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Last year's ice storm leads to unclogged county drains

After several federal delays, work is finally being completed on drains in the Clinton County area that were damaged by the severe ice storm last winter.

According to Harry J. Harden, drain commissioner, over 10 percent of the 800 miles of drains in the county were affected by the storm. The cost of the project was \$148,500. President Gerald R. Ford, declared Clinton and 28 other counties disaster areas after the storm and the county became eligible for federal assistance.

Work started Oct. 13 and by the first of December, 80 percent of the work was completed. The only real problem Harden anticipated was with the weather.

However, the weather played a big part in the success of the clearing of the Maple River. Because of the dry fall the river level was at its lowest point making it easier to remove debris such as tree stumps, branches and garbage from the river.

Inspector for the project was Harold Benson. "We have had no adverse comments about the work we have been doing on the

river," he said. "The cleared river will improve recreational benefits for the county," he added.

Some people along the river have commented it will be the first time in 30 years that a boat will be able to make it down the river. The cleared river should also improve the fish habitat and cause less crop damage from flooding.

The ice storm last winter had its bad points but in this instance it helped the county receive funds for a needed project which otherwise wouldn't have been done.



Before cleaning, this is what the lower Maple River looked like.

Three steps were made to determine the extent of damage. The area was first observed by air, then a ground inspection was made and the drain commissioner was authorized by the County Board to submit an application for funds.

A Federal Disaster Assistance Administration (FDAA) team sent in the Army Corp. of Engineers and a Department of Natural Resources (DNR) representative to make the necessary examination of storm damage.

The first time Clinton County applied for a grant it was for 80 miles of the damaged drain system. A second team from Detroit was sent out to reevaluate the situation and the 80 miles became 25 miles.

Harden explained the drains had to be totally blocked in order to qualify for funds. The 25 miles of drain was eligible under FDAA requirements because they were affecting the public health and welfare of the areas involved.

Nine projects were included for the areas which totaled the \$148,500. Final approval for the projects reached Clinton County on Sept. 13. The projects then had to be completed by Feb. 7.

Before construction could start however, the county had to advertise for bids.

"We received bids from several contractors," Harden said. The low bids that were accepted came from: Fraser Brothers, of St. Charles; DT Equipment (Don Theis), of Westphalia; Searle's Excavating Co. and Gillespie Excavating.



A free flowing Maple River following cleaning made possible with federal funds.



Two cleaning crew workers brave freezing temperatures during the project.



St. Johns, DeWitt and Ovid firemen battle a fire that totally destroyed a home on Chandler Rd. Saturday. The fire was one of three fought by St. Johns firemen Friday and Saturday. See story below.

Firemen battle holiday fires

ST. JOHNS -- St. Johns firemen battled three house fires over the cold New Year's holiday weekend, with one home destroyed and fires contained in the other two.

A fire Dec. 31 at 106 E. Gibbs in St. Johns was reportedly started when a

plumber was heating frozen pipes.

The fire in the crawlspace was contained by the St. Johns Fire Dept.

Also contained was a 3 a.m. fire New Year's Day at the Dale Henning residence, 5513 N. Scott Rd. The fire began in and was contained to the fireplace.

A mid-afternoon fire at the Earl Barks, Jr., 4562 S. Chandler Rd. home completely destroyed the structure.

The fire, discovered by the family when they returned home, was fought by firemen of the St. Johns, DeWitt and Ovid Fire Departments.

County Board elects Overway chairman

Roger Overway was selected by a unanimous vote as the new chairman of the Clinton County Board of Commissioners at its first meeting of the year. Six new faces were seen at the meeting with five returning members in attendance.

Virginia Zeeb, the only woman serving on the new board was selected also by a unanimous vote as vice-chairman of the board.

New commissioners are Glenn Webster, District 1; Robert Wood, District 4; Earl Lancaster, District 5; David Whitlock, District 9; and Richard Hawks, District 10.

In his acceptance speech Overway

asked for continued co-operation between board members, other governmental bodies in the county, and other counties.

"We have big projects coming up in the future," Overway told the new board.

Among one of the biggest projects the board will be undertaking is the jail program, according to the new chairman.

He noted there will be a new committee called criminal justice. The finance committee will be working on using computers for the county. The physical resources committee will work with the Economics Development Commission.

"Previous boards have felt there is a need for a stronger tax base in the county," Overway said. "We have to look at ways to attract new industries to the area."

He mentioned the property and grounds committee had a "big job in the future." The courthouse has space problems now. "The federal government will be giving us more money in the future to employ more people. With more people we will need more space. The problem is becoming critical," he added.

It was announced at the meeting that a request under the Public Works Bill for \$431,748 for more courthouse space and a new building was denied.

Chairmen were also selected for the five committees of the board as well as appointments to other commissions.

Chairman of the finance and personnel committee is Walter (Bud) Nobis; Criminal Justice, Virginia Zeeb; Human Services, Earl Lancaster; Physical Resources, Richard Hawks; and Building and Grounds, Duane Chamberlain.

There's plenty of room in the pool

ST. JOHNS -- There's plenty of room in the pool.

Wayne Morrison, St. Johns High School pool director, reports the Monday night open swimming activity can accommodate many more people.

The pool is open to the St. Johns School District public on Monday nights from 6:30 - 8:15 p.m.

Cost of the open swimming is 50 cents for students, \$1 for adults and \$1.50 for the entire family.

Health Dept. begins blood pressure program

The Mid-Michigan District Health Department is implementing a blood pressure control program which includes public screening services at monthly Health Department Community Health Clinics, referral of clients to local participating physicians for diagnosis and care, and Health Department monitoring of client blood pressures if requested by a physician.

High blood pressure adds to the workload of the heart and arteries. With high blood pressure there is increased risk of stroke, heart failure and heart attack.

Most people with high blood pressure have no symptoms at all. There are no specific warning signs. The only way to find out whether a person has high blood pressure is to have it checked.

Local physicians and the health department have worked together to

develop this program in Clinton, Gratiot and Montcalm counties. In addition, information and assistance from the Michigan Heart Association has contributed to the program.

COMMUNITY PUBLIC HEALTH CLINICS

CLINTON: St. Johns -- Congregational Church, Corner Maple & 21, 2nd Thursday each month, Immunizations: 9-11 A.M., Blood Pressure Screening: 1-2 P.M.

Bath -- Lakeside Chapel, 3rd Thursday each month, Immunizations: 9-10 A.M., Blood Pressure Screening: 11-12 A.M.

GRATIOT: Ithaca -- First Presbyterian Church, 218 E. Newark, 3rd Monday each month, Immunizations: 1-4 P.M., Blood Pressure Screening: 10-11 A.M.

MONTCALM: Carson City - United Methodist Church, Elm Street, 1st

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It was a busy 1976 in Elsie

The Bicentennial year is history and officially over, but that doesn't mean that we should stop thinking about America's past.

Our heritage is here to be seen in the priceless collections of the many families who shared their treasures during the past year.

The newly formed Elsie Historical Ass'n with Mrs. Thelma Rule as chairman suggested the week of July 10th to the Village Council as Elsie's Bicentennial Week and it was officially proclaimed by the new village president, Arnold Minarik.

Then followed plans with nearly every family, church, school, service organization and social club participating in the Bicentennial Celebration.

The patriotic outburst started with one of the largest and most colorful parades including decorated floats, bands, antique cars, singing and dancing groups of people and children and the Bicentennial King and Queen, R.C. Woodard and Mrs. Myrtle

Tillotson, both 94 during the year.

Included were such activities as an Antique Fair at the American Legion Hall; Elsie Public Library and Historical Room with exhibits; window displays in business places; church services and dress parade. Also there were spinning, churning and pottery demonstrations; field days and picnic at Village Park; hearing and sight mobile units; ambulance and fire equipment demonstrations; water fights by Ovid and Elsie fire departments; band concert and singspiration; ice cream social, street dances and planting of a Bicentennial tree at the Elsie Public Library and Historical Room.

Village Council Activities
The village council elected the following: Arnold Minarik, president; Ken Baese, clerk; Mrs. Orpha Clement, treasurer; Lawrence Hess, assessor; and trustees, Pat Foran, Harry Winans, Norm Snyder, Joseph Bartek, Don Lidle and

Archie Moore. The council meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month in the Library Building.

Extensive use of the Village Park has rapidly grown and the Elsie community is proud of the endeavors of many people. There are 40 acres that offer a variety of outdoor recreation opportunities. Also a convenient location for carnivals, parades, picnicking and reunions.

Part of the area was used as the Athletic Field for the schools until the Ovid-Elsie High School was constructed but since 1972, the Federal government in its Revenue-Sharing Fund has spent several thousands of dollars for the recreation program with help from the Elsie Improvement Ass'n, Lions Club, Woman's Literary League and Elsie Youth League and others. CETA Funds (Comprehensive Employer Training Act) provided for one man to work in the village and Park. He was one of 40 applicants interviewed for the job.

The Health Dept's refusal to allow some businesses in Elsie to expand because of old septic tanks, has started new talk about a sewer system. The Council is in favor of the project but noted a lack of money has blocked previous attempts to install a system in the village. Councilman Joe Bartek wants the council to sponsor some public meetings to get resident reaction.

Discussion of the storm damage was held after the disastrous ice storm of February and the heavy rains. At that time, the total damage was \$107,245. The village received a letter from Water Resources stating that a Grant Application had been approved locally and is now in the hands of people in Chicago. This is a very important step toward getting sewers. This month, the appraisers were checking basements in the homes at Elsie.

After nearly 25 years of operation, the Elsie-Duplain village landfill offi-

cially closed, Dec. 31, 1975. The closing ordered by the Mid-Michigan Health Dept., (under the laws of soil-cover, compacted to a minimum depth of two feet) has ended the operation. Councilmen say they have no plans for the 10-acre site, but there are possibilities that it could be used to expand the village park. The two properties border each other.

Elsie Improvement Assoc.
The Elsie Improvement Assoc. and Elsie Lions Club sponsored Elsie's Annual Carnival Days at the Village Park for three days in June and in August at the Fisher Bros. Circus held at the Athletic Field one day only. The latter part of August, they sponsored Appreciation Days, Sidewalk Sales and a Street Dance.

The men of the Elsie business district arose at the crack of dawn one day to make a "clean sweep" of the village main streets. They were sprucing up for activities planned during

the spring and summer months ahead for Elsie's Bicentennial Week.

There has been a lot of cleaning and painting up the village but not too much change in new construction.

The Sand Stone Apts., the first to be built in the village are located on the west side of north Ovid St. (Hollister Road). The buildings were started in March 1976 and completed last June by Rozen and Woodard. All units are occupied.

There are two 4-unit apartments with living and dining rooms, kitchen and two bedrooms each with Farmer's Home Administration handling the financing. Plans are underway for 10 single family homes west of the Sand Stone Apts. These will be started in the spring on the additional lots recently purchased, where the West Elm street will be continued through to North Main. They are also building another 24 more units in another nearby town.

Library and Historical Room

The Elsie Public Library was built in 1969 after operating in cramped quarters at the rear of the Fire Hall. Five years later, the wide use of the library facilities warranted the extension at the rear of the building and an additional space was added to the southeast corner to be known as the Historical Room. There was also a meeting room for the Duplain Township office, Village Council, and storage for Township voting machines.

These facilities are about the busiest in Elsie. The library traffic continues to increase, not only the Elsie community makes use of the Library but the area north of M-57, Chapin, Duplain, Carland, Shepardsville and Ashley and all the schools in the Ovid-Elsie area.

With the completion of the Historical Room and the Bicentennial Year activities, it was necessary to organize an Elsie Library

Historical Ass'n. General business meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month, and workshops will be announced later.

The officers are: president, Mrs. Thelma Rule; vice president, Mrs. Elizabeth Hess; secretary, Mrs. Zella Brewbaker; and treasurer Mrs. Raelene Eastlick.

Businesses
ITT HANCOCK INDUSTRIES, INC. (Elsie Division) is the largest business in Elsie. It is located east of the Village Park with Plant Manager Ken Miller who lives in Elsie. Hancock Industries, established in 1927 by Harry Hancock, was the first industry in Charlotte. It was later moved to Jackson and in 1972 became a fully owned subsidiary of ITT (International Telephone and Telegraph).

Located now in Jackson, Elsie and Roscommon, Hancock is an automotive Parts Manufacturer to the Big Three. The Elsie Division employs many people in the community.

ITT Hancock supplies operational hardware -- door latches, window regulators, seat systems, hood hinges and latches and parking brake assemblies. The president of ITT Hancock is Vincenzo Russo.

Elsie Door and Specialists

After a couple of slow years in the building industry things are turning around according to Tim Sturgis. In April of 1976, Elsie Door started an expansion program by installing some automated machinery which will enable them to double the production over a two-year period.

We have added new lines to serve over a two-year period. We have expanded our area to serve the major home building industry in Michigan. New lines have been added, also to service the light commercial building industry.

for January and February coming in, we are looking for a good year in 1977.

Alcan Building Products
The division of Alcan Aluminum Corporation known to Clinton area residents as Alcan Building Products was first started as Panel-Line Corp., in June of 1970 and was sold to Alcan Aluminum Corp. in March of 1972. The local firm fabricates coils of aluminum for recreational vehicle manufacturers and also manufacturers available for use by contractors and dealers and modular home manufacturers mobile home skirting. They also have a number of products available for use by contractors and dealers and modular home manufacturers such as aluminum siding, shutters, windows, patio doors and much more.

There are twelve people employed at Alcan in Elsie on West Main St., at present including office personnel. Their busy season is in the spring and summer, according to Don Kelley.

The corporate offices of the company are in Cleveland, Ohio with warehouses, fabricating plants, sales offices and smelting plants located throughout the U.S. The Alcan Aluminum limited group of companies was the world's largest aluminum producer, with shipments of 1.4 million tons of aluminum products in 1975. The Alcan group is represented in eight other countries and employs approximately 61,000 employees worldwide.

Swartzmiller
The Swartzmiller Lumber Co. 224 E. Cedar St., Elsie serves this area with a complete building and home center. Swartzmiller Lumber Corp., was established in 1912 with the home office in Chesaning. Swartzmiller Lumber Co., came to Elsie in 1974 after buying the Elsie Lumber Co. The present manager is Dale Aughbaugh. He reports business is fairly

moving. With the orders

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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.

Most classes will start the week of January 17, 1977. 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 form below, 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 St., St. Johns, Michigan 48879 or bring to the Adult Education Office in the St. Johns High School. Registration must be completed by January 14, 1977.

Course	Day	Time	Location	Weeks	Fee	Instructor	Starting Date
Beginning Typing (learn keyboard)	Th	7-10 p.m.	SJHS - 110	8	\$17	Woodworth	1-20-3-10
Advanced Typing (speed & accuracy)	T	7-10 p.m.	SJHS - 111	8	\$17	Woodworth	1-18-3-8
Office Machines (10 key adding, printing calculator, electronic calculator, spirit duplicating, stencil duplicating, transcription machine)	W	7-8:30 p.m.	SJHS - 114	8	\$9	Woodworth	1-19-3-9
Beginning Bookkeeping	Th	7-10 p.m.	SJHS - 113	8	\$17	Whitton	1-20-3-10
Advanced Bookkeeping	W	7-10 p.m.	SJHS - 113	8	\$17	Whitton	1-19-3-9
Gregg Shorthand	T	7-10 p.m.	SJHS - 114	8	\$17	Whitton	1-18-3-8
Basic Speech (to assist in the development of basic oral communication skills)	T	7-9 p.m.	SJHS - 122	8	\$12	Koger	1-18-3-8
Introduction to Theatre (to give a background in the origin of theatre, stagecraft, technique, and dramatic criticism)	Th	7-9 p.m.	SJHS - 122	8	\$12	Koger	1-20-3-10
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-teen-ager relationships. A discussion format dealing with the concerns of the participants will be used.)	Th	7-10 p.m.	SJHS - 149	5	\$10 or \$15 per married couple	Perry	1-20-2-17
Foreign Affairs Discussion (discussion of nations of interest to the members of the class)	Th	7-9 p.m.	SJHS - 139	8	\$12	Peterson	1-20-3-10
Conversational Swedish	T	7-9 p.m.	SJHS - 139	8	\$12	Peterson	1-18-3-8
Conversational German	W	7-9 p.m.	SJHS - 139	8	\$12	Peterson	1-19-3-9
Techniques of Acrylic Painting	W	7-10 p.m.	SJHS - 144	10	\$21 + materials	Teachout	1-19-3-23
Basic Welding (basic arc and acetylene welding processes will be taught)	M	7-9 p.m.	SJHS - 154	8	\$12	Osentoski	1-17-3-7
Small Engine Repair (Repair and maintenance of small gasoline engines as used in lawn mowers, riding lawn mowers, small mini-bikes)	T	7-9 p.m.	SJHS - 176	8	\$12	Olson	1-18-3-8
Beginning Quilting (design, material selection, stitching methods, block patterns)	Th	7-8:30 p.m.	SJHS - 148	8	\$9	Smith	1-20-3-10
Macrame	T	7:30-9 p.m.	SJHS - 120	8	\$9	Bannings	1-18-3-8
Needlepoint	T	7-9 p.m.	SJHS - 148	8	\$12 + materials	Maples	1-18-3-8
Adult Roller Skating (fee includes classes and skate rentals)	W	7-8 p.m.	Ranch Roller Rink	8	\$17	Karber	1-12-3-2
Adult Swimming (instruction in any level swimming and diving or open swimming)	W	6:30-8:30 p.m.	SJHS - Pool	8	\$12	Barber	1-19-3-9
Co-ed Volleyball (volleyball for men and women)	T	7-10 p.m.	RBW - Gym	8	\$9	Lade	1-18-3-8
Women's Physical Fitness (Exercise and volleyball)	T	7:30-9 p.m.	RBW - Gym	8	\$9	Beebee	1-18-3-8
Women's Swim & Trim	W	7:30-9:30 p.m.	SJHS - Pool Balcony	8	\$12	Grady	1-19-3-9
Driver Education	Varied - Arrangement by instructor				\$28	Canum	

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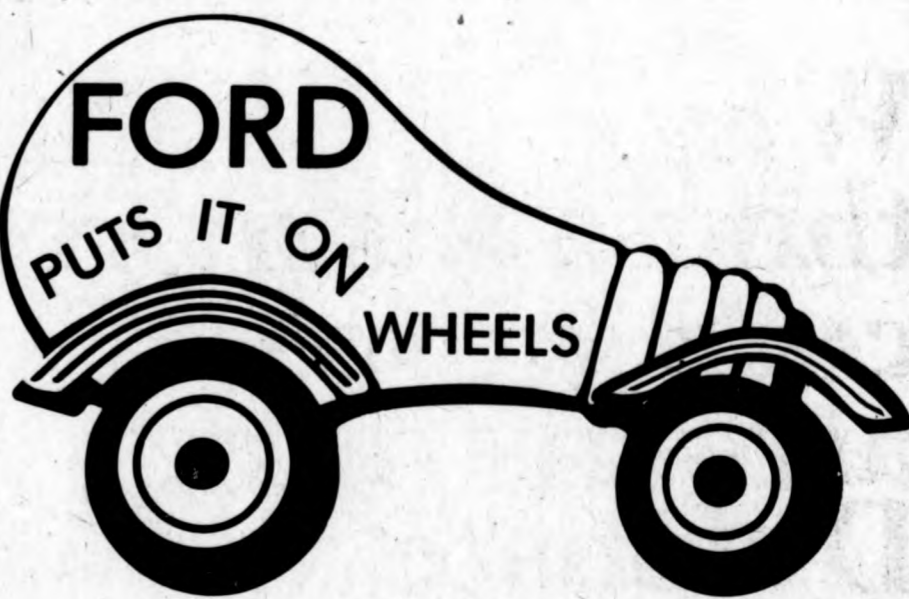
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Members of the Clinton County Intermediate School District, representatives of the county's school district and members of a citizen's advisory committee meet with the Michigan Department of Education to discuss plans for an area career center in Clinton County.

Local Intermediate District officials, citizens group present career center plans

Officials of the Clinton County Intermediate School District, together with representatives from

constituent school districts, and members of the Clinton County Vocational-Technical Citizen's Advisory

Committee, met Dec. 15 in Lansing with a group from the State Department of Education.

The purpose of the meeting was to review the designation request for an Area Career Center presented by the Intermediate Board. The committee representing the Department of Education included Robert Pangman, supervisor of the Area Program Unit, Bruce Grow, vocational representative of the Area Program Unit, as well as Gerald Briggs and Patrick Williams, Occupational Skills Unit representatives.

mately submitted to the voters.

Bernard Feldpausch, Steering Committee chairman for the citizen's task force, introduced the committee chairmen, or their representatives, who presented brief reports on committee findings to the Department of Education team.

Following the reports given by Douglas Twiss, Gerald Butts and Charles Coletta, the meeting was opened for general discussion.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Pangman indicated the State Department would keep the Intermediate District informed of any interim developments and recommendations prior to the February meeting of the State Board. Steering Committee Chairman Feldpausch said he was "very encouraged" by the meeting. "They asked some tough questions," he said, "and I hope we came up with the right answers."

Seven persons arraigned on conservation violations

Seven persons have entered guilty pleas to various conservation violations.

Roger C. Friend, 29, 13813 Oak St., Bath, pled guilty to willful illegal possession of a deer. He was assessed a fine, costs and damages of \$233 and five days in jail, plus the loss of right to purchase a deer or bear hunting license for the remainder of this year and the next three years.

Eldean Wickerham, 46, 519 Isbell, Lansing, pled guilty to transporting an uncased shotgun in a motor vehicle and paid a

fine and costs of 128.

Larry L. Crosby, 21, 2265 W. Parks Rd., Lot 198, St. Johns, pled guilty to willful illegal possession of a deer. He was assessed a fine, costs and damages of \$258 and six days in jail, plus loss of right to purchase a deer or bear hunting license for the remainder of this year and the next three years.

Randall J. Daniels, 815 N. Clinton, Grand Ledge, pled guilty to possession of a loaded shotgun in a motor vehicle. He was assessed a fine and costs of \$25.

Brian J. Halfman, 17, 11235 Wayne, Fowler, paid a fine and costs of \$38 after pleading guilty to possessing a loaded shotgun upon a motor vehicle.

Jeffery L. Chant, 19, 6952 S. Airport Rd., DeWitt pled guilty to hunting from a motor vehicle and paid a fine and costs of \$58.

John H. Hannah, 37, 1206 Maryland Ave., Lansing, pled guilty to hunting in a put-take pheasant area prior to shooting hour. He was assessed a fine and costs of \$28.

Sheriff's Department reports quiet week

The Clinton County Sheriff's department reported relatively few accidents during the past week.

Francis J. Wabindato, Charlotte, was travelling

east on Alward Rd., when he lost control of the auto he was driving, slid sideways, and then went into a ditch on the north side of the road 200 feet east of

Williams Rd. Wabindato was cited for failure to have the car under control. The incident occurred Dec. 29 at 2:15 a.m.

On Dec. 31 at 9:30 a.m., a car driven by Bruce C. Devereaux, Rt. 4, Parks Rd., stated he swerved to avoid hitting another car and lost control of the vehicle he was driving. He slid sideways while travelling on the northbound lane of Wright Rd.

Devereaux was cited for failing to report the accident.

A car driven by Patricia M. Powers, 908 N. Pine St., Lansing, was travelling northbound on US 27 and slid sideways off the road striking a mailbox. The incident occurred 1/2 mile south of Locher Rd., on Jan. 1 at 11:35 a.m.

Cars driven by Pauline A. Beagle, Eagle and Darleen L. Sevrey, Grand Ledge, collided on Cutler Rd., 12 feet east of Pioneer Rd. The accident occurred Dec. 30 at 5:59 p.m. and there were no injuries.

Cars driven by Steven J. Kramer and Terry P. Thelen, both of Fowler, collided on M 21, 1/4 mile east of Wright Rd. Thelen was cited for failure to yield the right of way. The accident occurred on Dec. 31 at 8:25 a.m.

Health Dept. adds clinic

Beginning in January, 1977, the Mid-Michigan District Health Department will be adding a new monthly community health clinic site in Carson City.

The new clinic is intended to improve health services to residents of the southeast corner of Montcalm county, the south-

The Carson City clinic will be held the first Monday of each month in the United Methodist Church on Elm Street.

Area residents may receive several services at the clinic: blood pressure screening from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.; adult and child immunizations from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.; and Tuberculin skin testing.

Cancer Society volunteers will provide health education and information

concerning cancer in adults and children.

Information about the following programs will also be available: family planning; home health services; women, infants, and children supplemental nutrition; crippled children's services; venereal disease; and hearing and vision screening.

Immunizations will be available for children two months of age to adulthood. Individuals under 18

years of age must be accompanied by an adult. Signed permission for immunization or testing is required for all persons under 18 years of age by a parent or guardian.

Take immunization records to insure proper scheduling.

Clinic services are provided at no charge except for job related Tuberculin Testing for which there is a \$2.00 fee.

Elsie's Duane Green to judge Ecuador show

Duane Green of Elsie, Michigan, has accepted an invitation to judge Holstein dairy cattle at the Ambato, Ecuador, Show, Feb. 17.

A national director of

Holstein-Friesian Association of America, Green has shown and judged at many major U.S. dairy shows.

Green and his brother own in partnership, the original family farm in Elsie, Green Meadow Farms. They have 3,200 acres and about 2,800 registered Holsteins which they produce and classify regularly.

Green is currently serving on the finance committee of the Holstein-Friesian Association of America and participates in local and state Holstein club activities.

DeWitt City Police investigate vandalism

The DeWitt City Police Department is investigating vandalism at the South DeWitt Church during the past week.

They also reported bad checks were being circula-

ted in the area. A tank of gas was taken from an auto and, in another incident, a CB antenna was taken from an auto. There were also a few minor accidents during the week.

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It was a busy 1976 in Elsie

The Bicentennial year is history and officially over, but that doesn't mean that we should stop thinking about America's past.

Our heritage is here to be seen in the priceless collections of the many families who shared their treasures during the past year.

The newly formed Elsie Historical Ass'n with Mrs. Thelma Rule as chairman suggested the week of July 10th to the Village Council as Elsie's Bicentennial Week and it was officially proclaimed by the new village president, Arnold Minarik.

Then followed plans with nearly every family, church, school, service organization and social club participating in the Bicentennial Celebration.

The patriotic outburst started with one of the largest and most colorful parades including decorated floats, bands, antique cars, singing and dancing groups of people and children and the Bicentennial King and Queen, R.C. Woodard and Mrs. Myrtle

Tillotson, both 94 during the year.

Included were such activities as an Antique Fair at the American Legion Hall; Elsie Public Library and Historical Room with exhibits; window displays in business places; church services and dress parade. Also there were spinning, churning and pottery demonstrations; field days and picnic at Village Park; hearing and sight mobile units; ambulance and fire equipment demonstrations; water fights by Ovid and Elsie fire departments; band concert and singspiration; ice cream social, street dances and planting of a Bicentennial tree at the Elsie Public Library and Historical Room.

Village Council Activities

The village council elected the following: Arnold Minarik, president; Ken Baese, clerk; Mrs. Orpha Clement, treasurer; Lawrence Hess, assessor; and trustees, Pat Foran, Harry Winans, Norm Snyder, Joseph Bartek, Don Lidle and

Archie Moore. The council meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month in the Library Building.

Extensive use of the Village Park has rapidly grown and the Elsie community is proud of the endeavors of many people. There are 40 acres that offer a variety of outdoor recreation opportunities. Also a convenient location for carnivals, parades, picnicking and reunions.

Part of the area was used as the Athletic Field for the schools until the Ovid-Elsie High School was constructed but since 1972, the Federal government in its Revenue-Sharing Fund has spent several thousands of dollars for the recreation program with help from the Elsie Improvement Ass'n, Lions Club, Woman's Literary Club and Elsie Youth League and others. CETA Funds (Comprehensive Employer Training Act) provided for one man to work in the village and Park. He was one of 40 applicants interviewed for the job.

The Health Dept's refusal to allow some businesses in Elsie to expand because of old septic tanks, has started new talk about a sewer system. The Council is in favor of the project but noted a lack of money has blocked previous attempts to install a system in the village. Councilman Joe Bartek wants the council to sponsor some public meetings to get resident reaction.

Discussion of the storm damage was held after the disastrous ice storm of February and the heavy rains. At that time, the total damage was \$107,245. The village received a letter from Water Resources stating that a Grant Application had been approved locally and is now in the hands of people in Chicago. This is a very important step toward getting sewers. This month, the appraisers were checking basements in the homes at Elsie.

After nearly 25 years of operation, the Elsie-Duplain village landfill off-

cially closed, Dec. 31, 1975. The closing ordered by the Mid-Michigan Health Dept., (under the laws of soil-cover, compacted to a minimum depth of two feet) has ended the operation. Councilmen say they have no plans for the 10-acre site, but there are possibilities that it could be used to expand the village park. The two properties border each other.

Elsie Improvement Assoc.

The Elsie Improvement Assoc. and Elsie Lions Club sponsored Elsie's Annual Carnival Days at the Village Park for three days in June and in August at the Fisher Bros. Circus held at the Athletic Field one day only. The latter part of August, they sponsored Appreciation Days, Sidewalk Sales and a Street Dance.

The men of the Elsie business district arose at the crack of dawn one day to make a "clean sweep" of the village main streets. They were sprucing up for activities planned during

the spring and summer months ahead for Elsie's Bicentennial Week.

There has been a lot of cleaning and painting of the village but not too much change in new construction.

The Sand Stone Apts., the first to be built in the village are located on the west side of north Ovid St. (Hollister Road). The buildings were started in March 1976 and completed last June by Rozen and Woodard. All units are occupied.

There are two 4-unit apartments with living and dining rooms, kitchen and two bedrooms each with Farmer's Home Administration handling the financing. Plans are underway for 10 single family homes west of the Sand Stone Apts. These will be started in the spring on the additional lots recently purchased, where the West Elm street will be continued through to North Main. They are also building another 24 more units in another nearby town.

Historical Ass'n. General business meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month, and workshops will be announced later.

The officers are: president, Mrs. Thelma Rule; vice president, Mrs. Elizabeth Hess; secretary, Mrs. Zella Brewbaker; and treasurer Mrs. Raelene Easlick.

Businesses

ITT HANCOCK INDUSTRIES, INC. (Elsie Division) is the largest business in Elsie. It is located east of the Village Park with Plant Manager Ken Miller who lives in Elsie. Hancock Industries, established in 1927 by Harry Hancock, was the first industry in Charlotte. It was later moved to Jackson and in 1972 became a fully owned subsidiary of ITT (International Telephone and Telegraph).

Located now in Jackson, Elsie and Roscommon, Hancock is an automotive Parts Manufacturer to the Big Three. The Elsie Division employs many people in the community.

ITT Hancock supplies operational hardware -- door latches, window regulators, seat systems, hood hinges and latches and parking brake assemblies. The president of ITT Hancock is Vincenzo Russo.

Elsie Door and Specialists

After a couple of slow years in the building industry things are turning around according to Tim Sturgis. In April of 1976, Elsie Door started an expansion program by installing some automated machinery which will enable them to double the production over a two-year period.

We have added new lines to serve over a two-year period. We have expanded our area to serve the major home building industry in Michigan. New lines have been added, also to service the light commercial building industry.

After a slow start this year, business is really moving. With the orders

for January and February coming in, we are looking for a good year in 1977.

Alcan Building Products

The division of Alcan Aluminum Corporation known to Clinton area residents as Alcan Building Products was first started as Panel-Line Corp., in June of 1970 and was sold to Alcan Aluminum Corp., in March of 1972. The local firm fabricates coils of aluminum for recreational vehicle manufacturers and also manufacturers available for use by contractors and dealers and modular home manufacturers mobile home skirting. They also have a number of products available for use by contractors and dealers and modular home manufacturers such as aluminum siding, shutters, windows, patio doors and much more.

There are twelve people employed at Alcan in Elsie on West Main St., at present including office personnel. Their busy season is in the spring and summer, according to Don Kelley.

The corporate offices of the company are in Cleveland, Ohio with warehouses, fabricating plants, sales offices and smelting plants located throughout the U.S. The Alcan Aluminum limited group of companies was the world's largest aluminum producer, with shipments of 1.4 million tons of aluminum products in 1975. The Alcan group is represented in eight other countries and employs approximately 61,000 employees worldwide.

Swartzmiller

The Swartzmiller Lumber Co. 224 E. Cedar St., Elsie serves this area with a complete building and home center. Swartzmiller Lumber Corp., was established in 1912 with the home office in Chesaning. Swartzmiller Lumber Co. came to Elsie in 1974 after buying the Elsie Lumber Co. The present manager is Dale Aughtbaugh. He reports business is fairly

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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.

Most classes will start the week of January 17, 1977. 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 form below, 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 St., St. Johns, Michigan 48879 or bring to the Adult Education Office in the St. Johns High School. Registration must be completed by January 14, 1977.

Course	Day	Time	Location	Weeks	Fee	Instructor	Starting Date
Beginning Typing (learn keyboard)	Th	7-10 p.m.	SJHS - 110	8	\$17	Woodworth	1-20-3-10
Advanced Typing (speed & accuracy)	T	7-10 p.m.	SJHS - 111	8	\$17	Woodworth	1-18-3-8
Office Machines (10 key adding, printing calculator, electronic calculator, spirit duplicating, stencil duplicating, transcription machine)	W	7-8:30 p.m.	SJHS - 114	8	\$9	Woodworth	1-19-3-9
Beginning Bookkeeping	Th	7-10 p.m.	SJHS - 113	8	\$17	Whitton	1-20-3-10
Advanced Bookkeeping	W	7-10 p.m.	SJHS - 113	8	\$17	Whitton	1-19-3-9
Gregg Shorthand	T	7-10 p.m.	SJHS - 114	8	\$17	Whitton	1-18-3-8
Basic Speech (to assist in the development of basic oral communication skills)	T	7-9 p.m.	SJHS - 122	8	\$12	Koger	1-18-3-8
Introduction to Theatre (to give a background in the origin of theatre, stagecraft, technique, and dramatic criticism)	Th	7-9 p.m.	SJHS - 122	8	\$12	Koger	1-20-3-10
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-teen-ager relationships. A discussion format dealing with the concerns of the participants will be used.)	Th	7-10 p.m.	SJHS - 149	5	\$10 or \$15 per married couple	Perry	1-20-2-17
Foreign Affairs Discussion (discussion of nations of interest to the members of the class)	Th	7-9 p.m.	SJHS - 139	8	\$12	Peterson	1-20-3-10
Conversational Swedish	T	7-9 p.m.	SJHS - 139	8	\$12	Peterson	1-18-3-8
Conversational German	W	7-9 p.m.	SJHS - 139	8	\$12	Peterson	1-19-3-9
Techniques of Acrylic Painting	W	7-10 p.m.	SJHS - 144	10	\$21 + materials	Teachout	1-19-3-23
Basic Welding (basic arc and acetylene welding processes will be taught)	M	7-9 p.m.	SJHS - 154	8	\$12	Osentoski	1-17-3-7
Small Engine Repair (Repair and maintenance of small gasoline engines as used in lawn mowers, riding lawn mowers, small mini-bikes)	T	7-9 p.m.	SJHS - 176	8	\$12	Olson	1-18-3-8
Beginning Quilting (design, material selection, stitching methods, block patterns)	Th	7-8:30 p.m.	SJHS - 148	8	\$9	Smith	1-20-3-10
Macrame	T	7:30-9 p.m.	SJHS - 120	8	\$9	Banninga	1-18-3-8
Needlepoint	T	7-9 p.m.	SJHS - 148	8	\$12 + materials	Maples	1-18-3-8
Adult Roller Skating (fee includes classes and skate rentals)	W	7-8 p.m.	Ranch Roller Rink	8	\$17	Karber	1-12-3-2
Adult Swimming (Instruction in any level swimming and diving or open swimming)	W	6:30-8:30 p.m.	SJHS - Pool	8	\$12	Barber	1-19-3-9
Co-ed Volleyball (volleyball for men and women)	T	7-10-9 p.m.	RBW - Gym	8	\$9	Lade	1-18-3-8
Women's Physical Fitness (Exercise and volleyball)	T	7:30-9 p.m.	RBW - Gym	8	\$9	Beebee	1-18-3-8
Women's Swim & Trim	W	7:30-9:30 p.m.	SJHS - Pool Balcony	8	\$12	Grady	1-19-3-9
Driver Education	Varied - Arrangement by instructor				\$28	Canum	

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

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Members of the Clinton County Intermediate School District, representatives of the county's school district and members of a citizen's advisory committee meet with the Michigan Department of Education to discuss plans for an area career center in Clinton County.

Local Intermediate District officials, citizens group present career center plans

Officials of the Clinton County Intermediate School District, together with representatives from

constituent school districts, and members of the Clinton County Vocational-Technical Citizen's Advisory Committee, met Dec. 15 in Lansing with a group from the State Department of Education.

The purpose of the meeting was to review the designation request for an Area Career Center presented by the Intermediate Board. The committee representing the Department of Education included Robert Pangman, supervisor of the Area Program Unit, Bruce Grow, vocational representative of the Area Program Unit, as well as Gerald Briggs and Patrick Williams, Occupational Skills Unit representatives.

mately be submitted to the voters.

Bernard Feldpausch, Steering Committee chairman for the citizen's task force, introduced the committee chairmen, or their representatives, who presented brief reports on committee findings to the Department of Education team.

Following the reports given by Douglas Twiss, Gerald Butts and Charles Coletta, the meeting was opened for general discussion.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Pangman indicated the State Department would keep the Intermediate District informed of any interim developments and recommendations prior to the February meeting of the State Board. Steering Committee Chairman Feldpausch said he was "very encouraged" by the meeting. "They asked some tough questions," he said, "and I hope we came up with the right answers."

Seven persons arraigned on conservation violations

Seven persons have entered guilty pleas to various conservation violations.

Roger C. Friend, 29, 13813 Oak St., Bath, pled guilty to willful illegal possession of a deer. He was assessed a fine, costs and damages of \$233 and five days in jail, plus the loss of right to purchase a deer or bear hunting license for the remainder of this year and the next three years.

Eldean Wickerham, 46, 519 Isbell, Lansing, pled guilty to transporting an uncased shotgun in a motor vehicle and paid a

fine and costs of 128.

Larry L. Crosby, 21, 2265 W. Parks Rd., Lot 198, St. Johns, pled guilty to willful illegal possession of a deer. He was assessed a fine, costs and damages of \$258 and six days in jail, plus loss of right to purchase a deer or bear hunting license for the remainder of this year and the next three years.

Randall J. Daniels, 815 N. Clinton, Grand Ledge, pled guilty to possession of a loaded shotgun in a motor vehicle. He was assessed a fine and costs of \$25.

Brian J. Halfman, 17, 11235 Wayne, Fowler, paid a fine and costs of \$38 after pleading guilty to possessing a loaded shotgun upon a motor vehicle.

John H. Hannah, 37, 1206 Maryland Ave., Lansing, pled guilty to hunting in a put-take pheasant area prior to shooting hour. He was assessed a fine and costs of \$28.

Sheriff's Department reports quiet week

The Clinton County Sheriff's department reported relatively few accidents during the past week.

Francis J. Wabindato, Charlotte, was travelling

east on Alward Rd., when he lost control of the auto he was driving, slid sideways, and then went into a ditch on the north side of the road 200 feet east of

Williams Rd. Wabindato was cited for failure to have the car under control. The incident occurred Dec. 29 at 2:15 a.m.

On Dec. 31 at 9:30 a.m., a car driven by Bruce C. Devereaux, Rt. 4, Parks Rd., stated he swerved to avoid hitting another car and lost control of the vehicle he was driving. He slid sideways while travelling on the northbound lane of Wright Rd.

Devereaux was cited for failing to report the accident.

A car driven by Patricia M. Powers, 908 N. Pine St., Lansing, was travelling northbound on US 27 and slid sideways off the road striking a mailbox. The incident occurred 1/2 mile south of Locher Rd., on Jan. 1 at 11:35 a.m.

Cars driven by Pauline A. Beagle, Eagle and Darleen L. Sevrey, Grand Ledge, collided on Cutler Rd., 12 feet east of Pioneer Rd. The accident occurred Dec. 30 at 5:59 p.m. and there were no injuries.

Cars driven by Steven J. Kramer and Terry P. Thelen, both of Fowler, collided on M 21, 1/4 mile east of Wright Rd. Thelen was cited for failure to yield the right of way. The accident occurred on Dec. 31 at 8:25 a.m.

Health Dept. adds clinic

Beginning in January, 1977, the Mid-Michigan District Health Department will be adding a new monthly community health clinic site in Carson City.

The new clinic is intended to improve health services to residents of the southeast corner of Montcalm county, the south-

The Carson City clinic will be held the first Monday of each month in the United Methodist Church on Elm Street.

Area residents may receive several services at the clinic: blood pressure screening from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.; adult and child immunizations from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.; and Tuberculin skin testing.

Cancer Society volunteers will provide health education and information

concerning cancer in adults and children.

Information about the following programs will also be available: family planning; home health services; women, infants, and children supplemental nutrition; crippled children's services; venereal disease; and hearing and vision screening.

Immunizations will be available for children two months of age to adulthood. Individuals under 18

years of age must be accompanied by an adult. Signed permission for immunization or testing is required for all persons under 18 years of age by a parent or guardian.

Take immunization records to insure proper scheduling.

Clinic services are provided at no charge except for job related Tuberculin Testing for which there is a \$2.00 fee.

Elsie's Duane Green to judge Ecuador show

Duane Green of Elsie, Michigan, has accepted an invitation to judge Holstein dairy cattle at the Ambato, Ecuador, Show, Feb. 17.

A national director of

Holstein-Friesian Association of America, Green has shown and judged at many major U.S. dairy shows.

Green and his brother own in partnership, the original family farm in Elsie, Green Meadow Farms. They have 3,300 acres and about 2,800 registered Holsteins which they produce regularly.

Green is currently serving on the finance committee of the Holstein-Friesian Association of America and participates in local and state Holstein club activities.

DeWitt City Police investigate vandalism

The DeWitt City Police Department is investigating vandalism at the South DeWitt Church during the past week.

They also reported bad checks were being circula-

ted in the area.

A tank of gas was taken from an auto and, in another incident, a CB antenna was taken from an auto.

There were also a few minor accidents during the week.

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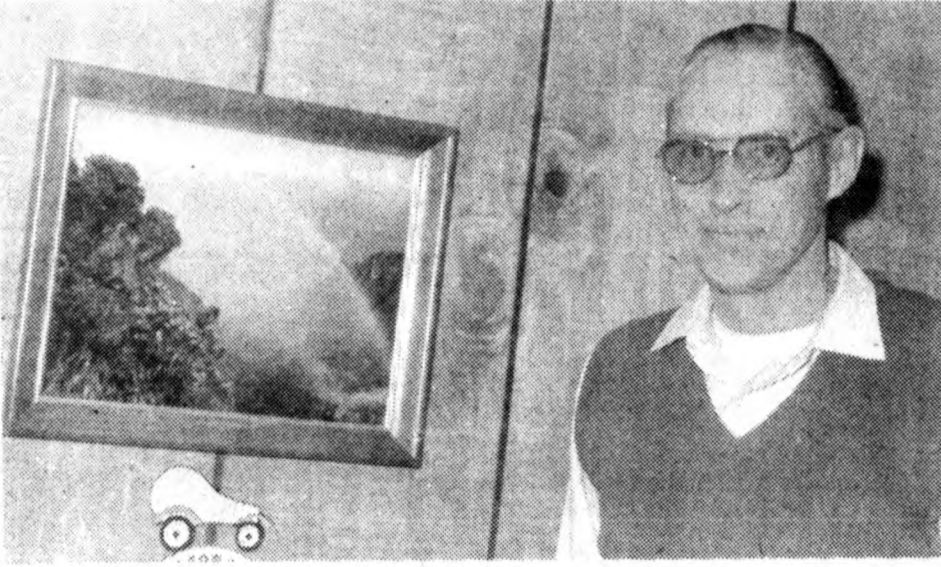
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Personality Profile



This week: Milo Rowell

By Sue Kiley
 Staff Writer

The thrill and excitement of the Indianapolis 500. For most it means watching all the action at the home-front sidelines. That's not true for Milo Rowell, of St. Johns.

Rowell takes pictures at the time trials of the "Indy 500", and is behind the scenes talking to mechanics, engineers, and drivers.

"I've always been interested in cars and racing," the Egan Ford salesman said. "After going to my first race in 1960 I knew I had to find some way to get into the pits."

A brother of a St. Johns resident, Roger Huntington, is an automotive writer and has access to pit passes. Milo found this out and mentioned to Roger that if he ever needed any help he would be willing to go along.

Rowell is a camera buff, and takes pictures at the time trials along with Huntington. "I'm an assistant, so to speak, and do this for my own pleasure," he said.

The middle-age man explained the pits are inside the actual track and the cars are housed in a garage and that's where he spends most of his time.

"Roger mainly talks with the mechanics and owners about technical advances," he said.

Instead of getting pictures of the cars zooming around the track or personality shots, they get pictures of new types of brakes, body design of the car, or engines.

"I have seen some of the drivers, like A.J. Foyt, Al and Bobby Unser, and Dan Gurney," Rowell commented. "One of my favorites was Jim Clark, who was killed a few years back in Germany."

Rowell does not spend all of his time in the pits at Indy, and does get to see some of the race. "Few people go to see the accidents and no one likes to see anyone injured," he said. "It's exciting to see them hit the wall or spin around a little, but not to tip over."

He noted at the time trials he's been at he hasn't seen anyone get injured. "I talked to a driver once who hit the wall, jumped out of his car and then rolled down the track," he said. "I got first hand knowledge of what it was like and how the driver felt."

Milo said, the majority of the drivers are very intelligent and take time to talk with the visitors in the pits. There are a few drivers, however, who the men stay away from. "You never can get a civil answer

from them," Rowell said.

While working at the Michigan International Speedway, Rowell had the opportunity to talk with Richard Petty and Cale Yarborough, Junior Johnson and a number of mechanics. He has also met and talked with Gordon Johncock, a Hastings man who is an Indy driver.

Huntington writes for Auto Car in London, England, so that is where a lot of Rowell's pictures are seen. "I also like to get some of my own pictures while I'm there," he said.

Rowell got the camera "bug" in 1957 while in Mexico using a borrowed camera. He began to like taking pictures, mostly slides because he can get more pictures for less money.

He sends his film out to be developed because developing color slides in his words is, "too complicated, time consuming and expensive." "You just learn by doing," he said.

While he was in Hawaii he got some pictures of a man hang gliding. The young man told Milo he was doing a documentary on the sport. Later Rowell discovered after seeing the cover of "Parade" magazine, that the man was the World Hang Gliding Champion. He had set the endurance record for staying up in the air eight hours and 10 minutes.

The photograph in the picture with Milo is a shot he took in Hawaii of a rainbow which was selected as a finalist in a Triple A Motor News contest. There were 2,700 photographs entered.

The Rowells have one son, Rex, who lives in Knoxville, Tennessee and have two grandchildren.

Another hobby of Rowell's is traveling. Milo and his wife, Vicki, will be flying to the Hawaiian Islands for the seventh time in February. "We love the islands," he said.

The Rowells will have seen five of the eight islands after their seventh trip. One island is not available for tourists to see, and another island is deserted. "We just get sick of the ice, snow, and bad weather," he said.

There is an advantage to going to the islands so much. Milo mentioned while watching the East-West Shrine game in San Francisco the saying "Hauoli Makahiki hou" came on the television screen. "Not many people knew that it meant, 'Happy New Year,'" he said.

"The islands are becoming really familiar to us," Rowell said. "And the people are like the weather, gentle."

Back Through the Years



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

JAN. 5, 1967
 10 years ago

David P. Stoller, son of Dr. and Mrs. P. F. Stoller of St. Johns, was recently awarded the Amy Bloomer Scholarship Award at Detroit College of Law. The award is made each year to the freshman with the highest class standing at the end of the freshman year. He was also awarded a special edition law book for having the highest average in his class on contracts.

Mrs. Ella Irner, 74, of 301 South Oakland Street, St. Johns, died Monday evening at Clinton Memorial Hospital following a long illness.

St. Johns' city commission jumped into the tree business last week when they authorized City Manager Greer to take some bids on the removal of dead trees in the city. This has been a problem for some time, and has grown more serious of late.

North Clinton Avenue in St. Johns after 40 years service. Mrs. DeWitt's retirement became effective Jan. 1.

Michael Raucina, 60, of Bingham township; froze to death early Sunday. His body was found at 9 a.m. Sunday by Harry Ballinger on Williams road, about a quarter-mile south of the Townsend road intersection.

The wheat market soared to \$2.20 in St. Johns this morning to reach a 26-year high. Not since 1920 has wheat exceeded this price.

Another victim was added to the long list of deaths suffered in rail crossing accidents of the Grand Trunk railway when Robert R. Lamroux, 25, RFD, Chesaning, died in Memorial hospital at Owosso at about 5:30 p.m. Wednesday less than three hours after the milk truck he was driving was struck by eastbound passenger train No. 56 at West Street crossing in Ovid.

Jan. 3, 1957
 20 years ago

A former St. Johns' boy, Howard R. Carroll, was sworn in Wednesday as Macomb County's third circuit judge.

Allan Dennis DeGeer, 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis DeGeer of St. Johns was fatally hurt Sunday afternoon when his father's car skidded off an icy back road and rolled into a ditch three miles north of Harrison in Clare county.

Monday, December 31, will be Ellsworth A. Tallmadge's last day of association with the State Savings Bank of St. Johns. Tallmadge has been connected with banking in St. Johns for 53 years, all of it spent with the State Bank except for a period between 1916 and 1925. During that time he was cashier for the Farmer's State Savings Bank which was located in the Steel Hotel. In 1925 he returned to the State Bank where he has remained until his retirement.

Jan. 9, 1947
 30 years ago

Mr. Rose DeWitt has retired as saleslady at Glaspie's Drug Store on

Jan. 7, 1937
 40 years ago

Clyde D. Bates, 58, prominent Elsie man and manager of the Clinton county abstract office, was killed, and three other people injured when two automobiles collided head-on 1 1/2 miles south of Elsie in a heavy fog at 7:30 o'clock this morning. Bates, whose skull was crushed, died upon his arrival at Clinton Memorial Hospital in St. Johns,

where he was rushed by ambulance. The injured are: Mrs. Ella Horton, 32, possible hip fracture and lacerations on face and head. Miss Erma Warner, 19, cuts about face and possible skull fracture. Robert Pittman, 19, facial lacerations and bruises.

Early in the fall of 1936, Otto Gower, Eureka business man, started operations in his new elevator at the Greenbush metropolis. It is fully equipped with electric powered elevator and mill machinery.

Merwin Best, 22, who was standing guard for his younger brother, Orville, when the latter was killed while attempting to rob Leon J. Hills of Victor township Dec. 24, stood mute when first arraigned in justice court in Owosso on a breaking and entering charge. He was held in jail and after thinking things over a bit was rearraigned and pleaded guilty.

Letter to editor

Dear Editor:

Robert Wohlers was a good dentist, a tireless Christian worker in his church, but the short write-up in the Clinton County News left so much unsaid of his short life.

I supposed he was a much older man.

He maintained supplies for the Red Cross, received donations in his office for clothing and other needs for tornado and earthquake victims.

Last winter, a mother and children barely escaped with their lives in the fire that completely destroyed their home on N. Gilson Rd. one winter night. (The husband and father was working in Lansing.) Dr. Wohlers was one of the first there with Red Cross supplies.

He always had good clean reading for his patients in his waiting room for young and old. Dr. Wohlers visited patients in the hospital. He did not feel above visiting prisoners in the county jail, gave a kindly message, then shook hands with each prisoner before leaving.

He was also an avid reader. Long evenings often found him with a good book and magazine. With his many activities he was never too busy to be a good neighbor and have a cheery greeting for all.

This was the Dr. Wohlers I knew. His close associates can certainly tell other kindly acts of his life. His exemplary life will surely live on.

Sincerely,
 Mrs. Pearl Blank



A PERSONAL LOOK AT THE NEWS

Between the lines

with Jim Edwards

BITS AND PIECES TO START THE NEW YEAR

...HOW WAS THAT AGAIN, BO?
 Before the start of the Rose Bowl, Bo told a television announcer, "We pass when we want to, not when we have to."

...HOW WAS THAT AGAIN, WOODY?
 After their win over Colorado, Ohio State's Woody said the Buckeyes should be named the Big 8 Conference champions. Using your reasoning, Woody, USC would be the Big 10 champ, right?

...STILL SPEAKING OF FOOTBALL
 The pro football college draft has been declared illegal, a system that always puzzled me a bit. It never seemed quite fair that the top college football player in the country was always rewarded by being sent to the worst team in professional football.

...FORD HAS A BETTER IDEA?
 Gerald Ford closes out his term with the news that Puerto Rico should be granted statehood. One problem -- he forgot to ask Puerto Rico and they don't seem to want any part of it. Maybe it was just a "welcome to the White House" bag of worms gift for Jimmy Carter.

...THE GOVERNMENT CRACKED THIS CASE
 Through the funding of the federal government, a study has revealed that it takes 54 seconds to crack an egg. That bit of knowledge set us back \$65,000. Sigh.

...POOR BARBARA
 Barbara Walters has certainly taken more than her share of criticism since taking over her \$1 million co-anchor spot, but she brought a whole volley with her remark to Jimmy Carter to "be wise, be kind, be gentle." Sounds like Ann Landers' advice on how to handle a mother-in-law who swallowed a hand grenade.

...PASSING THE BUCK
 A customer greeted the waitress in a St. Johns restaurant with, "What do I want?"

...GET IN THE SWIM
 Winter blahs got you down? Try a dip in the pool for that summertime feeling. Wayne Morrison, St. Johns High School pool director, says there's lots of room in the pool during Monday night open swim time. It's only 50 cents for students, \$1 for adults and, for a buck and a half, the whole family can jump in the pool from 6:30 - 8:15 p.m.

Letters to the editor

Dear Editor:

I have a few comments on teenage drinking and also a few questions directed to our local police force.

About 10 years ago, a close relative of ours was picked up for a drinking offense, first offense, at 16-years-old. They put him in the detention home for four days.

About two weeks ago our 14-year-old and 16-year-old were riding around with a 17-year-old drinking in his car.

The 17-year-old went into a local store and bought the beer without any problem. As far as we can find out he didn't have to show any identification nor has he ever had to in the approximately six months that he has been buying it there. (These teenagers were supposed to have been skating.)

We have been told by many that his store is selling to lots of minors. I will not name the store, but we will never shop there again and we hope that others who know this will not patronize it again.

As far as we can find out, nothing has been done about these people selling to minors. I am sure the police know where the teenagers bought it because they followed the group from the store.

Not only did they not do anything about the store that sold it to them, when we went up to the police

station to pick up our children we found out that they would not do anything to the children to teach them a lesson.

They took the 17-year-old to court a couple days later on two citations and all he got out of it was a \$50 fine.

I would like to ask our local officers a question. Do they think that they did the best thing for our teenagers to teach them a lesson or do they think that alcohol is not that serious of a problem.

It has been proven that alcohol is the most dangerous drug there is right along with heroin, maybe even more dangerous than heroin because, when you take your first shot of heroin you know you will be addicted and when a person takes his first shot of alcohol he doesn't know and thinks that is can never happen that he will become an alcoholic and a very large percentage of drinkers are alcoholics.

Added to that, more people die of alcoholism than any other disease not counting the broken homes, brain damage and psychological affect the alcohol has on his family.

The way our children are allowed to drink I do not wonder that there are so many teenage alcoholics. I do not know how our 18-year-old law was ever passed. There are very few 18-year-olds that are mature enough to handle booze. They mature so

much between 18 and 21 years.

I only hope that the police force takes a good look at their conscience and will try harder in the future to put a stop to our teenagers drinking, also the stores selling it to minors.

Name withheld by request

To the Editor:

The St. Johns Jaycees would like to thank the people of this area for their response to our Christmas tree project.

We also would like to express our appreciation to Willard Searles for the use of his property for this project.

The Jaycees are a service oriented organization whose success relies on public acceptance of our programs and on help from the community and from citizens such as Mr. Searles. Without these assets, the Jaycees and their programs would be unable to exist.

We hope that the Jaycees and this community can bind together to make 1977 a very enjoyable and prosperous year.

Thank you,
 Lee J. Van Camp,
 Christmas tree project chairman
 Tom Irner,
 St. Johns Jaycee president

almanack

Gilmore frenzy inappropriate

By Richard L. Milliman

But for me, it's something of a catharsis. I feel better having written it.

When the discussion turns to Gary Gilmore, please keep in mind those other two gentlemen -- Max David Jensen and Bennie Bushnell. Better yet, keep in mind their widows and their children.

TEACHER LOBBY EFFECTIVE

Nobody ever accused the National Education Association of being stupid, and a recently-revealed congressional lobbying tactic underlines the political understanding and skill of the national teachers' organization. NEA is only newly attuned to state and national politics, but they've learned fast and well.

According to a news clipping, NEA plans to press in the upcoming Congress for adoption of a public employee bargaining rights law.

So, the report continues, NEA will train three rank-and-file teachers from each congressional district in the country who in turn will organize letter-writing campaigns, buttonhole lawmakers when they're back home, and put together grass roots meetings to support the bill.

Now that's the way for a lobbying group to be effective -- make your muscle felt where it will do the most good, and that's right back home in the congressman's home district where the votes are counted.

In my experience in observing legislative bodies -- limited though it has been -- I've concluded that the most effective lobbyist is the one who can marshal back-home support or opposition to any particular measure. Rare is the lawmaker who will publicly vote against the expressed wishes of a glut of his constituents.

You've got to hand it to the national teachers' organization; they understand the political system, and how to make it work.

I only wish I could agree with more of what they are trying to do.



In all the frenzied attention improperly paid to Gary Gilmore in his just immortality, it is well to keep in mind the names and situations of Max David Jensen and Bennie Bushnell.

These two persons are central to the Gilmore case, and they are very similar in many ways.

They're both dead at the hand of Gary Gilmore. Max David Jensen was 24 when Gilmore shot and killed him in a gas station holdup in Oren, Utah. Gilmore forced him to kneel on the toilet floor and then shot him twice in the head. Mr. Jensen leaves a wife and infant daughter. He was a law student, trying to earn his way through college by working at a gas station when Gilmore decided he had lived long enough.

Bennie Bushnell was 25 when Gilmore forced him to lie on the floor and shot him in the head during the robbery of a motel on Provo, Utah. Bennie Bushnell also leaves a wife and young children. He, too, was trying to earn extra money when Gilmore decided he had lived long enough.

Why the hoopla about Gary Gilmore? Why the concern about his fate?

Personally, I can't get any sympathy excited about Gilmore; every time I think about the Gilmore case, Max Jensen and Bennie Bushnell pop into my mind. That provides an entirely different perspective to the hullabaloo about capital punishment and the callous killer called Gary Gilmore.

Where lies the blame (or the credit, depending on how you look at it) for the Gilmore attention and notoriety? Part of it comes from the bleeding hearts of our society; part of it comes from society itself; and, I'm afraid, a goodly part of it must lie at the door of the profession which provides my livelihood -- the media.

In my opinion, the attention to Gilmore is inappropriate and misdirected. Even this particular essay probably shouldn't have been written; in its own minuscule way, it only adds to the Gilmore legend.

Health Dept. blood pressure program

(From Front Page)
 Monday each month, immunizations: 3-5 P.M., Blood Pressure Screening: 2-3 P.M.
 Howard City - First Baptist Church, 304 Shaw, 2nd Wednesday each month, Immunizations: 9-10 A.M., Blood Pressure Screening:

10-11 A.M.
 Stanton - First Congregational Church, 204 N. Camburn, 3rd Tuesday each month, Immunizations: 9-11 A.M., Blood Pressure Screening: 1-2 P.M.

St. Johns School Menu

January 10 - 14	1/2 pt. milk	Mashed Potatoes or Dressing
Monday, January 10	Cherry Crisp	Green Peas
Salisbury Steaks		Co. Slaw
Hash Browns		Roll & Margarine
Green Beans	Wednesday, January 12	1/2 pt. milk
Peach Half	Pasties	Pink & White Cake
1/2 pt. milk	Corn	
Roll & Margarine	Sweet Potatoes	Friday, January 14
Chocolate Brownie	Pink Applesauce	Pizza
	1/2 pt. milk	Sweet & Sour Beets or
Tuesday, January 11	Cookie	Baked Beans
Fish on Bun		Jello Mold
with Tartar Sauce		1/2 pt. milk
French Fries - Sr. High	Thursday, January 13	Cookie
Potato Chips - Jr. High	Turkey Gravy on	
Tossed Salad		

Some vital statistics from 1976 in Shepardsville

Following are the 1976 vital statistics for the Shepardsville area: Shepardsville lost five people; Ben Teremi, John Spencer, Ruth Olson, Forest Sloat, and Clarence Mitchell. Hospitalized during the year were Charles Walker, Shirley Watson, Lena Gutschall, George Parmenter, Lucille Spencer, and Dee Robinson. The father of Lester Becker was also in the hospital. Open Houses for Diane Waters, Michelle Haynes, David Watson, and Pascale Goroni, a foreign exchange student who was staying with the Davis family. Births: babies were born to Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Thomson, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Huyck, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Jones, and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Walters, Jr. Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Casteel and Mr. and Mrs. Marion Walker each adopted a baby. Special honors were given to Jane Squiers, Grace Baker and Clare Alderman.

The Ovid-Duplain Library Club held several of their meetings at the church during the year. One of the interesting programs was held in October when Mrs. Marie Woodhams of St. Johns gave her program on the Hats she wears through the year. The club also presented a book to the Ovid Library. The name of the book was "The Birth of America."

The Library Club was also the hostess for the 72nd Annual meeting of the Clinton County Federation of Women's Clubs. Mrs. Fred Young of Dowagiac was the speaker for the afternoon. She was assisted by her sister, Mrs. Calista Reed of this area. She showed slides of our nation's first ladies in their inaugural gowns. The theme of the federation was "Be a Bicentennial Belle. Receiving the door prize was our own Mrs. Ina Woodworth.

The George Parmenters cruised the Caribbean, leaving Port Everglades, landing at the following places: Jamaica, Aruba, in the Antilles, Columbia, S.A. through the Panama Canal, to Acapulco where they took the plane to Los Angeles and visited her brother, Angus McCleod at Fallbrook, California.

The Berean Circle sponsored a Mother-Daughter banquet on May 8.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hoeve, former residents of this area observed their Golden Wedding Anniversary on May 2 with a reception at the Veterans Building in Ovid.

The month of July the Shepardsville Church and community observed Bicentennial month. The first program was a surprise.

The minister called all the couples that had been married 30 or more years to the altar to renew their wedding vows. Seven couples responded. The longest married was Mr. and Mrs. Howard Johnson, 51 years. July 11 there was an Antique Show and Ice Cream Social with a Vesper Service to close the day. July 18 was Pew Sunday. All the pews were marked with a price. July 25 was an Outdoor service at the Ovid Park, this was followed by an afternoon of singing, conversation and games.

Roger Squiers was selected from a group at the Ovid-Elsie High School to attend a Youth Leadership Conference. Roger is very active in the work of the church, singing in the choir and sometimes takes part in the Worship Service. He is also a regular attendant at the UMYF Meetings. Wayne Swender was elected Homecoming King at the Homecoming Football game. Wayne is also active in the church.

Vacation Church School was held in the evening the week of July 12-16. Mr. George Haynes was the director.

The second Sunday in September was Homecoming Sunday with Dr. Robert C. Smith, a former pastor as the speaker. Between 11 and 12, Mrs. Smith showed pictures of their trip to Haiti a few months ago. They were among a group of 30 from Western Michigan Conference and saw many things that an ordinary tourist did not see. The afternoon was spent by enjoying a potluck dinner. The day closed with a short Vesper service.

The annual Longcor reunion was held in the Ovid Park on Sept. 12 with over one hundred present. The oldest member there was Mrs. Grace Baker.

The General meeting of the Shepardsville UMW was held on Thursday September 16 with the afternoon Circle in charge. The speakers for the evening were Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Thornton who showed pictures of their trip to Africa.

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The Shepardsville Church sponsored a This and That Sale from October 13-23, except Sunday. In charge were Wanda Dietrich, George Haynes and Velma Smith. There was a bake sale in the community center on the last day.

On November 15, the guest speaker was Rev. George Rivera with guest soloist, Ray Robles. These men are evangelists in Mexico.

On November 28 the children's choir presented the musical "I Like the Sound of America" by Flo Price. They were assisted by some of the members of the Senior Choir. There wasn't any Church School,

instead the church was decorated for the Christmas season.

The Christmas program was presented on December 23 at 7:30. The theme of the program was Christmas around the World. Featured were foods of other nations so there were refreshments.

Both Circles of the UMW had their Christmas programs at their December meetings.

Morning Star Chapter No. 279 OES of Ovid met in regular session Dec. 14 with worthy matron and worthy patron Ruth and Duane Chamberlain presiding in the East. A potluck supper and gift exchange preceded the meeting.

During the meeting the usual reports were read and accepted as read. The sunshine committee reported on what they were doing for our shut-ins for Christmas. Communications and greetings were read from the office of the Worthy Grand Matron and the Grand Secretary. Thank you notes were read from some of the shut-ins as were some Christmas

Greetings. A monetary gift will be given by the chapter for the Worthy Grand Matrons project. A calling committee was appointed. Lucille Spencer and Hazel Schoch were installed as Treasurer and Warder. Both were unable to be installed along with the other officers. A monetary gift will be given to the JC's for their Christmas party for needy children.

Meeting closed in regular form.

The Berean Circle of the Shepardsville UMW met at the home of Wilma Swender on Wednesday evening, December 15 with a very good attendance. Cards were signed and sent to some shut-ins. They voted to have a Father-Son Banquet sometime in the spring.

Edith Walker, assisted by Colleen Wineland, were in charge of the program. Christmas carols were sung. The Christmas Story was read. She gave a brief report on the book, "Two From Galilee", the story of the romance of Mary and Joseph.

Light refreshments were served.

Clinton County Board of Commissioners

NOVEMBER 9, 1976

- Synopsis of proceedings of Clinton County Board of Commissioners meeting held Tuesday, November 9, 1976.
- The Board met Tuesday, November 9, 1976 with all members present.
- Minutes of the October 26, 1976 meeting were approved.
- Adopted Resolution Re State Office of Substance Abuse Services "Guidelines for Consolidation and Designation of Coordinating Agencies".
- Approved payment of bills audited for the month of October in the amount of \$44,241.41.
- Voted to approve the Commissioners' expense accounts for the month of October.
- Approved applications to the Farm land and Open Space Preservation Act of Harold Benson, Leon Miller, Robert Wilcox, Roxie Cramer, Leon Armbrustmacher, Fred Howorth, Harold Benson, Eugene Martin, Alden Livingston, Doris Livingston, Eugene Livingston, Cecil Powers and Eugene Thelen.
- Voted to rescind the action taken October 26, 1976 to increase dog license fees.
- Removed from the table the request from the Sheriff's Department for equipment.
- Denied request from Sheriff's Department to purchase 2 CB Units for squad cars.
- Approved purchase of the following equipment for the Sheriff's Department: 2 sirens with speakers, 2 portable dictating recorders, 1 transcriber with pickup, 3 antennas for Courthouse roof, in the amount of \$1,378.80.
- Adopted Resolution Re correctional facilities in Clinton County.
- Accepted proposal of Daryl Kessler to repair roofs of District Court and Drain Commission Office in the amount of \$5,696.
- Voted to accept the bid of Schmitt Electric for Smoke and fire detection equipment for Green Haven in the amount of \$5,439.
- Approved the low bid of \$8,266.08 of General Electric for four radios and necessary accessories for the Investigative Squad.
- Approved the low bid of General Electric in the amount of \$2,084.02 for one radio and accessories for the Crime Prevention Unit.
- Since the State has deleted their portion of funds for Snowmobile Safety classes, the Sheriff's Department will continue their program until their present funds are expended.
- Moved to delete \$700 from the 1977 budget and transfer \$700 from Contingency Fund to the Cooperative Extension Service 1976 budget for a typewriter.
- Referred the request of Willard and Lillian Searles for a renewal of special use permit for a sand and gravel pit back to the Zoning Commission.
- Approved the following rezoning: Theron Conley, Bath Township, rezone from M-1 Light Industry to R-1B One-family Low Density Residential; Josephine Miller, Bath Township, rezone from R-1C, One-family Medium Density Residential to B-2, General Business; Arlo Barnard, Bath Township, rezone from R-1C to B-2; Clinton National Bank, Bath Township, rezone from R-1C to B-2.
- Meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Ernest E. Carter, County Clerk
Dyle L. Henning, Chairman

DeWitt Twp. Police investigate incidents

The DeWitt Township police department reported numerous incidents which have occurred during the past week.

Property belonging to Margaret Flint, 3464 W. Stoll Rd., DeWitt was run over by person(s) in an auto causing damage to the lawn. The incident occurred on Dec. 30.

A purse belonging to Montiel Dickey, 3933 Hartford Dr., Lansing, was stolen on Jan. 1. The brown vinyl purse contained personal papers and property.

On Jan. 2 at 1:50 a.m., Arnold L. Greife, Webberville, parked his vehicle in the Pigeon Inn parking lot and later that night discovered it had been moved. At 4:45 a.m. officers found the vehicle across the street at the Stardust parking lot.

One person was arrested by the DeWitt Township department for having an open intoxicant in a moving motor vehicle.

Fender skirts belonging to Michael R. McMann, Wood St., Lansing, were taken from his vehicle while it was parked at the Stardust on Jan. 1.

Robert Ray, 102 Caslow Dr., Lansing, found his stereo in the middle of the road and his residence broken into on Dec. 31. Nothing else appeared to have been taken at the time and the incident is continuing to be investigated.

Newly appointed police chief Michael Ferreance warned motorists to be cautious and aware of poor road conditions throughout

the county due to poor weather. Visibility and icy patches on county roads have caused many accidents which could have been avoided if motorists were more aware of road conditions.

LEGAL NEWS

STATE OF MICHIGAN
IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CLINTON
IN THE MATTER OF JAMES ROUNTREE; RICHARD ROUNTREE; KELLY ROUNTREE; DENNIS ROUNTREE; CHRIS TINE ROUNTREE; File 3901.

At a session of said Court held in the Courthouse in the City of St. Johns, Michigan, on the 6th day of December, 1976.

PRESENT: HONORABLE TIMOTHY GREEN, Probate Judge.

ORDER TO ANSWER
On the 6th day of June, 1976, a petition was filed by Patricia Balasco, Protective Services Worker, against James Rountree and Patricia Rountree in the court alleging that the aforesaid five (5) children were dependent neglected children.

IT IS ORDERED that James Rountree and Patricia Rountree shall answer said charges by appearing in the Probate Court for the County of Clinton on January 6, 1977, at 9:30 in the forenoon. Failure to comply with this order will result in the aforesaid five (5) children being declared dependent neglected children and all parental rights being severed permanently.

DATED: Dec. 7, 1976
TIMOTHY M. GREEN, Probate Judge 33-4

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Roberta Schaafsma becomes bride of Terry MacArthur

Roberta Alice Schaafsma and Terry Lee MacArthur were united in marriage at the Trinity Reformed Church in Kalamazoo on Dec. 30 at 7:30 p.m. Rev. Charles Fuller, Ionia, and Dr. Dennis Voskvi, Kalamazoo officiated at the double ring ceremony.

The couple was given in marriage by their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Schaafsma, Kalamazoo and Mr. and Mrs. Karl MacArthur, Lachine.

The chuch altar was decorated with white carnations and spider mums with accents of holly. Organist was Mrs. Margaret Fuller, and soloists were Stuart Openlander, St. Johns and Edward McCallum, Mt. Pleasant.

The bride chose a floor length white quiana knit gown with train. She wore a matching hood of the same material. She carried a bouquet of white carnations and spider mums with accents of holly.

Maid of honor at the ceremony was Joanne Schaafsma, Kalamazoo. She wore a floor length dark blue-green gown and carried a nosegay of red carnations and baby's breath.

Best man was Rev. Craig Hunter, of Palmyra, Ohio. A reception for the couple was held following the ceremony in the church fellowship hall. The women's guild of the church served at the reception for 175 guests.

The couple took a wedding trip to northern Michigan.

The bride graduated from Kalamazoo Central High School in 1971 and from Central Michigan University in 1975. The groom graduated from Alpena High School in 1967, CMU in 1971 and Methodist Theological School in Ohio in 1976.

The newlyweds are making their home on County Line Rd. in St. Johns.



Mr. & Mrs. Terry L. MacArthur

Cindy Boog wins DAR award

Cindy Boog was chosen by the seniors and staff of the Ashley Community Schools as the 1976-77 recipient of the Daughters' of the American Revolution Good Citizenship award.

This award is presented to the senior who has displayed outstanding ability in the areas of dependability, service, leadership, and patriotism.

Cindy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Boog of 9385 S. Barry Road, Bannister, has attended Ashley Schools throughout her entire 13 years of education.

Cindy was also honored by being selected to the Queen's Court for the 1976 Homecoming and as a member to the National Honor Society.

Her future plans include college, probably at Central Michigan University.

Cindy has maintained an excellent scholastic record and has been active in a number of extra-curricular activities. Cindy has been a member of the F.H.A.

where she has served as president and historian; has been a class officer during her junior and senior years; has been active in the drama and pep clubs; has served on the journalism staff; has been active in the F.T.A. and 4-H; and has participated in athletics (Volleyball and Softball).

Bath National Honor Society

The Bath National Honor Society earned about \$125 on a raffle held a couple of months ago, which will be used throughout the school year for various projects.

During the Christmas season the chapter contributed gifts and money to the St. Vincent Home for Children in Lansing.

The keying of new members will be in late January, according to Ronald D. Bauerle, secretary of the Bath organization.



Cindy Boog

BIRTHS

A girl Wendy Ann, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stevenson, II of 2237 N. Krepps Rd. Dec. 31, 1976 at Clinton Memorial Hospital. She weighed 7 pounds. The baby has 1 sister. Grandparents are Mrs. Nolan Stafford of Reese, Mi. and Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Stevenson of Honolulu, Hawaii.

A boy, Jacob Barrie, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Barrie Fruchey of Gowen Mich. Route 1 Dec. 27, 1976 at Greenville Hospital. He weighed 8 pounds 3 3/4 ounces. The baby has 3 sisters. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Hyler. The mother is the former Barbara Hyler.

Mrs. Glenn Tupper, Orosi, California, former St. Johns resident announces the recent birth of a great-granddaughter. Robin Adele Loewen was born in Bountiful, Utah, to Mr. and Mrs. Howard Loewen. The baby's mother is the former Carol Jean Tupper, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Theron Stuart Tupper, Orosi, California, also formerly of St. Johns.

A girl, Ronda Lee, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Roland L. Merignac of 806 S. Church St. Jan. 2, 1977 at Clinton Memorial Hospital. She weighed 8 pounds 2 ounces. The baby has 2 brothers and 3 sisters. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Merignac of St. Johns, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kostal of Ashley. The mother is the former Donna Kostal.

Mr. and Mrs. James Heibeck of Portage, a daughter, Renae Michelle, on December 12 at Bronson Methodist Hospital, Kalamazoo. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Heibeck, St. Johns and Mr. and Mrs. Aloys Schafer, Fowler. The baby has one brother and one sister. The mother is the former Donna Schafer of Fowler.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael D. Morgan, 11857 US 27, DeWitt, became the parents of a baby boy, Michael David on Dec. 12 at Sparrow Hospital. The mother is the former Patricia Ann Shaw.

Mr. and Mrs. William J. McKenna, 1721 Autumn Lane, Lansing, became the parents of a baby boy, James Albin, on Dec. 12 at Sparrow Hospital in Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Goldberg, 3735 Ivy Lane, DeWitt, became the parents of a baby boy, Steven Benjamin, Dec. 16 at Edward W. Sparrow Hospital.

Dr. Lansing, became the parents of a baby boy, Jason Scott, Nov. 19 at Sparrow Hospital in Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael T. Brown, 8950 Herbison, Eagle, became the parents of a baby girl, Melissa Kay, Dec. 5 at Edward W. Sparrow Hospital in Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Mitozinka, 1960 W. Taft Rd., St. Johns, became the parents of a baby girl, Christa Lynn, Nov. 24 at Sparrow Hospital in Lansing. The mother is the former Jackie Heuer.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis R. McCullough, 418 Haven St., Eaton Rapids, became the parents of a baby boy, Aaron James, November 28 at Edward W. Sparrow Hospital in Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark D. Wild, 2132 Barritt, Lansing, became the parents of a baby boy, Marcus Christopher, on Dec. 7 at Sparrow Hospital in Lansing. The mother is the former Sharon Brooks.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim J. Glisson, 253 Beth Lane, Lansing, became the parents of a baby girl, Sarah Elizabeth, on Nov. 22 at Sparrow Hospital in Lansing. The mother is the former Claudia Ritter.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Nurenberg, Spaulding Rd., Pewamo, became the parents of a baby boy, Steven Patrick, Dec. 12 at Sparrow Hospital in Lansing. The mother is the former Judy Debnar.

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Boak, Monasmith repeat vows

Eileen Kay Boak became the bride of Stephen Alan Monasmith on Dec. 11 at 4 p.m. at Emmanuel Lutheran Chapel in Lansing. Rev. Karl Kraus officiated at the double ring ceremony. The bride was escorted down the aisle by her father.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Carl Boak, 106 S. Lansing St. Johns, Mrs. Sara Monasmith, Tucson, Arizona, and the late Charles Monasmith.

The bride chose a white floor length princess style gown made of doe skin and accented with lace and seed pearls. She wore a

shoulder length veil attached to a wide bow made from the doe skin material. She carried a cascade of red roses, white carnations and baby's breath.

Matron of honor was Mrs. Carol Boak, sister-in-law of the bride from Lansing. She wore a long red dress with an empire waist made of doe skin. She carried a cascade of red carnations and white roses.

Donald Boak, friend of the groom served as best man. Allen Boak, brother of the bride, served as usher. A reception for the couple was held after the

ceremony at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Boak, aunt and uncle of the bride with 75 guests in attendance.

Jeanette Barbour, cut the cake and Cheri Boak attended the guest book. Special guests at the wedding was Mrs. Lula Boak, grandmother of the bride.

The bride graduated from Rodney B. Wilson in 1968 and the groom graduated from Palo Verde High School in Tucson in 1964.

The newlyweds are making their home at 108 E. Cass St. in St. Johns.

Marriage Licenses

Elroy Kenneth Burns, 40, 201 1/2 Brush St., St. Johns; Leilani Anita Swayne, 29, 201 1/2 Brush St., St. Johns.

Ricky Dean Austin, 25, 6007 Twinoak Drive, Laingsburg; Sofia E. Detablan, 29, 6007 Twinoak Drive, Laingsburg.

Engaged



Karen Hood

Mr. and Mrs. J.V. Hood, of Memphis, Tennessee announce the engagement of their daughter, Karen Eileen to AQ2 Jonathan W. Pierson, USN.

The bride-elect will receive a nursing degree from Memphis State University in July 1977.

The prospective bridegroom graduated from St. Johns High School in 1970 and joined the Navy in 1971. He is stationed at the Naval Weapons Station, in Concord, California. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Pierson, 805 N. Mead St., St. Johns.

The couple is planning a July 30 wedding in Memphis.

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Engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth A. Stiles, 4758 Meridian Rd., Elsie, announce the engagement of their daughter, Rosemary, to David Edward Hines, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. Hines, 155 W. Maple St., Elsie.

The couple plan an August wedding.



Rosemary Stiles

The bride elect is a 1976 graduate of Ovid-Elsie High School and is employed by Arnold's Drugs in St. Johns.

The prospective bridegroom is a 1974 graduate of Ovid-Elsie High School and is employed by Great Lakes Hybrids of Ovid.

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Good Times Ball

The St. Johns Business and Professional Woman's Club is sponsoring a Good Times Ball Jan. 22 from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. in the St. Joseph School gym in St. Johns.

Music will be provided by the Royal Jesters and tickets may be purchased at the door. Donations are

\$8 per couple, \$4 per singles.

BYOB and snacks and mix will be furnished.

Proceeds will be used towards a scholarship for a graduating business student from St. Johns High School and other community projects.

NOTICE

WATERTOWN CHARTER TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the following is notice of meeting dates and times and places for each of the Boards within the Township:

TOWNSHIP BOARD: Meeting set for second Monday of each month, at 7:00 p.m. at Township Complex.

PLANNING COMMISSION: Meetings to be held first Wednesday quarterly, March 2, 1977; June 1, 1977; September 7, 1977; December 7, 1977. Time of meetings 7:30 p.m.

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD: Meetings held every other month of first Wednesday, starting January 5, 1977, at — 8:00 p.m.

For further information contact Township Office, 626-6593.

Township Office is open Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9 to 12 o'clock, and 1:00 to 4:30 p.m.

Watertown Charter Township Board



Rosemary Westendorff James Hill

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Westendorff, Pewamo, announce the engagement of their daughter, Rosemary to James L. Hill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Hill, Ionia.

Miss Westendorff is a recent graduate of Mercy Central School of Nursing, and is employed at Carson City Hospital.

The prospective bridegroom is an employee of Capital Financial Services, Ionia. A Feb. 26 wedding is planned.

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Ponchos recalled

Cotton City Industries, Inc., and J.C. Penney Company, Inc., in cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, today announced a recall on ponchos that may have a flammable fringe.

The recall involves about 16,000 multi-colored and plaid ponchos manufactured by Cotton City Industries, Inc., and sold to consumers between May and November 1976. The ponchos, suitable for girls and women, may present a hazard if the frayed edge of the solid color cotton fringe encircling the acrylic garment comes into direct contact with an open flame or high heat source. The poncho is an apparel item to be slipped over the head and draped over shoulders and arms and secured by a rope-like tie around the

principally through J.C. Penney's retail stores. A limited number were sold to Foley's Department Store, Houston, Texas, and even smaller numbers sold to small retail stores.

The ponchos purchased from Penney's are identified with a label in the neck area marked JCP8203 with either style no. 3050, 3051, or 3052. Ponchos purchased from any of the other stores are marked 9815.

The garment should not be worn further and consumers may return it to the place of purchase for a cash refund or credit.

For further information, consumers may call the CPSC Hotline, (800) 638-2666 (Maryland resident only) (800) 492-2937.

LeVona J. Conklin, 110 E. Sturgis, St. Johns, may be a woman, but after four years of work she has earned the title of journeyman and that's what she wants to be called.

Lee, as her friends call her, is the first woman at Oldsmobile to complete the apprentice program. She finished the welding program recently and was named a journeyman the following day.

"That title has nothing to do with sex but it has a lot to do with job status. I worked for four years to earn that title, and that's what I want to be called," she explained emphatically.

Although she admits the program was long and she was often discouraged, she credits her co-workers with the encouragement she needed to continue.

"I really don't know if I'd have stuck it out if it hadn't been for their help and understanding. Even the instructors in the apprentice school encouraged me to go on," she added.

Not only does Lee praise her co-workers, but they return that praise.

"She takes a lot of pride in her work. Some people do just enough to get by, but not Lee -- she really takes pride in her work and does it well," Glen R. Ford, supervisor in the tool

room, said. Initially she entered the program because she saw it as an opportunity to better herself and earn a more challenging job. Prior to 1972 when she became an apprentice, she worked on final assembly at Oldsmobile. She's been an Olds employee for nine years.



LeVona J. Conklin

"After taking the pre-apprentice course I knew I was in for a challenge. During that class we studied applied physics, math, mechanical drawing and blueprint reading," Lee said.

During her four year apprenticeship she tallied 576 hours in the class-

room, and 7328 hours in the welding shop.

Lee likes what she is doing so much that she may take a creative welding class at Lansing Community College soon.

"I know the welding technique, but I need to take some classes to see

what is creatively possible with the torch. My family has already placed orders for pieces and I haven't even started the class," she continued.

After four years of classes, Lee says she includes it in her routine. "There's still a lot to learn so I'll probably keep at it," she concluded.

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St. Johns Police investigate larcenies

The St. Johns Police Department handled varied activities during the past week of Dec. 27 to Jan. 2.

Three larcenies of autos were reported in the General Telephone parking lot at 806 W. State St. The

first two incidents involved portable radios taken from the General Telephone trucks on Dec. 28. The third theft occurred on Jan. 2 when Gary Vella, Caro parked his car in the State St. parking lot and

had four 8-track tapes. The department investigated three missing juvenile cases, who have been returned. Four driving while under the influence of liquor, and four drunk and disorderlies, were also handled.

Also reported on Jan. 1 was the larceny of tools and candy from a vehicle belonging to Mrs. Margaret Salters, of 1010 N. Clinton. Seven accidents were reported with none resulting in injuries.

School menus

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Monday, January 10
Cheese and Sausage Pizza
Applesauce
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Tuesday, January 11
Country Fried Steak
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Buttered Corn
Enriched Bread
Fortified Margarine
Milk
Cookie

Wednesday, January 12
Hot Dog
French Fries
Green Garden Peas
Hot Dog Bun
Mustard
Milk
Cookie

Thursday, January 13
Meatballs with
Tomato Sauce
Whipped Potatoes

Cut Green Beans
Enriched Bread
Fortified Margarine
Milk
Cookie

Friday, January 14
Cheeseburger
French Fries
Peas and Carrots
Hamburger Bun
Catsup
Milk
Cookie

An attempted breaking and entering occurred at the St. Johns Mobile Trailer Park at 609 S. Morton on Dec. 30. Coin boxes on two machines were damaged.

Bernard Esch, 705 S. Oakland, reported the larceny of a set of wedding rings taken from his home sometime Dec. 30.

Pat Humenik, St. Johns, reported the theft of her son's roller skates from the Ranch Roller Rink on Dec. 31.

A breaking and entering occurred at the Wilkie Gas Station at 1000 E. State. A small amount of candy and cigars were taken.

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CROCHET Mon., 7:00-9:00 p.m. FOUR SESSIONS Jan. 17
Instructor: Jody Strickland, 627-2229

FABRIC PAINTING Fri., 10:00-4:00 ONE SESSION Feb. 25
Instructor: Carol Basso, 627-7155

KNITTING Beginning: Tues., 9-11 a.m. SIX SESSIONS, Jan. 11
Beginning: Tues., 7-9 p.m. SIX SESSIONS Jan. 11
Advanced: Thurs., 7:00-9:00 p.m. SIX SESSIONS Jan. 13
Advanced: Thurs., 9-11 a.m. SIX SESSIONS Jan. 13
Instructor: Ruth Dunn (of Lansing) Creator's Corner 627-4793

MACRAME Beginning: Wed., 10:00-12:00 a.m. SIX SESSIONS Jan. 19
Instructor: Shirley Walters 626-6483
Beginning: Mon., 7-9 p.m. SIX SESSIONS Jan. 17
Purses: Wed., 7-9 p.m. FOUR SESSIONS Jan. 19
Instructor: Donna Wells 626-6483

NEEDLEPOINT Wed., 1-3 p.m. SIX SESSIONS Jan. 12
Wed., 7-9 p.m. SIX SESSIONS Jan. 12
Instructor: Terry Bouck, Creator's Corner 627-4793

QUILLING Fri., 1:00-3:00 p.m. TWO SESSIONS Jan. 21
Instructor: Shari Schiebling 627-4877

SILK FLOWERS Mon., 9-11 a.m. TWO SESSIONS Jan. 10
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Tues., 1:00-3:00 p.m. SIX SESSIONS Jan. 18
Tues., 7:00-9:00 p.m. SIX SESSIONS Jan. 18
Wed., 12:30-3:30 p.m. SIX SESSIONS Jan. 19
Thurs., 7:00-9:00 p.m. SIX SESSIONS Jan. 20
Instructor: Carol Basso 627-7155

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It was a busy 1976 in Elsie

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good and they are gradually increasing the various stocks and types of insulation.

Churches

There are three churches in this community that minister to the spiritual needs of the people: United Methodist Church with the Rev. David L. Miles; Faith Baptist Church with the Rev. David Davis north of the village; and the First Baptist Church with the Rev. LaVerne Bretz of Valley Farms.

The United Methodist Church and the First Baptist Church and parsonages, both on West Main St. were recently repaired and painted. Many of the church members volunteered to help. The Rev. Charles Cowly and family have moved to Warren where he is employed. Since he left, Mrs. Daisy Talley has been superintendent and also teacher with Mrs. Marcella Brown, Mrs. Rita Woton, Mrs. Lois Hess, Mrs. Sheila Morey and Paul Brown also teaching.

All three churches are ready for Christmas programs and looking to a good year in 1977.

Elsie Lions Club

Highlights of 1976 started with President Norm Snyder in charge and observed the 35th anniversary of the Club. The annual Fish Fry was very successful, with proceeds going to support many club activities, supplying eye glasses to several individuals, sponsoring 4-H Leader Dog puppy program with veterinary care and making contributions to many state and local programs.

White cane week was observed in April with very good support from local people. The funds were used to support the Leader Dog School in Rochester, continuing project of Michigan Lions.

Late in June they co-sponsored with Elsie Improvement Ass'n the annual carnival. Profits on sales from food stand went to many projects. They worked on Hope Green Memorial Park at the site of the old bridge and mill.

They made contributions to the Welcome Home for the Blind in Grand Rapids and help support the Lions Eye Bank project.

In May, the State Convention was held in Lansing, Schoendorf, Kings, Snyders, Therings attended and Joe Thering, Zone Chairman for the second year.

Club elections found the following: Albert Pontack, president; Eldon Baese, 1st vice president; Kenneth Baese, 2nd vice president; George Keck, 3rd vice president; Joe Thering, secretary; Norman Blakely, treasurer; Harry Huntoon, tailwister. Shortly after election,

President Pontack resigned due to requirements of another commitment. Club then elected Richard King, who was forced to resign the presidency last year following a heart attack.

They entertained ladies at annual steak fry in August and regular meeting started the next month. The annual Christmas Party was held early in December. A Christmas Decorating Contest has been in progress and winners will be announced Christmas week.

There are three new members this year: Oliver Darling, Merle Baese and Gerald Horak. The Club conducted Sight Screening clinics during Carnival Week and also at the Elsie Bicentennial observance.

Plans for the year will include pre-school sight screening clinics to be held in the spring; trip to Rochester Leader Dog School for members and guests; fish fry and White Cane Week Sale; further improvements at Hope Green Park for next summer and Elsie Lions Club will host Zone party for all clubs in Clinton County in April.

MASONIC LODGE AND OES

The Elsie Masonic Lodge 238 was instituted Jan. 9, 1868 by a delegation from the Ovid Lodge and on October 10, 1890 organized the Chapter 69 OES. The two organizations have continued to grow. During the past year they have joined to sponsor a beautiful float in parades on Memorial Day and the Elsie Bicentennial Week. They also provided items of interest for the large Bicentennial capsule that is buried near the St. Johns Masonic Temple.

The Masons sponsored an old fashioned box social with Eugene Livingston of the St. Johns First Nighters presenting a characterization of Mark Twain. Worshipful Master, Jim Litomisky, Sid Keys, and Larry Nicholas attended Grand Lodge F and A.M. in Detroit and received a plaque engraved: "Michigan Sesquicentennial 1826-1976 USA" "Recognition of the excellent condition and grounds of your Masonic Temple".

Leonard Tillotson and Sidney Keys were awarded life certificates the past year. They had been members 40 years and made a total of 18 life members in the Elsie Lodge.

Among the 1,500 who attended a banquet and celebration of the Bicentennial (150) years were about 50 from the Ovid-Elsie Lodges. The eight-county Region E was one of the largest ever held in Lansing. It was an event of Saturday evening, Sept. 17 at Long's Convention Center when Dr. Carl Winters of Chautauqua, N.Y. was the keynote speaker.

Two life members, Luman Hall and Sidney Keys of the Elsie Masonic Lodge were among the 88 members of the "Rhinehart F. Thaler Memorial Class" during the three-day reunion at the Bay City Consistory where they received the degrees of Scottish Rite Masonry.

Special guests of the Masons were 13 widows for a dinner on Ladies' Night last month. Several OES members attended the Triennial Assembly of the General Grand Chapter in Cleveland, Ohio, and Michigan State Grand Chapter in Grand Rapids. The OES initiated new members: Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Levey, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Porubsky and Mrs. Edith Bensingier.

Fire Department

The Fire Dept. reports a good year since there were no major fires. Most of the 38 calls were grass and brush but there were two house trailers, a tractor and two barns used for storage but no electric outlet or lighting. Children had been seen, reportedly, playing nearby. There were also two assists to St. Johns and Chesaning.

A used jeep was purchased to aid in fighting field fires and easier travel to hard-to-get-to places. New coats and boots have been ordered.

The Fire Dept. started with the "bucket brigade" later a Ramsey 15-hand pumper and horse drawn fire wagon purchased in the early 1900's, then the first motorized apparatus was a Ford pumper about 1926 when Aubrey Sheldon was appointed fire chief and for the first time a company of volunteers was placed on call and became the first one ever used for rural runs out of Elsie.

New trucks were purchased in 1951, 1964, and 1972. The present officers of the Dept. represent 95 years of service: Fire Chief Durward Conklin, 33 years; ass't chief, Joe Bartek, 29 years; and secretary-treasurer, Paul Platner, 33 years. Conklin and Platner started in 1943 and Bartek in 1947.

Ambulance

The Elsie Area Ambulance Service gave demonstrations of the new ambulance, a Maxi Van Dodge, purchased in time for Elsie's Bicentennial Week in July, 1976. It is equipped with a radio which can be in contact with any hospital in the state immediately and also the latest in First Aid.

The Elsie area men volunteer their time for operating the ambulance service which covers four counties -- Gratiot, Saginaw, Shiawassee and Clinton with the townships of Elba, Chapin, Fairfield and Duplain subsidizing part of the cost. The service has been available since 1969.

The ambulance is housed at the Fire Hall.

The officers are: president, Richard Hinspeter; 1st vice president, John Kusnier; second vice president, Lyle Craven; and secretarial duties by Barbara and Stanley Galehouse as dispatcher.

R. Hinspeter, Russell Schoch, Archie J. Moore and David Dunham have completed training as required by state law so they are now Certified Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT). A few new hand tools to carry in the ambulance at all times and another break-away or folding cot were purchased as they were found necessary.

The board of trustees in addition to the officers are: Larry Ott, Gordon Mead, David Dunham and Archie Moore, who keeps the minutes.

Police

The Elsie Police force is made up of four men: Chief of Police Gordon Mead is the full time officer of the area and has been a member of the Elsie Police since 1961; Gary Bensingier is the new relief police officer who was hired to replace Frederick Enos, who recently resigned; Jan Doyen and Harry Winans, the latter three are part time police officers.

Chief of Police Mead attended classes and lectures at the State Police College in Charlotte earlier this year for ten weeks. In March and April two crime information seminars were held at the Ovid-Elsie High School with the public invited. Michigan State Police and the Clinton Co. Sheriff's Dept. presenting the seminars.

The first seminar was concerned with Home security and burglary prevention. Slides discussing locks and security devices and a demonstration of "Operation Identification inscribers", was presented by State Trooper Ken Anderson of Rhaca Post. The second was a description of individual crime and law enforcement problems. Lt. Milton Jolins, commanding officer of the Owosso State Police and Clinton Co. Sheriff's Dept. were a panel of law enforcement officials, to answer questions from the audience.

Small crimes such as breaking and entering have been kept to a minimum. They were: Dancer's Store, when mostly children's clothing was stolen; Baker's Foodland, when groceries and quantities of meat were taken; and Dr. E. M. Slagh's office where a variety of drugs was stolen.

Chief of Police Mead stated that cooperation of the area law enforcement agencies has been very helpful in solving many of the problems.

WOMAN'S LITERARY CLUB
The Woman's Literary Club chose "Our Bicentennial"

as the theme for the year's program. Display of antiques, and family treasures, the Antique Fair and guest speakers covered several meetings. Much community service is done by the clubwomen, such as, awarding two scholarships to seniors who plan to finish their education. Spring and Fall Trading Posts have been operated by the WLC for many years as well as the Cancer Drive for funds and several health drives. Christmas baskets are prepared for homebound. A card party for the benefit of the Elsie Public Library is held annually and sums of money have been given to the Village Council to purchase needed equipment for the Park and \$25.00 to the Ovid-Elsie Area Summer Recreation, Arts and Crafts.

Older women of the vicinity were special guests at Mother's Day entertainment. Members enjoyed their annual trip to Rochester where they made the special tour (guided) tour of Meadowbrook Hall, former home of Matilda Dodge Wilson who left it as a residential, cultural and conference center for continuing education. They also had an early dinner in the mass dining room.

SENIOR CITIZENS

There is an active Senior Citizens Club that meets the first Thursday of the month for potluck dinner at noon followed by a program. They meet in the American Legion hall and have guest speakers often. Milford Clark is president; Robert Kelley, vice president; and Mrs. Howard Peltier, secretary and treasurer.

American Legion Hall is a beehive of activity the year around as it is one of the largest to accommodate crowds.

The Post 502 with Lee Suttiff as Commander received the District membership trophy. The Post is very busy in youth activities. They sponsor a youth to attend Boys' State each year and they donate to the Ovid-Elsie seniors for a post-prom party. They also help the O-E Band Boosters in their fund raising.

They donate the use of the hall to the WLC for their annual Trading Post and have not forgotten the Senior Citizens who use the hall for their meetings. This year, Post 502 also received the award for outstanding service to the community. During the severe ice storm last spring, they opened their doors and members provided food and shelter to over 200 people of this community. They have reason to feel very proud of Elsie Post 502 American Legion Post.

Events and People
Among outstanding dairymen honored in Clinton County was Velmar Green accepting for Green Meadows Farms of Elsie, a dairy production trophy at the recent DHIA-MABC awards program. In butterfat, it was a six-year-old registered Holstein with both actual and ME records of 1181 lbs. of butterfat.

Velmar Green was selected treasurer of MMPA by fellow members of the MMPA State Board of Directors.
A cow owned by Duane and Velmar Green has qualified for listing among the Michigan Dairy Herd Improvement Ass'n exclusive "Milk Top Twenty" high producer.
Sunny Spruce Shamrock "Gayle" also owned by the Green Brothers has received the designation of 4E during the Michigan classification program by the Holstein-Friesian Ass'n of America with record of 17,776 lbs of milk and 619 lbs of butterfat.

Karen Green, an Ovid-Elsie High School Band student was selected as one of 120 Future Farmers of America members in the U.S. to participate in the National Convention Nov. 8-12 in Kansas City, Mo. Karen, a junior at Ovid-Elsie High finished in the top 5 percent of the Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition and will compete in the finals in December.
Keith A. Keck, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Keck of Elsie, graduated from the University of Michigan

Medical School in Ann Arbor with a medical degree. He is now starting an internship at San Diego Naval Hospital in California and hopes to do a residency in anaesthesia.

Linda Sturgis' School of Dance presented "Bicentennial Tribute '76'" at Ovid-Elsie school auditorium.

Stacey Schoendorf was selected as Girls State representative and attended the American Legion Auxiliary Girls State. She was one of 500 junior girls in attendance. It was held on the Olivet College Campus in June.

The She-she-mon-zee-zee-zee-bee Campfire Girls of 50 years ago held a reunion at the cottage of their guardian of those days, Mrs. Ruth Partlow Williams. Husbands were also present at Crystal Lake for dinner, reminiscing and looking over pictures of those days in Elsie.

These wedding anniversaries were celebrated this year: Mr. and Mrs. Harold Albaugh, 50 years; Mr. and Mrs. Orlo Mead, Sr., 50 years; Mr. and Mrs. Chester Hammond, 55 years; and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Walling, 60 years.

Reunion of five generation families with special observance were: Earl Albaugh, Mrs. Delbert Holton and Mrs. Edna Howard.

Octogenarians celebrating birthdays were: Hazel Blayne, 86; Pearl Loyne, 93; Jennie Collins, 88; Cleo Parks, 90; Zulma Robbe, 90; Myrtle Tillotson, 93; Lulu Knight, 93; and R. C. Woodard 94.

A group of 52 men and women for the annual golf vacation at the Gulf Hills Inn and Golf Club at Ocean Springs, Miss., was an event of March 1976.

Harry Todoseuk of R. 1, Elsie, won the 1976 Clinton Soap Box Derby in his 5th year of racing. He won first prize of a \$150 savings bond and the right to compete in the All-American Soap Box Derby in Akron, Ohio.

The Elsie P.T.A. cleared \$1,378.06 in the annual carnival at Knight Elementary School. Profits will be used for equipment and other school needs.

Glenn Webster of Elsie succeeded David Hill of Ovid as president of the Ovid-Elsie High School board upon the latter's resignation. Webster's vacancy on the board will be filled by Albert Pontack of Elsie.

Frank Rivest of Elsie was elected to the Southern

Michigan Market Committee of the Michigan Milk Producers Association.

Gene Maynard, an Elsie farmer was named "Farmer of the Week" by Michigan Farm Bureau Radio network and Farm Bureau Insurance Group. The award recipients are selected on the basis of the quality of their farming operation and contribution to the agricultural community.

A young Elsie farmer, Glenn R. Williams was elected District I Shiawassee County Commissioner in a special election last spring.

John E. Glowney was one of 30 winners in the annual Avery and Jule Hopwood contest in creative writing at U. of M. He won \$700 for his major fiction short story entitled "The Heart of the Moon". He graduated magna cum laude from the U. of M. with a bachelor of arts degree in English.

Three O-E students earned their way to CMU in taking part in the Special Olympics. They were Carol Champlin, Jim Kimmel and Cindy Nieman.

The spring season with steelhead and early trout had good runs on the Grand River system upstream to the Elsie dam on the Maple River, where there were more spectators than anglers.

Bruce Thornton has been with the Clinton National Bank since 1971 and has served in a number of varied assignments. He was named assistant manager of the Elsie office in December 1974 and held that position until his appointment as office manager in early March.

Mrs. Karlene Snyder of Elsie was promoted as assistant manager at the Elsie office and honored as teller of the year.

There were several winners in the Shopping Spree Contests at Baker's Foodland.

The twelve daughters and sons of the late Onas and Thelma Baese and their families assembled for a weekend reunion at the home of Richard Baese near Gettysburg, Pa.

Al Bywater, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Bywater was 1st prize winner of a trip to California in Gene's (Schoendorf) IGA Jet Journey to the Stars Contest. Second prize of \$40 went to Frank Ortiz and third place of \$30 was awarded Morrie Roberts.

There were two exchange students attending Ovid-Elsie High School. They were Pascale Gorini

of Paris, France who lived with Mr. and Mrs. Jerald Davis and family of Watson Road. Elsie, Frederico C. Lehman of Popayan, Colombia, S.A. made his home with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pohl on N. Hollister Rd., Elsie.

Dick Hallead of Elsie won Ford Motor Co.'s Distinguished Service Citation for outstanding customer service. He was honored in a recent luncheon in Lansing.

The Clinton County 4-H Leader Recognition Banquet was held in St. Johns' Smith Hall. Among those honored were: Mrs. Anabel Peck of Elsie 4 Corners - a certificate for 30 years of service as a 4-H leader; Mrs. Elizabeth Blakely also of Elsie 4 Corners, a certificate for completion of 20 years as a 4-H leader; and Norman Blakely of Elsie 4 Corners with 15 years of service.

There are several Extension Groups, Boy Scouts and other 4-H Clubs that keep busy all through the year.

Now is the time for the Bicentennial to bow out but not without leaving behind the memories of a good year. We must continue to have faith in the United States as we look ahead to 1977.

Announce farming film

"Farming Frontiers '77", a film program devoted to the business of farming, will be presented Jan. 11 at C.S.A. Hall in St. Louis beginning at 7:30 p.m. It was announced today by Laethem's Inc., the John Deere dealer in this area.

The program includes Furrow on Film subjects, which show the latest developments in farm management. These films provide guidance that could affect your plans today and in the years to come.

Also included will be motion pictures showing new balers, grain drills, forage harvesters, and other farm equipment being introduced for 1977.

A 23-piece 1/4-inch drive socket wrench set and three insulated vests will be given away as door prizes, Paul Laethem said. He also said refreshments will be served.



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SPORTS

New Year begins heavy sports activity in county

ST. JOHNS -- After the holiday break in the schools around Clinton County, things are moving once again in the sports world.

In the basketball action in upcoming Friday's schedule, the St. Johns Redwings will be hosting the Chesaning Indians. The Redwings have a respectable 3-1 MMB conference record while the Indians are 2-2.

In another home encounter, the Ovid-Elsie Marauders under coach Bob Foreback hope to get back into the winning column when they meet the Alma Panthers. The Marauders presently stand at a 1-3 mark while the Panthers are riding on a 3-1 slate.

Three other home contests will take place Friday night when the Fowler Eagles under coach Char-

lie Trierweiler hope to keep their winning streak alive by hosting Fowlerville.

Coach Joe Ghiardi's Pirates of P-W will likewise have a home encounter with always tough Potterville in a CMAC affair.

Wrapping up the home contests, the Bath Bees will tee off on the Perry Ramblers in an ICL league pairing.

Only one team will have

to pack its bags for out of town and that'll be Coach Terry Gale's DeWitt Panthers. They'll be meeting Haslett in a Capital Circuit confrontation. DeWitt's last outing in the league ended in disaster as they were soundly whipped by league rival Howell in action just before Christmas.

In the swimming schedule throughout the county schools, the Ovid-Elsie Marauders under guid-

ance of coach Charlie Holcomb will be traveling to the Corunna Cavalier pool Thursday night while, Friday night, the St. Johns Redwings will be hosting Lansing Everett in a non-league meet.

The Marauders of Ovid-Elsie will continue their successful season under Jim Maidlow's direction in the wrestling field when they'll be meeting the Hemlock Huskies in an-

other MMB matchup. The action will take place Thursday night beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The Redwings of St. Johns will be meeting the Corunna Cavaliers in mat action Thursday night at St. Johns High School. Directing the wrestling at SJHS this year is Al Johnson.

In another Thursday night grappler event, the DeWitt Panthers will be

journeying to Lansing to encounter Lansing Catholic Central while, in the only other wrestling activity taking place next week, Thursday night will be a matchup between the P-W Pirates and Olivet.

This week's County News has a full sports schedule listing each event in basketball, swimming and wrestling.

MID-MICHIGAN-BASKETBALL STANDINGS

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Holcomb promotes swimming at O-E

BY HAROLD SCHMALTZ SPORTS EDITOR

IVID-ELSIE -- Ovid-Elsie High School has a likeable guy named Charlie. He's usually found around the swimming pool area and when he's not there he can be found in the Resource Room where he teaches Special Education.

Charlie, as he's affectionately referred to, came to Ovid-Elsie in April of 1973. He came from Lansing where he spent two years with the Waverly Schools teaching elementary school special education and prior to that spent two years in sales.

Holcomb has always had contact with children. His education at Bowling Green University led to his first teaching experience as a speech therapist with the Garden City Schools near Detroit.

After 3 years he joined the University of Wisconsin to become head of the Speech Education Department with the Job Corps. After completion of his masters degree in teaching of the emotionally disturbed, Holcomb, with his wife, Elizabeth, returned to their native Michigan.

Holcomb's swimming began with the East Grand

Rapids and Bowling Green University where the highlight of his career culminated in his being named All-American in 1959. His coaching experience has been one of setting up swimming programs, first in Grand Rapids, then Garden City and Waverly.

"This is the first time in continuing a program once it was established," Holcomb said in reference to his involvement as swimming coach at Ovid-Elsie.



CHARLIE HOLCOMB

He continued, "It should prove to be interesting after the first 5 years. The Holcombs have a

farm north of Elsie and have three children in the O-E school system. Mrs. Holcomb is a MSU graduate from the school of nursing and is a registered nurse.

Reflecting on the present program at O-E, Holcomb indicated that the swimming program is in its early stages of development and that much work is needed to make it the program he'd like to see develop.

He said, at present, there is no real solid program in the upper elementary and junior high levels where development must take place if any great successes are to be achieved on future varsity levels.

The Marauder swim team record currently stands at 0-4 while their record last year was a respectable 7-6.

Holcomb cited several areas in development of such a program that created problems, namely the distances involved to and from the swimming pool. Many would be swimmers

just don't have the transportation to the swimming practices he said.

He said in most school districts such programs of upper elementary and junior high development can take place within the school such as football and basketball, but at O-E development must take place from outside.

Stacey Schoendorf in 'Who's Who'

ELSIE (C) -- Stacey M. Schoendorf, a senior at Ovid-Elsie High School is featured in the 10th Annual Edition of "Who's Who Among American High School Students, 1975-76."

Stacey was selected by the Woman's Literary Club to attend the 36th American Legion Auxiliary Girls' State on the Olivet Campus in June, where she learned the importance of government in modern life along with 500 girls in participation in the political and governmental processes. Her scholarship in



STACEY SCHOENDORF

health careers, speech, math, science and history and various school activi-

ties warranted her achievement in "Who's Who."

Her athletic activities included the Pep Club, track, powder puff football and cheerleading. Other activities were forensics, junior play, prom committee and representative of her class on the Student Council.

Stacey attends the St. Cyril Catholic Church in Bannister. She has a brother, Scott, 16, and a sister, Sarah, 11, and plans to enter the medical field. She resides with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Schoendorf at 240 East Pine St., Elsie.

Gymnastics jumping at St. Johns High

ST. JOHNS -- The boys and girls gymnastics team

will officially open their

season Wednesday night at 7 p.m. at home with the Ionia Bulldogs.

The St. Johns girls are looking forward to a successful season despite several injuries, according to head coach Sue Cerny.

Returning lettermen for the Redwings include senior captains Rhonda Davis, Lori Lashaway and Terri Lindow.

Other letter winners from last year returning for action this year are

sophomores Denise Cerny, Lois Purchase, and Kathy Pifer. Floor exercise and

vaulting are expected to be the team's strongest events.

Cerny said the next home meet for the Redwings will be Wednesday, Jan. 12 at 7 p.m. when St.

Johns will host East Lansing, a team which Mrs. Cerny expects to be in the running for the state championship in 1977.

SPORTS SCHEDULE BASKETBALL

Jan. 7 games
P-W hosts Potterville
Bath hosts Perry
Fowler hosts Fowlerville
St. Johns hosts Chesaning
Ovid-Elsie hosts Alma
DeWitt at Haslett

Jan. 8 games
P-W at Portland
St. Pats

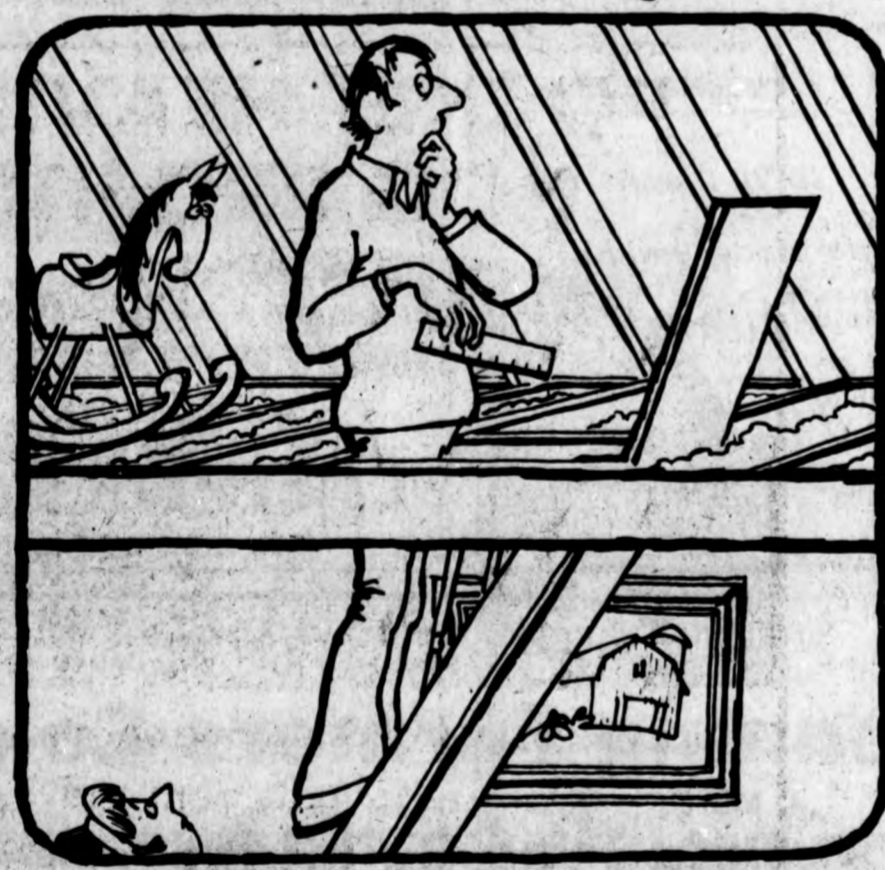
SWIMMING

Jan. 6 Ovid-Elsie at Corunna
Jan. 7 St. Johns hosts Lansing Everett
Jan. 11 St. Johns at Mason
Jan. 6 DeWitt hosts Okemos

WRESTLING

Jan. 6 Ovid-Elsie hosts Hemlock
Jan. 6 St. Johns hosts Corunna
Jan. 6 DeWitt at Lansing Cath. Cent.
Jan. 8 DeWitt at New Lothrop
Jan. 11 DeWitt at Williamston
Jan. 6 P-W hosts Olivet 6:30 p.m.
Jan. 11 P-W hosts Maple Valley 2 p.m.

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Jobs Wanted 3

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Real Estate 4

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For Rent 6
FOR RENT - 6 room home, 2 bedrooms, ranch style, large living room 12 x 23 plus large laundry room next to kitchen. Lots of storage area and living space. Big yard. References and Security deposit. 224-2321. 36-1-p-6

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Wanted to Rent 7
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Trailers & Campers 9
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Mobile Homes 10
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Automotive 11
FOR SALE - 71 Explorer 1/2 ton Ford pickup, automatic, power steering & brakes, overloads, aux. gas tank, snow tires, new paint. 627-7068 after 5 p.m. GPC-14fn

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FOR SALE - 1974 Corvette, 14,000 miles, excellent condition. Ph. 224-7958. \$6,400. 36-3-p-11

FOR SALE - 1974 Pinto Squire Wagon, AM-FM, tape, radials, excellent condition. Ph. 224-6205. 36-1-p-11

Farm Machinery 18
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Farm Produce 19
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Pets 23
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Miscellaneous 27

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Notice 29
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NOTICE - The annual meeting of the policyholders of Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Co. will be held Tuesday, January 18, 1977 at 2:00 p.m. at the company office, 201 E. State St., St. Johns, Mi. The purpose of this meeting is to elect 2 members to the Board of Directors, and any other business that may properly be brought before this meeting. 36-2-p-29

BINGO - Holy Family Church, 510 Mabbitt Rd., Ovid. Monday 7 p.m. 16-1f-29

Jan. 9, Clinton County Historical Museum will be featuring a collection of antique mason jars, milk bottles and miscellaneous bottles during the month of Jan. The museum is open each Sun. from 2-5 and is located at 1009 S. Oakland, St. Johns. 36-1-p-29

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Legal News

MORTGAGE SALE
Default has been made in a condition of the mortgage executed by Wayne V. Mund and Marianne E. Mund (now known as Marianne E. Hosford) to EAST LANSING STATE BANK, a Michigan banking corporation, dated June 3, 1972, recorded June 9, 1972, in Liber 265, Page 716, Clinton County records, and assumed by Dennis L. Parks and Gloria A. Parks, husband and wife, by Warranty Deed dated August 17, 1973, recorded August 21, 1973, in Liber 348, Page 915, Clinton County records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, on the date of this notice, the principal and interest the sum of Nine Thousand Seventy Nine and 79/100 Dollars (\$9,079.79), which amount bears interest from December 20, 1976, at the rate of eight percent (8 percent) per annum.

And no suit or proceedings at law or in equity have been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on Friday, January 28, 1977, at 10:00 a.m., local time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the outside the front entrance to the Courthouse in St. Johns, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid, on said mortgage, with the interest thereon at eight percent (8 percent) per annum and all legal costs, charges and expenses including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises; which said premises are described as follows:

Lot No. 29, Plat of East Bank, Township of Bath, Clinton County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof.

During the six months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed.

Dated: December 21, 1976
EAST LANSING STATE BANK, Mortgagee
Williamham, Cote', Hanslovsky, Griffith and Foresman, P.C., Attorneys for Mortgagee
1331 E. Grand River
East Lansing, Michigan 48823

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE
Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage executed by Ronald Aaron Mueller and Bonnie L. Mueller, husband and wife, to Waterfield Mortgage Company, Inc., an Indiana Corporation, dated 10th day of August, 1972, and recorded 25th day of August, 1972, in Liber 267, Page 120, Clinton County, Michigan records, which mortgage was assigned by said mortgagee to HAMBURG SAVINGS BANK, a New York Corporation, by assignment dated the 28th day of September, 1972, and recorded on the 5th day of October, 1972, in Liber 267, Page 710, Clinton County, Michigan records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Twenty-one Thousand, One Hundred One and 45/100 Dollars (\$21,011.45).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of said mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction on the 8th day of February, 1977, at 10:00 o'clock, a.m., at the northern entrance to the Court House in the City of St. Johns, County of Clinton, State of Michigan, that being one of the places of holding Circuit Court in said County. Said mortgaged premises are described as follows:

Lot 45, Nelson's Subdivision No. 1, Bath Township, Clinton County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 5, Page 9, Clinton County Records.

The length of the period of redemption from such sale will be six (6) months.

Dated at Lansing, Michigan, December 30, 1976.
HAMBURG SAVINGS BANK, a New York Corporation
Assignee of Mortgagee
John Hays of Farhat, Burns and Story, P.C., Attorneys for Assignee of Mortgagee
177 Seymour Avenue, Suite 2A
Lansing, Michigan 48933

STATE OF MICHIGAN
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CLINTON
LINDA SUE BARNES, Plaintiff
-vs-
JEFFREY A. BARNES, Defendant
ORDER TO ANSWER
FILE NO. 5673 DM
GCR. 120.5

On August 13, 1976, an action was filed by Plaintiff, in this Court to obtain a decree of absolute divorce.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT THE Defendant, Jeffrey A. Barnes, shall answer or take such other action in this Court as may be permitted by law on or before March 1, 1977. Failure to comply with this Order will result in a Judgment by Default against such Plaintiff-Defendant for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed in this Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the fees or costs of publication be paid by Plaintiff-Defendant. HONORABLE LEO W. CORKIN
Dolores Hiller
GREATER LANSING LEGAL AID BUREAU
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300 North Washington Avenue
Lansing, Michigan 48933

STATE OF MICHIGAN
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CLINTON
EDFRED LEE COOKSEY, Plaintiff
-vs-
ALFRED LEE COOKSEY, Defendant
ORDER TO ANSWER
FILE NO. 76-5745 DO
GCR. 120.5

On November 18, 1976, an action was filed by Plaintiff in this Court to obtain a decree of absolute divorce.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Defendant, Alfred Lee Cooksey, shall answer or take such other action in this Court as may be permitted by law on or before Feb. 28, 1977. Failure to comply with this Order will result in a Judgment by Default against such Defendant for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed in this Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the fees or costs of publication be paid by Plaintiff-Defendant. HONORABLE LEO W. CORKIN
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STATE OF MICHIGAN
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CLINTON
MELODY A. DIBOSSO, Plaintiff
-vs-
MICHAEL J. DIBOSSO, Defendant
ORDER TO ANSWER
FILE NO. 76-5774 DM
John J. Hays (P14782)
Attorney for Plaintiff
Attorney for Defendant

At a session of said Court held in the Circuit Courtrooms, Courthouse, St. Johns, Clinton County, Michigan on the 15th day of December, 1976, an action was filed by Melody A. DiBosso, plaintiff against Michael J. DiBosso, defendant, in this Court for a divorce from the bonds of matrimony.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the defendant, Michael J. DiBosso, whose best known address is 2 Shelby Lane, Jackson, Michigan shall answer or take such action as may be permitted by law on or before the 15th day of February, 1977. Failure to comply with this Order will result in a Judgment by Default against defendant for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed in this Court.

Leo W. Corkin, Circuit Judge
Countersigned:
Dolores Hiller
Deputy Clerk

STATE OF MICHIGAN
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CLINTON
DEBRA GRIFFITH, Plaintiff, -vs-
JAMES GRIFFITH, Defendant
ORDER TO ANSWER
FILE NO. 5647
GCR. 120.5

On July 14, 1976, an action was filed by Plaintiff in this Court to obtain a decree of absolute divorce.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT the Plaintiff-Defendant, JAMES GRIFFITH, shall answer or take such other action in this Court as may be permitted by law on or before Feb. 21, 1977. Failure to comply with this Order will result in a Judgment by Default against such Plaintiff-Defendant for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed in this Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the fees or costs of publication be paid by Plaintiff-Defendant. HONORABLE LEO W. CORKIN
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STATE OF MICHIGAN
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CLINTON
ANNA ELNORA GOBLE, Plaintiff
-vs-
DANNY PAUL GOBLE, Defendant
ORDER TO ANSWER
FILE NO. 76-5763 DM
GCR. 120.5

On December 8, 1976, an action was filed by Plaintiff in this Court to obtain a decree of absolute divorce.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Defendant, Danny Paul Goble, shall answer or take such other action in this Court as may be permitted by law on or before Feb. 28, 1977. Failure to comply with this Order will result in a Judgment by Default against such Plaintiff-Defendant for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed in this Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the fees or costs of publication be paid by Plaintiff-Defendant. HONORABLE LEO W. CORKIN
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Lansing, Michigan 48933

STATE OF MICHIGAN
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CLINTON
LINDA JOY DEBAR, Plaintiff
-vs-
MICHAEL KENNETH DEBAR, Defendant
ORDER TO ANSWER
FILE NO. 76-5761 DO
GCR. 120.5

On December 8, 1976, an action was filed by Plaintiff in this Court to obtain a decree of absolute divorce.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Defendant, Michael Kenneth Debar, shall answer or take such other action in this Court as may be permitted by law on or before Feb. 28, 1977. Failure to comply with this Order will result in a Judgment by Default against such Plaintiff-Defendant for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed in this Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the fees or costs of publication be paid by Plaintiff-Defendant. HONORABLE LEO W. CORKIN
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STATE OF MICHIGAN
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CLINTON
LINDA JOY DEBAR, Plaintiff
-vs-
MICHAEL KENNETH DEBAR, Defendant
ORDER TO ANSWER
FILE NO. 76-5761 DO
GCR. 120.5

On December 8, 1976, an action was filed by Plaintiff in this Court to obtain a decree of absolute divorce.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Defendant, Michael Kenneth Debar, shall answer or take such other action in this Court as may be permitted by law on or before Feb. 28, 1977. Failure to comply with this Order will result in a Judgment by Default against such Plaintiff-Defendant for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed in this Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the fees or costs of publication be paid by Plaintiff-Defendant. HONORABLE LEO W. CORKIN
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STATE OF MICHIGAN
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CLINTON
LINDA JOY DEBAR, Plaintiff
-vs-
MICHAEL KENNETH DEBAR, Defendant
ORDER TO ANSWER
FILE NO. 76-5761 DO
GCR. 120.5

On December 8, 1976, an action was filed by Plaintiff in this Court to obtain a decree of absolute divorce.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Defendant, Michael Kenneth Debar, shall answer or take such other action in this Court as may be permitted by law on or before Feb. 28, 1977. Failure to comply with this Order will result in a Judgment by Default against such Plaintiff-Defendant for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed in this Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the fees or costs of publication be paid by Plaintiff-Defendant. HONORABLE LEO W. CORKIN
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STATE OF MICHIGAN
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CLINTON
LINDA JOY DEBAR, Plaintiff
-vs-
MICHAEL KENNETH DEBAR, Defendant
ORDER TO ANSWER
FILE NO. 76-5761 DO
GCR. 120.5

On December 8, 1976, an action was filed by Plaintiff in this Court to obtain a decree of absolute divorce.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Defendant, Michael Kenneth Debar, shall answer or take such other action in this Court as may be permitted by law on or before Feb. 28, 1977. Failure to comply with this Order will result in a Judgment by Default against such Plaintiff-Defendant for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed in this Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the fees or costs of publication be paid by Plaintiff-Defendant. HONORABLE LEO W. CORKIN
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STATE OF MICHIGAN
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CLINTON
LINDA JOY DEBAR, Plaintiff
-vs-
MICHAEL KENNETH DEBAR, Defendant
ORDER TO ANSWER
FILE NO. 76-5761 DO
GCR. 120.5

On December 8, 1976, an action was filed by Plaintiff in this Court to obtain a decree of absolute divorce.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Defendant, Michael Kenneth Debar, shall answer or take such other action in this Court as may be permitted by law on or before Feb. 28, 1977. Failure to comply with this Order will result in a Judgment by Default against such Plaintiff-Defendant for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed in this Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the fees or costs of publication be paid by Plaintiff-Defendant. HONORABLE LEO W. CORKIN
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LINDA JOY DEBAR, Plaintiff
-vs-
MICHAEL KENNETH DEBAR, Defendant
ORDER TO ANSWER
FILE NO. 76-5761 DO
GCR. 120.5

On December 8, 1976, an action was filed by Plaintiff in this Court to obtain a decree of absolute divorce.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Defendant, Michael Kenneth Debar, shall answer or take such other action in this Court as may be permitted by law on or before Feb. 28, 1977. Failure to comply with this Order will result in a Judgment by Default against such Plaintiff-Defendant for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed in this Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the fees or costs of publication be paid by Plaintiff-Defendant. HONORABLE LEO W. CORKIN
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NOTICE WATERTOWN CHARTER TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT A PUBLIC MEETING ON SEWERS will be held January 20, 1977, at 7:30 p.m. at the NEW Wacousta Elementary School, to discuss and answer questions relative to the proposed sewerage disposal program for the Township.

Watertown Charter
Township Board

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OF THE DE WITT CITY COUNCIL CONCERNING AMENDMENT OF LIQUOR CONTROL ORDINANCES REGARDING SUNDAY ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR SALES

The Council of the City of DeWitt will conduct a public hearing to receive comments from the citizens of the City of DeWitt and affected liquor licensees concerning the possible amendment of City Ordinances regarding Sunday sales of alcoholic liquor within the City of DeWitt.

The meeting will be held on Monday, January 10, 1977, 7:30 p.m. at the DeWitt Middle School cafeteria. The Middle School is situated behind the DeWitt High School at 2957 West Herbison Road, DeWitt, Michigan.

NOTICE CITY OF ST. JOHNS RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO VACATE STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY

Commissioner Hannah offered the following resolution and moved the adoption thereof, which resolution was supported by Commissioner Roesner.

The City Commission, as legislative body of the City of St. Johns, Michigan, pursuant to Section 21, Page 5 of the City Charter for the City of St. Johns, and pursuant to MSA 5.1808, hereby declares its intention to vacate and permanently close a portion of Steel Street within the City Limits of the City of St. Johns.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the City Commission hereby declares its intention to vacate a portion of Steel Street right-of-way, being more particularly described as follows:

A portion of Steel Street right-of-way being 66 feet North and South, commencing at the current property line where Steel Street dead-ends at the Federal-Mogul Corporation, running thence 60 feet due West, as recorded in Walker and Steels Subdivision, City of St. Johns.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the city Manager be directed, pursuant to Section 21, Page 5 of the City Charter, to cause notice of this resolution of intention to be served upon interested parties as therein provided.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a public hearing shall be held on said vacation proceedings, Monday, January 24, 1977, at 7:50 p.m., in the City Commission Chambers of the Municipal Building in the City of St. Johns.

YEAS: Commissioners Hannah, Roesner, Ebert, Wilcox and Arehart.

NAYS: None
RESOLUTION DECLARED CARRIED THIS 13th DAY OF DECEMBER, A.D. 1976.

I hereby certify the above resolution is an excerpt of the City Commission Meeting Minutes of December 13, 1976. F. Bruce Wood, City Clerk

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Obituaries

Annabelle Heath

ELSIE (C) -- Funeral services for Mrs. Annabelle Horton Heath, 49, of 259 E. Main St., Elsie were to be held at Carter Funeral Home, Elsie Tuesday, Jan. 4 at 1 p.m. with burial at Fairfield Cemetery.

She died Jan. 1 at 8:20 p.m. in Sparrow Hospital, Lansing following surgery and a long illness.

Mrs. Heath was born Aug. 6, 1927 at Glennie the daughter of Elmo and Ella Horton and had resided most of her life in Elsie.

She was married to Alfred C. Heath on June 7, 1947 in Elsie. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Elsie.

Survivors are: her husband, Alfred of Elsie; two sons, Gary of Owosso and Bruce at home; two sisters, Mrs. Alice Ensign and Mrs. Dorothy Fulford of Elsie; one brother, Walter of Owosso; and two grandchildren.

Lillian Case

ELSIE (C) -- Funeral services for Mrs. Lillian Case of 211 W. Main St., Elsie were held Jan. 2 at Carter Funeral Home with the Rev. David Miles officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery.

Mrs. Case had been ill for several months and died Wednesday in Sparrow Hospital. She was 64 years of age.

Mrs. Case, who resided in the Elsie area most of her life, was born April 7, 1912 in Persia, Iowa, to Frederick and Mary Winter. She married Kesby Case in Atlantic, Iowa, on August 19, 1934. He died in 1970.

Mrs. Case was a member of the Elsie United Methodist Church and the Women's Literary Club. She is survived by a brother, Charles of Sin-

clair, Wy; two sisters, Mrs. Julia Thompson and Mrs. Minnie Wright, both of Owatonna, Minn.; three daughters, Mrs. Jane Lipp and Mrs. Sharon O'Dell of Elsie and Mrs. Marsha Unterbrink of Ovid; and 11 grandchildren.

Colon Ashley

Colon A. Ashley, 84, 1320 Leland Rd., Ovid, died Monday, Dec. 27, at Memorial Hospital in Owosso after a three week illness. Funeral services were held at the Houghton Chapel of the Osgood Funeral Home in Ovid.

Burial was held at the Middlebury Cemetery with the Rev. Robert Prange officiating.

Mr. Ashley was born in Highland Park on Jan. 30, 1892 to Daniel and Elizabeth (Dobbs) Ashley. He attended the Cass City Schools. Mr. Ashley resided in Middlebury Township for 35 years and lived in Lansing for 15 years. He married Mary M. Thomas in Tuscola County on Sept. 13, 1913.

Mr. Ashley retired from the John Bean Company in Lansing in 1958. He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Dorothy N. Wilkins, and Mrs. Betty J. Brandon, both of Ovid; one son, Daniel, Lansing; nine grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

H. Judd

McDonough

H. Judd McDonough, 93, formerly of Wacousta, died Jan. 1 at the Michigan Mason Home in Alma where he had been a resident for eight years.

Mr. McDonough was a life member of the Wacousta Masonic Lodge No. 359, and had the distinction of being the oldest member.

He resided in Wacousta for 80 years. He is survived by two sons, M.E. Dent, Wacousta and Lloyd, Big Rapids, one daughter, Mrs. Russell (Dora) Morse, Holt, 15 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

Masonic services were held Jan. 3 at the Peterson-Murray Funeral Home in Grand Ledge for H. Judd McDonough. Graveside services were held Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. in the Wacousta Cemetery.

The family requests that any contributions be made to the Michigan Masonic Home Memorial Home through the funeral home.

Ida Seeger

Ida A. Seeger, 85, 12440 Chandler Rd., Bath, died Dec. 29 at Sparrow Hospital in Lansing. Funeral services were held at the DeWitt Area Chapel on Friday at 1:30 p.m. Burial took place at the Gunnisonville Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Emmanuel Lutheran Church.

Mrs. Seeger was born in Clinton County to Louis and Mary (Miller) Felzke, on Feb. 12, 1891. She resided most of her life in the Bath and DeWitt areas.

She married William Seeger who died in 1957. Mrs. Seeger was a member of Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Lansing.

Mrs. Seeger was a housewife. She is survived by two sons, Lawrence, Lansing; and Paul of Bath; one daughter, Mrs. Irene Witt, DeWitt; 11 grandchildren; one brother, Theodore Felzke and two sisters, Minnie Felzke and Mrs. Emma Schims, all of Lansing.

Alfred Furry

Alfred Furry, 75, Rt. 2, Ovid, died Thursday, Dec. 30 at the Shiawassee Medical Care Facility after a long illness. Funeral services were held at the Houghton Chapel of the Osgood Funeral Home, on Dec. 31 at 1:30 p.m. Burial took place at the South Ovid Cemetery with the Rev. Earl Copelin officiating.

Mr. Furry was born in Ovid Township on July 18, 1901 to Emerson and Cassie (Baker) Furry. He attended the Dennison School, and resided most of his life in Ovid.

He was a farmer and is survived by one brother, Ray, of Ovid and several nieces and nephews.

Garnet Durfee

Garnet N. Durfee, 73, 607 S. Bridge St., DeWitt, died Dec. 31 at Sparrow Hospital.

Funeral services will be held at the DeWitt Area Chapel on Monday, Jan. 3 at 2 p.m. Burial took place at the South Bingham Cemetery with the Rev. Darold English officiating.

Mrs. Durfee was born in Clouster, Ohio on July 4, 1903 to Robert and Ivy (Mayes) Johnson. She resided the past 40 years in the DeWitt area.

She married Francis Durfee in Columbus, Ohio on July 3, 1923.

Mrs. Durfee was a housewife. She is survived by her husband, Francis; two daughters, Mrs. Laura Keener, DeWitt, and Mrs. Beverly Oberlin, DeWitt; two sons, Neil, Florida; and Roger, Lansing; 13 grandchildren, and one great grandchild.

George

Parmenter

George Dan Parmenter, 65, 6642 E. Walker Rd., Ovid, died Jan. 1 at Sparrow Hospital in Lansing.

Funeral services were held at the Duplain Church of Christ, Tuesday, Jan. 4 at 2 p.m. Burial took place at the Duplain Cemetery with Justin Shepard officiating. Arrangements were made by the Houghton Chapel of the Osgood Funeral Homes.

Mr. Parmenter was born in Clinton County on Sept. 29, 1911 to Roy and Ethel (Reeb) Parmenter. He resided most of his life in Clinton County.

He married Florence McLeod, in Ovid. Mr. Parmenter is survived by his wife; one son, George W. and one daughter, Mary Alice; two foster children, Mrs.

Martha Lin Yong, and Mr. Guojong, of Taiwan; one sister, Mrs. Hilda Hurd, Columbus, Ohio, two brothers, Donald, Ohio, and Richard, St. Johns, and three grandchildren.

Peter Clayton

Peter Clayton, 87, 12030 US 27, DeWitt, died Dec. 28 at his residence after a short illness. Funeral services were held at the DeWitt Area Chapel on Friday at 11 a.m. Burial took place in the Hurd Cemetery.

Mr. Clayton was born in West Lorne, Ontario, on July 9, 1889 to Peter and Lillian (Retann) Clayton.

Mr. Clayton resided most of his life in the Lansing and DeWitt areas. He married Ema Gibson who died in 1949.

Mr. Clayton was a retired Oldsmobile worker. He is survived by three daughters, Aha I. Clayton, DeWitt, Hazel B. Stegal, Lansing, and Nettie Young, Florida.

Burton Abstract and Title named centennial business

Burton Abstract and Title Company has been recognized as a centennial business by the Historical Society of Michigan.

The company, with offices at 119 N. Clinton, St. Johns, recently received a certificate from the society acknowledging the fact that Burton has been operating continuously in Michigan for 110 years.

Burton's history can be traced back to 1866, when John Ward and Eugene Skinner began compiling abstracts in Detroit. In 1874, Clarence Monroe Burton joined the Ward and Skinner firm and became a full partner in 1883. Burton eventually purchased the company

Former St. Johns resident turns corn into coffee

(EDITOR'S NOTE): The following is a reprint of a story written by Mark Wynn-garden of the Herald-Palladium in Benton Harbor about a former Clinton County resident.

A former St. Johns resident, Orie Birdsley, found a way to beat the high cost of coffee. Birdsley brews his own special version of coffee from corn.

Birdsley takes kernels of corn and roasts them on top of the stove until they're "fairly black, but not burnt." Then he puts the roasted kernels into a blender and grinds them into a fine powder. The powder is mixed with the water and is boiled for about five minutes. After filtering, you have a cup of "corn coffee."

"In many ways, corn gives the coffee bean a real run for the money," Birdsley said. Corn definitely comes out ahead in price -- coffee now sells for around \$2 a pound, while corn can be purchased for about four cents a pound.

"He's a very economical kind of person," his sister, Edna Henning, Wildcat Rd., St. Johns said.

Born on an Illinois farm, Birdsley, 72, said he heard of farmers "parching" corn for coffee as a means of economizing. "A lot of old-timers probably still remember it."

It was the recent hike in coffee prices that led Birdsley to the corn brew. "The coffee companies raised the prices because they can get it," he said. "This is one way you can do something about it."

Birdsley says there's little difference between the taste of regular coffee and "corn coffee" because the taste comes from the way the bean is roasted.

"Ninety-nine percent of the flavor of coffee comes from the way the bean is roasted," he said. "It's just another green little bean until it's roasted." "Any type of bean or grain could probably be used to make coffee, Birdsley said, "but corn seems to be the most available and the cheapest."

There are several differences between regular coffee and corn coffee besides the price according to Birdsley. "Corn coffee has no caffeine and does not seem to be as acidic as the regular brew," he said.

"Regular coffee tastes uniform because coffee companies always roast at the same scientifically-

selected temperature," he said. He said he is still "experimenting" with his corn coffee.

Now retired, Birdsley formerly built drainage systems for farmers. He and his wife, Joan, live on Huckleberry Rd. in Berrien Township. She has five grown children and he has eight by a previous mar-

riage. One son remains at home.

While Birdsley has succeeded in converting his wife to his corn coffee, one holdout remains. His stepson, Kenneth, 22, buys his own regular coffee. "After buying a few pounds, I think he'll come around," Birdsley said.

The Right Source

For medical information, you consult a doctor.

For legal information, you naturally turn to a lawyer.

For information about funeral service, doesn't it make sense to turn to a funeral director rather than some second-hand source?

Your questions are always welcome here.



Little Bits

News and notes from the County News staff

Get permission in writing before snowmobile riding

After April 1, operators of off-road vehicles or snowmobiles will be required to obtain written permission to drive on private property from the owner of the land. Two bills have been passed stating the requirement and also requires private land to be posted against trespassing, enforceable upon the complaint of the owner.

We all have our problems

Typographical errors are a nemesis of the newspaper business and we have our share at the County News. We sympathized with the following account in the Nashville Banner: "Actually the computers have done a stalwart job for the NPC. You may not realize it but both papers, including this column are computerized and we've never had a problax medi witr lengotue."

Curb your trees

St. Johns city crews will be picking up Christmas trees through Friday. Residents are asked to put the trees by the curbs.

Snowmobile race dates announced

Snowmobile drag-racing enthusiasts might want to jot down a few dates in the 1977 Drag Racing Circuit schedule. The Mason Lions are holding their Sno-Rodeo Jan. 9 and 30, one mile west of Mason, intersection of Columbia and College Roads. The event includes junior 25-300 stock, powder puff 250-300-340 stock and superstock and senior, stock, superstock, mod-open 651-800. Races are also scheduled by the circuit for Ovid, Jan. 16; Carson City, Jan. 23; Williamston, Feb. 6 and Bath, Feb. 13.

Help appreciated, but ...

Sheriff Anthony Hufnagel warns the public that during a fire people should stay back away from the blaze. He noted too many people at a fire can do more harm than good. Roads can become blocked making it impossible for fire trucks to get to the fire or leave.

Bystanders can become injured, and hinder work being done by fire fighters and police agencies.

"If we need help or if the fire department needs help we will ask for it," Hufnagel said. He also said it was up to the discretion of the officer who should go in to assist the family on taking items from the home.

When Tax Time Comes

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