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Clinton County News

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County rings in Bicentennial year

Clinton County churches and fire departments will bring in the nation's Bicentennial year with a chime concert beginning at 11:40 p.m. New Year's eve. The 18-minute concert will be followed with a joint bell ringing from all the churches lasting 2 minutes, symbolic of the nation's 200 years. This will be followed by blowing of the fire whistles.

Areas participating include: Hubbardston, Maple Rapids, Eureka, Elsie, Fowler, St. Johns, Ovid, Westphalia, Wacousta, City of DeWitt, DeWitt Twp., Bath and several of the outlying churches.

The joint effort was sponsored by the Clinton County Bicentennial Committee.

Comments heard from throughout the County were:

EUREKA
Rev. Doug Jones

"We will be happy to cooperate, it's a fine thought."

DEWITT
Faye Hanson

"Great idea! Ringing bells always symbolized freedom. I only regret that most of our new churches don't have bells and I think we're losing something, but we will go with what we have here."

MAPLE RAPIDS
George Abbott

"We're set to go here, and really looking forward to it."

WESTPHALIA
Stella Geller

"We ring chimes every year here, but this year will be special."

ST. JOHNS
Clare Maier

"It's O.K. with us."

OID
Janet Birney

"We don't have chimes here, but the bells will ring, and I'm checking out the whistle."

FOWLER
Nina Waldron

"We're happy to do it. Chimes will play at the Lutheran Church and the bells will ring from the Catholic Church, and then the whistle will blow."

DEWITT TOWNSHIP
Bill Purvis

"We will do our best."



BATH
Harold and June Burnett

"It's a good way to start our Bicentennial year, and it involves everyone."

HUBBARDSTON
Al Cunningham

"It's a good idea, and we will do our best. I just hope we don't have any trouble with the fire whistle, it's kinda been acting up lately."

WACOUSTA
Mable Engles

"We won't hear the fire whistle out here, but I know the churches will do their best."

Maurice Gove, chairman of the Clinton County Bicentennial Committee said, "We can be proud of the cooperation we have received on this project. The churches and fire departments have gone out of their way to help, and we hope it will be something the citizens will remember a long time."

Assistant prosecutor resigns to accept position as Tuscola County prosecutor

ST. JOHNS—Patrick Joslyn, assistant Clinton County prosecuting attorney since Feb. 18, 1972, has resigned to assume to post of Tuscola County prosecuting attorney.

Joslyn was appointed by 2 Circuit Court judges to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of George Holmes.

A graduate of St. Johns High School, Joslyn received his bachelor of arts degree from Michigan State University and received his juris doctor degree from the Detroit College of Law in June, 1972.

He served in the U.S. Navy from 1959 to 1969.

Joslyn is vice-president of the Clinton-Gratiot Bar Association, member of the Board of Education of St. Joseph School, member of the St. Johns Rotary Club and Clinton County Republican Party. He also serves as the Prosecutors Association of Michigan representative on an ad hoc committee for medical-fiscal management with the State Dept. of Social Services. Prior to his move to Tuscola County, Joslyn was associated with the firm of Walker and Moore in St. Johns.

Joslyn is the son of Mrs. Jack Walker and stepson of Jack Walker.

Joslyn and his wife, the former Judy Clark, are the parents of 5 children.

He will assume his duties in Tuscola County Jan. 1.



Patrick Joslyn

CNB&T plans series of Bicentennial events

A series of Bicentennial events will be sponsored by Clinton National Bank during 1976 and the six-month schedule will begin the week of Jan. 26 when registrations will be held for a beard growing contest. That opening event will be followed by a cherry pie eating contest, children and adults arts and crafts shows and a civic fair. All events will be open to the general public and prizes will be awarded.

Registration for the opening event will take place during the week of Jan. 26 when contestants should register in the lobby of Clinton National Bank. Pictures of the clean shaven entrants will be taken and registration forms completed. Final judging of the beard contest will occur in June during the civic fair scheduled to be held in the bank's parking lot.

In February, junior high and high school students will be invited to participate in a cherry pie eating contest and prizes in three categories will be awarded to the winning boys and girls. Categories include "sloppiest eater," "most pies discovered while eating," and "hottest eater." The contest will be held in the Municipal Auditorium and coffee and cherry tarts will be served to spectators.

The event for March will be the children's arts and crafts show, also to be held at the Municipal Auditorium. The theme of the event will be historical and two categories have been determined. Pre-school through sixth grade will participate by coloring a

Bicentennial picture to be published in the Clinton County News and older students through senior high age could submit original paintings, writings or other displays following a bicentennial theme. Prizes and ribbons will be awarded in each category.

An adult craft show will be held in May and, if space can accommodate, all entries will be on display in the bank's main office. Prizes will be awarded to the three entries determined by judges to be the best representation of a Bicentennial theme.

The final event in the six-month schedule will be a civic fair to be held in the bank's parking lot June 26. The fair will provide an opportunity for various non-profit groups in the community to erect booths for displays on their activities. In addition fund raising events may be conducted during the fair. The day's events call for entertainment, refreshments and prize awarding to the winners in the beard growing contest.

Serving on the committee coordinating the Bicentennial schedule are Jeanette Argersinger, personnell officer; Gerry Workman, Sue Harrah, Diane White, Dan Caspos, Jean Pardike, Rod Huard, Joan Smith and Cathy Jones.

A full schedule of events and details will appear in the Clinton County News along with registration information before each event. Persons or groups desiring registration may contact Ron Huard.

A look back at 1975

JANUARY 1

Environmentalists are expected to file objections to certain portions of the proposed East Upper Maple River Watershed. Environmentalists said they felt "almost comfortable" with the West Upper project, but had a "great objection" to what they called "severe treatment of the river in the East Upper Maple project."

The Clinton County Board of Commissioners voted to deny special permits to developer Howard Angell to construct a landfill and sandpit, operation on a 242 acre site located in DeWitt Twp., near State and Wood Roads.

The Clinton County Republicans announced Jan. 15 as the date of the 1975 County Convention.

Alden Livingston of Livingston Farms in Greenbush Twp. was named the Outstanding Conservation Farmer for 1974 by the Clinton County Soil Conservation District board.

JANUARY 8

Carl and Linda May McCarrick were the proud parents of the first baby of the year born at Clinton Memorial Hospital. Jeffrey Scott weighed 6 pounds 10 3/4 ounces and was 20 inches long. He was born at 12:06 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 5.

A week-by-week look at news and events in Clinton County during 1975.

Clinton County's Sleepy Hollow is scheduled to receive the lion's share of the last recreational bond payouts, according to a news release from Stanley Powell, 88th Dist. State Representative.

A 27,000 grant approved by the Michigan Office of Criminal Justice Programs, will provide necessary money for the Clinton County Sheriff's Dept. to increase the facilities in their communications room to in-

clude a new console and recording equipment.

Mary Jane Trout of the Michigan State Library addressed the Clinton County Historical Society Jan. 6 on how to trace your family tree.

JANUARY 15

Following a 1 1/2 hour public hearing Monday night, the St. Johns City Commission voted unanimously to approve rezoning for a proposed 50-unit senior citizen housing project to be built by James and Robert Fedewa.

The gym of St. Johns High School was filled with the sights and smells unique to the circus as the St. Johns Jaycees sponsored 2 performances of the Voorheis Circus.

Gale force winds whipped through Clinton County and Mid-Michigan this past weekend brining with them an end to recent balmy weather and chilled the air with temperatures in the teens.

William E. Chalmers, manager of the JCPenney Store today announced a gift of music

entitled "A Bicentennial Musical Celebration" which will be presented to area high schools and colleges in late spring 1975.

JANUARY 22

Environmentalists and farmers locked horns over the East Upper Maple River Watershed Project at the Jan. 16 meeting. The farmers cited several reasons why the project should continue, and the environmentalists explained why it should not.

"Col." Bill Voorheis, owner and ringmaster of the Voorheis Bros. traveling circus which will play Jan. 31 from 6-8 p.m. at St. Johns High School was in the area yesterday, explaining what will be seen at the circus. The performances will help support the Redwing Marching Band's trip to Dallas.

The First Nighters of St. Johns all put their "best foot forward" Feb. 14-15 and Feb. 22 and 23 at St. Johns High School auditorium and Ovid Elsie High

School auditorium as they present Neil Simon's "Barefoot in the Park."

Two partners of Eagan Ford Sales, Larry Burns and Lou Kramer, have sold out to a third partner, Bruce Fowler, after a total of 66 years of experience between the two.

JANUARY 29

The St. Johns High School Music Dept. is presenting the sixth annual "Chamber Music Concert" Thurs. Jan. 30 beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the Library Resource Center at the High School.

B. Stanley Pocuis, superintendent of the Clinton County Intermediate School District for the past 6 years, has announced his retirement effective June 30. A 16-year-old St. Johns youth, Michael Lynn Stevens, was dead on arrival at Clinton Memorial Hospital Thursday night as a result of a traffic

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Michigan State Police holding area seminars on crime

The Michigan State Police will hold a series of two Crime Informator and Prevention Seminars at Fulton Middle School on January 7 and 14 at 7 p.m.

Fulton area will be the third of six target areas which the State Police at Ithaca have scheduled for the seminars. Programs of these types were presented at Riverdale in October and Crystal in November. Future target areas will include Maple Rapids,

Ashley, and Breckenridge areas.

THE GENERAL public is invited to attend and there will be no charge for admission. The Fulton Middle School Parents Group will serve as host and provide refreshments.

The program planned for Jan. 7, will consist of residential burglary prevention, lock security, and an introduction to

operation identification.

The Jan. 14, program will deal with small business burglary prevention, crime reporting and types of information needed during an emergency.

Included in both programs will be Films, Slides, Demonstrations and Displays, followed by a brief period of Informal Discussion.

Bicentennial Cookbook
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A look back at 1975

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accident which occurred on Parks Rd., St. Johns.

Representatives from 8 different organizations and units of local government appeared before the Clinton County Board of Commissioners Tuesday, Jan. 21, to express their need for community development funds.

FEBRUARY 5

City manager Randy Humphrey has announced the appointment of Wendell Waggoner as the new superintendent of the Department of Public Works.

One of the first actions of the 1975 Legislative session in Lansing was to honor the late former State Representative Andrew W. Cobb. A resolution in memory of the respected public official was given final approval Tuesday Jan. 28 under the joint sponsorship of State Representative Stanley Powell and State Senator Dick Allen. Dick Cobb's home town was Elsie.

The grand opening of the new KP store was a real opening when a car involved in an accident at the corner of US-27 and US-21 went through the front of the store.

An open house will be held Feb. 9 from 2-5 p.m. to show the public Clinton Area Ambulance Service's new garage.

FEBRUARY 12

The Clinton County Historical Society will end its first-year of activity by signing the century-old Pioneer Society membership book.

St. Johns dramatists for the 4th consecutive year, have taken 1st place in the district and regional competition.

Revenue from motor fuel taxes collected in the state in the October through December, 1974 quarter, declined by more than \$3 million from the same period the year before, according to the State Highway Commission.

The annual meeting of the Clinton County Soil Conservation District was held Saturday, Feb. 8 at the Ovid-Elsie High School with 99 in attendance.

FEBRUARY 19

Damage from bar fires in 1974 was reported to value \$108,000 - a jump of \$97,000 over 1973 figures, said Fire Chief Clare Maier in his annual report submitted to the St. Johns City

Commission.

Fire Dept. units from St. Johns and Lansing were called to the scene of a house and garage fire at 3911 Green Rd. Friday night, but were unable to save the structures.

Mid-Michigan residents were treated to a weather "triple whammy." First several days of cold weather, then snow, then Monday morning sleet sheeted the area with glaring ice.

The first organizational meeting of the local Business and Professional Women's group was held Feb. 12. Following dinner at Jeanne's Beans, plans were made for club growth and development.

FEBRUARY 26

St. Johns High School drama students made it a clean sweep Saturday when they captured 1st place in the state 1975 High School Drama Contest.

The first clinic for 1975 Clinton County Soapbox Derby racers will be held Saturday, March 1 at 10 a.m. at Bee's Chevrolet-Oldsmobile.

Ovid-Elsie and Hemlock emerged winners in the first round of Class B District Tourney competition at Alma High School Monday night.

It was announced that customers of General Telephone Company in the Elsie area may now pay their telephone bills at the Elsie branch of the Clinton National Bank and Trust Company.

MARCH 5

The Clinton County Historical Society announced that it would make available signs which say, "I Was Here in 1876" for homes at least 100 years old.

Clinton County Republicans this week announced the date of their annual fund raising dinner will be Thursday, April 24 and the featured speaker of the event will be Congressman Elford Cederberg.

DeWitt Twp. Democrat Nancy Cheney was named the new treasurer of the township Monday in a special session of the township board of trustees. DeWitt was recognized by the state and federal government as a "Bicentennial city."

MARCH 12

Clinton County Board of Commissioners voted to tentatively approve Eaton County's proposal project to purchase 48 acres of Clinton land for park construction. It was reported that building permits for 1-family dwellings for the 1974 year were down 33%

from 1973. A total of 231 permits were issued in 1974 as compared with 346 in 1973. However, total building permits are only down 16%, Arnold R. Minarik, zoning administrator, said.

Ovid resident and former state senator, Dr. Bion L. Bates, 90, died in Provincial House South, Lansing, the morning of March 4.

Bouts between Golden Gloves boxing champions will highlight the action of the Clinton County Boys Club boxing show Saturday, March 15 at St. Johns High School.

MARCH 19

The bicycle and sewer ordinances were adopted Monday by the DeWitt City Council, but not without citizen discussion on both.

Employees of the St. Johns Department of Public Works have turned down a bid to join Michigan Council 51, American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees AFL-CIO.

Senior citizen referral office is now in operation in the Capital Area Economic Opportunity office, 911 E. State, Suite C, St. Johns. The function of the office is to provide transportation for senior citizens.

Roy Schaefer was named as manager of the Clinton County Country Club by the board of directors.

MARCH 26

Concerned St. Johns area residents filled the St. Johns Municipal Building auditorium Monday night to offer their support in the city's efforts in preventing x-rated movies and adult book stores coming into St. Johns.

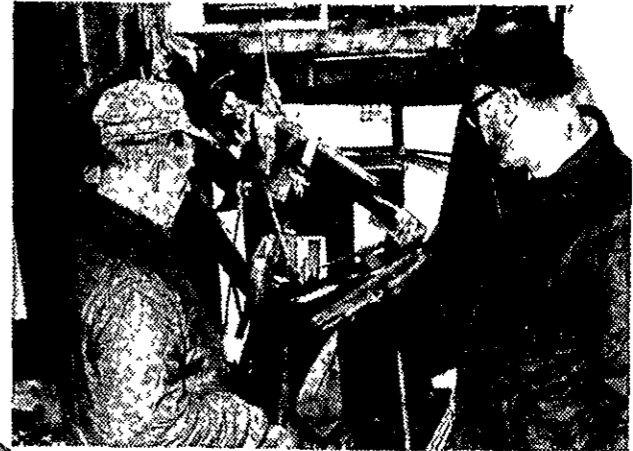
Due to an anticipated cut in state funds, the DeWitt School Board voted unanimously not to extend the contracts of one teacher for fall, 1975. Three other teachers' contracts will not be extended due to unsatisfactory performance, making a total of 4 teachers not returning to DeWitt School System.

The DeWitt School Board of Education voted unanimously Monday night to OK plans for an added facility to accommodate physically handicapped and health-impaired children.

The first day of spring, 1975 was greeted with snow, but the snow soon melted, and by the weekend, the temperatures reached the 50's.

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Fire destroys Steel Hotel



It happened in 1975



Elsie

Christmas greetings sometimes bring sad messages. Such was the news from John Dobrei, former Elsie resident, that his wife, Gladys, had passed away Nov. 12 in California following a short illness.

The Dobreis lived in Elsie in 1953-1954 when he was service manager of Keys and Son Garage and later moved to California.

The couple had three daughters, Marilyn, Sue and Jeanie, who attended Elsie Schools. The girls are all married and live in the Los Angeles area. There are also six grandchildren. The family was very active in church, school and community service while living here. Mr. Dobrei's address is 28648 Conejo View Drive, Agoura, California 91301.

Capt. and Mrs. Bruce Moore and daughter Melissa of Bimburg, Germany, have been visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Moore of Banister and Dr. and Mrs. G.W. Bennett and their families of Elsie.

Mrs. Moore and daughter arrived earlier in the month, but Capt. Moore had a flight to San Antonio, Texas before coming home for holidays.

After New Year's Day they will return to Germany for another year and a half.

Christmas Week 1975 will long be remembered by Mrs. Hazel Blayney of 7114 Island Rd., Elsie.

Beginning on Monday, Dec. 22, Mrs. Blayney was completely surprised on her 85th birthday when the neighboring families of Raymond Buck, Joe McAninch, Mrs. Mildred Whitaker, Mrs. Florence Krepps and Mrs. Agnes

Korienek arrived at the farm home along with her children, Lullavene and Glen Purvis.

The Bucks brought their tape recorder on which they recorded ten minutes of the evening's conversation, which they played back for entertainment of the guests.

The cream and a lovely cake decorated with sugar roses and inscribed "Happy 85th Birthday" was served.

Then for Christmas there were 22 members of Mrs. Blayney's family present for the gilt-laden tree and Christmas dinner.

Lullavene and Glen Purvis and their children and grandchildren were present from

Lansing, Detroit and Houghton Lake.

Mrs. Blayney, a 56-year member of Elsie Chapter #69, O.E.S., honorary member of Woman's Literary Club, West Extension Club and the United

Methodist Women, was active in their service until she sustained a fall at her home 2 years ago, resulting in a long hospital stay with a fractured hip.

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Effective January 1, 1976, the following parking meter violation fines will take effect:

Initial Fine: \$1.00

If not paid within 10 days \$4.00

F. Bruce Wood
City Clerk

"Should auld acquaintance be forgot"

As the New Year begins, our thoughts turn to friends both old and new. May we extend sincere wishes for a prosperous 1976 to all friends and customers.

Bailey Music Center

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1976

HAPPY NEW YEAR

As we embark upon a brand new year, let us make our country's Bicentennial year one to remember... Let us individually make contributions of our time and efforts that will measure up to the challenges that await us... Each of us will only have one opportunity to fill these pages of history... Let us do it well.

SUPPORT THE NEWSPAPER THAT HAS SERVED YOU FAITHFULLY SINCE 1856 WITH NEWS AND ADVERTISING QUALITY... WE WANT TO DO THE BETTER JOB BUT WE NEED YOU AS PART OF OUR TEAM.

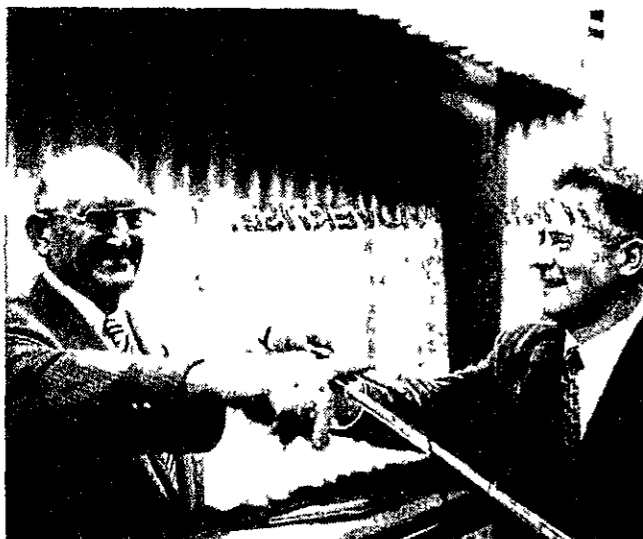
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It happened in 1975

This was the scene Thursday morning as up to 13 inches was dumped on the Clinton County area, clogging streets and driveways. Clinton County residents, as well as much of Michigan, spent Thursday and Friday digging out of the April 3 snow storm.

Ray Parker serves as assembly chairman for Jehovah's Witnesses



Ray Parker (left) of St. Johns introduces the feature speaker to 1300 persons at a Christian assembly.

Ray Parker of the St. Johns Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses was the chairman of the Sunday sessions of a Christian assembly of Jehovah's Witnesses held in Holt last weekend. To the audience of 1300, which included 42 members of the St. Johns Congregation, Mr. Parker introduced the feature speaker, Mr. Roy Lovinger, District Overseer of Jehovah's Witnesses.

Mr. Parker has been representing the St. Johns area at assemblies similar to this for 32 years. When asked why he makes it such a point to attend such assemblies Mr. Parker stated, "For both myself, my wife, and my associates assemblies such as this one are a very enlightening experience. To gather together to learn more about our all-wise Creator, to associate with fellow believers, and to be encouraged by the love and enthusiasm of all in attendance is one of the most awakening experiences a person can enjoy."

Service news

Lt. Comm. Taylor

Navy Lieutenant Commander Frank H. Taylor, whose wife Ida is the daughter of Mrs. Bertha G'Schwind of 170 South Snider Drive, Ovid, is participating in Operation "Deep Freeze," an annual deployment responsible for the movement of scientists and supplies from the United States to Antarctica.

While deployed, he will also help provide logistical and communication support for the scientists conducting research projects and experiments in the Antarctica region.

Taylor serves with the Antarctic Naval Support Force, homebased at Port Hueneme, Calif.

He joined the Navy in June 1951.

AS
the New Year unfolds, may it bring success and happiness to you. Please accept our greetings, and thanks, too.

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A look back at 1975

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APRIL 2
The 88-year-old Steel Hotel fell victim to fire Friday night as flames that were believed to have started in the basement spread and eventually engulfed much of the building in the blaze.

Due to what they term harassment, Wayne (Buck) and Mary Haney, owners of the recently fire-gutted Steel Hotel are planning to file a \$2 million law suit against the city of St. Johns naming several city officials in the suit.

Area youngsters braved chilly Saturday morning weather to chase for Easter eggs during the WRBJ Easter Egg Hunt at the radio station. Brad Siegle was selected to represent DeWitt Middle School on the talk program "College

Rap" broadcast by WJIM T.V. The taped show was broadcast March 25 at 7:30 p.m.

APRIL 8
The St. Johns Police Dept. has been told by the Fire Marshal's Division of the Michigan State Police that arson is the suspected cause of the March 28 fire at the Steel Hotel, now known as the Clinton Arms.

Phillip Earl Greer, 32-year-old St. Johns school teacher, was arrested the night of April 2 and has been charged with 3 marijuana violations.

It was standing room only at the DeWitt City Council meeting Monday night and several people did just that. The citizens, numbering over 35 were Lake Geneva Property owners there to speak their minds about the proposed sewer

and roads for that area or to see what action the council was going to take.

A 17-year-old Grand Ledge man and a 22-year-old Portland man have been arrested by the Clinton County Sheriff's Dept. and charged with the March 31 robbery of Finkbeiner's Pharmacy in Fowler.

APRIL 16
Petitions supporting a petition drive in Flint are being circulated in this area protesting a rate increase requested by Consumers Power Co.

It was reported to the Clinton County News late Tuesday afternoon that Mary Haney, owner of the Clinton Arms Hotel, along with her husband Wayne, had passed a polygraph test conducted by the Michigan

State Police. Two promotions and an appointment of a city zoning administrator have been announced by Randy Humphrey, St. Johns city manager. Marion Baker has been promoted to assistant, Diane Gurski has been promoted to assistant city assessor, and Richard Coletta has been named zoning administrator.

Congressman, Elford Coderberg was scheduled to speak to Clinton County Republicans at their Lincoln Day fund raising dinner April 24.

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People who jump at conclusions scare the best ones away.

THANKS

Clare & Joan Matter hope everyone will join them in thanking our Heavenly Father through His Son, for all blessings received in 1975. May we be worthy to receive them through 1976. We also want to thank all who wrote and called us about published ads, especially the ones who supported them scripturally and statistically.

ST. JOHNS PUBLIC SCHOOLS CONTINUING EDUCATION WINTER TERM

These classes are intended to provide an opportunity for self-improvement, enjoyment, job skills and leisure time activities. Fees are charged for these classes.

All classes will start the week of January 12, 1976. For more information regarding classes and policy you may call the Adult Education Office, telephone 224-8120 or 224-2394 ext. 271 any weekday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. You may also come to the Adult Education Office located in the St. Johns High School.

To register for any of the classes clip and fill out the coupon at the bottom, send check or money order for the exact fee/fees, payable to St. Johns Public Schools and return to: Adult Education Office, St. Johns High School, 501 W. Sickles Street, St. Johns, Michigan 48879 or bring to the Adult Education Office in the St. Johns High School. Registration must be completed by January 9, 1976.

Course	Day	Time	Location	Weeks	Fee	Instructor	Starting Date
Beginning Typing (learn keyboard)	Th	7:00-10:00 p.m.	SJHS/110	8	\$17.00	Whitton	1-15-76
Advanced Typing (speed & accuracy)	T	7:00-10:00 p.m.	SJHS/111	8	\$17.00	Whitton	1-13-76
Bookkeeping	Th	7:00-10:00 p.m.	SJHS/113	8	\$17.00	Whitton	1-15-76
Gregg Shorthand	T	7:00-10:00 p.m.	SJHS/110	8	\$17.00	Whitton	1-13-76
Office Machines (10-key adding, printing calculator, electronic calculator, spirit duplicating, stencil duplicating, transcription)	T	7:30-9:00 p.m.	SJHS/114	8	\$ 9.00	Lade	1-13-76
Painting (acrylic painting - beginning or advanced - painting techniques - stretching canvas)	M	7:00-10:00 p.m.	SJHS/116	8	\$17.00	Bargar	1-12-76
Drawing (drawing techniques - various media - various subject matter)	W	7:00-10:00 p.m.	SJHS/116	8	\$17.00	Bargar	1-14-76
Beginning Photography and Basic Darkroom Technique (learn how to use your camera more effectively. Camera handling and use will be covered. A darkroom will be used for you to develop and print your own pictures. This course will involve only black and white film in the darkroom.)	W	7:00-10:00 p.m.	SJHS/127	8	\$17.00	Larsen	1-14-76
Conversational French (basic vocabulary)	T	7:00-9:00 p.m.	SJHS/120	8	\$11.00	Calder	1-13-76
Searching for Your Ancestors (introduction, methods, sources, evaluation of records, genealogy)	Th	7:00-9:30 p.m.	SJHS/120	8	\$14.00	Calder	1-15-76
Understanding Teen-age Behavior (This course is designed to provide an understanding of the behavior of teens. It will focus on developing and maintaining healthy communication and happy parent-teenager relationships. A discussion format dealing with the concerns of the participants will be used.)	M	7:00-9:00 p.m.	SJHS/103	8	\$11.00	Perry	1-12-76
Sewing Men's Trousers (This class will be based on demonstration with time in class for adults to do the part demonstrated. Enrollment limited.)	W	7:00-9:00 p.m.	SJHS/148	7	\$10.00	Muehlenbeck	1-14-76
Macrame Jewelry	M	7:00-9:00 p.m.	SJHS/148	4	\$ 6.00	Wright	1-12-76
Knitting	T	7:00-9:00 p.m.	SJHS/148	6	\$ 9.00	Wright	1-13-76
Needlepoint	Th	7:00-9:00 p.m.	SJHS/148	6	\$ 9.00	Wright	1-15-76
Welding (Basic arc and acetylene welding processes will be taught.)	T	7:00-9:00 p.m.	SJHS/154	8	\$11.00	Osentaski	1-13-76
Small Engine Repair (Open to all interested people who would like to repair or overhaul small gasoline engines. This would include lawnmowers, roto-tillers, garden tractors, mini bikes. Storage space is not available.)	T	7:30-9:30 p.m.	SJHS/153	8	\$11.00	Olson	1-13-76
Advanced Guitar (This course is for those with basic guitar knowledge who want to learn finger picking and other advanced techniques.)	W	7:00-9:00 p.m.	RBW/28	8	\$11.00	Parmenter	1-14-76
Women's Physical Fitness (exercise & games)	T	6:30-8:00 p.m.	Swegles/Gym	8	\$ 9.00	Beebee	1-13-76
Belly Dancing	T	8:00-10:00 p.m.	Swegles/Gym	8	\$11.00	Courter	1-13-76
Advanced Belly Dancing	Th	8:00-10:00 p.m.	Swegles/Gym	8	\$11.00	Courter	1-15-76
Adult Swimming (Instruction in any level swimming and diving or open swimming)	W	6:30-8:30 p.m.	SJHS/Pool	8	\$11.00	Barber	1-14-76
Women's Swim and Trim	W	7:30-9:30 p.m.	SJHS/Pool Balcony	8	\$11.00	Mack	1-14-76
Co-ed Volley ball	M	7:30-9:00 p.m.	Swegles/Gym	8	\$ 9.00	Lade	1-12-76
Driver Education	Varied	Arrangement by Instructor			\$28.00	Canum	

The Adult Education Office reserves the right to cancel any class. There will be no refund of money for a class after the second week of class.

Please record desired course and enclose proper fee. Make checks payable to: St. Johns Public Schools

Mail to: Albert LeFevre, Director of Adult Education, 501 West Sickles Street, St. Johns, Michigan 48879

Name _____ Birthdate _____
 (Last) (First) (Middle) (Maiden)

Address _____ Phone _____
 (Number) (Street) (City) (Zip) (Home) (Business)

Course _____ Social Security Number _____

Suggestions for classes in the future

LANSING COMMUNITY COLLEGE EXTENSION COURSES at St. Johns High School - Winter Term

Course Number	Course Title	Section Number	Credit Hours	Class Meeting Hours	Days of the Week	Location	1st. Class
ACC 210	PRIN OF ACCT I	429035	4	7:00-9:00 p.m.	Tues. & Thur.	SJHS/103	1-8-76
ACC 211	PRIN OF ACCT II	429090	4	5:00-8:00 p.m.	Mon. & Wed.	SJHS/141	1-12-76
PSY 200	PSY INTRO BEHAV	153145	4	7:00-9:00 p.m.	Tues. & Thur.	SJHS/140	1-8-76
MTH 095	MATH LABORATORY	130080	0	7:00-9:30 p.m.	Tues. & Thur.	SJHS/105	1-8-76
Includes courses offered in the Lab program as follows:							
MTH 009	BASIC ARITH	139000	5				
MTH 010	METRIC SYSTEM	139002	2				
MTH 012	BEG ALGEBRA	139005	5				
MTH 102	INT ALGEBRA	139015	5				

And other individualized Math courses upon demand and by special arrangement with Instructor.

Advanced Registration will be held Tuesday, January 6th from 7-9 p.m.

Late registration will be accepted the first night of classes . . . Thursday, January 8 and Monday, January 12.

For further information call St. Johns Adult Education Office at 224-8120 or LCC Adult & Continuing Education Office at 373-7187. Tuition rates have increased Winter 1976 - St. Johns (Non-resident) is now \$14.50 instead of \$13.50 per credit hour.

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A look back at 1975

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APRIL 23
An undetermined amount of damage was done at the Mt. Rest Cemetery last Tuesday night after vandals broke into the mausoleum and went on a breaking spree.
Paul Maples, St. Johns city attorney, Monday afternoon requested an adjournment in the proceedings for owners of the burned Clinton Arms Hotel to show cause why they should not be responsible for removal of present hazards at the location.

The annual Crafts Fair was held in the Municipal Auditorium April 15.
The All-School musical "Carnival" continued for its second weekend under the "Big Top" at St. Johns High School Auditorium.

APRIL 30
Paul Maples, St. Johns city attorney, told the City Commission Monday night that a show cause hearing will be held Thursday afternoon in Circuit Court regarding the burned Clinton Arms Hotel.

The Twelfth Annual Bands in Review will be presented in Pocus Auditorium May 1.

Persons interested in reserving the band shell at the St. Johns City Park are urged to call Mrs. Donald DeWitt.

A special evening of Christian family entertainment is offered in a Family Funfest to be held in the St. Johns High School Auditorium May 2 at 7:30 p.m.
MORE TO COME

MAY 7
A ruling by Circuit Court Judge Leo Corkin has ordered that hazards at the site of the Steel Hotel be removed, following a show-cause hearing last week.

Diana DeWitt, a St. Johns High School Junior will precede B.J. Thomas of "Raindrops Keep Falling On My Head," fame in two performances at Long's Banquet and Convention Center in Lansing, May 18.

St. Johns American Legion Poppy Girl, Kristi Bartholomew presents her grandfather Ladd Bartholomew with the first poppy to be sold in the 1975 drive.
St. Johns mayor Roy Ebert and Carmen Tranchell, representing St. Johns senior citizens threw out the first shovel full of dirt during the ground-breaking ceremonies at the senior housing project in St. Johns.

MAY 14
Julius John Becker, 500 E. Sturgis, age 69, died suddenly on May 9 near St. Johns.

Bemont Public Library will honor 4 authors of books, 3 of which are about Michigan, at a Michigan Authors' night, Thursday, May 22 at 8 p.m. in the library, in conjunction with Michigan Week activities.

Three marijuana-related charges against Phillip E. Greer, a former St. Johns School teacher, were dismissed in 65th District Court Tuesday morning due to a recent Michigan State Supreme Court ruling.
David Darnell, 25, of St. Johns, has been named the 1975 summer recreation program director for the City of St. Johns.

MAY 21
Alan Droste of Westphalia rolled to victory in the 1975 Clinton County Soapbox Derby.
Larry Schwartzkopf, 33, of 907 Cass St., St. Johns, director of special education, has been appointed superintendent of the Clinton Intermediate School District.

Two perfect 4.0 St. Johns High School students, Leisa E. Bissell and Jeff Hazle, have been named 1975 co-aledictorians and Dale Stephenson, with a grade point average of 3.848, has been named salutatorian.

Frederick M. Lewis, 65th Judicial District Judge, has been ordered to appear in Circuit Court in St. Johns June 11 to show why an order of superintending control should not be issued in connection with his recent decision that evidence was not to be allowed in a trial.

MAY 28
Clinton County experienced a safe and relatively uneventful Memorial Day Week, according to reports from various law enforcement agencies.

A 23-year-old Fowler man, Donald J. Kramer, died of apparent electrocution Tuesday morning at 11 a.m. after a pole being guided into place by a General Telephone Co. crew evidently came into contact with live power at the Bath Exchange.

On May 30 and 31 at 8 p.m. the St. Johns High School state championship Drama Club is

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presenting its final production of the season in the SJHS auditorium. For this show, the group has chosen Moreland Cary's hilarious melodrama, "Love Rides the Rails."

An open house was to be held May 28 from 3 until 5:30 p.m. for B. Stanley Pocus, retiring superintendent of the Clinton County Intermediate School District. The public was invited to attend.

JUNE 4
The Annual St. Johns Jaycee Little League Benefit Dance will be Saturday, June 7, in St. Joseph's gymnasium.

Clinton Intermediate District's half-dozen school systems will ask voters to decide millage issues and board of education races in school elections June 9.

Pewamo-Westphalia Community Schools has announced the five seniors with the highest grade point averages in the class of 1975. In alphabetical order they are: Mary Huhn, Patricia Keilen, Linda Klein, Susan Simon, and Tamara Thelen.

One extra mill or a possible assessment may be levied on DeWitt Twp. residents if the Township Board of Trustees is to finance police and fire protection.

JUNE 11
Two members of the Clinton County Intermediate Board of Education were re-elected to 6-year terms at the June 2 special election meeting of the board. Re-elected were Walter Kyes and Gerald Wieber.

Gerald Ambrose stepped into a newly-created position as administrative assistant to the Clinton County Board of Commissioners.

The St. Johns Jaycees will sponsor a tennis tournament Saturday, June 21.

The St. Johns School District voters renewed the school system's 16.5 operating mills by a 6-1 margin 667-149, with only about 13% of the registered voters casting ballots.

JUNE 18
High winds Sunday afternoon destroyed a barn owned by Dale Henning at 5513 N. Scott Rd. and another owned by Roger Dershem at 3701 N. DeWitt Rd. Two head of cattle were killed in the Henning barn. The winds also ripped out several large trees in the area.

The St. Johns City Commission is not satisfied with the progress being made concerning razing or repair of the Steel Hotel and a letter has been sent to Willard Searles, owner, saying action has to be taken by June 23.

By the end of next week, the name of St. Johns Michigan will have been heard by people from all over the world - heard from Ralph Lynam and the St. Johns Redwing Marching Band, in Dallas, Texas, at the Lions International Convention.
St. Johns Area Chamber of Commerce officers have been elected to the coming year with Paul McNamara re-elected as president.

JUNE 25
Bath Twp. signed an agreement Monday night with DeWitt Twp. to share DeWitt Twp.'s sewage treatment facilities on Herbyson Rd.

The Clinton County Board of Commissioners has decided to appeal the 4.8 per cent factor levied on County real property by the State Tax Commission to Tribunal.

On June 11, County Circuit Court Judge Leo Corkin ruled in favor of a civil suit filed by County Prosecutor Jon Neuman and overruled a decision by District Court Judge Frederick Lewis that would have dismissed charges against Phillip Greer, a former St. Johns High School teacher arrested on April 2 on three counts of possession and selling marijuana.

The Clinton County

Republican Party will hold a chicken barbecue July 4 at Smith Hall in St. Johns from 1-3 p.m.

JULY 2
The Redwing Marching Band returned home Sunday June 29, 1975 at 5 p.m., after an exciting and successful week in Dallas, Texas, representing the St. Johns Lions Club and the Lions of the State of Michigan.
Ralph Lynam of St. Johns was elected to the post of Lions International Vice-President, Saturday.

There was plenty of evidence at the June 24 public "prehearing" of Wilbur Smith & Associates and the County Board of Commissioners to show that the some 250 people who filled Smith Hall weren't exactly happy about the possible new U.S. 27 highway.
John Lawrence Cogg, 37, of 9702 Island Rd., Elsie, was found dead under a tractor by his brother Alan, on farmland he owned on W. Juddville Rd., in Shiawassee County.

JULY 9
James Moore, St. Johns attorney, has been appointed to the Clinton County Planning Commission, replacing Robert Purlill.

A tie vote was the end result of a debate as the County Board of Commissioners voted 5 to 5 on recommending corridor C-1 as the route Wilbur Smith & Associates ought to recommend to the Department of State Highways and Transportation for the possible new U.S. 27.
Dorothy Keck and Marilyn Coin ended their combined 25 years of service to DeWitt Monday night when they rejected the Mayor and Council's offering of 2-year appointments to the respective new jobs of clerk-treasurer and county clerk.

JULY 16
Wilbur Smith & Associates will be holding a public hearing on Monday to give everyone another chance to ask questions and comment on the possible new U.S. 27.

The "ultimate" expansion plan of Capitol City Airport which would double its size by replacing 1,511 acres of land, 105 homes and a considerable chunk of Clinton County and DeWitt Township's tax base, is beginning to find its doubters in the Clinton County Board of Commissioners, the DeWitt Township Board of Trustees, the Tri-county Regional Planning Commission and the American Transportation Association, a powerful Washington-based airline lobby.

William J. Beardt, 19, R.3 St. Johns, was fatally injured Saturday night after the car he was driving left the road and struck a tree on Essex Center Rd., north of Kinlev Rd.
Donald Nichols, 63, Route 3 East Mead Rd., died Thursday when he got caught in the machinery he was using to cut his son-in-law's hay on French Rd., between Scott and Williams Rd.

JULY 23
A Watertown Twp. man was found guilty for the delivery of heroin in Circuit Court July 16. He was Thomas Thornsberry, 26, of 5020 W. Grand River.

A Clinton County man who walked away from a Jackson Prison farm was found asleep in a culvert July 17 by a tracking dog and state policemen.

If the feelings of those people present at the U.S. 27 public hearing in St. Johns Monday night are any indication, the no-build alternative to the U.S. 27 route seems to be the most popular alternative offered.

Escher Technology Associates of St. Johns participated this week in the first joint United States/Japan seminar on hydrogen-energy in Tokyo. William J.D. Escher of St. Johns was one of ten American scientists to participate in the US/Japan seminar.
If the recent dry weather continues, the City of St. Johns

has announced it will be necessary to establish a schedule for those persons sprinkling lawns.

JULY 30
Clinton County Sheriff's Dept. officials and the Federal Aviation Administration are investigating the Friday airplane crash that took the life of an 18-year-old woman and hospitalized a Traverse City resident in serious condition.

Did you ever hear that farmers are never satisfied with weather conditions? Don't believe it—they are happy this year! Despite a wet spring and delayed planting, in general, crops have never looked better.

Despite an around-the-clock manufacture of canning lids, Ball company is not able to meet the continuing unprecedented nationwide demand for its products," said Ball President John W. Fisher.
Highway proposals were tossed around like Frisbees before the County Board of Commissioners finally decided by a tight 6-5 vote on recommending route B 3e to Wilbur Smith and Associates as the best alternative for the possible new U.S. 27.

SEPTEMBER 24
The State Highway Commission has postponed announcing its decision on where they're going to place the new US-27 and has sent the Wilbur Smith & Associates' recommendation for route C3e back to the State Department of Highways and Transportation for further study.

The 1975 Clinton County Historical Home Tour Festival was a huge success according to Mrs. John Rumbaugh, general chairman of the Home Tour Committee. It was estimated that 2000 people toured St. Johns home of historical interest.

The old question "What is Bath going to do with its \$4.2 million sewer project?" was pondered by the Bath Twp. trustees at their Sept. 16 meeting. The board, faced with dwindling options, voted unanimously to buy a full-page advertisement to inform county residents of the possibility that they may have to bear the financial burden of the project if Bath is unable to hook into the DeWitt Twp. sewage treatment plant on Herbyson Rd.

A county-wide Bike-A-Thon Saturday will benefit the American Cancer Society. The Bike-A-Thon is sponsored by the Fowler Jaycees.
OCTOBER 1
Transcripts of 2 public hearings on the proposed location of a new transportation facility in the area of US-27 from Lansing to Ithaca are now available for public inspection or copying.

A long uphill battle by Bath and DeWitt Townships to get a sewer treatment plant approved by the County Board of Commissioners continued Tuesday morning when the County Board put off acting until the afternoon session, "Houses in History," a DeWitt Bicentennial project will be held Saturday, Oct. 4 and will mark the 142nd birthday of the city.

Gov. William G. Milliken requested a presidential disaster declaration for 16 Michigan counties which suffered an estimated \$1.32 million in public damage and \$1.39 in private damage during the rainstorms and floods that struck the state between Aug. 1 and Sept. 6.

OCTOBER 8
St. Johns voters will have the opportunity Oct. 22 to meet the 4 candidates for 2 City Commission offices at a Meet the Candidates meeting in the community room of Central National Bank. Incumbent candidates are John Hannah and Donald Roesser, while opposing candidates are Richard Cornwell and James Quick.

A \$4.7 million shopping center to be built in northeast St. Johns has been announced by Willard D. Searles, developer of the

facility.
The long drawn out battle between the County Board of Commissioners and DeWitt and Bath Townships came to a close Sept. 30 when the county board finally gave the 2 south Clinton County governmental units what they've been asking for—a waste water treatment authority that will include DeWitt city and be independent of the County Department of Public Works.

A DeWitt Twp. citizen's group is looking for a standing room only crowd at Tuesday's County Board of Commissioners' meeting when the board will consider millage requests from county governmental units.

OCTOBER 15
St. Johns Police are still investigating a Friday night accident that took the life of a Pewamo woman and left 3 of her children seriously injured.

Jon Newman, Clinton County prosecuting attorney, has announced the appointment of Richard Koenigsnecht as assistant prosecuting attorney, replacing William Jackson, who resigned to go into private law practice.

A Bath Twp. man is listed in critical condition at Sparrow Hospital in Lansing following an accident in which a hayride wagon tipped over, also leaving 5 others injured.

OCTOBER 22
The Dept. of State Highways and Transportation will ask the State Highway Commission to consider a wider range of alternative locations for a proposed new US-27 highway between Lansing and St. Johns than an engineering consulting firm recommended.

The fight between a DeWitt Twp. citizens' group and the Township Board of Trustees over a proposed special assessment isn't over. The group indicating they are seeking legal action to stop the assessment.

Arnold Minarik, county zoning administrator for 4 1/2 years has resigned to accept a sales and development position with Fedewa Builders.

Donald L. Craig, former president of the Ovid-Elsie School Board died Oct. 16 at Owosso Memorial Hospital.

OCTOBER 29
St. Johns voters to the polls Tuesday to cast their ballots for 2 city commissioners.
The State Highway Commission is expected to announce at their Nov. 5 meeting that the

broadened 2 mile wide CD corridor will be the route from which the specific alignment for the new US-27 will be picked.

Two area businessmen, Otto Gower, owner and operator of Gower's Hardware and Elevator in Eureka, and Kenneth Radina, owner of Radina Photographic Studio in St. Johns died during the past week.

A gala celebration marking the 40th anniversary of the Clinton Theatre is being planned for the evening of Nov. 6.

AUGUST 6
In an attempt to untwist the (continued on page 11)

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NOTICE

Regular 1976 Clinton County Board of Commissioners Meetings

The Clinton County Board of Commissioners will hold regular meetings on the first Tuesday of each month, with the exception of April and October. These being set by State Statute.

January 2	July 6
February 3	August 10
March 2	September 7
April 13	October 12
May 4	November 9
June 1	December 7

At 9:00 A.M. in the Courthouse in St. Johns, Michigan.
Ernest E. Carter, County Clerk

NOTICE

Regular 1976 Clinton County Planning Commission Meetings

The Clinton County Planning Commission will hold regular meetings on the second Wednesday of each month as follows:

January 14	July 14
February 11	August 11
March 10	September 8
April 14	October 13
May 12	November 10
June 9	December 8

At 7:30 P.M. in the Courthouse in St. Johns, Michigan.
Roman Koenigsnecht, Chairman, Planning Commission

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A PERSONAL LOOK AT THE NEWS

Between the lines

with Jim Edwards

Thoughts through a typewriter

... NOT EVERYBODY AGREES--A while back, we published an item asking readers' opinion about planting trees in the St. Johns downtown business district. Evidently, one person wanted to think about it for awhile. We received this response: "not the right place for them--an unnecessary expense and obstruction to shoppers." I might add, that was the only response not in favor of the trees.

... ANYBODY WANT SOME NEWSPAPERS--Our house is currently furnished in part with stacks and stacks of old newspapers. If an organization is planning a paper drive, be certain to stop at 564 N. Morton.

... YOU CAN'T SHOVEL SNOW WITHOUT THE SHOVEL--For those of you making snide remarks about the fact that I haven't shoveled out my driveway and sidewalk--there is a reason. The shovel is buried somewhere in the yard under all the snow and I can't find it. Please don't volunteer the use of your shovel--it'll ruin a perfect excuse.

... ONE LAST GRUM NOTE FOR THE YEAR--Last week's County News contained a photograph of the damage done to decorations on the Christmas tree in front of the courthouse. Reading another weekly newspaper from a different area of the state revealed vandalism of the same nature. It makes you wonder how the damage doers would feel if we went to their homes and wrecked all their Christmas presents.

... THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE ON CHRISTMAS DAY--We should all offer special thanks to those many public servants who must work on Christmas. While we are enjoying the holiday with our families there are many who cannot while they serve in their jobs with police departments, hospitals, etc.

... CONGRATULATIONS TO ME--That "thump-thump" noise is me patting myself on the back for getting my Christmas shopping completed early this year. When I purchased the last item, there were still 6 hours left before Christmas officially arrived. That's a new record.

Sen. Richard Allen

Report from the Senate

The Michigan State Medical Society recently issued a statement that they were no longer encouraging Michigan MD's to take medicare patients. This position, in response to the four million dollar cut in physician payments as part of State government budget cuts, brought mixed reactions in the Capitol.

To some extent both extremes in the political spectrum took

some delight in the announcement. Liberals, long critical of physicians and their organizations, pointed to the statement as additional evidence of the mercenary, calloused attitude of those professionals towards the poor. Conservatives, suspicious that most medical recipients are lazy malingerers taking advantage of the taxpayer, welcomed a position by physicians that might force

some of them out of doctors offices and back to work. Most of us, while recognizing a hint of truth in both these extremes, find the whole issue much more complex.

CERTAINLY THIS statement by the MD's Association is an indication of the difficulty of holding the line on State spending and thereby taxation. The four million dollar cut was not actually from last year's budget but from the projected \$8,113,620 increase over last year for physician's services.

On the physician's side the cut is an actual 11% cut in the pay rates for individual services. The increase is entirely due to increased caseload. Physicians will be paid less for each service rendered than a year ago. In this day of inflation who can expect any group to take such a cut quietly? No budget in my six year government experience has grown like medical services. It is now \$640 million multiplied by 10 in a few years! If the brakes cannot be put on here there is no hope for a leveling of state taxes.

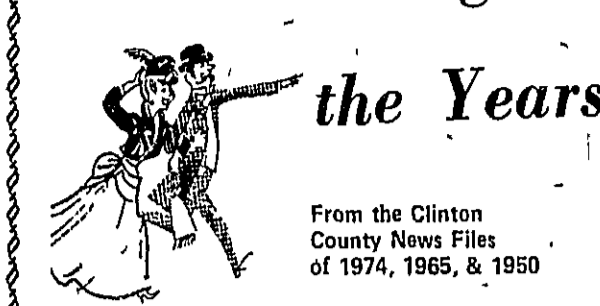
The program has not resulted from physician demand in the same way teachers have fought for dollars for education. It has been the politicians who decided everyone deserved good medical care, a philosophy most physicians have been reluctant to adopt.

BUT NOW THAT the programs are here we need more help from health professionals in designing quality programs that contain costs. If 10% of our population needs and is eligible for government paid medical services we are paying over 650 dollars per person!

Granted some of these are elderly and bedridden requiring thousands per year. But also many are healthy young kids who ought to get by with a couple of vaccinations, a bandaged scraped knee and a good physical exam all of which could be provided by a nurse, physician's assistant or other properly trained paramedical personnel.

We need better and cheaper medical care programs. We politicians got us in this mess. But physicians, nurses, hospital and nursing home administrators are going to have to get us out! Hear that, Michigan State Medical Society?

Back Through the Years



From the Clinton County News Files of 1974, 1965, & 1950

TEN YEARS AGO
Dec. 30, 1965
Adoption of a housing code and fire prevention code by the St. Johns City Commission got the city in under the wire on a phase of the workable program for urban renewal.

The operators of the Villa Rosa at 107 Railroad Street have been ordered to show cause to the St. Johns City Commission why the dance hall should not be closed. The action by the commission last Tuesday night followed a report of the arrest of seven youths outside the dance hall on charges of minor in possession or furnishing beer to minors.

Clinton County got its white Christmas . . . and then some. Winter's first big storm swept across the county in the black of Christmas morning and spread from six to eight inches of soggy snow on top of rain-soaked roads and countryside.

TWENTY YEARS AGO
Dec. 29, 1955
Drivers using Clinton County trunklines and roads during the long Christmas week and holiday were involved in only two minor collisions causing injuries during the period from 6 p.m. Friday until midnight Monday. Elsewhere in Michigan and throughout the nation a tragic record was made on the highways.

Bruno Mazzolini, tavern owner and long time St. Johns resident, has returned with Mrs. Mazzolini, from a three month visit to Italy, his first trip abroad since coming to America in 1909. The Mazzolinis came back on the Italian liner Christopher Columbus, on which they crossed on the trip over in September. An indication of the severity of the winter storms on the Atlantic was the docking of the huge vessel in New York 14 hours behind schedule.

THIRTY YEARS AGO
Jan. 3, 1946
Sergeant Charles Dietz of Ovid, who lost both legs while with the U.S. Army in Luxembourg, was presented with a check for \$3,240.54 at a party in his honor at the Ovid high school gymnasium Thursday evening.

Thieves broke into the Matthews Dairy at 110 West Walker Street sometime after 1:00 a.m. Wednesday and made away with four malted milk mixers and 100 pounds of sugar. The culprits gained admission to the dairy by prying a side door open with the help of a crowbar.

The automobile belonging to Don Gibson of St. Johns which was stolen from West Walker Street on Nov. 23 was found in Detroit last week completely demolished.

Contributions toward the Clinton County Memorial Park fund have exceeded the \$36,000 mark this week, according to a report from L.W. Wolf, treasurer of the Memorial Association.

Swim Booster benefit drawing raises money for pool timer

The St. Johns Swim Booster Club had a turkey drawing, Dec. 18.

The winners of 20-pound turkeys were: Nils Strombom Jr., St. Johns; Lee Brooks, St. Johns and Gloria Graham, Lansing.

The proceeds of this project will go toward the purchase of an electrical timing system for the St. Johns High School Pool.

The Swim Boosters will sponsor a dance at the High School Jan. 3.

FORTY YEARS AGO
Jan. 2, 1936
A warning to farmers of Clinton County to lock their barns at night and watch their livestock closely was issued this morning by Sheriff John S. Barnes, following receipt of news of the activities of a band of cattle thieves in Saginaw and Gratiot counties. In three nights last week they got away with 76 head of cattle and 11 sheep.

Proprietorship of Stephan's Cigar Store in St. Johns will change hands next Monday, Jan. 6 when Joseph Wekenman will take over the management from Conrad Stephan, the owner. Mr. Wekenman has leased the business for one year.

St. Johns lost a highly esteemed pioneer resident on Jan. 1, 1938 when Mrs. George A. Tallmadge, 89, passed away at the home of her son, Ellsworth A. Tallmadge, of this city, after a long illness.

"If It Fitz . . ."

Non-Christians not welcome

Editor, Lapeer County Press

"by Jim Fitzgerald



Jesus Christ!
No, I'm not taking his name in vain during the holy season. And this isn't going to be another explanation of why I don't go to church. Who cares whether the clown goes to church?

I just wanted to get the attention of all you good Christians. I have a question for you:

DO YOU have any objections to the International Society of Krishna Consciousness starting a school in your town?

You know the Krishnas. They shave their heads and wear long gowns and preach in the streets. They often hang around bus terminals and airports, looking as if they fell off an old-fashioned Christmas card.

It is strange to see the Krishnas as jets roar overhead. They look like they should be in Bethlehem, maybe in a manger. (Pay attention now, you Christians. I am getting meaningful.)

The Krishnas recently tried to buy an abandoned military academy in the small farming community of Aledo, Ill. They wanted to use it for a school. But the good Christians of Aledo didn't want anything to do with the Krishnas.

"THE ACADEMY definitely suited our needs, but the townspeople obviously did not want us there," said the Krishna business manager. "The prevailing attitude was such that we were con-

cerned about the welfare of the children should we move there."

The Krishna leaders were shouted down when they tried to plead their case at the public meeting. Mrs. Glen Stancliff, who led the Aledo drive against the Krishnas, explained there was no room for the sect or its children because Aledo is a Christian community and the Krishnas aren't Christian, they are Hindu.

"Toleration? Our country was founded on that, but remember everyone that came to our country accepted the Lord, Jesus Christ as their savior," Mrs. Stancliff said. "We're trying to protect our own religion is what we are trying to do."

The Jews must have been stowaways on the Mayflower. They probably snuck ashore while the good Christians were ripping off the Indians.

THE SAD TRUTH is that there are millions of Christians who agree with Mrs. Stancliff. They think theirs is the only path and everyone else must either be saved by the missionaries or kept out of town. They are small people who can't see over their Bibles and they cannot possibly pray hard enough on Sunday to make up for the hypocritical poison they ooze all week. The Jesus Christ who was born in Bethlehem would be ashamed to listen to them.

No room in Aledo, Mrs. Stancliff said. No room in the inn.

Report from the capitol

State Representative by Stanley Powell

now and mid-1976 on proposals to improve Michigan's job situation.

Michigan has in the past tried to attract business and industry by painting a picture of a favorable business climate for others while Michigan businessmen themselves have complained of hardships.

The long time higher-than-average unemployment and many reports of business leaving Michigan tend to confirm "fidelity's" estimates. In fact, a recent study of business climate conducted for the State of Illinois showed that Michigan ranked 47th out of 50 states in terms of having a favorable business climate.

STATES LIKE North Carolina, South Carolina, Florida, Georgia and Alabama ranked near the top in their attractiveness to business.

Named to serve with Sackett on this task force were Representatives: Edgar Fredricks of Holland, Connie Binsfeld of Maple City, Quincy Hoffman of Applegate, Edgar Geering of Muskegon, John Mowat of Adrian, Loren Armbruster of Caro and Ray Mittan of Niles. Other non-legislative members will be named later.

It has become crystal clear that Michigan needs to take steps to make itself more attractive to new business and industry as well as prevent present business and industry from leaving the state.

I'm sure this task force will develop significant proposals to again make Michigan a good state in which to do business.

DRINKING AGE CHANGE GATHERS SUPPORT

Several weeks ago one of my colleagues, Representative Melvin DeStigter of Allendale, introduced legislation that would return the legal drinking age to 21.

Well, just last week, Representative DeStigter received unsolicited petitions signed by more than 200 persons from the Detroit and down river area supporting the movement to return the drinking age to 21.

Much to his surprise, many of the signatures came from 20 and 21-year-old persons.

THE PETITION action was started by a woman who works in a place where liquor is served and she said she found, after some investigation, that the petition route was the best way to let legislators know how the people feel on this issue.

DeStigter said the petitions were one of the most positive

signs he has seen to indicate that other people feel the same way he does about 18-year-olds drinking.

He doesn't feel 18-year-olds are mature enough to handle the responsibility that goes along with drinking. He says statistics showing that more 18 to 20-year-old drinking drivers are involved in accidents support his feeling.

I would be interested in hearing how you feel on this issue. Write to the editor.

\$1.8 MILLION GOES TO COUNTIES

The Department of Natural Resources has paid \$1.8 million to 81 of 83 Michigan counties in lieu of taxes on 3.5 million acres of state-owned land.

The state pays 54 cents per acre directly to county treasurers who then prorate the money to local school districts and townships. Thirty-seven percent of the funds are allocated to school districts while counties and townships each receive about 31.5 percent of the total.

Luce County received the largest payment of \$149,752 for 260,651 acres.

Other major payments went to Schoolcraft, Mackinac, Marquette and Dickinson Counties.

ABOLISH STATE TAX COMMISSION?

State Representative Roy Smith, one of my Republican colleagues from Ann Arbor, feels the State Tax Commission hasn't done its job and he's introduced legislation to abolish it.

The tax commission was created to carry out the mandate in the 1963 Constitution providing for uniform assessing practices throughout the state. Nearly 10 years after its

creation, with a staff of 106 people and a 1975-76 budget of nearly \$2 million, the State Tax Commission still exists and so do unequal assessments in Michigan.

SMITH POINTS to examples taken from four counties in Michigan that reflect some of the unconstitutional and non-uniform assessing practices in Michigan at the present time. For example, after the equalization factor was applied to the assessments of a local unit of government in Emmet County, commercial property assessments rose to an unconstitutional level of 111.82 percent of true cash value while agricultural property stood at 33.09 percent and residential property at 43.42 percent.

Another unit in Washtenaw County was assessing all classes of property except residential above the 50 percent level and the City of Dearborn was found to be assessing residential property at 14.46 percent while commercial and industrial property was assessed at slightly above 33 percent.

A report prepared by the new Michigan Tax Tribunal said, "A review of the 1974 reports of the counties to the State Tax Commission of the levels of assessment in the assessing units of the state indicates that in 1974 only 725 units out of a total of approximately 1477 units were at a level of 50 percent with an equalization factor of 1,000."

This would seem to indicate that the State Tax Commission has not been very successful in carrying out the constitutional and legislative mandate to equalize assessments throughout the state.

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DETROIT -- Taxpayers who file their returns in January or early February can expect any refund due in four to five weeks or roughly half the time late filers will have to wait, R.L. Plate, IRS district director for Michigan, said.

In urging taxpayers to file early, Plate said that individuals who delay filing until

late March or April--the peak filing time--may have to wait for their refunds as long as 10 weeks.

Another advantage to filing early, according to Michigan's District Director, is avoidance of careless errors often made by last-minute filers who are rushed. These errors--which frequently involve incorrect arithmetic, use of the wrong tax table, or failure to sign the return--can further delay processing of the return as well as the refund check.

Plate said that taxpayers should begin now to gather their records, such as receipts or canceled checks, to substantiate itemized medical deductions, charitable contributions, and other deductions. With records in order, Plate added, the taxpayer can begin to fill out the tax return as soon as the tax package arrives by mail within the next two weeks.

Last year, Michigan taxpayers received a 2 1/2 million refunds amounting to \$1.2 billion.



YOU AND YOUR HOME
Decorating Hints
By Mary Bell

Dear Mrs. Bell, My husband does not like the furniture I select and I do not care for his style preference. What do you suggest?
Betty Okemos

Betty, A very delicate situation unless you have both a family room and guest living room, in which case you might get a decorator to work with both of you to incorporate your ideas into an eclectic look that will probably please you both.

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NOTICE OF REVIEW OF APPOINTMENTS

Notice is Further Hereby Given, that on Monday the 12th day of January, 1976, at the office of the Clinton County Drain Commissioner, located at 1003 S. Oakland Street, in the City of St. Johns in the Township of Bingham, County of Clinton, or at such other time and place thereafter, to which I, the County Drain Commissioner aforesaid, may adjourn the same, the apportionment for benefits and the lands comprised within the "designated drains listed below" Drain Special Assessment Districts, and the apportionments thereof will be subject to review for one day, from nine o'clock in the forenoon until five o'clock in the afternoon. At said review the computation of costs for said Drain will also be open for inspection by any parties interested.

The following is a description of the several tracts or parcels of land constituting the Special Assessment District of said Drain, viz:

Herbison Road Drain Section 18
De 281A- Beg on cen of Herbison Rd, 105 rds W of NE cor of Sec. 18, th S 233 ft alg cen of Schavey Rd, th W 220 ft, th N 233 ft to cen of Herbison Rd, th E 220 ft, to pt of beg, Alvin E & Dorothy J Schultz
De 281B- Beg on N sec ln at pt 1952.5 ft W of NE sec cor, th S 233 Ft, W 187 ft, N 233 ft, E 187 ft to pt of beg, Phillip & Phyllis Mustain
De 281C- Beg 906.7 ft E & 233 ft S of N 1/4 post Sec. 18, th S 420.75 ft, W 199.3 ft, N 31°49'W 387 ft, E 406 ft to beg, Herman Schultz

De 281-1- N 330 ft of property desc'd as fols: That part of NE 1/4, Sec. 18, beg at E 1/4 cor thereof, th S 89°38'57" W 1740.32 ft on sd ln, th N 0°25' W 1002.38 ft on sd ln, th N 89°38'57" E 1736.22 ft // with EW 1/4 ln Sec. 18 to E ln sd sec. th S 0°39'04" E 1002.39 ft on sd sec ln to pt of beg, DeWitt Schools
County Meadows Estates, being a subdivision of part of the E 1/2 of Sec. 18, T5N-R2W, DeWitt Township - Lot 24, exc S 1815 ft and Lots 25 through 149 inclusive.

Long and Branches Drain Section 18
De 281-1- N 330 ft of that part of NE 1/4 Sec. 18, beg at E 1/4 cor thereof, th S 89°38'57" W 1740.32 ft on E-W 1/4 ln of sd sec to cen ln of Schavey Rd, th N 0°25' W 1002.38 ft on sddn, th N 89°38'57" E 1736.22 ft // with E-W 1/4 ln Sec. 18 to E ln sd sec, th S 0°39'04" E 1002.39 ft on sd sec ln to pt of beg, DeWitt Schools.
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Country Meadows Estates - The N 1435 ft of the S 1815 ft of Lot 24, & the N 785 ft of Lot 23 De 290-1A- Beg on E-W 1/4 ln 896.01 ft E of cen of Sec. 18, th E 189.85 ft, S 132 ft, W 193.01 ft to cen of Schavey Rd, th N 1/2 Norma Kowatch
De 290-1B- Beg 132 ft S of int's'n of E-W 1/4 ln of cen of Schavey Rd of Sec. 18, th E 195 ft, S 180 ft, W 220 ft, to cen sd rd, th N to beg, Eugene & Alice Scott
Old Hickory and Branch Drain

Section 18
Country Meadows Estates - Lots 40-43 inclusive; Lots 45-67 inclusive; N 1/2 of Lot 84; and Lots 85-148 inclusive.
Parkwood and Branches Drain

Section 18
Country Meadows Estates - Lots 1-22 inclusive; S 380 ft of Lot 24; and S 350 ft of N 1135 ft, exc the E 720 ft thereof of Lot 23 Schultz and Branches Drain - Section 18

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Dated this 15th day of December A.D. 1975.
Dale R Chapman, County Drain Commissioner, County of Clinton.

Country Meadows Estates - Lot 24, exc the S 1815 ft thereof; Lots 25-39 inclusive; Lots 68-83 inclusive; and S 1/2 Lot 84.
Sycamore and Branch Drain Section 18

Country Meadows Estates - Lots 40-43 inclusive; N 1/2 Lot 84; Lots 85-98 inclusive; and Lots 117-124 inclusive.

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Now Therefore, All unknown and non-resident persons, owners and persons interested in the above described lands, and you Clerk of Clinton County and you Supervisor of DeWitt Township and you Clinton County, Road Commission are hereby notified of said "Review of Apportionments of said Drains," in the manner hereinbefore stated; and also, that at such time and place as stated aforesaid from nine o'clock in the forenoon until five o'clock in the afternoon, the apportionment for benefits and the lands comprised within the aforesaid drainage districts, the Special Assessment Districts will be subject to review.

And You and Each of You, Owners and persons interested in the aforesaid lands, are hereby cited to appear at the time and place of such reviewing of apportionments as aforesaid, and be heard with respect to such special assessments and your interests in relation thereto, if you so desire.

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Fowler

Mary Woehls, 58, Park Side Apartments, Fowler, died Dec. 27 at Carson City Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Boak of St. Johns were visitors of Mrs. Lula Boak Sunday evening.

Kenneth Vance of Ann Arbor spent Christmas with his mother, Emma Vance, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Boak and Mrs. Richard Boak and daughter, Michelle, of St. Johns

and Mr. and Mrs. James Maugher and Jeremy of St. Louis, Mo. were Monday afternoon and evening visitors of Mrs. Lula Boak.

The first successful vaccine ever developed to control a cancerous disorder, Marek's disease in poultry, was introduced in 1971 by USDA scientists at the Regional Poultry Research Laboratory on the Michigan State University campus.

State Police no longer issue personal identification cards

Effective immediately, the Michigan State Police are no longer accepting applications for the issuance of personal identification cards to state residents, according to an announcement by Col. George L. Halverson, department director.

This decision by the State Police is prompted by enactment of a new law effective Jan. 1 which assigns the personal identification processing to the Department of State.

The Department of State in time will be equipped to handle the application and issuance of

the cards through its many branch offices in the state, according to present information. Cost of the card as specified in the law will be \$3 and duplicate cards and renewals will cost \$1.50

The State Police began issuing the cards in volume at no cost in 1967 to those persons who lacked driver license or other reliable identification for conduct of personal business.

As the volume of this personal ID card processing increased, the Legislature in 1972 authorized the State Police to levy a \$3 fee for the card to

cover the cost of the activity, including necessary additional personnel.

In the past 8 years, the State Police records division which handled the activity at

headquarters in East Lansing has issued more than 45,000 cards. This ID card carries a photo and right thumbprint of the holder.

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processed over 7,000 cards. The State Police cards issued under this program will remain valid. Any applications for the card currently in process by the State Police will be fulfilled.

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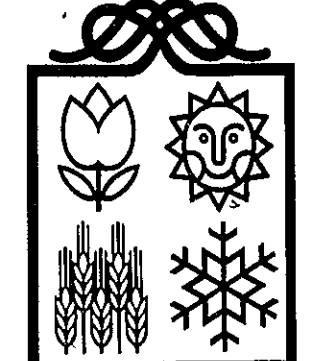
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Next Week in Clinton County churches

All Churches in Clinton County are invited to send their weekly announcements to The Clinton County News. They must reach us by 10 a.m. Monday to insure publication in the current week's issue.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Mable Ave. at State Street
Averill M. Carson, Minister
Sunday, January 4
9:45 a.m. - Church School
11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship
4:00 p.m. - Memorial Service for Dr. Clyde H. Wilson
Tuesday, January 6
8:00 p.m. - Mabel Maki Division will meet with Mrs. James Oakwood, 207 W. McConnell St.
Wednesday, January 7
6:45 p.m. - Boy Scout Troop 81
7:30 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal
7:30 p.m. - Board of Trustees
Church Office Hours:
Monday thru Friday
8:30 a.m. to noon
Tel: 224-503

HANNISTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Emmet Kadwell
Sunday Worship Service 9:30 am
Church School 10:30 am
ASSEMBLY OF GOD
815 E. Baldwin
Joseph F. Eger, Jr., Pastor
10:00 am - Sunday School
11:00 am - Morning Worship
7:30 pm - Sunday Evening
7:30 pm - Wednesday, second and fourth W.M.
7:30 pm - Wednesday evening service

COMMUNITY OF ST. JUDE

Catholic Church
Father Jerome Schmitt, Pastor
101 N. Bridge
Daily Mass: Mon and Thurs - 7:30 pm.
Tues, Wed, and Fri 7:00 am
Sunday Mass: 9:00 and 11:15 am
EAST-WHITT BIBLE CHURCH
(Non-Denominational)
Hound Lake Road 1 1/2 mile East of US-27
Glen J. Farnham, Pastor
Sunday
10 am - Sunday School, Classes for all ages.
11 am - Morning Worship
5:45 pm - Youth Fellowship, Senior, 14 and up; Jet Cadets, 10-13
7 pm - Evening Service
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7:30 pm Evening Worship
9:30 am Ladies Bible Study every Tuesday
7:30 pm Wednesday evening Prayer Service
6:30 pm Teen's Softball every Friday
10:15 FAMILIAR BAPTIST CHURCH
510 Habbitt Road, Ovid
Father Joseph Aubin
11:00 am Mass on Sunday
7:00 pm Evening Mass on Wednesday
Confessions 10:30 to 10:45 am Sunday

GUNNISONVILLE AREA

GUNNISONVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Paul Schreiber, Minister
9:30 am Church School
10:45 am Sunday School
ST. MARY'S CHURCH
Westphalia
Rev. Father James Schmitt
Rev. James J. Schmitt, Administrator
Phone 587-4201
Saturday Night Masses: 4:30 & 7:00 pm
Sunday Morning: 8:00, 9:00, 10:00
Weekdays Monday & Friday 7:15 & 11:20 am
Tues & Thurs 7:15 & 8:30 am
Wednesday 7:15 & 7:30 pm
Holy Days: 8:30, 7:15 & 11:20 am, 7:30 pm
Wednesday Evening Mass 7:30 pm

Westphalia Area

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH
Fowler
H.E. Rosow, Pastor
8:00 am Worship
10:40 am Sunday School
GALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
Wayne Glassman
M-21 at Elm Rd
9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Morning Worship
7:00 pm Evening Worship
7:00 pm Wednesday Prayer meeting



The Trinity College Women's Chorale of Deerfield, Illinois, under the direction of Mrs. Jackie Bell, assistant professor of music, will appear in sacred concert at the First Baptist Church in St. Johns, Jan. 3. The concert will begin at 7 p.m.

Maple Rapids Area

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Maple Rapids
Pastor Rev. J. Thomas Churn
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Sunday
9:30 am Worship Service
10:30 am Sunday School
Tuesday
7:30 pm Senior Choir Practice Wednesday
2nd Wednesday each month
7:30 pm W.S.C.S.
Thursday
10:00 Bible Study
GREENSBURG UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Scott and Marshall Roads
Pastor - Norman Wood
Sunday
10:00 am Church School
11:00 am Church Services
10:00 am Church Services
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North Bengal

Rev. and Mrs. H.E. Rossow, David Rossow of Evanston, Ill. and Mrs. Herman Rossow attended the Schneider family Christmas party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Rossow and children of Flint on Sunday, December 21.
On Wednesday, December 17, Mrs. William Ernst and Maxine Ernst were dinner guests of Agnes Beard and Peggy Lee Mowhatt of Six Lakes. In the evening they visited Mr. and Mrs. Fred Selke of Fowler.
Mr. and Mrs. Louis Moritz and Ann entertained the following guests for a family Christmas on Christmas Day: Mrs. Clarence Damon and Mrs. Albert Moritz of St. Johns; David Moritz of DeWitt; Mr. and Mrs. Clare Moritz and children of rural Grand Lodge; and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Witt of Tucson, Ariz. The Witts are spending a week with her mother, Mrs. Damon and other relatives and friends in this area.
Mr. and Mrs. Alex Thelen and family had their family Christmas with dinner and gifts on Sunday, December 21.
David Rossow, who teaches at Evanston, Ill. is spending his holiday vacation with his

Cederberg liaison to visit Jan. 5

Congressman Elford A. Cederberg's liaison man, Ronald W. Stolz, will be visiting the Clinton County Courthouse in St. Johns, Monday, Jan. 5 from 11 a.m. to noon, in order to offer the citizens of the 10th District an opportunity to bring difficulties they might have with the Federal government to his attention.
Cederberg reminds those who might have a problem with a Federal agency to take any documents that might help to identify his case to Stolz.

HAVE YOU BEEN VACCINATED?

Some people have been vaccinated with enough religion to keep them from getting the real thing. Some people, perhaps having been brought up in Sunday School and attending Church with a degree of regularity, believe themselves enough of a Christian to get-by. This was true of myself until I reached the age of 20. At that time I attended Church regularly, taught a Sunday School Class, and directed the Church Choir. But I did not know I was a sinner, lost and hell bound! I was patted on the back, complimented for my Church work but I was not told that I needed to get right with God. Now fortunately, in my case, I was challenged to study my Bible (which I seldom used) and it was through this that I came to understand what it was all about. All of my Church attendance, my baptism, my Sunday School teaching or morality amounted to nothing as a contribution to my eternal salvation. I needed a Savior and the only way I could come to know Him was to admit I needed Him to save me. Friend do not allow a vaccination of Churchianity to keep you from getting Christianity! Get the real thing - do you have it?

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Each Wednesday
Chapel Choir 6:30 p.m.
Chancel Choir 7:30 p.m.
Prayer and Share 8:30 p.m.
Each Thursday
Carol Choir 4:00 p.m.
Tuesday, December 16
Council on Ministries 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, December 17
Membership Class 8:00 p.m.
Tuesday, December 21
Following the Worship Service in Niles Hall - Christ's Birthday Cake. Everyone invited.
December 24th
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service. The choir under the direction of Gordon Vandermark will present the short version of the "MESSIAH" 7:30 p.m.
Friday, December 23
Church offices will be closed.
Sunday, December 28
Student Sunday 7:45 a.m.
Men's breakfast - 7:45 a.m.
Tom Fowler will be the guest speaker.

PRICE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

David D. Boyd, Pastor
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9:45 - Church School
11:00 am - Worship Service
Women's Society - last Wednesday of each month. Dinner at 12:30 pm. Business meeting at 1:30 pm.
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Council of Ministries - last Monday of each month at 8 pm.
Administrative Board - the first Sunday of each month following a co-operative noon dinner.
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SOUTH HILLY BIBLE CHURCH

Willard Parrier, Pastor
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11 am - Worship Service
HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH
308 W. Heribson Rd.
DeWitt
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Worship 10:30 am
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Rev. Glenn V. Cathey, Jr., Vicar
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Church 689-3067
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Morning Prayer 9 am
Second & Fourth Sundays
Holy Communion 9 am

VALLEY FAMILIAR BAPTIST CHURCH

314 E. State Rd
Lansing
9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Morning Worship Service
5:30 pm Youth Groups Beginning with the 4th Grade.
7:30 pm Evening Service WEDNESDAY 7:00 pm Prayer Service
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10:30 am Morning Worship
Communion Weekly
6:30 pm Youth Groups
7:30 pm Evening Worship
Wednesday, 7:30 pm Hour of Power; Prayer and Bible Study
Thursday, 7:30 pm Calling Program

Fowler Area

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH
Fowler, Michigan
H.E. Rosow, Pastor
9:30 a.m. Worship
10:30 a.m. Sunday School & Bible Class
MISTHOLY TRINITY CHURCH
Rev. Albert J. Schmitt, Pastor
Saturday Evening Mass - 4:30, 7:00
Sunday Masses 6:30, 8:30, 10:30 am
Holy Days - Holy Day Eve, 4:30 pm, 7:00 o'clock pm, Holy Day - 8:30 & 9:30 am
Sorrowful Mother Novena - During school year 7:30 pm, Holy month 8:00 o'clock pm
Sacrament of Penance - Saturdays 3:30 to 4:00 o'clock pm and after 7:00 o'clock pm mass
1st Fridays - Thursday from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm, 3:30 to 4:30 pm & 7:30 pm until all are heard
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Elsie Area

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Rev. David Litchfield, Minister
9:30 am - Morning Worship
10:30 am - Sunday School, Supr. Merle Hame
DUPPLAIN METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. David Litchfield, Minister
10 am - Sunday School, Supr. Kenneth Kiger
11 am - Worship Service
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
10 am Sunday School Rev. Cowley, Supr
11 am Church School
6:30 pm Junior & Senior B.Y.F.
7:00 pm Evening Service
10:30 pm Wednesday, Junior and Senior Choir Practice
7:30 pm Wednesday, Prayer and Bible Study

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11 am Children's Churches
6 pm Youth Hour
7 pm Evening Worship
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Corner of Mead and Walker
Hecory 406 E. Walker
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Office 224-2825
1974 Schedule
Every Sunday 8 am Holy Communion
24 & 40 Sunday School
and Sermon
Other Sundays - 10 am Morning Prayer and Sermon
Nursery & church school 10 am for nursery through 6th.
Every Monday eve 7 pm - Spiritual Healing Service
2d & 4th Tuesdays 7 pm Senior Citizens 2d & 4th Tuesdays - Noon Senior Citizens
Wednesdays 7:30 pm Bible Study and prayer.
1st & 3rd Wed morning OEO Nutrition Class
Every other Wed evening 7:30 Cadet Girl Scouts
Every 4th Thursday Jaycees 8 pm
Every Thursday 8 pm AA Al Anon
Every Friday 3:15 pm Brownies

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MISSOURI SYNOD
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8:00 am - Worship
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9:15 am - Sunday School and bible classes
Holy Communion first Sunday of the month at 8 am, third Sunday of the month at 10:30 am.
General meeting of W.C.S.C. (third Thursday) in January, April and September.
Afternoon Circle meets second Thursday at the homes of members.
Evening Circle meets third Thursday evening in each month at the homes of members.

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9:30 am - Worship Service
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Dr. Harold Boyd, Pastor
445 Division Street
East Lansing, Michigan
9:30 am Worship Service, 10:45 am Church School
Worship: 7:00 pm Choir practice, 8:00 pm Prayer Service.
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Thurs Night 8 pm Fellowship Service
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Rev. Ray McBride, Pastor
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10:30 am - Church School
7:30 pm - Wednesday, Bible Study and prayer meeting
EAGLE FOUNDRY CHURCH
Rev. Roy Royal Burnett, Pastor
10:00 am - Sunday School
11:15 am - Morning Worship
7:30 pm - Wednesday Prayer meeting
FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH
David J. Ziemke, Pastor
(one mile north of traffic light - Elsie)
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Bible School 10:15 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

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Rev. William G. Hankerd, Pastor
Associate Pastor
Rectors: 109 Linden St. Ph 224-3013
Convent 110 S. Oakland Ph 224-3789
School 201 E. Chas. Ph 224-2421
Sunday - 7:30, 9:30, 10:30 and 12
Holy Days - See bulletin
Weekdays - 8:30 am and 7 pm
Sacrament of Penance - Saturdays, 3:30 to 5 pm after 7 pm Mass until 8:30 pm
Weekday evenings a few minutes before evening Mass.
First Fridays - Sacrament of Penance Thursday from 3 to 4 pm and after the evening Mass until 8:30 pm.
Mass and prayers of Adoration at 7 pm
Communion on Friday at 6 and 7:15 am
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Thursday 7 pm on First Friday after evening Mass.
Devotions - Our Mother of Perpetual Help Novena - after 7:15 pm Mass each Tuesday
Religious Instruction Classes - Adult Inquiry Class, Tuesday at 8 pm High School (C.D., Wednesday at 7:30 pm Public Grade School (C.D., Tuesdays from 4 until 5 pm)
Baptisms - Each Sunday at 1:30 by appointment. Other arrangements by appointment.

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10:00 am - Sunday School
11:00 am - Morning Worship
6:00 pm - Sr. Choir Practice
7:00 pm - Evening Worship Discussion & Fellowship
Wednesday:
7:00 pm - Sr. Choir Practice
7:30 pm - Jr. Choir Practice and Children's Circle
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Youth Fellowship - 1st & 3rd Sundays after the Evening Service
Women of the Church of God - Meeting 1st Tuesday each month

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Church Office Hours - 9:00 - 12:00 Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings.
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Parsonage Telephone: 224-7400
Educational Wing Telephone: 224-8156
Adult Instruction - 7 pm, Monday
Elders and Evangelists - 6:30 Tuesdays
Weekday School and Confirmation Classes, Wednesdays, 3:30 - 8 p.m.
Senior Choir - 7:30 p.m., Wednesday
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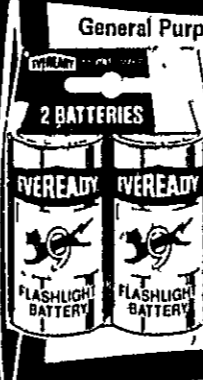
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The year in review in Elsie area

Ovid — Elsie Area News

By NEVA KEYS
Elsie Correspondent

Reviewing the events of 1976, the people of Elsie area have continued tightening their belts and fighting to overcome the energy-economic problems during this Bicentennial observance of the country's 200th birthday.

The early settlers left this village a priceless heritage of strength and vigor to face the future with confidence for continued growth. They are striving for better days ahead.

MAIN STREET AND BUSINESS

There have been few changes on Main Street. Last summer, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Baker, owners of Baker's Foodland sold the business to Gary Nixon of Brant, now operated as Nixon's Grocery. He also has a

similar store in Brant. Robert and Leona Baker who since 1949 have been in business in Elsie are now associated with Fedewa Builders, Inc., realtors and brokers of St. Johns.

Remodeling and other improvements were noted. The small building between Cook's Drug Store and Bing's Bar (Liquor & Food) has been torn down and now in process of being cleared of the debris.

Back in the 1890's it was known as the J.A. Brandau Variety Store, a real curio shop and children's paradise, where one could find everything from salt pork to crockery and from candy to pickled bologna. Later another Variety Store operated by Harold Bates and then a series of restaurants. Among the proprietors were the Ora Sinn, Roy Decker and Lloyd Galehouse families. It was also a residence for several years.

Darlings Ace Hardware was completely remodeled for a major Appliance Center, the largest in the area. The second floor of the Masonic Building has been renovated with new kitchen, rest room, furnace, air conditioning, carpeting and permanent closing of several large windows of the brick building.

The Elsie Library Historical Ass'n. headed by Mrs. Theima Rule has sponsored several fund-raising activities to furnish the new addition. There were many donations, bake sale and a large auction sale. Extensive plans have been made to display many historical items, collections, pictures and other memorabilia of this area. Librarian Mrs. Orpha Clement reports the interest in this new venture during the Bicentennial has been remarkably increased as well as patronage of the Elsie Public Library.

SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY
There are four churches that minister to the spiritual needs of the community: United Methodist Church; First Baptist Church; Faith Baptist Church (one mile north of village); and the Village Baptist Church, Independent and Fundamental, located at the former Village Inn.

ELSIE POLICE FORCE
The Elsie Police Force now has four men: Chief of Police, Gordon Mead is the full time officer of the area. He has been a member of Elsie Police since 1961 and was promoted to Chief in October 1974. He and his wife Mary have three children and two grandchildren. Their son, Dennis, is married and lives in Owosso. Cathy Rae, 23 and Cindy 19, are living at home.

Fredrick Enos, part-time police officer came to work for the Village in August 1974. Previous to working for Elsie, he was the Chief of Police in Chesaning for three years. His career abruptly ended August 1973, when he answered a complaint about a man who later shot him. Officer Enos and his wife, Lee have four children: Randy 22, Frank, 20, Fred Jr. 19 and Lisa three years old.

Harry Winans, also part time, and his wife Betty have three boys: Jeff 14, Todd 11 and Scott, nine years old. He has been employed by the Village of Elsie, Sept. 1975. He has worked for 21 years at the Chevrolet Truck Plant in Flint and is also a Council member.

Jan Doyen and his wife Sandra have three children:

Randy 18, Timothy 17 and Valerie 11 years of age. He has been employed 13 months as a part time police officer. He has been employed for 17 years at Midland-Ross Corp. in Owosso.

The Village of Elsie has just purchased a monitoring system for the police force. According to Chief Mead, this has made all of their jobs much easier as they can communicate more quickly and cooperate more efficiently.

The Lions club, headed by Norman Snyder is using as its theme this year "We Believe, We Challenge, We Serve" with rededication to the fundamental principles of Lionism in their accomplishments which include various work projects that benefit the less fortunate.

The Ovid-Elsie Playground, including Arts and Crafts, was started last summer because there was no recreation program for the bulk of the elementary children in Ovid and Elsie, especially children from four to twelve years of age.

The program was a great success with a total attendance of 7,139 in the following areas: band, tennis, men's softball, wrestling, basketball, jogging, summer school, swimming and playground.

Also in addition there were many involved in Little League programs, camping and activities in both communities. The Arts and Crafts was staffed by volunteer workers from each community and had an average attendance of 100 students each.

Bob Foreback, the summer recreation director deserves a lot of credit for success of the huge project. According to Foreback, much of its success goes to the many volunteers from the two communities who donated their time to make the program work.

Financing the program came from Ovid-Elsie Schools, Ovid and Elsie Village Councils, Ovid PTO, Gene's IGA, Elsie Order of Eastern Star and the O-E swim team.

Activities ranged from bike rides, fishing days, roller skating days and a trip to Potter's Park to an Arts and Crafts day once a week in Lansing. A special "Fun Day" was held on the last day which involved a concert on the High School lawn, a picnic and swimming that same day.

"Next year" according to Foreback "if we can get the same community support, the program should be bigger and better."

The Boy Scout program continues with a very active group of young boys. The Cub Scoutmaster is William Price and Ernie Bywater in charge of Webelos. The Boy Scoutmaster is Donald Gilbert with volunteer assistance from Gale Betz, John Tribelner and Gordon Jones on special projects or outings.

Among the special projects were: building snowshoes, camping, cooking and working on badges at Northwood, also a week at Scout Camp east of West Branch Council Camp.

Summer camp of 200 scouts from various places found eight boys from Elsie among the 22 one-mile swim winners. Canoeing runs were enjoyed and there were two high adventures and one down the Ausable River.

Ushering at the MSU home football games, the Scouts were carrying out a custom of many years for Boy Scouts. The current project is selling Christmas trees at 203 E. Main St.

EVENTS

--Steelhead Intergen drew interest at the Maple River dam west of Elsie as the spawning steelhead worked their way up the Maple River from Lake Michigan. The unusual occurrence is believed to be the first time they have made it to Elsie. In past years the steelhead have been denied access to the Maple River by the dam at Muir on the Grand River.

--The Annual Clinton Co. Ass'n. OES met in Elsie Masonic Temple with 150 attending a fraternal visit from Worthy Grand Matron Marjorie Baker Barton and Worthy Grand Patron Robert Hayes of Fenton.

--The Clinton County Ass'n. Vesper Service also met at the Masonic Hall to help raise funds for ESTRAL for promotion of Christian education.

--There were 17 students from Ovid-Elsie area participating in the Tri-County area Special Olympics from which three were selected to compete at the Special Olympics on the Central Michigan University campus. They were Cindi Nieman, Jim Kimmel and Carol Champlin.

--Elsie Public Library Historical Room attracted 500 people to the display of an Art Show by 30 art students of Mrs. Nida Dunham. This occurred on Mother's Day weekend and drew visitors from many other areas.

--The Senior Citizens provide monthly programs, dinners and entertainment for their guests.

--The Elsie-All School Reunion was attended last June by 425 who enjoyed displays at the School Library, dinner, program and class meetings at Ovid-Elsie High School.

--Mrs. Fern King completed her third year of instruction in Adult Enrichment Class on Cake Decoration offered through the O-E High School. Nyles Flegel, science teacher, is the director.

--The Woman's Literary Club with funds from two Trading Posts, each year gave two scholarships, help to Village Park and other community projects.

--The Elsie Improvement Ass'n. and the Lions Club joined in sponsoring "Carnival Days" in June for a long weekend, also Sidewalk Sales by the merchants in the summer.

SPECIAL PEOPLE

--Birthdays of Octogenarians were observed this year: Mrs. Jennie Collins (87); Mrs. Cleo Parks (90); Miss Lula Knight (92); Mrs. Myrtle Tillotson (92); Mrs. Pearl Loyne (92); and Ralph C. Woodard (93). Our congratulations to you.

--Judd Somers, a milk hauler for almost 53 years, retired Nov. 1974, made a vacation trip with his family to California and passed away in August this year.

--Among the exchange students in this area during the year were: Johanna Nordgren of Sweden with the Stan Kidas family; Christina (Angie) Korts of Valdivia, Chile with the Albert Latz, Jr. family; Federico C. Lehmann of Southern Columbia, near the

Pacific Ocean, South America, now with the Robert L. Pohl family of North Hollister Road, Elsie; and Christ Brem of Belgium, presently in the home of Mrs. A.W. Cobb and son, Alan Cobb.

--Andrew W. Cobb, former State Representative, a lifetime resident of Elsie, living on the family Centennial Farm, died January 21, 1975. Five months later, his oldest son, Lawrence John Cobb, 37 was killed in a tragic farm accident when his tractor tipped over crushing the body.

--Arnold Minarik, Clinton County Zoning Administrator, formerly with the Mid-Michigan Health Dept., resigned to accept a sales and development position with Fedewa Builders, Inc. of St. Johns last month.

--Gale Somers of Chapin has one of the most unusual utility companies in Michigan, The Farmers' Mutual Telephone Co., with headquarters in one corner of his living room. It is a non-profit, co-op service operated by the people of Chapin, a 400 telephone system, a small business since 1909.

--Bruce Thornton was appointed assistant manager of the Elsie office of Clinton National Bank and Trust Co. --Robert Moore was reappointed by Gov. Wm. Milliken to the State Soil Conservation Committee for term expiring June 30, 1979.

--Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kridger and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kridner made a three weeks trip through Scandinavia. Both families are prominent farmers of this area.

--Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vleck, their daughter, Vann Vleck and friend Dawn Baese, all of Elsie, along with 146 people from the Saginaw area made a pilgrimage to Rome, Italy in October and toured several countries for a 15 day vacation.

When in Rome, they heard Pope Paul in the Canonization Mass for bishop Oliver Plunkett, an Irishman. It took place in St. Peter's Square an immense area surrounded by Bernini's Colonnades. A beautiful day, the huge crowd, many from Ireland, and the memory of being in the "Eternal City" where there is so much of interest, will remain the highlight of the trip.

They also toured the ancient ruins of the Colosseum, the Forum and the beautiful cathedrals. They made the trip to France by train where they saw the famous Arch de Triumph, the Eiffel Tower, Cathedral of Notre Dame and a side trip to Lourdes, which attracts thousands of pilgrims each year.

The young ladies were thrilled to attend the Moulin Rouge, which they will long remember. They all continued the trip by train through Spain to Lisbon, Portugal where they had some wait before getting luggage straightened out before flying home.

--Bernadine Daley has a backyard Wildlife Habitat in Elsie. The property has been certified by the National Wildlife Federation as a link in its nationwide network of mini-refuges for wildlife in residential neighborhoods.

--E. Jean Cobb's hobby is collecting commemorative plates from all over the world. For 21 years, she has been a 4-H Club Leader. Having Exchange Students from other countries has been an enjoyable experience for the Cobb family. They have had 18 different foreign students in their home. Her five children were all active

4-H members. Her late husband A.W. Cobb was also an active 4-H leader for 30 years and was a member of the first 4-H Club in Clinton County.

--Recognition as a Gold Medal Sire has been awarded by the Holstein Friesian Ass'n. of America to a bull owned by Duane, Merle and Velmar Green of Elsie. The bull, Green Meadow MR Valor 1505143 (VG) was designated as both "Production and Type Qualified".

--Karen Green won Grand Champion and Reserve Champion on two aged cows as the result of showing Holstein cattle in the intermediate age group for all dairy members 14-16 age group at the Michigan State Fair.

--Frank Rivest and his son's 47 month-old Holstein cow was "tops" in June when they qualified for the "Milk Top Twenty" high producers among the Michigan Dairy Herd Improvement Ass'n. The Rivests have their herd-enrolled in the DHIA testing program and work in cooperation with Ed Janicek of Corunna and James Pelham, Clinton Co. Extension Agent and DHIA, Inc.

--When Ed Stefanek of Wilson Road, north of Elsie became ill and went to the hospital last spring, it was particularly a bad time of year for him as the farm requires so much time in the spring. His brother, John and sister, Stephanie began the enormous task of preparing the fields for seed.

Martin Galecka, a neighbor, organized other neighbors to help. Among those who came bringing tractors, trailers, fuel for tractors were Joe Galecka, Ed Stehlik, his wife and son, John and Joe Fabus, Joe Pontack and Bob Frye. Within two days the major part of the fields had been planted.

Mildred Courtney of St. Johns and associated with Ovid-Elsie Area Schools for many years was recognized last month when a scholarship fund in her name was announced by John Wesley College. The citation honoring her years of service to youth as an educator and coordinator of library services in the school system, church school worker, youth choir director and women's fellowship leader, was presented to Mrs. Courtney by Mary Ann Sovls, a 1971 graduate of Ovid-Elsie High School and 1975 Summa Cum Laude graduate of John Wesley College of Owosso.

--Miss Linda Sturgis, school of dance, presented "It's a Small, Small World" Ovid-Elsie Review last June. Miss Sturgis has proved that a good education in dance has a truly exciting reward. She started lessons in the fourth grade at Elsie Elementary and now teaches dancing at Clarkston, Davisburg and Elsie at the American Legion Hall and has a total of nearly 300 students.

As a member of "The Debutants," a dance line from the Bohaty School of Dance, she performed in Tel Aviv, Israel, Cairo in Egypt and Cyprus on Canada's Middle East good-will ambassador tour and also last year a trip to the Arctic for the Canadian Troops' Christmas Show, each a three week's engagement.

The Christmas Show was performed for the Canadian Armed Forces stationed at Alert, located on Ellesmere

Island, NWT, Canada, where the chill index was 95 degrees below zero. Last summer the girls worked three weeks in Halifax, Nova Scotia and several weeks at a Minnesota resort and also in Boston.

Miss Sturgis has performed in a group called Joy '76 that gave six shows in Detroit; Atlantic City; Cleveland, and Windsor, also others in Canada.

Miss Sturgis is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie (Tim) Sturgis of Elsie.

ITT HANCOCK INDUSTRIES
ITT Hancock Industries, Elsie Division is an automotive supplier plant producing adjustable seat track and door locks.

After a slow start in the spring, Hancock has maintained a steady employment average of 190 employees. Products are supplied to Chrysler, Ford and General Motors. New business included an emergency parking brake, lever assembly for the Sub Compact Chevette.

Improvements during the past year include a new enlarged sanitation system and a Lagoon System for Waste Water Control.

Plant manager Kenneth P. Miller states that the outlook for the coming year is very promising with anticipated higher employment.

It was just ten years ago, that the Mico Manufacturing Co., a division of Hancock Industries of Jackson began production of parking meters and small parts for automobiles in an industrial plant set up at the former Michigan Milk Producers Ass'n. on West Main St. in Elsie.

The 20,000 square foot building was leased to the company by the Elsie Industrial Corp., a non-profit community organization headed by Kelley Carter.

After a couple of years, the business had outgrown its quarters and a new plant was constructed across the street, north at No. 1 Park Ave. By September 1968 all 55,000 square feet of manufacturing area were in full operation.

Hancock Industries, known nationwide for its contributions of design and manufacturing of original equipment and replacement parts for the automotive and trucking industry, continued its growth until 1973 when it was decided to increase its facilities and warehouse space with the construction of an addition to the present factory. It was completed in 1974.

Innovation, both in parts design and manufacturing techniques have enabled Hancock Industries to grow and prosper in an industry well known for its demanding standards in quality and price. Reflecting on this, the firm has continued to grow. The village of Elsie is fortunate to have ITT Hancock Industries, as an integral part of the community.

Plant Manager Miller resides in Elsie with his family.

VILLAGE PARK
Elsie people are proud of the Village Park as it has rapidly grown with extensive day use in the area. The evenings have been especially busy since several shatterproof lights have been installed on the playgrounds.

Now, the snowmobiles are beginning to break trails at the north end where there will be more development later.

The summer recreation programs have their busiest times in the early evening. The park is located about one-half mile west of the Village on Main Street where approximately 40 acres offer a variety of outdoor recreation opportunities.

Part of the area was used as the athletic field for the schools until construction of the new Ovid-Elsie High School. Since November 1972, the Federal government in its Revenue-Sharing Fund has sent several thousand dollars for the recreation program. With help from such organizations as Elsie Improvement Ass'n., the Lions Club, Woman's Literary Club and Elsie Youth League and other donations to the Village Council the playground services were extended, as needs were realized. Don Lidle, a member of the Council was appointed as head of the Park Committee.

The roads were hardtopped around the Little League and Girls' Softball area. Cement bleachers were constructed at the south end and two covered pavilions and a warming shed were provided for the inclement weather. About 20 picnic tables have been purchased and if the reunions, family gatherings, picnics or organizations continue to make use of the facilities as they have the past year there will be a need for more tables and additional equipment.

Joe Bartek, appointed by the Village Council, already has about 15 reservations for next summer with special gatherings and reunions. A \$5.00 deposit is required for the reservation.

The two tennis courts, well lighted, were a beehive of activity last summer and promises to be even more popular in 1976. The original plans for ice skating rinks was ill advised by the state but arrangements were made to improve the situation.

As a convenience for travelers in campers, house trailers and mobile homes, a trailer pad was installed for those who travel in the area. It has a large holding tank, dumping station, well-drained. There are also electrical and water hook-ups.

There has been a good response by the public for the year-round use of the park. In 1975, it was used for Carnival Fun Days, sponsored by the Lions Club and Elsie Improvement Ass'n. which brought one of the largest crowds to the Park.

The Village also received federal funds for Comprehensive Employment Training Act (CETA). The village has one man employed to work in the village and at the Park, too. He is one of 40 people interviewed for the job.

The pine trees were cleared

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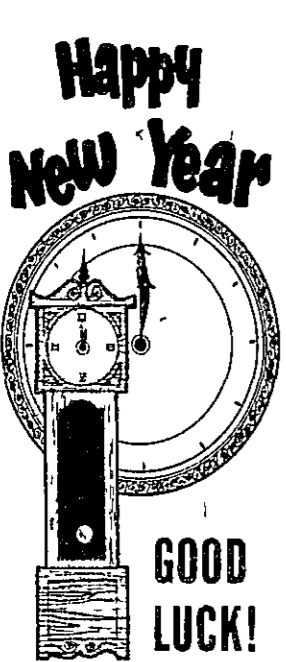
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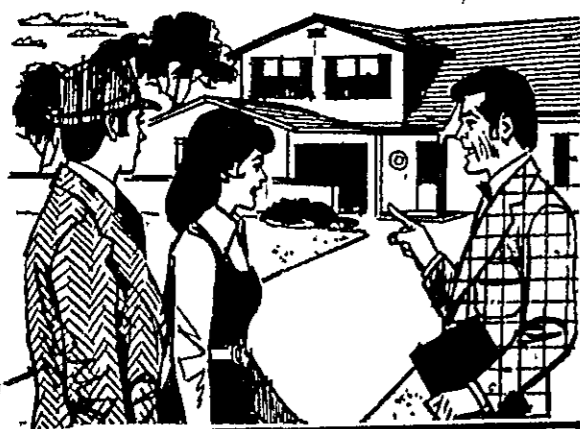
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ganning-lid shortage mystery, Michigan legislators on both the state and federal level have announced action they are involved in concerning the nation-wide shortage.

The Clinton County 4-H Fair — August 11-13 — is one of a kind, because it is strictly a youth fair. It's a clean, friendly place where you can thoroughly enjoy yourself.

The Clinton County Common Ground Crisis Center is experiencing a "crisis" of its own — no money.

Thomas Harte, 29, was convicted on four counts of negligent homicide Thursday as a result of a three-day jury trial in Circuit Court before Judge Leo Corkin.

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Highways and Transportation and, if the Highway Commission goes along, a new 4-lane expressway will be constructed up the eastern side of the county.

Bath teachers have changed their minds and have decided not to ratify a contract they and the administration tentatively agree upon earlier.

It was reported that, due to heavy rain that close to 90% of the edible crop is gone.

DECEMBER 17

Bath community teachers have accepted a contract which will give them more take-home pay, expanded insurance coverage and a paid-retirement program.

Ovid-Elsie teachers are still teaching without a contract. The Thursday evening meeting of the school board and teachers resulted in an impasse, the main dispute being over naming an insurance carrier.

Tours were announced to begin at 10 a.m. Saturday during the Clinton County Historical Society Home Tour. Nguyen Viet Diem and his family, Vietnamese refugees, are settling into their St. Johns home and are sponsored by the St. Johns Lutheran Church and various civic and church organizations.

Elaine Brockmyre, member of the Clinton County Board of Commissioners, has been appointed to the Community Mental Health Board for Clinton-Ingham-Eaton Counties. She replaces Maurice Gove, who served on the board since January, 1969.

NOVEMBER 5

The St. Johns Redwing Marching Band will complete the 1975 marching season with its annual Varsity Night Saturday, Nov. 8 at 7:30 in the High School Gym.

The St. Johns Education Association has announced that St. Johns School Teachers ratified a new contract at a specially called meeting last week.

Gov. William Milliken has asked U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Earl L. Butz to add 9 Michigan counties, including Clinton County, to the 16 counties already designated as disaster areas by Presidential Proclamation.

Calvin Inc. of St. Johns has been purchased by Frank E. Keelan of Highland, MI. The name was officially changed to Keelan Bulck-Pontiac-GMC Inc. Nov. 1.

NOVEMBER 12

Clinton County is the home of 3 football-conference champions this season, with all 3 teams finishing the season with unbeaten records in their conferences. They are: St. Johns, Fowler, and Bath.

It took 2 minutes for the State Highway Commission to announce Nov. 5 that they want consultants, Wilbur Smith & Associates, to reconsider the "no build" alternative along with a broadened 2-mile wide C-D corridor in picking a specific alignment for the new U.S. 27.

Nearly \$1400 worth of drugs were taken from two area drug stores here last week.

If numbers are any indication, St. Johns residents expressed an increased interest in the running of their city last Tuesday when they turned out at the polls to return two incumbent city commissioners to office. Re-elected were: Donald Roesner and John Hannah.

NOVEMBER 19

Deer-hunting enthusiasts took to the woods and meadows at dawn, Saturday, in hopes of bagging that prize buck. For many in Clinton County, the season is already over; their buck has been skinned and deer steaks have already been eaten in the yearly ritual.

Acting on behalf of a DeWitt Twp. citizens group, State Rep. Stanley Powell (R-Ionia) has sent a letter to Attorney General Frank Kelly — asking that he rule on the validity of a township-wide special assessment district created by the township Board of Trustees during the past few months.

According to opinions sent to the County News in response to a questionnaire about how local residents would feel about trees planted in the downtown business area, the results could be summed up — "yes!"

St. Johns defeated Grand Ledge 33-31 to capture a share of the West Central title in girls' varsity basketball.

NOVEMBER 26

A Lansing man was forced from a car at gunpoint and beaten; and 3 teenage girls from Howell were abducted in what DeWitt Twp. Police Chief William Nash described as a feud between 2 rival Lansing motorcycle gangs here Thursday night.

County officials here are trying to cope with the not-so-easy problem of how to bring more industry and jobs to the

county while maintaining a viable agricultural economy and the traditional slower-paced country life-style.

The first St. Johns Redwing Alumni Basketball Game will be played Saturday, Nov. 29 in the high school gym.

Traffic had to be rerouted for about 5 hours here Monday morning as a result of an auto accident where a car driven by an Ithaca man went off the road and struck a light pole.

DECEMBER 3

Old St. Nick himself will be on hand to kick-off the 1975 Christmas season with his arrival, Friday, Dec. 5 at 8:30 p.m. He will receive a musical escort by the St. Johns High School Pep Band to the Municipal Building where he will meet with area youngsters.

An augmented drainage board made up of officials from Clinton and Ingham County will be holding a public hearing tonight in the Hannah Middle School to get some public feedback on the proposed upgrading of the Remy-Chandler drain.

Gov. William G. Milliken signed the first contract to place a Bath Twp. farm under the protection of the Farmland and Open Space Preservation Act, Nov. 18.

Robert A. Conn, 70, long-time owner and operator of Borons Store in St. Johns, died suddenly following an apparent heart attack Nov. 28.

The proprietors of the Dutch Hills Mobile Home Park have been trying for some time to work out an agreement with Bath Twp. that will allow them to truck their sewage into the Meridian Twp. Sewer System.

DECEMBER 10

St. Johns Police and the Clinton County Sheriff's Dept. apprehended 2 individuals at the north city limits Monday after being notified by the State Police in Ithaca that the two subjects were involved in the shooting of Michael Arnold Mastaw, 19, of Breckenridge, who picked up the hitchhiking pair.

Shirley Karber of St. Johns has been appointed coordinator by the Clinton County Bicentennial Committee for rural St. Johns, for rural St. Johns, has been sentenced to prison for probation violations in connection with a 1973 sentence for larceny of cattle.

The First Nighters, St. Johns' theatre group, have announced plans for a stage production to be scheduled after the first of the year.

DECEMBER 17

St. Johns High School students succeeded in raising \$900 worth of canned goods to be given to Clinton County Social Services, who will distribute the food to the needy (families throughout the county).

A fact-finding hearing was scheduled for Tuesday morning as bargaining continues in its 7th month between Ovid-Elsie Public Schools and the Ovid-Elsie Education Association.

A 79-year-old Ovid man, Andrew L. Main, died early Monday morning, following an automobile accident on M-21 Sunday evening.

Ethel Barnes celebrated her 94th birthday Dec. 12 with a party at Page's home for the aged.

DECEMBER 24

A group of DeWitt Twp. residents have not given up their fight against a 1-mill tax assessment they claim is illegal.

The Clinton County Historical Society has a museum building and now they would appreciate help by Clinton County residents in furnishing the house items of historical interest in Clinton County. Thomas Hollen of St. Johns has been appointed director of the museum at 1004 S. Oakland, St. Johns.

Santa's helpers were busy with their last minute Christmas preparations.

Dateline DeWitt



with Faye Hanson

DeWitt City Librarian And Chairman, DeWitt Bicentennial Commission



Dining is an unforgettable experience when done in one of Williamsburg's three reconstructed Colonial Taverns: King's Arms, Chowning's and Christiana Campbell's. You must make reservations way ahead as they are always booked in advance. You dine by candlelight and are given a three by four foot napkin which is large enough to use as an apron! You are served famous foods of a long ago south.

When dining at Chowning's this fall I started off with SANGAREE. This is a drink made from an 18th century recipe using the wine of Maderia blended with the Juices of fresh lemons and oranges, lightly sweetened and served cold. It is quite different from the present day Sangria. This was followed by clams on the half shell. Next came Brunswick Stew, made from young fowl, ham and fresh garden stuff. The finishing touch was Pecan Tart.

Other things offered on the menu are: Backin Chesapeake Bay Crabmeat, Welsh Rabbit with Surry County Ham, Fried Chicken, Sally Lunn bread, escalloped oysters, green-gage plum ice cream, orange-nut pound cake, buttered apple pie and old fashioned cheese cake with fresh strawberries. You take your time and don't rush and every mouthful is a joy.

Another eating experience at its best is the Hunt Breakfast served at the Cascade Inn in Williamsburg. There are 80 varieties of food on the breakfast buffet which is served from 9:00 A.M. until noon. If planning to visit Williamsburg, Va. this Bicentennial year it is my suggestion that you start making reservations now. They told me when there in Nov. that there were few openings left for housing for 1976.

Prevent ice tragedies

Slate Police Director Col. George L. Halverson coupled a warning about early winter thin ice dangers with a report that ice accident tragedies have already claimed the lives of at least 5 youngsters in the state.

All of the children ranged in age from 5 to 8, according to accident reports. Three of the deaths occurred in the Saginaw area earlier this month while 2 other deaths happened in the Milford area.

Parents are advised to be vigilantly attentive to the areas in which their youngsters might be playing now that vacation time is here, the director said.

Halverson pointed out that early winter ice too often may look stronger than it really is. To safely bear the weight of humans, ice should be three to four inches thick. Children should be repeatedly cautioned about ice dangers, he stressed.

Added to the hazards in some parts of the state is the fact that December rains have raised many streams to above-normal levels and solid ice won't build on them while they are in a subsiding stage.

The director urged that safety precautions should also be observed by all persons who use powered sleds or other vehicles on ice surfaces during the winter season. Equally important, Halverson said, is that there should be provision for rescue in event of accident where ice or water activity is involved.

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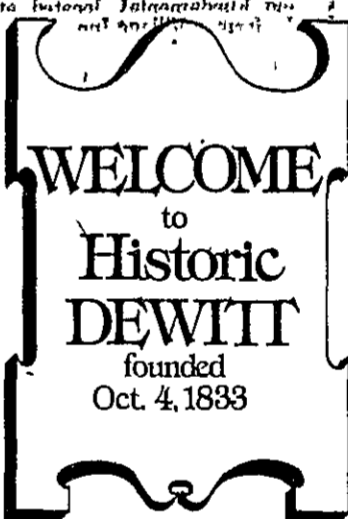
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AUGUST 13

It appears that progress has been made toward healing the divisive and seemingly endless spat between the County Board of Commissioners, the County Department of Public Works, and DeWitt and Bath Twp. over the proposed South Clinton Wastewater Treatment Plant operation.

Arrangements are being made to return an armed-robbery suspect to Clinton County from Columbia S.C. The subject is sought in connection with a May 1, 1974 robbery of a Courtesy taxi-driver on Drumheller Rd. in Bath Twp.

The 29th annual DeWitt Ox Roast will be held in DeWitt Sat. Aug. 16 beginning at 10 a.m.

County officials are beginning to find themselves unhappy with the scheduled 1977 opening of Sleepy Hollow State Park because of the projected traffic increase on Price and Shepardsville Rds., which they feel will demand road improvement the county can't and shouldn't pay for.

AUGUST 20

A state mediator has been called into stalled talks between the St. Johns Education Association (SJEA) and the Board of Education according to a news release from the SJEA.

Petitions could soon be circulating in DeWitt Township asking that a referendum be held on the newly created special assessment district if the Township Board of Trustees doesn't promise at tonight's public hearing to return the Township to the millage election process in 1976.

Bath Twp. has been having its own version of a Hell's Angels invasion this summer with the arrival of 300-400 out-of-county youths who like to party on state land and disturb the local residents.

St. Johns swimmers through the age of 18 will have the opportunity to show their stuff Saturday when the St. Johns City Recreation Department sponsors an open swim meet beginning at 9 a.m.

AUGUST 27

School will begin for all St. Johns School District Students Wednesday and Thursday Sept. 3 and 4. There will be no school for students on Friday. Classes will resume again on Monday the 8th.

Bath is back in its old bind of having nowhere to put its sewers once they're installed because of a Circuit Court decision Monday that reaffirmed the Court's January decision that Bath must first get DeWitt Twp.'s approval before they can hook their sewers into the sewer treatment plant on Herbison Rd.

The new St. Johns sewer system was christened with five inches of rain in a 24-hour period last week, not exactly a joy-filled affair.

Negotiations between Ovid-Elsie school teachers and school Superintendent Don Denney have apparently stalled and if the Michigan Education Association, the Teacher's Union, and the School Administration can't reconcile their differences soon, the slated Sept. 3 school opening in Ovid-Elsie could be threatened.

SEPTEMBER 3

The St. Johns Education Association has announced the rejection of the School Board's final contract offer, but said the teachers decided to start school as usual Sept. 2.

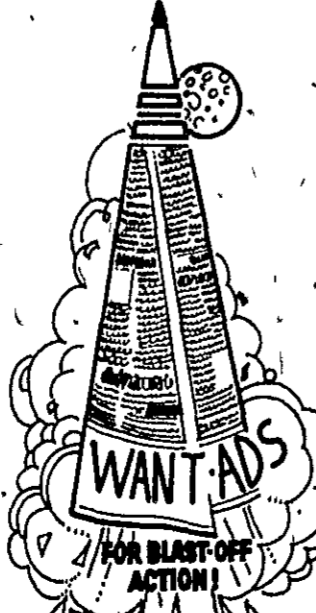
Thomas L. Harte, 29, 13461 Center Road, Bath, was sentenced in Circuit Court to 3 years probation with the first 180 days in jail on 4 counts of negligent homicide.

The Michigan Education Association has charged Ovid-Elsie Schools superintendent Don Kenney with 3 counts of unfair labor practices because of their displeasure with his position in negotiations with Ovid-Elsie teachers.

Nine DeWitt Township residents were arraigned in District Court and released on \$100 personal recognizance bonds because they violated a township ordinance which requires residents to hook into the township sewer system.

SEPTEMBER 10

Wilbur Smith and Associates have recommended Route C 3e to the State Department of



Farming and 4-H - - - in Clinton County

Extension calendar

Jan. 6, 13 & 20: Labor Management Seminar for Clinton County farmers - Central National Bank.
 Jan. 6 & 7: Cattle Feeders Shortcourse - Hospitality Inn, Lansing.
 Jan. 7: Family Living Holiday Workshop Meeting - Smith Hall, 9:30 a.m.
 Jan. 8: 4-H Horse Leaders' Meeting - Central National Bank, St. Johns, 8 p.m.
 Jan. 14: 4-H Beef Cattle Feeding Meeting - Smith Hall, 7 p.m.
 Jan. 14: Central Genetics, 8 p.m. - Central National Bank.
 Jan. 15: Family Living Council Meeting - Smith Hall, 9:30 a.m.
 Jan. 15: Family Living Program - "What You Always Wanted to Ask Uncle Sam But Were Afraid to Ask" - Smith Hall, 1 p.m.
 Jan. 17: 4-H Photography Workshop - Farm Bureau Building, St. Johns, 1-4 p.m.
 Jan. 19: District Holstein Annual Meeting - Corunna.
 Jan. 21: 4-H Human Ecology Training - Smith Hall, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
 Jan. 24: Clinton County Holstein Association Annual Meeting.
 Jan. 24-26: 4-H Snow Camp Weekend - Traverse City.
 Jan. 29: Tour of Jacobson's - 7 p.m. - for members in 4-H Personal Appearance.
 Jan. 29: 4-H Dairy Meeting - 7:30 p.m. - Louie Schneider Farm, Fowler.
 Jan. 31: "Crazy Creations" - 4-H Personal Appearance members' activity - Smith Hall - 10 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. - Bring sack lunch.
 Feb. 4: Income Tax Meeting - Smith Hall - 1:30 p.m.
 Feb. 7: Craft Workshop - Smith Hall - 10 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. - Bring sack lunch.
 Feb. 12: Woodworking Meeting - 7:30 p.m. - Central National Bank, St. Johns.
 Feb. 14: State Holstein Annual Meeting - Hillsdale.

4-H Chatter

Have you made your New Year's resolutions



By JOHN AYLSWORTH

With the New Year 1976 approaching how many of you made resolutions that you know you won't be able to keep? Time is a funny thing as you can never get back the minutes, hours and days you wasted in the past. If you had 1975 to live over would your New Year's Resolution include paying more attention to your friends and to acquaintances that might have become friends? Would you have paid more attention to people, trying to keep close to them and expressing the warmth and affection that you really felt? Would you try more often to send a note of good wishes when good things happened to them or say a word of congratulations when you see them?

Would you include a personal note at Holiday Times instead of just signing a regular greeting card? Would you remember to speak or write a word of encouragement to your friends on their birthday?

Would you be more careful to answer personal letters promptly? Would you keep expanding your list of friends? Would you take the initiative in making contacts with those acquaintances whom you regard highly? Would you try harder to do better with the remaining years that you have to live? However, New Year's Resolutions are like religion, a highly personal matter, and the only ones that should be mentioned publicly are the ones you make with tongue in cheek. Those that have real meaning for you are not for public hearing.

As it says in a McGuffey Reader, "It's no use to boast of anything till it's done; nor then, either, for it speaks for itself." 1976 is a new and neutral year. It could be your worst failure or your most successful year. I hope you plan to make 1976 the most exciting year in your life. Let your actions speak for themselves and live the New Year like the year you could live over if granted.

Photo Workshops
 4-H Photography leaders and members have the opportunity to learn more about taking pictures, developing negatives, printing pictures as well as enlarging and cropping pictures. A series of three workshops will be held on Saturdays, Jan. 17, at the Farm Bureau Office north of St. Johns at the corner of US-27 and Steel Street, Feb. 7 and 28 at St. Johns High School Photo Laboratory. All three workshops will be from 1-4 p.m. There will be a charge of 50 cents (payable only once) to help cover the cost of developing and printing supplies. The group will be using black and white film, and taking pictures each time as well as having them evaluated. Other 4-H members not taking photography as a project are welcome to attend also.

Beef Cattle Meeting
 There will be a 4-H beef cattle meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 14, at 7 p.m. in Smith Hall in St. Johns. Dr. Harlan Ritchie, Beef Cattle Specialist from Michigan State University, will be present to discuss good feed rations and what it takes to feed champion cattle. Each person is to bring a sample of their feed and a list of what the feed is composed of. Bill Lasher, Extension Agricultural agent, will run the computer showing how rations can be changed and how the computer can be helpful to cattle feeders. There will be a film on cattle feeding also. With nearly 90 4-H steers on feed for the 1976 4-H Fair Show and Sale, members are urged to attend, and learn how to do the best job of feeding possible. This meeting was originally scheduled for Jan. 15, but had to be changed to the 14th.

Get Telaward Forms
 4-H members who are interested in participating in the State and National 4-H Award Program are urged to get their Telaward forms into the Extension Office as soon as possible after Jan. 1. The forms will be sent to the University for project rank and compiling of

information. The County 4-H Award committee will recommend a member for each of the State 30 project areas.

Elves' Christmas Party
 The Village Elves 4-H members enjoyed their Christmas Party consisting of games and breaking a pinata which several members made. The girls will be attending a workshop on Jan. 31 at Smith Hall in St. Johns on Crazy Creations, where they will learn to embroidery and patch jeans.

Christmas Potluck
 The Green Acres 4-H members and families enjoyed their club Christmas Party with a potluck dinner. After they finished singing Christmas carols, Jolly Old Santa Claus made his appearance and passed out gifts to all.

Roller Skating Instruction
 The 4-H Roller Skating Project will be starting Wednesday, Jan. 7, from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Ranch Roller Rink in St. Johns. Bill Karber will be the instructor as the group will meet each week for 10 weeks.

Rolling Around
 In December the 4-H Roller Skating Activity ran into some holiday and Christmas Party conflicts as only 55 4-H members and guests attended this activity. The next 4-H roller skating activity is scheduled for Thursday, Jan. 15 at the Ranch Roller Rink in St. Johns with 235 reservations made by clubs.

Glass Collection Day
 The next 4-H Glass Collection Project will be held on Saturday, Jan. 3, by the St. Johns Congregational Church Youth. Let's save the glass bottles for recycling instead of going into the land fill. People in St. Johns should get the glass out on the curb by 10 a.m. and other people outside of St. Johns should take their glass up to the fairgrounds on Saturday between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Jim's Column

Clinton County agriculture in '76

Jim Pelham
Clinton County Extension Director

At the end of every year it has become custom for all the experts to reflect over the past year and try to guess what the next year might be like. I have been wrong too many times over a period of years to be considered an expert on anything, and besides I am too close to the people served to meet the first qualification; that of being at least 50 miles from home!

Still it might be interesting to some of our readers to hear of some of the most visible changes occurring in Clinton County agriculture.

Non-farm readers are often more interested in the general view than are our farm readers who work in agriculture every day.

If we were to list the five most significant changes in Clinton County agriculture that have taken place in the short 12 months of the past year, they might be in about this order:

Western United States since 1904, but did not show up in significant numbers in Michigan until 1967. Once he got here he liked it and developed in such large numbers that for awhile it looked as though we could be forced to stop growing this valuable high protein forage.

There is ample evidence both of these damaging insects are coming under control through biological methods. The parasitoid responsible for control of the alfalfa weevil is "Microctonus Aethiops". This parasite was first introduced into the country in 1973, and is in fact "planted" in ideal locations by your County Extension Agents. By last summer the parasites were doing so well at the Dave Benner farm (out towards Maple Rapids) that agents from other counties were coming to collect specimens to start a supply of them growing in their counties.

Less Energy Through Less Tillage
 Back in the early 50's, Dr. Ray Cook, head of the soils department at Michigan State University and owner of an Olive Township farm, I might add; was convinced farmers

were wasting time and energy preparing their crop seedbeds through conventional means. Through persistent work and research, Dr. Cook proved that by following a few simple guidelines (tillage could be cut in half and in some instances even more, and rather than reducing yields, his techniques increased them and improved soil structure as well.

Since then a lot of people have been seeking means of reducing tillage even more.

By 1975 a few farmers throughout the county had completely eliminated tillage for their corn crop. This was made possible largely through more effective herbicides.

Tours were held at the Claude and Lawrence Jones farm, and at Frank and Jim Rivest's. Neighboring farmers were given an opportunity to see high yielding crops growing in a wide variety of soils where no plow had broken the soil. The system may not be best for everyone, but it has proved its worth and we think it's here to stay.

Dial for snow

recreational activities taking place around the state, general weather and winter fishing information. According to Wilson, "Michigan is one of the nation's favorite summer vacation states, but when summer turns off, we don't. When you get to 'snow' Michigan, winter becomes another exciting vacation experience."

The Travel Bureau toll free number for Michigan residents, outside the Lansing area, is 800-292-2520. Residents of Connecticut, Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Maryland, Minnesota, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin and Washington, D.C., dial 800-248-5456.

Here's one thing free from IRS

DETROIT - The Internal Revenue Service has announced a new toll-free tax assistance phone number for Michigan. The new number, 1-800-482-9650, replaces a pair of such numbers used for information service until this week.

The new "800" number should be used by taxpayers in all parts of Michigan except those in Ann Arbor, Detroit, Flint, Grand Rapids, Lansing, Mt. Clemens, Muskegon, and Pontiac. These cities have separate toll-free tax assistance numbers which remain unchanged and are listed in local telephone directories.

IRS says their toll-free numbers, including the new "800" number will be listed in the instruction booklets accompanying tax forms. Taxpayers will be receiving their 1975 tax forms and instructions starting the week of December 28.

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Chloe's Column

New Year's resolutions

Clinton County Home Economist

New Year's resolutions are being made. For many it is a time to turn over a new leaf. What about you, have you made any resolutions?

May I suggest a resolution to you? Make it a point during 1976 to spend at least one evening or afternoon for yourself each month. Every woman needs to be away from her family once in awhile and I have the perfect

activity for you. Join an Extension Study Group, along with 250 other ladies in Clinton County. Study groups are open to all women without regard to race, creed, color or economic status.

The study groups meet each month round robin style in members' homes. A program is always planned and refreshments served. Programs range from a study of the metric system to decorating on a shoestring, or from the development of a three year old, to growing houseplants.

USDA announces 1976 agricultural conservation program

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) today announced an \$85 million 1976 Agricultural Conservation Program (ACP) designed to encourage the application of enduring soil and water conservation practices on the nation's farms. The objective is to obtain needed conservation on farmlands beyond that which the farmer would accomplish with his own resources.

The 1976 program will be administered by the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service through its farmer-elected committee system. It will share with farmers from 50 to 75 percent of the cost of carrying out approved soil, water and woodland conservation practices.

As was the case for the 1975 ACP, authority to develop practices needed to solve conservation problems is delegated to each of USDA's farmer-elected county Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation (ASC) committees. All approved practices in effect under the 1970 National ACP are eligible.

In carrying out the 1976 program, State and county ASC committees are responsible for identifying the critical farm conservation problems in their respective areas and developing and approving practices for cost-sharing on a priority basis.

The Soil Conservation Service will provide planning and technical assistance. Contracts involving woodlands also will get technical aid from the Forest Service. The Extension Service will assist with educational support. These three agencies provide program

development and policy overview assistance through county, State and National program development groups. Local Soil Conservation Districts also provide support through assistance with program development. Program details will be available from Clinton County ASCS Office as soon as received from the State Office.

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FARM BUREAU
NEWS



[Front, from left] Victor LaRue, Duplain Twp.; Mrs. Betty Morris, Eagle representing Farm Bureau Women; Bill Klissane, Bingham township, County Farm Bureau President; Mrs. Judy Klissane; Township; David Pohl, Dallas Twp.; [Standing, from left] David Morris, Eagle Twp.; Fran Motz, Greenbush, twp.; Bob Fox, Ovid Twp.; Tom Irner, Bengal twp.; Art Motz, Greenbush twp.; Jack Anderson, Essex Twp.; Bob Borton, Watertown, Twp.; Mike Pettigrew, Greenbush twp. Young Farmer Chairman. State Annual Meeting was held at the Civic Center in Grand Rapids. Clinton County had a full delegation at each session. William Spike of Shiawassee was re-elected as District V. director of which Clinton county is a part. Speakers at the meeting included the Honorable William Milliken, Governor of Michigan, Mrs. Lenore Romney, Dr. Tom Haggai noted lecturer and Dr. Carl Winters.

Kick-off membership campaign Jan. 12

Clinton county will kick-off its 1976 membership campaign on Jan. 12, at the county office. Mr. and Mrs. Francis Motz of Greenbush township are the co-chairmen of the membership drive this year. Starting at 10:30 a.m. will be rolls and coffee, with a drawing held then to get the meeting going. Harold Scharp, our regional representative will be there to give some pointers on a successful drive. Guest speaker will be Jess Taggart, Young Farmer Co-ordinator from the State Farm Bureau Office.

At noon the Farm Bureau Womens committee will serve a chicken dinner with all the trimmings.

A membership drive is very important to an all volunteer organization such as ours.

Clinton county has made goal for the past nine years with gain in membership every year. This is a good record and we want to continue it. Goal for this year is 1532 member families, at this time we need about 75 new members plus renewals. The drive will be conducted from Jan. 12 through Jan. 20, when we will reach goal.

Each township has a captain who is responsible for getting workers for his area, and seeing to it that his township makes goal, if every township makes goal there is no problem for the county making goal. The membership captains this year and their goals are as follows; Bath-45, Allen Cable; Bengal-122, Ray Mayers; Bingham-178, Leonard Puetz; Dallas-150, Jerry Thelen; DeWitt-87, Paul Seeger; Duplain-87, Bob Moore;

Eagle-74, Russell Howe; Essex-92, Jim Dershem; Greenbush-87, Don Swagart; Lebanon-75, Jack Anderson; Olive-92, Jim Voisinet; Ovid-107, Bob Fox; Riley-66, Stan Fewewa; Victor-43, Arlo Sticher; Watertown-115, Lewis Lonier; Westphalia 110, Dave Pohl.

With a team like that there should be no problem making goal.

There is going to be a drawing at kick-off as added incentive for members to pay their dues before Jan. 12. All paid Farm Bureau renewals will be eligible and there will be three winners, and each one will receive a five dollar refund on his membership dues.

So act now and pay those dues and help your county make goal by Jan. 20.



Five win free fruit

Fran Motz, Clinton County Farm Bureau Roll Call Manager for the 1976 membership drive is shown drawing five names from among those members who renewed their membership by December 15. The following Farm Bureau members received a 4/5 bushel carton of Florida grapefruit and oranges: Dick Kingsbury of Greenbush township, James Keilen, Westphalia; Carl Stump, Bengal; Donald Sleigh, Victor and Lloyd Hopp, Riley. A second drawing will be held at the Kick-off meeting scheduled for January 12. To qualify for the drawing the 1976 dues must have been received in the office by that date. There will be five prizes of \$5.00 cash awarded. Members are urged to get their dues in and qualify for this second drawing if they have not already done so.

President's column

By Bill Klissane

Membership goal, (1531 MEMBER families) fruit sales, Power-in-the-People, Rural Urban day, policy development, county annual meeting; there are a few of the activities carried out during the past year by the Clinton County Farm Bureau. The Farm Bureau being a general farm organization encompasses a wide area of activities. Besides

the activities mentioned above various committees within the organization carried out their own program of activities. The Women's Committee held monthly meetings with programs of interest to all Farm Bureau women. The Young Farmers committee sponsored a queen's contest and discussion meet, along with other activities throughout the

year to involve the younger farm families.

The Soybean division deserves special notice for sponsoring of soy bean test plots by the Ovid-Elsie and Fulton-Middleton, F.F.A. Chapters. It is hoped that the results of these test plots will be helpful to Clinton County soybean farmers. Our Local Affairs committee is making an attempt to keep abreast of county government affairs. In this way we can present farmers views to our county officials. In the coming year we hope to expand the above mentioned activities, as well as adding some new ones to better represent you the Farm Bureau members.

There is one area where we need some help in order to achieve these goals. We need your ideas, concerns and problems. Only in this way can your organization be best suited to meet your needs. I would urge all Farm Bureau members to make your views known to your Farm Bureau Board Member or call the county Farm Bureau office or write a letter to the same. We are looking forward to hearing from you.

May all you have a very prosperous and bright New Year.

CNB&T announces year-end dividend

Over 780 stockholders will share in a year-end dividend approved last week by directors of Clinton National Bank & Trust Company of St. Johns. Stockholders of record as of Dec. 16, 1975, will receive .27c per share payable Jan. 1, 1976, and the distribution will raise the total dividends paid on 1975 earnings to \$172,394.23 or .54c per share.

The cash dividend continues with a .2c per share increase approved by the directors in May of 1975 reaffirming their intent to pay shareholders an average of 30% of earnings. According to President Brandon C. White, the January 1 payment will represent the bank's 30th consecutive dividend since formation in 1961 through merger of St. Johns National Bank, State Bank of St. Johns and the State Savings Bank of Elsie.

Clinton National Bank, headquartered in St. Johns, operates 12 locations in Clinton County and north Lansing. A 13th location has recently been approved in Lansing Township, near the intersection of Grand

River and Wood Road and according to White, operations are scheduled to begin there around mid to late summer.

Aside from White, other executive officers who serve on the bank's Board include John Rumbaugh, chairman, senior vice president and senior trust officer and Gayle Desprez, executive vice president. Other directors are Eldon S. Bell of Bell Furniture, Lansing; Roy F. Briggs, St. Johns realtor; Victor Brya, retired farmer; John Fox, Educator, Lansing Community College; Charles Mathews, assistant cashier and Fowler office manager; George Palmer, retired Laingsburg businessman; Cayle Sloat, farmer; Ink White, trust advisor; Harry Patterson, St. Johns implement dealer; Fred Tiedt and Lorenz Tiedt, retired businessmen.

Robert Conn, a long-time St. Johns businessman also served on the Board until his death, Nov. 28.

Clinton National stock is distributed through the offices of Manley, Bennett and McDonald in Lansing, Grand Rapids and Owosso.

Friendly Fringe Farmers News

The Friendly Fringe Farmers Group recently visited Wilbur McNutt who is ill and presented

him with a basket of fruit. Mr. McNutt is at the Maple Valley Nursing Home in Ashley. He has been a Farm Bureau member for many years.

In addition the group decided that each family would send him a Christmas card.

The group enjoyed a ham dinner at the Christmas celebration hosted by Bea and Ed Grams who left soon after for Texas. Everyone wished them a grand trip and vacation.



Farm Bureau news notes

Today 45 Soybean members have renewed their 1976 membership leaving a total of 21 yet unpaid. The Soybean committee urges members to again join and participate in this activity which was very active in promoting test plots through two local F.F.A. Groups. Other activities included a Soybean day and a tour of elevators and terminals in Chicago.

Glarence Manning has been nominated by the County Farm Bureau to serve on the State Natural Resources Advisory Committee. Alden Livingston will represent Farm Bureau members on the Land Use Commission appointed by the

County Board of Commissioners.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Klissane, County President and Mr. and Mrs. Fran Motz, Roll Call Managers will attend the American Farm Bureau Federation Convention in St. Louis, Missouri January 3-9. They will travel by Amtrak and tour Chicago on the way out. There will also be a tour for Michigan people in St. Louis and the surrounding area. The American Farm Bureau Federation has just reached an all time membership high-2,500,000 families!

As a result of a study of the Farm Bureau Women's program in the county conducted by members of the executive committee of both the Women's Committee and the County F.B. Board there will be eight women named to the committee representing each of the eight districts in the county. The names of these women will be presented to the Women's Committee for their approval. This will enlarge the committee and allow for more representation from the non-group membership in the county.

There will be a new service provided to the membership in Clinton County in the form of a monthly newsletter from the office mailed to each member containing news from just the county activity. It will contain pictures and other information to keep you informed on various programs and activities. The one page newsletter will be written in the county, printed and mailed from the Michigan Farm Bureau. The first issue should be mailed in February.

TRIP TO NASHVILLE OFFERED TO ROLL CALL WORKERS IF COUNTY MAKES GOAL BY FEBRUARY 28
Michigan Farm Bureau, is

making available to County Farm Bureaus a trip to Nashville and the Grand Ole Opry. This trip is designed to be used as recognition for Membership Campaign Managers who achieve goal by February 28. The tour is scheduled for late March and includes: Round Trip Greyhound Bus Charter from Lansing to Nashville. The bus departs Lansing Friday morning. There is a brunch stop near Auburn, Indiana, a lunch stop, (cafeteria style) near Indianapolis, and a stop at the "Chickadee" in Nashville. Arrival in Nashville is approximately 6-8 p.m. depending on stop time.

Two nights accommodations at the comfortable Janek Spence Motor Lodge, Near Opry Land. Two breakfasts and two dinners.

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Admissions to Grand Ole Opry, and admissions to the colorful Country Music Hall of Fame.

Persons assisting in the 1976 membership drive are eligible for the trip at a cost of \$86.50 per person providing the county achieves goal by February 28. Reservations must be made by January 9 so call the county office if you are interested. Persons volunteering to work on the membership drive even though they have not already been asked by a captain may qualify for the trip.



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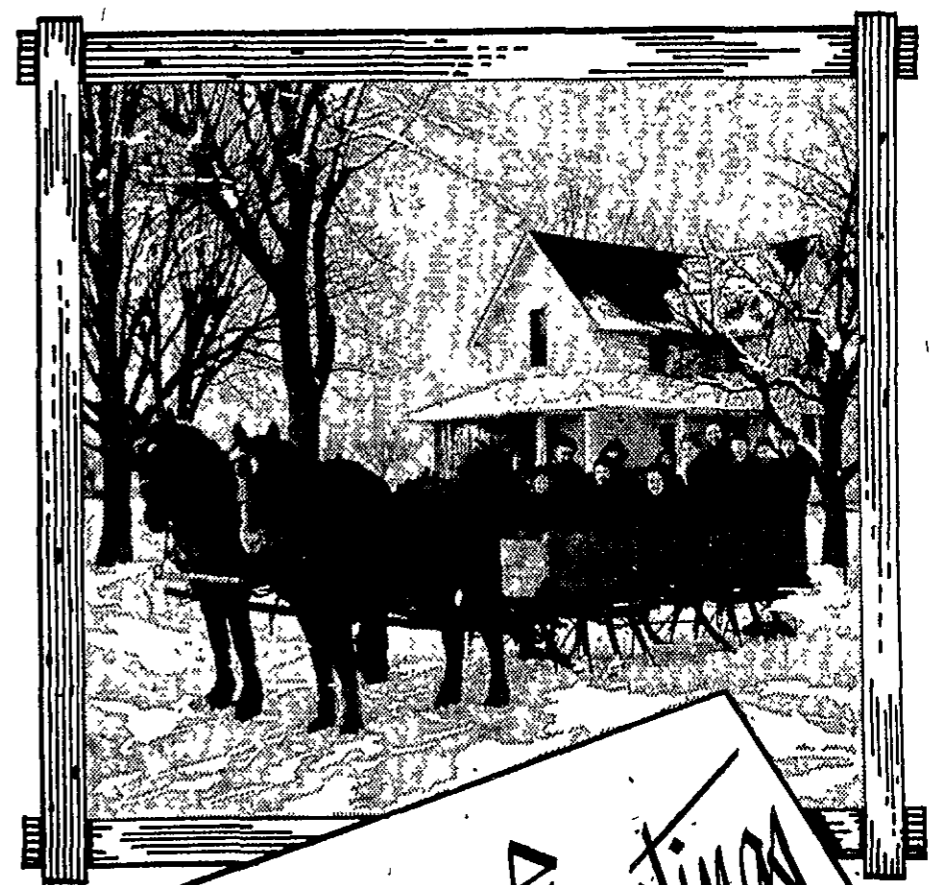
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national legislative programs. Join FARM BUREAU. Phone 224-3255. 36-3-p-29 Card of Thanks 30 WIEBER - I want to thank my family, relatives and all my friends who remembered me with prayers, cards, gifts, visits and many acts of kindness while I was in University Hospital, Ann Arbor and since my return home. All was greatly appreciated. Dorothy Wieber 36-1-p-30

Blk. 5, Lance's. Dec. 16: Searles, Willard D. and Lillian C. to Roy F. Briggs Lot 6, Blk 3 Hurd and Sckles. Dec. 16: Elchuk, Artem and Theresa to ReyKom Enterprises, Inc. property in Sec. 29 Watertown. Dec. 16: Walker Howard D. and Mary S; Harris Dale L. to Richard L. and Ruth A. Root property in Sec. 7 Bingham. Dec. 17: Clayton Corporation to Michael W. and Barbara A. Ballans property in Sec. 10 Olive. Dec. 17: Millbrook Meadows, Inc. to Theodore L. and Joyce Powell Lot 40, Millbrook Mds. No. 2. Dec. 17: Thelen Bruce A. and Anna M. to Patty J. Burns property in Sec. 9 Olive. Dec. 18: Provincial House Inc. to Theodore J. and Emma Jane Scandary Lot 26, Westchester Hts. Dec. 18: Mary, Blanche M. to Sharon R. Parsons, David A. Cochill Lot 11, 12, Dryer's. Dec. 18: Rhoades, G. Dolph and Doris C.; Bedaine, Kathryn (continued to page 15)

Timber Wanted - Logs and standing timber. Logs delivered to our yard. DEVEREAUX SAWMILL, INC., 2872 N. Hubbardston Rd., Pawamo, Mich. Phone 593-2424 and/or 593-2552. 40-1f-28

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MARK CB SALES CB radios - Base and Mobile; antennas - Beams Coax - fittings. You will like our prices. 4-10 Saturday 8-12. 201 W. Steel, 224-3787. 32-5-p-33 MARK'S C.B. SALES - Johnson, S.B.E. and Pace. Complete accessories for the serious C-Bers. 201 W. Steel, 224-3787. 36-1f-33 Probate Court HON. TIMOTHY M. GREEN Judge of Probate HELENA M. BURK Register of Probate Wednesday, January 7, 1976 Hazel Berkhausen - Claims Emma Fedewa - Probate of Will Dec. 16: Gruesbeck, Arthur A. and E. Cordelia to Jack A. and Janet L. Smith property in Sec. 35 Bingham. Dec. 16: Mosher Alta; Hertzberg, Arthur and Lena B. to Clare A. Koenigsnecht Lot 1, 2.

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THERE IS now a Timex Repair Service in Michigan. Free estimates will be sent on all repairs, do not send money. We also repair all other makes of watches. Please send watches to Timex Repair Service, P.O. Box 128, Kinde, Mich. 48445. 40-1f-29 BINGO - Holy Family Church. KINDS OF POSTCARDS, especially old ones, if you have any to sell please contact the POSTCARD LADY 224-2361 days or 224-7051 evenings. 14-1f-dh-29 FREE PUPPIES TO GOOD HOME, 9 miles north St. Johns, 4 miles east, 1st place north. 36-3-p-29 LOST Farmer influence is lost without strong, sound organization. Join the organization that finds answers to farmer's problems - FARM BUREAU. Phone 224-3255. FOUND Aggressive farm organization with proven record of accomplishments, ready to serve farmers. Has sound state and

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Clinton area obituaries

Ruby E. Blakeslee

ST. JOHNS -- Ruby E. Blakeslee, 67, Rt. 2, Bengal Township, died Dec. 27 at Clinton Memorial Hospital following a short illness.

Funeral services were held Dec. 30 from Pilgrim United Methodist Church, Rev. Brian Sheen officiated with burial at Mt. Rest Cemetery.

A native of Shiawassee County, Mrs. Blakeslee was

born May 29, 1908, the daughter of Raymond and Myrtle French.

She came to this area in 1928 and had resided at the Bengal Twp. address since 1935.

On June 30, 1935, she was married to Levi Blakeslee, who survives.

A member of the Pilgrim United Methodist Church, she was chairperson of the Clinton Memorial Hospital Grey Ladies, past chairman of Farm Bureau Women and a volunteer in immunization and blood mobile clinics in St. Johns.

Surviving are her husband, Levi; 2 sons, Paul of Lansing and Dennis of Flint; 2 daughters, Mrs. Morris (Myrna Mae) Holloway of Wayland and Mrs. James (Lyla) Stoberg of Johns; 3 brothers, John French of Lansing, Lyle and George, both of St. Johns; 2 sisters, Mrs. Clara Halsey of St. Johns and Mrs. Dorothy Rounds of Midleville and 9 grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the Pilgrim United Methodist Church Building Fund.

Mrs. Cathy Gray

Funeral services for Mrs. Cathy Gray, 27, of 6950 Carland Road, Elsie were held Saturday, Dec. 27 at the Carter Funeral Home, with burial in Fairfield Cemetery and the Rev. Justin Shepard officiating.

Mrs. Gray was injured in an automobile accident on M-21, Tuesday.

Mrs. Gray was born in Lewisburg, Tenn., on Jan. 29, 1948 to Tom Jones and Mrs. Ruth Howard. She resided most of her life in the Detroit area. For the past three months she had resided in the Elsie area. Walter Gray became her husband on August 5, 1969 in Toledo, Ohio.

Survivors include: her husband; one son, Jason; one daughter, Sarah; one step-daughter, Tamra; her parents of Detroit; a grandfather, Vance Hambrick of Lewisburg; a sister, Miss Karen Gubert of Detroit; three brothers, Richard, David and Ervin of Detroit.

Monday evening.

Mr. Bakos died Dec. 26 at his home of heart failure.

He was born in Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 23, 1913, the child of Joseph and Anna Bakos.

He resided most of his life in Bannister. He married Margaret Crofcheck on Oct. 7, 1931 in Charlotte.

Mr. Bakos was a member of St. Cyril's Catholic Church. He was a former manager of the Bannister Elevator.

Survivors are his wife Margaret; 2 sons, Eugene M. Bakos, of Ashley and Richard Bakos of Bannister; 4 brothers, Michael of Chicago, Victor of Flint, John and Andrew of Owosso; 2 half-brothers, Adolph Galko of Owosso, Edward Galko of Elsie and 7 grandchildren.

Eleanor R. Kramer

FWLER -- Eleanor R. Kramer, 81, Rt. 1, Fowler, died Dec. 29 at Carson City Hospital. Funeral services will be held Wednesday, Dec. 31 from Most

Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Fowler.

Rev. Father Albert Schmitt officiated with burial at Holy Trinity Cemetery.

A native of Fowler, Mrs. Kramer was born March 7, 1894 to Michael and Catherine Halfmann and resided most of her life in the Fowler area.

She was married June 2, 1914 in Fowler to Edward J. Kramer, who preceded her in death in 1972.

A housewife, she was a member of Most Holy Trinity Church and Daughters of Isabella.

Surviving are 5 sons, Eldred of Fowler, Clayton of Fowler, Laverne of St. Johns, Jerome of Munnith and Roy of Campbell, Calif.; 1 daughter, Mrs. Henrietta Webert of Fowler; 2 sisters, Mrs. Pauline Herpel of Southfield and Mrs. Mary East of St. Johns; 33 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren.

Service news



Airman Bowles

Winfield Road, Ovid, has completed Air Force basic training at Lackland AFB, Tex. During his six weeks training, he studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special instruction in human relations. The airman is remaining at Lackland for specialized training in the security police field.

Airman Bowles, a 1974 graduate of Ovid-Elsie High School, attended Central Michigan University.

PFC Weber

Marine Private First Class Richard C. Weber, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alan F. Weber of Route 1, Fowler, has reported for duty with 3rd Marine Division, Okinawa.

A 1974 graduate of Fowler High School, he joined the Marine Corps in March 1975.

CLINTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

The Clinton County Board of Commissioners will meet on Friday, January 2, 1976 in the Courthouse, St. Johns, Michigan. At 10:00 A.M. the Board will hear the following application referred to them from the Clinton County Zoning Commission:

GREENBUSH TOWNSHIP

Rezzone from A-1, agriculture to R-M1, multiple-family residential and, also, a Special Use Permit for a four-unit apartment building on the following described parcel of land:

Seg. 450' E. of the N. 1/4 post of Sec. 9, T8N-R2W, Greenbush Twp., Clinton County, Michigan, thence East along the North line of said Section 9, 390', th. S. 660', th. W. 390', th. N. 660' to the p.o.b., containing 4.03 acres.

Jack A. Nelson,
Zoning Administrator

DEWITT TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

Please find the following list of scheduled meeting dates for the coming year.

January	fifth (5)
February	second (2)
March	first (1)
April	fifth (5)
May	third (3)
June	seventh (7)
July	sixth (6)
August	second (2)
September	seventh (7)
October	fourth (4)
November	first (1)
December	sixth (6)

These meetings will be held at the DeWitt Township Hall, 780 E. Wieland Road, at 8:00 p.m.

Donna B. Syverson
DeWitt Township Clerk

SOUTHERN CLINTON COUNTY SANITARY SEWER AUTHORITY

Please find the following list of scheduled meeting dates for the coming year.

January	fifteenth (15)
February	nineteenth (19)
March	eighteenth (18)
April	fifteenth (15)
May	twentieth (20)
June	seventeenth (17)
July	fifteenth (15)
August	nineteenth (19)
September	sixteenth (16)
October	twenty-first (21)
November	eighteenth (18)
December	sixteenth (16)

These meetings will be held at the DeWitt Township Hall, 780 E. Wieland Road, at 7:30 p.m.

Donna B. Syverson
Secretary-Treasurer

Mrs. Bona Lafler

MAPLE RAPIDS -- Funeral services were held Dec. 29 from Abbott Chapel of Osgood Funeral Home for Mrs. Bona Lafler, 86, 401 East Adelaide, Maple Rapids.

She died Dec. 26 at Rivard Nursing Home.

Rev. Hector Goodall of the Congregational Christian Church of Maple Rapids officiated with burial at Mt. Rest Cemetery.

Mrs. Lafler was born in North Shade Township, Gratiot County, April 24, 1889. Her mother was Alice Grill.

Mrs. Lafler attended Hubbardston schools and lived all her life in the mid-Michigan area, the last 20 years in Maple Rapids.

An assistant housekeeper, she was employed at E.W. Sparrow Hospital.

Her husband, Harry Lafler, preceded her in death in 1932.

Surviving are 2 daughters, Mrs. Claude Cramer of Lansing and Mrs. Clarice Kasper of rural St. Johns; 3 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren.

Harry C. Wadell

Funeral services for Harry C. Wadell, 73, of 5264 Maple Rapids Road, Elsie were held Dec. 26 at the Carter Funeral Home. The Rev. Douglas M. Jones officiated and burial was held in Riverside Cemetery.

Mr. Wadell passed away at the Clinton Memorial Hospital, Dec. 22 following an illness of several months.

Born in Clinton County, Jan. 23, 1902, he was the son of Charles and Louisa Wadell and lived at the Maple Rapids Road address all of his life. He was a farmer.

He and the former Mary Umstatt were married in Rochester Colony on Nov. 24, 1932.

Mr. Wadell was a life member of the Elsie Masonic Lodge.

Survivors include: his widow; three daughters, Mrs. Donald (Marilyn) Clark of Elsie, Mrs. David (Janice) Yallup and Mrs. Mervin (Betty) Hallead, both of rural St. Johns; two sons, Lyle of Lansing, N.Y. and Charles of rural Elsie and 21 grandchildren.

Ethel F. Beard

DEWITT -- Funeral services were held Dec. 30 from Osgood Funeral Home for Ethel F. Beard, 76, 8360 S. US-27, DeWitt. She died Dec. 27 at Clinton Memorial Hospital following a long illness.

Rev. Muri Eastman of the DeWitt Community Church officiated with burial at Mt. Rest Cemetery.

A native of South Haven, she was born April 15, 1899 to Horace and Mina Blood.

Married to Earl Beard, she lived all her life in the Clinton County area and was a member of DeWitt Community Church.

Surviving are 2 daughters, Mrs. Juanita Beard of Orleans and Mrs. Ann Howe of DeWitt; 1 sister, Mrs. Hazel Slocum of St. Johns; 9 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren.

Martin Bakos

ELSIE (c) -- Funeral services for Martin Bakos, 62, of 303 N. Third St., Bannister were held Dec. 30 at the St. Cyril's Catholic Church with the Rev. Fr. Max J. Frego officiating. Interment was made in Fairfield Cemetery.

The rosary was held at the Carter Funeral Home in Elsie

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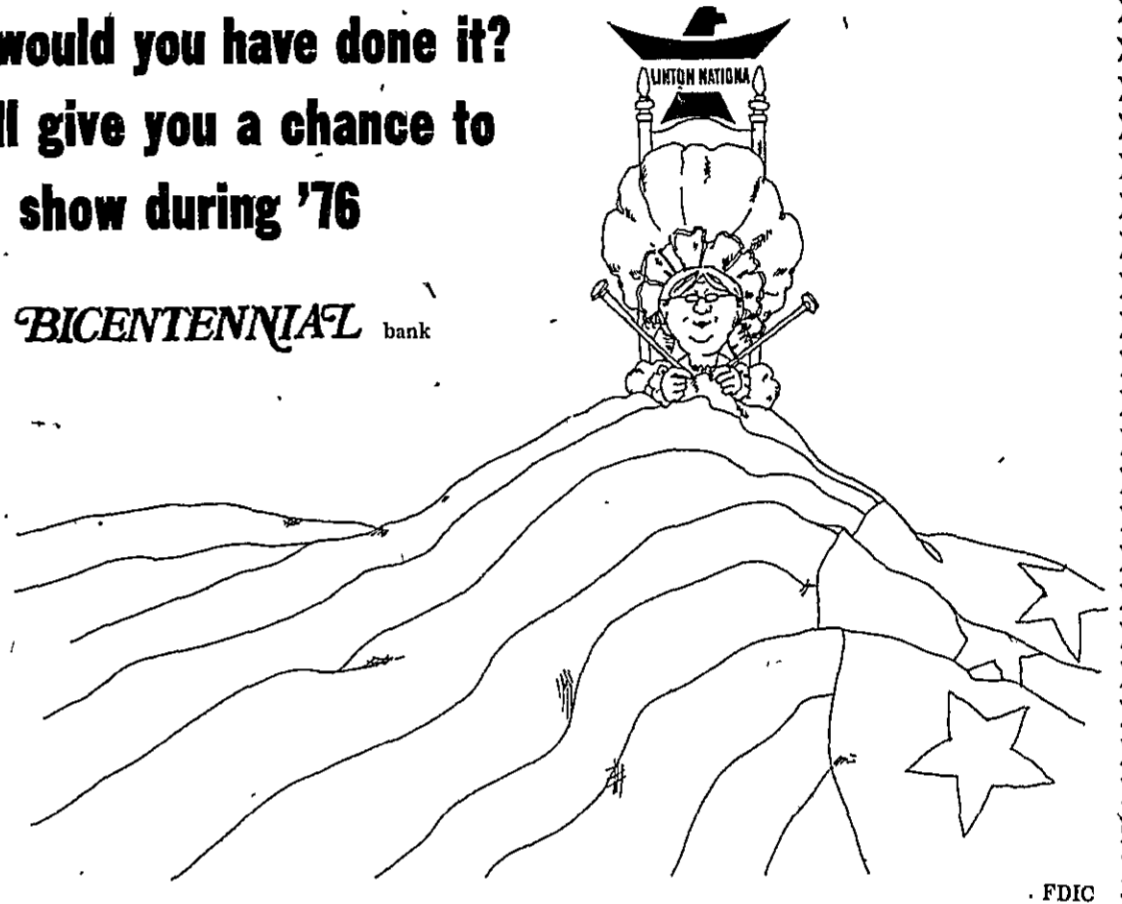
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1975 Ford Maverick 2-door, 6 cylinder, automatic, AM-FM, power steering.

1975 Ford Mustang II Ghia, 4-cylinder, 4-speed, radio, vinyl top.

1975 Malibu Classic 3-seat wagon, air conditioned, tilt wheel, roof rack.

1975 Monte Carlo, 2-door, air conditioning, cruise-tilt wheel, vinyl top.

1975 Chevy Luxury Nova, 2-door, V-8 automatic, power steering and brakes, radio, bucket seats.

1975 Chevrolet Monza Towne Coupe, 4-cylinder, automatic, air conditioning.

1975 Caprice 4-door, air conditioning, AM-FM, cruise control, vinyl top, tilt wheel.

1974 Monte Carlo, air conditioning, full power, AM-FM, vinyl top.

1974 Oldsmobile 98 Regency, full power, air conditioning, tilt-cruise.

1974 Chevy Vega wagon, 4-cylinder, 4-speed, radio.

1973 Chevrolet Caprice 2-door hardtop, air conditioning, radio, low miles!

1973 Chevrolet Impala, 2-door hardtop, V-8 automatic, power steering and brakes, radio.

1973 Chevrolet Vega GT, 4-cylinder, automatic, radio, hatchback.

1973 Chevy Vega Hatchback, 4-cylinder, 3-speed, radio.

1973 Dodge Monaco 4-door, air conditioned, AM-FM, tilt wheel, vinyl top.

1973 Caprice Estate Wagon, air conditioning, full power, AM-FM, cruise control.

1973 AMC Matador wagon, 6-cylinder, automatic, power steering and brakes, air conditioning.

1972 Oldsmobile Royale 4-door, air conditioning, vinyl top, radio.

1972 Nova 2-door V-8 automatic, radio.

1972 Pontiac Catalina, 4-door, V-8 automatic, power steering and brakes, air conditioning.

1971 Malibu 2-door hardtop, V-8 automatic, power steering and radio.

USED TRUCKS

1975 Chevrolet 1/2 ton pickup, V-8 automatic, power steering and brakes, radio.

1975 Chevrolet 65 series, 427 engine, 5-speed w/2-speed axle, air tag axle, full air brakes.

1975 Chevrolet Suburban, V-8 automatic, power steering and brakes, radio.

1973 Chevrolet 1/2 ton pickup Custom Deluxe cab, V-8 automatic.

1973 Chevrolet 1/2 ton Cheyenne Camper Special, air conditioning, AM-FM, V-8 automatic, power steering and brakes, auxiliary tank.

1973 Jeep 4-wheel drive, V-8, standard transmission, roll bar, power steering, custom pack.

1972 Chevrolet 1/2 ton pickup custom deluxe, V-8 automatic, power steering and brakes, radio.

1968 Chevrolet 1/2 ton pickup, V-8, automatic transmission.

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