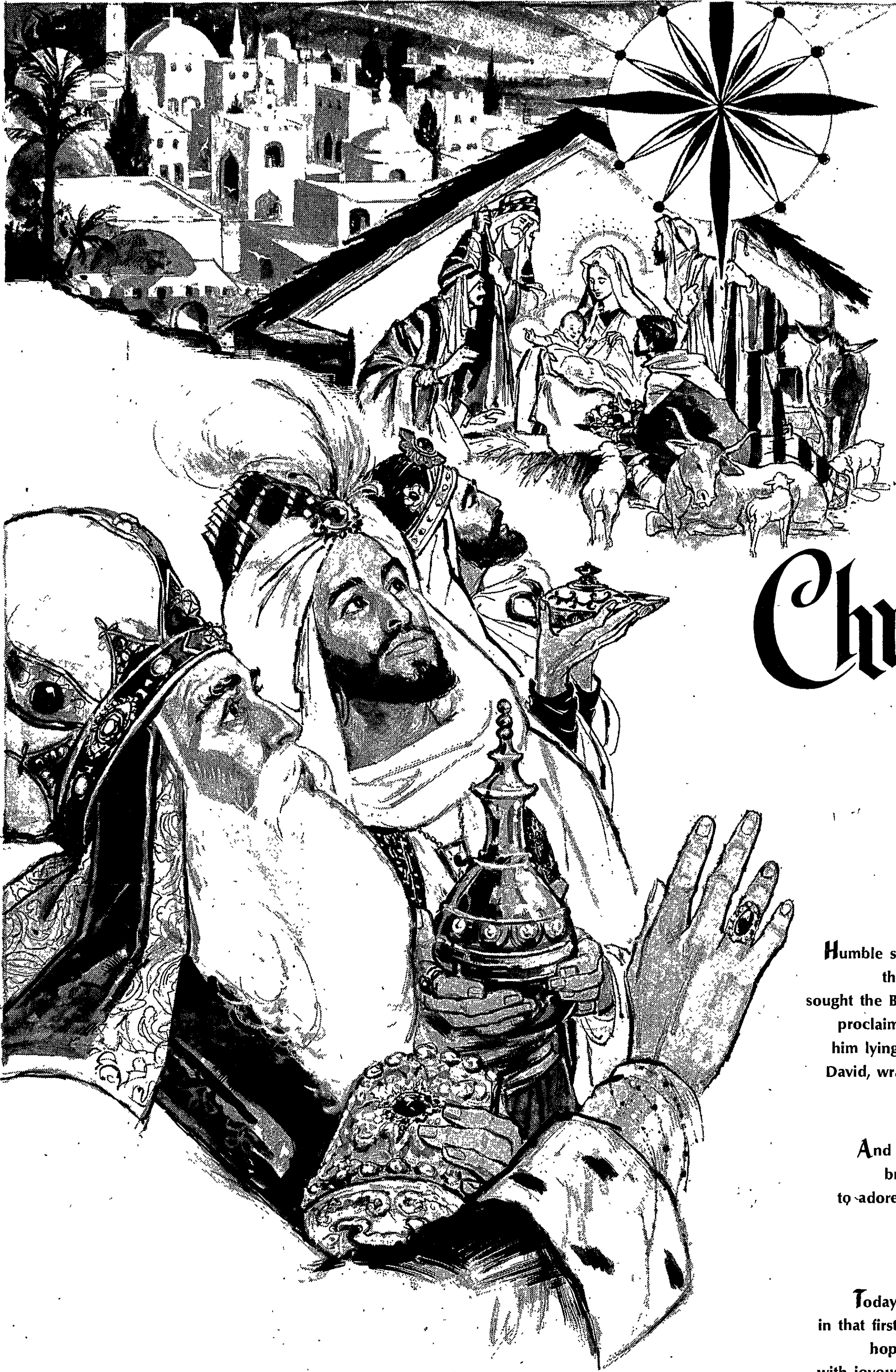
During 1963 Michigan farmers harvested and delivered over one million tons of beets to the state's five sugar factories for processing. This crop produced nearly 280,000,000 pounds of pure sparkling sugar for sale exclusively in Michigan during the current marketing year.

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# Christmas Joy

Humble shepherds left their flocks in the fields that holy night, and sought the Babe whose birth angels had proclaimed unto them. They beheld him lying in a manger in the City of David, wrapped in swaddling clothes.



And from the East, following the brilliant Star, Wise Men came to adore, and to offer precious gifts to the newborn King.



Today, nations and peoples share in that first Christmas, in its boundless hope and its promise of peace, with joyous celebrations. May you and your loved ones keep the spirit of this holy season always in your hearts, perpetuating its strength and comfort.

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