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Board votes against appraisal

DeWitt Twp. protests assessments

By Sue Kiley
Staff Writer

"We are over assessed," Trustee Jack Kzeski, of the DeWitt Township Board said at its Monday night meeting.

Kzeski said in 1976 the township collected \$161,000 more than it should have from the residents. The trustee went on to explain that the state equalized value for the township was \$48,211,000; the township's assessment is \$45,000,000;

and United Appraisal's assessment was \$44,730,000.

"This is a difference of \$3,132,264, and that multiplied by a rate per 1,000 equals the \$161,000 value," he said. He took the over assessment a step farther. "If you multiply

that figure over the past four years, since 1972, the figure is \$645,875."

After hearing Kzeski's statements the Board unanimously voted not to go with United Appraisals assessment but to use their own instead. The work was done by William Mierson, township assessor.

"We have had an ongoing fight with the county equalization department," he said, "as far as the application of factors and state equalized value on the township."

The township has maintained and appealed every assessment except for 1973. They are taking this assessment to the State Tax Tribunal also.

Township officials claim they have been paying more than their 50 percent, and do not feel this is a fair action.

"The money we paid last year should have been spread to other townships not paying as much as we are," Kzeski said. "It's shocking the way the county has taken such a high handed attitude."

He added, "It's not fair that we've had to pay \$645,000 because the county is not doing its job."

The matter is taken out of the townships hands. They are given a factor or an assessment and they must collect that amount of money. Their only alternative is to appeal the actions, which they have been

doing for the past four years.

"We are here to protect the interests of the people in the township," Kzeski concluded. The entire board concurred with this final statement.

"Just what can the average person do about this, Jack?" a woman in the audience questioned. Kzeski replied, "Talk to your commissioners, go to their meetings, and talk to your legislators," he said.

In other action taken by the board it was decided to deny a request for annexation of six acres to DeWitt City to extend Brunswick Dr. and Wilson Street for the school buses.

Roger Pline, trustee, spoke up on the matter saying, "The last time we gave land to DeWitt City for this purpose we were told it would solve the problem, and it didn't." He continued, "I'm against giving the land away."

DeWitt City wanted the land so they could make an access for the Wilson School buses and for emergency vehicles.

The alternative Pline gave was to talk between the two municipalities, and see if there was another way to go so that they both could benefit.

The township board honored William Nash, ex-police chief for his three years of service to the township. In honoring the young man with a plaque and a resolution, Eileen

Coor, chairman of the Public Safety Committee said, "Through your efforts you have given the township a full-time, professional police department."

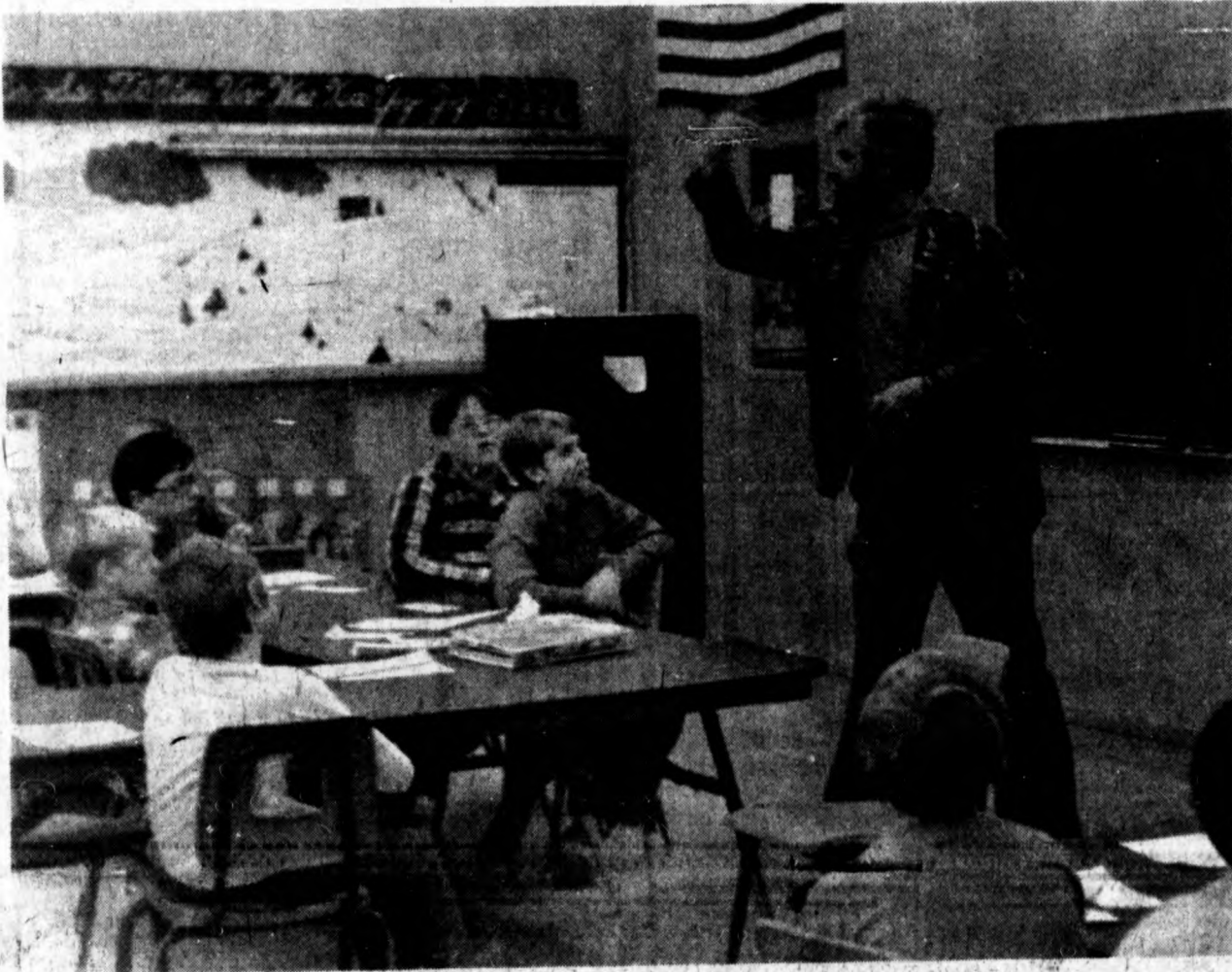
Accepting the plaque, Nash said, "It's been a two way street. I received a lot of cooperation from both sides also, the board and the officers."

Nash served on the DeWitt Township police department from December of 1973 to September of 1976.

Sergeant William Swartz submitted a written letter of resignation to the board. His reason for leaving the force was to continue his education on a full-time basis.

Swartz served on the force for four years, and served as acting police chief for three months. The board accepted the resignation with regret.

The transportation committee reported street lights would be installed at the intersections of US 27 and Meadowlawn, Greenlawn, Clark, Twinbrooke, Herbyson, Dill, Howe, and Round Lake roads. These 5-6000 lumen lights will be placed at the side of the road instead of overhanging on the highway. It was noted every intersection of the highway within the township limits would be illuminated.

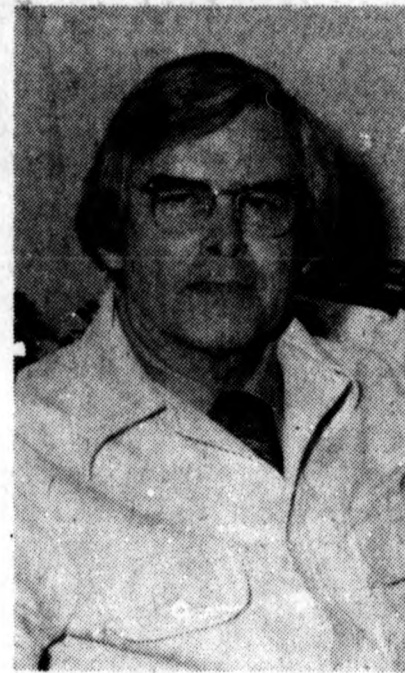


James Tipton, a visiting author at Central School in St. Johns instills enthusiasm into his little friends in Terry Cornwell's fifth grade class, by exhibiting a feeling. Tipton visits both high school and elementary schools explaining and encouraging creativity in writing. For further details see story on Page 2.

Friend of late Dr. Wohlers takes over dental practice

An old friend and college roommate has taken over the late Dr. Robert Wohlers' dental practice in St. Johns.

At the time of Dr. Wohler's death, Dr. Junius Johnson, Berrien Springs, came to St. Johns for the funeral. "I was comparatively free at the time



Dr. Junius Johnson

and didn't want to see the practice dissipate," the new doctor said.

What the future will bring and if Dr. Johnson stays will be decided after the estate clears probate court.

Dr. Johnson attended Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia and Andrews University. He has been practicing general dentistry since 1948.

The new doctor said he has taken over the old patients and also has taken on some new patients.

Dr. Johnson and his wife, Dorothy, have three children. One son is a practicing dentist in California, their daughter is a nursing supervisor, and their youngest son will be attending dental school in the fall. "The people here have really welcomed us," Dr. Johnson said.

Dr. Johnson is a member of the American Dental Association and has been a Lions Club past president.

Parent's group seeks programs for gifted school children

By Sue Kiley
Staff Writer

A gifted child -- could you pick him out in a classroom of 30 children? It's likely you couldn't, and neither can a lot of teachers.

In recent years there has been more emphasis placed on the gifted child and, more important, discovering who has the gift and how to better utilize it.

Wearing glasses and nose always stuck in a book are not always signs of gifted children. They come from various backgrounds, cultures, environments and parts of the country.

The definition of a gifted child has also been broadened. There are many different kinds of gifts a child might have, or they might include many different kinds of children.

Many children may be gifted in one area such as leadership, art, music, math, or electronics. Others might be exceptional in all these areas.

If a child is denied his gift or is not shown the proper way to deal with his or her special talents it sometimes becomes a problem. The child must be given extra attention and things to stimulate his abilities.

There is a group of parents forming in the Clinton County area to share information and develop some positive approaches in dealing with the special gifts and needs of these children. The group is a non-profit educational organization affiliated with the Michigan Association for the Academically Talented (MAAT).

In February of 1976 several parents attended a three-day conference in Lansing sponsored by the Eaton County Intermediate School District to discuss gifted children. From attending these meetings it was estimated by the group there are probably 200 high potential students in the St. Johns school district.

"A lot of times these high potential children are not identified as such and may even be creating disturbances in the classroom and labeled as trouble-makers," Patsy Coffman,

one of the organizers of the group, said.

According to Mrs. Coffman, the formation of this group is to help parents deal with their gifted child. "We will take whatever direction the group wants to go," she said.

There are many different ways to determine if a child has a special gift. There is peer judgment, which is often times a very good indication.

"Sometimes children in the class know about another child's special talents in areas such as leadership, because they make the choice, Del DeWitt, another advocate of the program said.

The teacher is another good source, because she is the one who knows who gets done with their work early, who is more inquisitive, and who tends to be a little more different than the other children.

Parent judgment is one of the main indicators: There are many things a parent could check to find if their child has special talents.

In a recent "Family Weekly" story they listed several ways to detect a gifted child. "Was your child an early talker or walker? Is he intellectually curious? Does he have a larger and more colorful vocabulary than other children his age? Does he have a longer attention span for children his age? Is he original and ingenious? Does your child exhibit independent behaviour? and does he have unconventional ideas?" were just some of the questions the article asked.

An intelligence test is also another determining factor although it is only a small part. "Tests don't always show if a child is gifted in art, music, or leadership," Mrs. Coffman said.

"Also a child might have a good or bad day when taking the test," Mrs. DeWitt added.

Other characteristics of a gifted child is motivation and a good sense of humor.

There are many definitions of the gifted child but one of the newly forming groups' favorites is, "A child who does things a little earlier, a

little better, a little faster, and a little different from other children."

"Often times a child gets mad or frustrated by repetition," Mrs. Coffman commented. She went on to explain that if a child comes up with the right answers to a math problem, but yet did not do it the long way, or his penmanship is sloppy, it angers the child to have to repeat his efforts.

"We are not blaming the teachers," Mrs. Coffman said. "It's the system."

There have been about six people active in the group. Their goal is to organize the parents and to identify and recognize the gifted child.

"We are just trying to meet the kids' needs," Mrs. DeWitt said. She further explained that many times a gifted child is harder to handle because they ask so many questions. They want more details and more specific answers to their questions.

There are different ways to deal with the gifted child. One way is to skip grades, another is early placement, or to take reading, math, or science with a more advanced grade level.

In the areas of music and art there are private ways to handle the child's abilities. However, people from poorer backgrounds cannot afford private lessons in these areas.

"These children should be recognized," Mrs. DeWitt said. "We are not a country full of all average people."

Programs such as music, art, elementary gym, and other extra things were taken out of the school system about five years ago when there was an economic crunch. The programs have not been reinstated for the same reason, although a study group is looking into the possibilities of getting some of the programs operating again.

"We want to create an awareness among parents, educators, legislators, and the general public of the needs of the gifted and talented

children," Mrs. Coffman concluded.

The first meeting will be held in the community room of Central National Bank, Monday, Jan. 31 at 7:30 p.m. The meeting is open to all interested persons in Clinton County.

Grant brings city one step closer to sewer project

ST. JOHNS -- Slowly, but surely the paper work plods along as the City of St. Johns attempts to obtain federal funding to finance the city's waste-treatment system renovation and expansion project.

City commissioners learned Monday night that St. Johns has been awarded an Environmental Protection Administration grant of \$198,000 for the development phase of the sanitary sewer renovation and expansion.

Work on the project began back in 1970 when the state ordered the city to begin removing phosphates from waste.

Hubbell, Roth and Clark, consulting engineers were hired to investigate the problem and it was learned that renovations to the sewer plant and portions of the sewer collection system were necessary.

Following an extensive study, the city applied for the first step of an EPA grant that financed investigations of St. Johns sanitary and storm sewer systems.

Following the investigation, a \$2 million project resulted in construction of extensive improvements in the city's storm sewer system. Funding from the first step of the

EPA grant financed a study to identify sanitary sewer problems and solutions to eliminate those problems in the city's sanitary sewer system.

That study brought the city to its present stage. The EPA has been presented with the study and has authorized the city draft final construction plans and preparations of bid documents. This will cost \$264,000 with \$198,000 funded by the EPA grant, \$13,200 by the state and \$52,000 from local government.

The plans for the sewer, according to Randy Humphrey, city manager, are expected to be completed early this summer and then submitted to the EPA for approval.

Their approval will culminate the seven year federal fund search and, barring any unexpected complications, the city will receive federal and state grants to finance the actual sewer construction.

Cost of the construction is \$7 million with 75 percent to be financed by the EPA, 5 percent by the state and 20 percent locally.

Construction will include enlarging the capacity and treatment at the waste treatment plant, provide a new south end lift station to elimi-

nate an overload problem and a new relief sewer from Baldwin Street down Kibbee Street all the way to the treatment plant, which will also help overload problems in that area.

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"Bob and Becky" perform

Bob and Becky, a gospel music duet, will be at the Free Methodist Church, 305 Church St., St. Johns, Feb. 6 for the 11 a.m. morning worship service. Bob and Becky have performed gospel music since they met while traveling with the YFC Spurrilows in 1962. Bob, a native of Michigan, has a bachelor of arts degree from MSU and serves the university as director of payrolls. Becky, attended Taylor University before receiving her B.S. in music education from MSU. She is a music education teacher in Eaton Rapids. For several years, they directed the Michigan BYF Splendor singers, a high school and college aged youth choir. Currently, they are active in the music program of their home church, First Baptist of Charlotte, senior and teen choir directors.

Visiting poet spellbounds St. Johns fifth graders

By Sue Kiley
Staff Writer

The concept is new; the approach is different; the speaker is dynamic. The subject is poetry and creative writing, one of the oldest art forms.

"Poems are an expression, it's feelings," visiting author James Tipton told Terry Cornwell's fifth grade class at Central School Thursday morning. The children came up with highly innovative, personal, and sometimes silly feelings they have. "What

do you feel like?" Tipton questioned.

The children wrote down some of their feelings on little slips of paper and then Tipton read them aloud.

"I feel like a light bulb, just hanging around," one child wrote. "Not bad," Tipton commented. Then a few seconds later, "Hey, that's pretty good."

This is a pilot operation sponsored by the Michigan Council for the Arts. Although the author has visited the high school three times previously,

this was the first time he talked with elementary students.

"This is a shot in the arm for creative writing," Central's Principal Michael O'Connor said about the program.

Tipton is a full-time professor at Alma college and tours various school districts during his free days. He started presenting his program seven years ago with the MCA.

"I work with the school child to help him see writing as a way to describe his own life," Tipton said.

Is poetry dying out? No way, according to the author.

"There is an explosion as far as poetry writing is concerned," he said. "Everyone is getting involved, it is an expression of their lives."

He noted poetry has gone from the sound or more structured form to the image or freer style, or sometimes a combination of both.

"Writing poetry helps them make more sense out of their own lives," the author commented.

According to the writer

all walks of life are getting involved and using poetry as a form of self-expression or release.

"Normally when you think of a football or baseball player you don't think of a guy who writes poetry," Tipton said. "But some of them do."

Tipton, who stands over six feet tall, is also a farmer in Elwell. He has written several hundred poems, which have been published in Esquire, Organic Gardening and Farming, and he has written some articles for the Mother Earth News.

Tipton has also published a book featuring Michigan writers called the "Third Coast." "I called the book the 'Third Coast' because of Michigan's vast coastline," he said.

Tipton says he likes to talk to all age groups from the kindergartener to the senior citizen. "I vary the approach some and I depend on memory a lot," he said with a grin.

The author uses no notes during his talk. He makes writing a game. At one point during his program he used some of the children's names, and then had them help him build a story from the name.

The class was held spellbound, enjoying every minute of this new approach to writing. In many instances the children kept him over-time with their many questions.

It was a give and take type of program, and everyone hearing Tipton that day benefited, not only the children.

Elsie residents show championship Palomino

By Neva Keys
Elsie Correspondent

Fitz Copper Bar, double registered, AQHA - PHBA, palomino stallion has just achieved his PHBA Championship and a Register of Merit in western pleasure. (PHBA stands for Palomino Horse Breeders of America.)

He is owned by Gary and Dian Munson, 8500 West Riley Road, Elsie.

Fitz Copper Bar was shown throughout Michigan in 1974 winning the Michigan State Championship at halter. To achieve this honor, he had to accumulate more total halter points than any other palomino stallion in the state for that year.

In 1975, with limited showing, he was Reserve State Champion at halter. In July 1976, after breeding season, Copper's show career in performance under saddle began. He was shown extensively to accumulate the number of points it takes to achieve a national championship.

He was shown in Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Oklahoma, Ohio and Wisconsin. In only eight weeks time, he had accumulated, not only enough points for a PHBA Championship, but also had enough to receive his Register of Merit in

western pleasure class.

Included in his Western Pleasure wins was the honor of winning the Indian State Fair. He then concluded his summer's showing by winning the Western Pleasure Class at the Michigan State Fair.

Copper has national palomino points in halter, color, western pleasure, reining and barrels. He has a total of 23 Grand and Reserve Championships at

halter.

They plan on showing him again this summer aiming at achieving Fitz Copper Bar's national PHBA superior award in both halter and color classes, the highest award possible in these classes.

Some of Copper's foals in the immediate area are owned by Joyce Sarka, New Lothrop; John and Mary Whittaker, Perry;

Herb Smith, Perry; Cathy Callahan, Howell; Fred and Elsie Smith, Owosso; and Cindy Pettit, Owosso.

Those expecting their first Copper Bar foals in the immediate area in Spring 1977 are: Toni Skaryd, Bannister; William and June Riley, St. Johns; Ronnie and JoAnn Thornton, Elsie; and Terry Yeiter, Saranac.

Youngsters play for oldsters

Several students from the Valentine Piano Studio in DeWitt performed for the elderly people of the National House Enterprises on Mary Street in Lansing.

The performance was a variety show including a piano and drum routine of Beethoven's Fifth by Theresa and Rich Smeage and a song and dance of "I'm a Yankee Doodle Dandy" by Rock and Lea Roberts.

A flute arrangement written by Jean Warrington was played by Linda Seeger and Val Ouder Kirk.

A Dave Brubeck piano piece was performed by Tammy Nelson on the bass clarinet.

Other students represented in the program were Mark Webster of St. Johns, Chris Farmer, Andy Ouder Kirk, Kim and Laura Valentine, Gretchen Zelinski, Bridget Lawrey, Beth

Ives, Allison Embs.

Bridget Lawrey will repeat part of her performance in contest at the annual solo and ensemble festival on Feb. 12.

Several of the junior high students will perform in contest later in March or April.

Area Happenings

JAN. 30 - The film, "Blood on the Mountain" will be shown at the Wayside Baptist Church, 11 miles north of St. Johns or 1 mile south of M-57, corner of Roosevelt and US-27. Services at 8 p.m., sponsored by the Youth Group.

p.m. - 1:00 p.m. \$4 couple, \$2 stag. Call Mark Walling 224-3989 for more information.

LIFE AND THE PROCTO BEGIN AT 40!

When you turn 40 ask your physician for a "procto" as part of your regular health checkup. The life you save from colon or rectum cancer could be your own, says the American Cancer Society.

JAN. 29 - Benefit Dance for Muscular Dystrophy - Jan. 29 - VFW Hall, St. Johns - Music by Lil Frankie's Band and RJB - 8:00

Swimming pool open to public Monday nights

ST. JOHNS - Wayne Morrison, St. Johns High School pool director, reports Monday night open swimming still can accommodate more swimmers during the 6:30-8:15 activity.

The pool is open to the public on Monday night with the costs set at 50 cents for students, \$1 for adults and \$1.50 for the entire family.

Barbara Penix performs

Barbara Penix, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Penix, 2417 Avery Rd., St. Johns, is one of several Western Michigan University students participating in a concert with internationally known pianist Gyorgy Sandor.

Sandor will be an artist in residence with the music departments of WMU and Kalamazoo College for five days.

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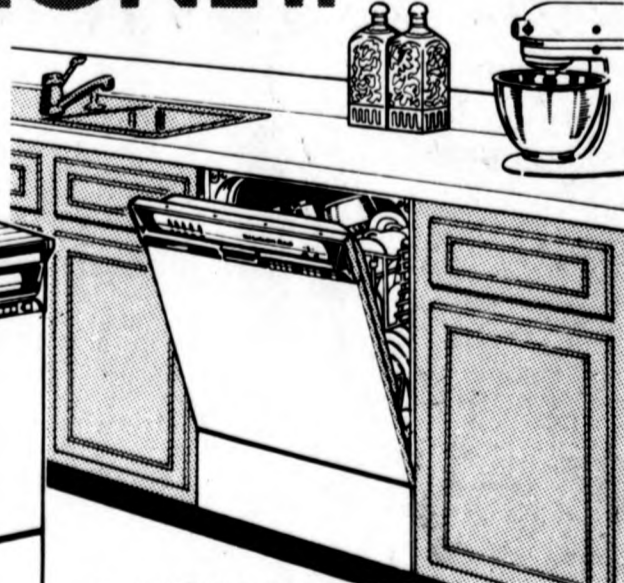
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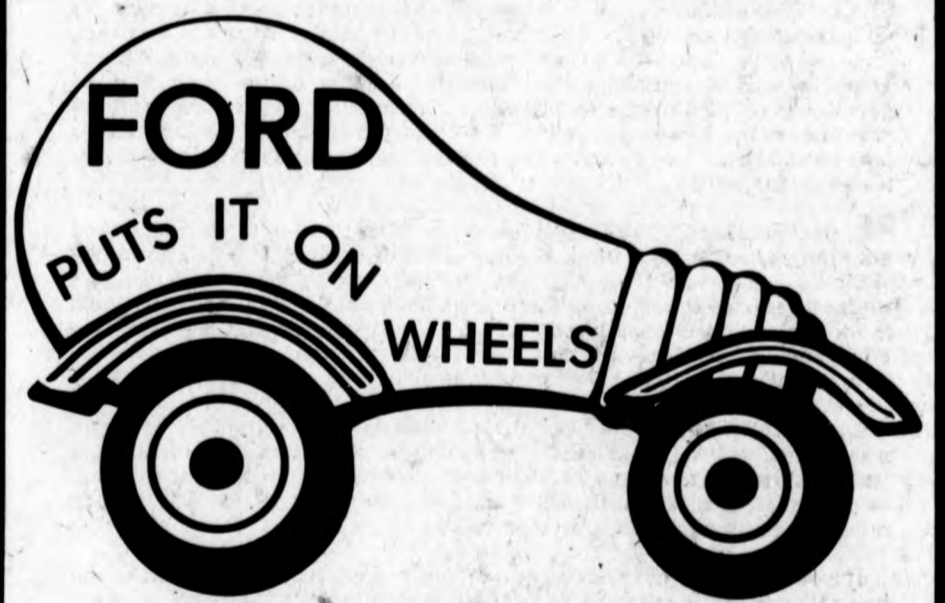


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Bath resident receives medal for heroism

BERLIN, Germany -- Heroism at the voluntary risk of life has earned the U.S. Air Force Airman's Medal for Airman First Class John S. Murray, whose mother is Mrs. Opal Murray of 5657 Sleigh Road, Bath.

Airman Murray observed a co-worker receiving an electrical shock. Without hesitation and at risk to his own personal safety, he removed the injured victim from the source of the electricity.

The airman is an electronics intelligence specialist at Templehof Central Airport, Germany, where he serves with a unit of the U.S. Air Force Security Service.

Airman Murray is a 1973 graduate of Bath High School.



Several accidents, few injuries

The Clinton County Sheriff's department investigated several accidents during the past week, with injuries reported in only two of the mishaps.

A car driven by Cathy A. Green, Portland, went out of control and hit a guard rail on Jan. 17 at 5:40 p.m. After the car hit the guard rail it went across the median. The Portland High School driver's training unit was westbound on I-96 2-10 mile north of Eaton Rd. There were no injuries in the mishap.

Cars driven by Patrick M. Miller, and Leigh Roy

Darling, both of Ovid, collided at the intersection of Mill and Williams St. Miller was cited for failure to yield. The accident occurred on Jan. 18 at 6:45 a.m.

Cars driven by Susan D. Jacobsen, Corunna, and Patricia A. Gardner, Ovid, collided at the intersection of Hollister and Price Roads. There were no injuries, but Gardner was cited for failure to yield. The accident happened on Jan. 18 at 2:30 p.m.

Charles E. Stephenson, Perry, was injured as his car went out of control

after it struck a snow drift on Shepardsville Rd. on Jan. 19 at 7:21 p.m. Stephenson was behind his vehicle trying to remove some snow when a car driven by Donald S. Drupp, Laingsburg, hit the same snow drift and lost control of his auto also. The Krupp vehicle struck the Stephenson auto which struck Stephenson who was behind the car.

Stephenson was taken to Sparrow Hospital for treatment of injuries.

Cars driven by Geraldine L. Hall, 1185 Primrose Lane, DeWitt, and Orphia

G. Knoblauch, 8836 Williams Rd., DeWitt, collided on Williams Rd. There were no injuries in the incident which occurred on Jan. 20 at 4:28 p.m.

Cars driven by William J. Kayanek, Ovid, and Guadalupe Ortiz, Elsie, collided on Hollister Rd. 1/2 mile south of East Colony Rd. Both Kayanek and Ortiz were injured in the incident Jan. 21 at 9:45 p.m. They were taken to Owosso Memorial Hospital for treatment.

Marilynn Viavanda, Lansing, lost control of the vehicle she was driving on Round Lake Rd. as she was rounding a curve. The accident happened Jan. 23 at 2:30 p.m. The vehicle struck a tree but there were no injuries.

St. Johns drama group stages "Taming of the Shrew"

Let's try it again. St. Johns High School will present for the second time a Shakespearean play as their entry in the 1977 district drama contest. The group of 20 high school students will compete against Okemos, Flushing, Flint Central, Grand Ledge, Howell and Mt. Pleasant high schools.

The contest will be hosted by St. Johns on Saturday, Jan. 29 starting at 9:30 a.m. The St. Johns production of "Taming of the Shrew" will be presented at 2 p.m.

"We are facing the hardest districts yet," Koger commented. "To win the districts will be extremely difficult."

The drama coach said he is, however, optimistic. He said they have a strong cast and strong material.

There are more people involved than just the cast. About 70 students are either working with costumes, design, lighting, and sound. They are also judged in the competi-

tion. St. Johns introduced competitive drama to the state in 1969, and since has been the focal point for the state as far as high school drama is concerned, Koger mentioned.

The contest is coordinated through the high school forensic program out of the University of Michigan.

The plays will be no longer than 45 minutes and once a show starts the

doors will be locked until it is finished. St. Johns performs at 2:30 p.m.

There will be three judges, all professors of the theater. They will be from Central Michigan University, and Alma and Albion colleges.

The top two high schools in the districts will compete in the regionals in Ionia Feb. 5. The state competition is slated for Feb. 18-19 at CMU.

Accident sends man to hospital

The St. Johns Police Department handled varied activities during the past week, including the investigation of seven accidents.

A car driven by Harvey Chamberlain, 7597 Crosswell Rd., Ashley, was crossing U.S. 27 from Andy's L.G.A. and was struck by an auto driven by Stephen Arnold, Elkhart, Ind., on Jan. 21 at 11 p.m.

Chamberlain was taken to Clinton Memorial Hospital for lacerations to the back of his head. He was cited for failing to yield the right of way. Arnold was not injured.

Richard Gregory, 401 E. Higham St., St. Johns reported the vandalism of the back window of his car on Jan. 17.

Coins were reported taken from the laundry room at 609 N. Morton Jan. 18.

One person was arrested for driving while under the influence of liquor and another for violation of the controlled drug substance act.

Jim Welsh, 801 E. McConnell reported 14 of his pigeons were stolen from his pigeon coop.

One person was arrested for drunk and disorderly and one person for resisting arrest.

Ralph Green, 3778 County Farm Rd., reported on Jan. 23 that, while his car was parked at the First Baptist Church parking lot, someone stole a C.B. radio.

Gene Law, 1572 W. Price Rd. also reported a theft from his vehicle parked in the church parking lot on the same day. Someone stole seven eight-track tapes from his vehicle.

Bath Township police report

The Bath Township fire department responded to a call to the Lawrence Lynch residence, at 2394 Herbison Rd. at 11:56 p.m. on Jan. 22. The fire was contained to the bedroom and the basement. The

incident is under investigation. A breaking and entering occurred at the Bella Pixley residence at 1577 Lake Dr. on Jan. 21 between 6 and 9:30 p.m. A 21" color television set was taken.

Bath Charter Township ORDINANCE NUMBER 16.3

PREAMBLE
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 16 OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BATH ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE USE OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SEWERS AND DRAINS; THE INSTALLATION AND CONNECTION OF BUILDING SEWERS; THE COLLECTION OF RATES AND CHARGES FOR THE USE OF PUBLIC SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS, ESTABLISHMENT OF FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS; AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF SECTIONS THEREOF IN THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BATH, COUNTY OF CLINTON, MICHIGAN" AND PARTICULARLY, SECTION X THEREOF. CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BATH ORDAINS:

SECTION I Section X of Ordinance 16 entitled "Sufficiency of Rates and Establishment of Funds" is hereby amended to read as follows:

SECTION X - SUFFICIENCY OF RATES AND ESTABLISHMENT OF FUNDS

A. The rates, as herein set forth are estimated by the Township Board to be sufficient to provide for the payment of the expenses of administration, debt service, and operation and such expenses for maintenance of the system as the Township Board shall deem necessary to preserve the same in good repair and working order and to provide for such other expenditures for the extension, enlargements and improvements of the system as the Board shall deem necessary. Further, any schedule of rates and charges as established herein or hereafter for use of the system may be amended or revised by Resolution of the Township Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Bath, at a regular or special meeting called for that purpose, so as to provide sufficient revenue for the purposes set forth in this Ordinance.

B. From and after the effective date of this Ordinance, the revenues of the system shall be set aside as collected and deposited in a bank or trust company incorporated and qualified to do business in the State of Michigan which said bank shall be designated by resolution of the Township Board, in an account to be designated "Sewage Disposal System Receiving Fund" (hereinafter referred to as the "Receiving Fund"). Said revenues so deposited shall be transferred from the Receiving fund periodically in the manner and the time hereinafter specified.

1. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE FUND. Out of the revenues in the Receiving Fund, there shall be first set aside quarterly into a separate fund, designated OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE FUND, a sum sufficient to provide for the payment of the next quarter's current expenses of administration and operation of the System and such current expenses for the maintenance thereof as may be necessary to preserve the same in good repair and working order.

2. CONTRACT PAYMENT FUND. There shall next be established and maintained a separate fund, to be designated CONTRACT PAYMENT FUND, which shall be used solely for the payment of the Township's obligation to the County of Clinton pursuant to the aforesaid contract. There shall be deposited in said fund quarterly, after requirements of the operation and Maintenance Fund have been met, such sums as shall be necessary to pay said contractual obligations when due. Should the revenues of the System prove insufficient for this purpose, such revenues may be supplemented by any other funds of the Township legally available for such purposes.

3. REPLACEMENT FUND. There shall next be established and maintained a separate fund, designated REPLACEMENT FUND, which shall be used solely for the purpose of making major repairs and replacements to the System if needed. There shall be set aside into said fund, after provision has been made for the Operation and Maintenance Fund and the Contract Payment Fund, such revenues as the Township Board shall deem necessary for this purpose.

4. IMPROVEMENT FUND. There shall next be established and maintained an IMPROVEMENT FUND for the purpose of making improvements, extensions and enlargements to the System. There shall be deposited into said fund, after providing for the foregoing funds, such revenues as the Township Board shall determine.

5. SURPLUS MONEYS. Moneys remaining in the Receiving Fund at the end of the operating year, after full satisfaction of the requirements of the foregoing funds, may, at the option of the Township Board, be transferred to any of the funds herein above established or may be used for such purpose or purposes as the Township Board may determine to be for the best interest of the Township.

6. BANK ACCOUNTS. All moneys belonging to any of the foregoing funds or accounts may be kept in one bank account, in which event the moneys shall be allocated on the books and records of the Township within this single bank account, in the manner set forth.

SECTION II All ordinances or parts of any ordinances to the extent that they conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance shall be, and are, hereby repealed.

SECTION III This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication according to the laws of the State of Michigan.

The within ordinance being submitted by member Rosekrans and supported by member Carleton.

Ayes: (unanimous) Rosekrans, Carleton, Crofts, Cronk, Sober, Bennett and Woodruff.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

I hereby certify that the foregoing constitutes a true and completed copy of an ordinance adopted by the township board of the Charter Township of Bath, Clinton County, Michigan, on the 17th day of January A.D. 1977, and published in the Clinton County News, 26th day of January A.D. 1977.

JUNE F. BURNETT, CLERK BATH CHARTER TOWNSHIP

Squad breaks several cases

The Clinton County Investigative Squad has cleared up 55 breaking and enterings through a two-month investigation in the past two weeks.

The breaking and enterings have occurred in Bath, DeWitt, DeWitt Township and in outlying Lansing areas. The incidents have occurred during the last six months with 17 of them occurring in the DeWitt Township and Bath areas alone.

In 24 cases outside the county the squad provided information to the various police agencies to help clear up the crimes.

The squad recovered tools, tires, guns, chain saws, 300 pounds of frozen meat, snowmobile suits, and helmets. Approximate value of the merchandise is \$1,500-\$2,000.

Chief Investigator Arthur Hopp reported that a lot of money had also been taken, which is not easily recovered. Other items have been returned to the owners.

This investigation is still continuing.

In unrelated incidents, Michael L. Anderson was arrested on three warrants for breaking and entering. He is charged with the breaking and entering of the Kelly Construction Co. on Chandler Rd. which happened on Oct. 20, 1976; the breaking and entering of the Hanel Vance Construction Co., in Bath, of Oct. 20 and the breaking and entering of a storage building at King Arthur's Trailer Court in DeWitt Twp. on Nov. 6.

Others arrested for varying charges were Tom Brown, Bath Twp., larceny over \$100; John E. LaFay, Lansing, breaking and entering; John Stout, Lansing, two counts of larceny; Joseph Brockaw, receiving and concealing stolen property under \$100; and Ray Holmer, DeWitt, charged with simple larceny.

Legal News

STATE OF MICHIGAN
The Probate Court for the County of CLINTON
Estate of LOIS E. UPTON, Deceased. File No. 1977-10-00, A.M., in the Probate Courtroom, Court House, St. Johns, Michigan, before the HON. TIMOTHY M. GREEN, Judge of Probate, a hearing will be held at which all claims against said estate will be heard and heirs will be determined. Creditors must file sworn claims with the Court and serve a copy on Mr. Elmer Upton, Administrator, Route 6, St. Johns, MI 48879, prior to said hearing. Dated: January 12, 1976
Elmer Upton
Petitioner
Route 6
St. Johns, MI 48879
Attorney for Petitioner:
JACK WALKER
117 E. Walker
St. Johns, Mich. 48879 39-1

GENERAL REVENUE SHARING			ACTUAL USE REPORT	
GENERAL REVENUE SHARING PROVIDES FEDERAL FUNDS DIRECTLY TO LOCAL AND STATE GOVERNMENTS. YOUR GOVERNMENT MUST PUBLISH THIS REPORT ADVISING YOU HOW THESE FUNDS HAVE BEEN USED OR OBLIGATED DURING THE YEAR FROM JULY 1, 1976, THRU DECEMBER 31, 1976. THIS IS TO INFORM YOU OF YOUR GOVERNMENT'S PRIORITIES AND TO ENCOURAGE YOUR PARTICIPATION IN DECISIONS ON HOW FUTURE FUNDS SHOULD BE SPENT. NOTE: ANY COMPLAINTS OF DISCRIMINATION IN THE USE OF THESE FUNDS MAY BE SENT TO THE OFFICE OF REVENUE SHARING, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20528.			7	
ACTUAL EXPENDITURES (Include Obligations)			THE GOVERNMENT OF FOULER VILLAGE	
(A) CATEGORIES	(B) CAPITAL	(C) OPERATING / MAINTENANCE	has received General Revenue Sharing payments totaling \$ 4,596 during the period from July 1, 1976 thru December 31, 1976	
1 PUBLIC SAFETY	\$	\$	✓ ACCOUNT NO. 23 2 019 004	
2 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	\$	\$	FOULER VILLAGE VILLAGE CLERK	
3 PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION	\$	\$	BOX 187	
4 HEALTH	\$	\$	FOULER MICHIGAN 48835	
5 RECREATION	\$	\$		
6 LIBRARIES	\$	\$		
7 SOCIAL SERVICES FOR AGED OR POOR	\$	\$		
8 FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	\$	\$		
9 MULTIPURPOSE AND GENERAL GOVT.	\$	\$		
10 EDUCATION	\$	\$	✓ (D) TRUST FUND REPORT (refer to instruction D)	
11 SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT	\$	\$	1. Balance as of June 30, 1976 \$ 0	
12 HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	\$	\$	2. Revenue Sharing Funds Received from July 1, 1976 thru December 31, 1976 \$ 4,596	
13 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	\$	\$	3. Interest Received or Credited July 1, 1976 thru December 31, 1976 \$ 227.60	
14 OTHER (Specify)	\$	\$	4. Funds Released from Obligations (IF ANY) \$ 682.60	
Subtotal Lines 1-14	\$ 675.60	\$	5. Sum of lines 1, 2, 3, 4 \$ 682.60	
15 TOTALS	\$ 675.60	\$	6. Funds Returned to ORS (IF ANY) \$	
			7. Total Funds Available \$ 682.60	
			8. Total Amount Expended (Sum of line 15, column B and column C) \$ 675.60	
			9. Balance as of December 31, 1976 \$ 7.00	

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Personality Profile

Up through the ranks to police chief

Editorial Keep smiling

When the weather is cold, miserable and generally a pain in the neck, it is easy to approach life with the same disgust we have for the weather.

In such a case, it is helpful and necessary to reflect on the good things.

As dreary as it may seem, there are good things happening about us.

In the sports world, we can be thankful the Detroit Lions have never lost a Superbowl and the Tigers can never be accused of "buying" a pennant.

We can all pat ourselves on the back that we can fly a kite better than Charlie Brown.

Farah Fawcett-Majors has not joined a convent.

Howard Cosell isn't president and neither is Nelson Rockefeller.

Beer is cheaper than coffee.

Yes, it's cold and rotten and some have been yapping about a second ice age.

But, no, we'll survive this winter and things are looking better already.

After all, the temperature almost reached 25 degrees Monday and somebody already giggled, "Hot enough for you?"



Lyle French

By Sue Kiley
Staff Writer

Almost every young boy dreams of someday becoming a policeman. A lot of times the dream changes, and the boy grows into another profession.

Lyle French, St. Johns police chief, didn't decide he wanted to be a policeman until later in life, and on April 1, 1956, he made an idea a reality when he joined the force.

"My father-in-law was a part-time dispatcher, and I used to come down and visit him. I liked what I saw and decided I wanted to be a police officer," Chief French said.

French climbed the ranks of the force and in December of 1969 he was promoted to sergeant. Four years later he was made assistant chief, and in three months was chief of police.

"I've always tried to treat people the way I would like to be treated,"

the chief said. "I try to be fair and honest."

Lyle was born in Saginaw County near Elsie and moved to St. Johns in 1942. He was a farmer and, for a short time, worked at Federal Mogul.

Even while he was on the police force, he continued to farm. He finally gave farming up in 1968.

While he was a patrolman on the force, Chief French said he had great satisfaction in helping people even in small ways. "I felt we made people feel secure just because we were out there," he said.

When he became police chief he found there was a lot more responsibility. "Before, if there were any problems, we could always say, 'you can take the matter to the chief,'" he said. "Now I am the chief and I'm the one who has the responsibility of the final say."

Lyle noted since he has been chief there has been added personnel and

bigger problems to handle.

There are one sergeant, one detective-sergeant and eight patrolmen on the St. Johns squad.

"I believe that anyone wearing a uniform deserves respect," the chief said. "But a person only deserves it if they show the people the same respect."

According to French there are disadvantages and advantages to being a police officer in a small town.

"In smaller communities it is sometimes harder because you are giving tickets to relatives and friends. In a larger city if you give someone a ticket you probably won't ever see that person again. Here, it's not that way," he explained.

He continued explaining the advantages of being a small town police officer. "It's easier to gain and build the people's trust in you."

Chief French and his wife, Beverly, are the parents of three children,

William and Cathy are married and Thomas is still at home.

"The kids have handled my being a police officer very well," he said. "Sometimes it was hard because we couldn't do a lot of things as a family because I was working."

He also said having an understanding wife is essential. "The years have been tough on my wife," he said. "I get calls in the middle of the night, and I have to leave without telling her where I'm going or when I'll be coming back."

He added in other jobs, men can bring their problems home and discuss them with their wives. "In police work you just can't do that," he commented. "I make it a practice not to talk about my work."

French also mentioned some frustrations which come with the job. "It's really upsetting when you make an arrest, go through the court process, which is sometimes a couple of months, and then you have to get on the witness stand and try to remember every little detail about a case," he said. "We might have handled 100 cases since then."

The police chief continued, "And then after everything the jury finds the person not guilty. I just look at it as, 'I did my job.'"

Another thing that is very frustrating to French is when a criminal is released on a pure technicality.

"Things have changed," he said. "The pressures are greater, and the attitude of the people has changed. We used to be known as the 'fuzz', now we're known as the 'pigs'."

There is a lot of stress with the job because according to the policeman you are working with all kinds of people and working all kinds of hours.

"We all need an outlet," he said. "Mine is golf." He is a member of the Exchange Club and the Clinton County Country Club, of which he was president for two years.

French was also involved with the building of a Little League diamond, and football.

French finds most teenagers are basically good and do good things for the community. "The drug situation does scare me, however," he said.

The routine of a police chief is not as structured as a patrolman but there are many more and varied jobs to be accomplished during the day.

"I like to be in the car patrolling by 8 a.m.," he said. "At this time we patrol the schools quite heavily." Later in the morning he goes over the paper work and then takes whatever comes up during the day.

Although quiet in manner, Lyle French knows the job he has to do and does it. He has gained the respect and trust of, not only the old, but also the young.

"We are very proud to live in St. Johns," Lyle concluded. "I have always had good co-operation from the people."

Back Through the Years



From the Clinton
County News Files
of 1937, 1947, 1957, & 1967

Jan. 26, 1967

10 years ago

Bid combinations totaling \$1,497,783 for construction at the four rural elementary sites were approved by the St. Johns Board of Education Monday night. Work could begin yet this month with completion of the new East Olive and Riley schools and the additions to East Essex and Eureka coming within one year.

Jess W. Christensen, 52, owner of the Chris Party Store in St. Johns for the past 5 years was killed in a fog-shrouded collision Sunday afternoon on M-57 a mile west of US-27 in Gratiot County. The crash also claimed the life of Lucas E. Mikulka, 22, of 11055 S. Bagley Road, R. 1, Ashley. A passenger with Mikulka, Eva Ann Moore of Middleton, was seriously injured.

The city commission passed a hazardous tree resolution last Tuesday night which authorizes the city to demand that property owners have the hazard removed. The resolution gives the city power to serve notice on the property owners, when deemed necessary, requiring the removal of the tree within 15 days. After that time the resolution empowers the city to take the tree down and charge the property owner a minimum of \$15 but no more than 50 percent of the cost of removal.

Jan. 24, 1957

20 years ago

Ernest J. Redman, 72, well-known Bingham township resident, died Wednesday at St. Lawrence Hospital in Lansing. He had been in poor health for the past year.

A big but little-heralded department of Clinton County's business these days is that of handling alimony accounts for some 150 folks whose divorce decrees have been granted in recent years. The chore is delegated to the county clerk's office and the total money handled annually has grown from \$21,626.79 in 1946 to \$81,419.38 this past year.

The Clinton County township officers' association through its board of directors, voted unanimously at a meeting here Monday night to approve the erection of an Armory in St. Johns. They stipulated, however, that they opposed the erection of the building on the five-acre county-owned plot at the St. Johns city park that now is occupied by the 4-H buildings.

Jan. 30, 1947

30 years ago

Frank E. Bloomer, 78, St. Johns coal dealer, and his wife, Eva, 62, were killed almost instantly Monday at about 10 p.m. when their auto was struck by a Pere Marquette freight train at the Cleveland street crossing on the east side of Ionia.

A roaring blizzard that swept out of the northwest late Wednesday afternoon and continued through the night has piled up road-blocking drifts of "sugar" snow throughout Clinton County. High winds were continuing Thursday morning and county road crews are finding it difficult to keep even the main trunk lines open to traffic. At 10 a.m. today County Road Engineer Lyle Belknap reported that US-27 and M-21 were open in Clinton County.

Funeral services will be held from the Osgood funeral home here at 2 p.m. Saturday for Mrs. William Taylor Fritz, 80, well-known St. Johns woman who passed away at Clinton Memorial Hospital Tuesday.

Jan. 28, 1937

40 years ago

Skidding on icy concrete and whirling off the highway into a tree an ill-fated automobile carried three people to their death and injured a like number at 1:30 o'clock Monday afternoon on US-16 about two miles east of Eagle, in the first major traffic accident of the year in Clinton County. The dead are: Max Goodstein, 24, Grand Rapids, driver of the car, Mrs. A. Allen, 51, also of Grand Rapids, Mrs. F. Meretsky, 50, of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Fatally stricken with apoplexy sometime Thursday night, William C. Trevena, 45, Detroit insurance salesman and a guest at the Steel Hotel in St. Johns, was found dead on the floor of his room the next morning. He had apparently been in perfect health the day before and his sudden death came as a shock to his relatives and to his friends and acquaintances here.

Harold Hustin, aged 7, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Huston of St. Johns, died Sunday morning, Jan. 24, at Clinton Memorial hospital following an operation for appendicitis performed Friday. He was a pupil in the second grade at the East Ward School, and a member of the Methodist Sunday School.

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Peeking at the Legislature

By Richard L. Milliman

Normally, Poor Richard (the writer of this Almanack) does not put down the Michigan Legislature, or legislative bodies of any degree, for that matter. Nor will I this week.

Having been around state legislators for a number of years, and having served in a county legislative function for another number of years, I tend to look at legislative activity a bit differently than many pundits. Or so I hope.

For example, I understand and accept that most legislators honestly think they are doing a good job, and that most legislators firmly believe they are doing the people's will, and that by and large, they do and they are -- at least by their own lights.

All legislators are jealous of the fact that they have been elected to office, and to continue in office they must go before the people again for approval, and this fact of political life usually colors their actions.

Where I enter fundamental disagreement with the state legislature is whether the job as a state legislator should be a full time job. Most state legislators -- at least in Michigan -- believe lawmaking is a fulltime job, and should be compensated as such. I disagree. I don't think it should be a fulltime job; I don't think it should be compensated at that level, either.

What prompted this essay this particular week was a recent edition of a metropolitan newspaper which contained three separate items of somewhat related interest.

In Springfield, Ill., the Illinois House wants to "abolish the resolutions, singing and general merriment" that usually marks the birthdays of House members.

Seeking to accomplish the whole deal in a single sweep, the Illinois resolution congratulated "the vast majority of representatives who will have birthdays during the two years of the 80th General Assembly," and paid its respects to "those members who will not have birthdays during these two years."

The killjoy resolution also directed that "no time-consuming and wasteful suitable copy of this resolution be presented to any member of this House, each of whom is presumed to know his or her own birthday, anyway."

The spoilsport actions is well pointed; in many legislative sessions, entirely too much time and attention is spent on self-aggrandizement of members, to no apparent public purpose. The only advantage, it seems, is that it's sort of fun for those involved, but fun, apparently, is not a consideration of lawmaking in Illinois.

The next item came out of West Virginia, where the state senate passed a resolution urging a star high school football player to attend West Virginia University instead of wandering out of state.

Robert Alexander of South Charleston high school was named the best high school runner in the nation by Parade Magazine after scoring 575 points and gaining 5,882 yards in three seasons of high school football.

A PERSONAL LOOK AT THE NEWS

Between the lines

with Jim Edwards



Supposedly, attorneys are now going to be able to advertise their services.

I wonder if they'll succumb to the hard sell routines of Madison Ave. and advertise their profession with the subtlety of dish soaps and soft drinks.

Can you imagine it? "Hello, folks. We're here in Podunk Traffic Court where we're going to ask John Leadfoot to compare his attorney with Bernard Beatdarp, famous average price attorney."

"Tell us, Mr. Leadfoot. After appearing with your regular attorney in court and, then with Bernard Beatdarp, what is your opinion?"

"I don't believe it. For years, I've told all my friends that my attorney

was the guy to see about those speeding tickets. Well, Mr. Beatdarp has changed my mind. He got the charge lowered by five miles and his bill didn't leave an after taste."

Of course, most attorneys specialize. There are some who will represent you on most any case. "Regardless of the charge, come to K.V. Ott for quality representation and fast, fast relief."

However, specialization is the name of the game for the modern attorney.

The specialist attorney might advertise something like this: "IRS hot on your tail? Let the firm of Cash,

Cash and Morecash take those legal worries off your back. For years, the firm of Cash, Cash, and Morecash has proven more effective against IRS intruders than any other firm on the market. Remember, only Cash, Cash and Morecash will keep you out of the slammer."

Regardless of no-fault auto insurance, there's still a bundle to be made in the injury game.

An attorney specializing in injury claims might lure you with this ad:

"Have a nice trip? Give Sam 'Dollar

The senate officially resolved to urge young Mr. Alexander to attend West Virginia University, and again, a state legislature has delved into a sticky problem; who is to deny that the football fortunes of Robert Alexander are of vital concern to many, many voters in West Virginia. It is of such actions that statesmanship is sometimes fashioned.

And the third news item was out of Lansing where the governor signed the bill which funds pay raises for state officials, including legislators. Each of Michigan's 148 state lawmakers will get a pay increase in 1977 of \$3,500 a year, hiking pay up to \$22,500, plus annual automatic expenses of another \$4,300 a year.

If the taxpayers expect their lawmakers to work full time, year-around, at the task of running the state, then they should pay them well and without quibble, in my opinion; \$22,500 is not too high for round-the-calendar attention to the trials and troubles of their constituents and the state business.

I'm not sure there's any logical connection among the three news items appearing in the news that recent day; but then, I'm not sure there's not a logical connection, either.

It's food for thought, and job evaluation.



"Peanuts!"

Under the Capitol Dome Rep. Stanley Powell 88th District

LEADERS MEET

Our House Republican Leader Dennis Cawthorne and Representative Mel Larsen of Oxford were among a group of legislators who travelled to Washington, D.C. last week to meet with Michigan's congressional delegation and members of the new Carter Administration.

The bipartisan group contacted officials concerning a long list of proposals, all of which are part of an effort to see that Michigan receives a larger portion of federal dollars from the taxes it sends to Washington each year.

The group recommended that the federal government cancel the state's \$571 million unemployment compensation debt, which, Mr. Cawthorne said would take until 1982 to be repaid.

The House Republicans also asked the Carter Administration to allow the state flexibility in dealing with the ballooning costs of the Medicaid program under a proposal which would reduce the scope of benefits while maintaining the high quality of our health care.

We all know that Michigan, better than any other state, can mass produce quality products at a low cost, so it seems a natural choice for the location of the proposed Solar Energy Research Institute. My House colleagues urged federal officials to locate the facility here. The benefits to Michigan in terms of the jobs it would provide and the economic boost it would give our state are outstanding.

An important outcome of last week's meeting will hopefully be a \$10 million grant over four years to study the effects PBB has on animal and human health.

I know our legislators made a strong case for Michigan, and we will continue to press for satisfaction in these areas from our own delegation and the new Administration.

SBT ACTION

It appears that proposals to amend the Single Business Tax will be coming before us in the early days of the 1977 session of the Legislature.

As you may recall, the Governor established, at the suggestion of State Representative Harry Gast of St. Joseph, a special Advisory Task Force on the Single Business Tax and named Lt. Governor James Damman as chairman.

We were informed last week that this special task force was ready to begin studying specific proposals for changing the structure of the Single Business Tax leading up to its final report.

Lt. Governor Damman reported that the information gathering phase of the task force study has been completed and that public hearings held throughout the state in December provided the special panel with much information it will use in making its proposals.

Through the questionnaire that was sent out, to which there was a low response, and the public hearings, the task force heard from many business people representing both large and small operations. The 46 members feel the inequities in the Single Business Tax have been identified and are areas the group will address in its final sessions.

It was confirmed by information gathered that small and labor intensive businesses have been hit hard by the SBT, so the task force will likely recommend amendments which will provide these businesses with some relief.

According to Lt. Governor Damman, the final report will be ready to submit to the Governor within 60 to 90 days.

LABOR LEGISLATION

Labor-related legislation provided much of the controversy and occupied a great deal of the time of

the 1975-76 Legislature, and all indications point toward more of the same in this session.

I think we will see debate on the following labor-management areas of concern:

...Funding of the unemployment compensation program. Michigan's program is currently nearly \$600 million dollars in debt to the federal government, and must be repaid by the employers, while the program continues to fund current claimants.

Two reform proposals would require additional taxation of Michigan's employers. The point is clear. As long as SJHS insists on mollycoddling it students by being a day-care center first and an educational institution second, the community cannot expect that it would consider "adult" behavior from these students.

Other letters have expressed the opinion that the players should "like it or leave it" so to speak. This may sound reasonable at first, but in retrospect, had the entire Varsity Basketball team quit, would the situation be better than it currently is? I think not. I think the complaints would be coming just as fast and thick as they are now, only they would likely be saying such things as, "Quitting shows immaturity", and "Why couldn't they have stayed and settled the problem instead of running away from it? They won't be able to run away from problems once they're out in the business world."

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Letters to the editor

Dear Editor:

I have read the recent article and letters concerning the resignation of SJHS Varsity Basketball Coach Japinga, and I believe that it is time the opinion of a student was heard in this matter.

I have been a member of the SJHS baseball team for three years, and therefore have some knowledge of what it is like to be on an athletic team in our high school. It is my opinion that the players were within their rights in expressing their feelings to Coach Japinga, if those feelings were their own, and not a result of parental pressure and if they were not selfish and petty, but for the benefit of the entire team. These are questions that only the team knows the answers for, and I feel it is unfair to them for me to guess, despite the fact that others have taken the liberty of doing so. Therefore, any further discussion of these questions is useless.

Some letters in this paper have taken the position that the team was wrong because people cannot dominate their superiors when they get out in the "business world". I maintain that it is unfair to compare SJHS with a business. What business threatens Saturday detention if you park on the wrong side of the parking lot? What business forces one to have a pass simply to move from one room to another, or even to the bathroom? Further, what business would suspend someone from work for the heinous crime of smoking a cigarette?

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As is true with almost any event, this controversy can become a learning experience if we allow it to. Let's make education, of students, not simply baby-sitting them, the number one priority in our schools, and put athletics in the proper perspective. Finally, this player-coach conflict has stimulated talk about students' rights. How about getting a group of students and parents together to discuss these rights? I know students that would be interested in such a discussion. Are there any parents willing? Tom Wilkie Senior St. Johns High School

Dear Editor:
A message for the person that sent in "Night Watch" as a good remedy for young boys in trouble. This may work fine in some cases but what about the parents who try so hard to keep their children out of trouble by knowing where they are at all times or think they know where they are at all times and by no means letting their young children stay out until 2:00 in the morning. If this person has children he or she has got to know that you cannot take each one by the hand to where ever they want to go and sit with them all evening and then bring them back home. Not only do we have to have some trust in them, but when you have more than one child this is impossible.

Also, does this person think a boy has to stay out late to get into trouble? They can get into trouble in the middle of the afternoon or early evening.

We as parents have been accused of trying too hard to know where our children are at all times and of not giving them enough freedom by well meaning adults and still we have had some problems with our children and not at 2:00 in the morning either.

It is very hard to hit a happy medium in strictness with the teenagers of today and if this person knows of a sure proof method, I and many other parents would give a lot to know of it. As of now the only method we know of is to do our best to guide our children in the right direction and with a lot of prayers and help from God they will get through these difficult teenage years and emerge as good men and women.

Name withheld by request

We wish to thank every one for their time and gifts, to our residents over the Christmas period. It made a group of people very happy, and not forgotten at the special time of the year.

Yours faithfully,
Ron & Mary Salisbury
Superintendent,
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House report 87th District Rep. Francis Spaniola

Farmers and rural land owners in this area and most other parts of Michigan have had problems for some time with hunters, fishermen, snowmobilers and other recreationalists who trespass on their land, often with damaging results.

It is to be expected that sportspeople and their equipment should be attracted to Michigan's beautiful natural resources. However, and particularly with snowmobilers, they have increased more rapidly than facilities for their use.

We presently have an estimated 1.3 million snowmobilers in Michigan, 374,000 registered machines, and only 2,510 miles of designated state trails for them. The spill-

over onto private lands has left rural property owners with damages to their land and, in some cases, even lawsuits because of accidents which occur on their property.

The Legislature has recognized this growing problem. In the final days of the 1976 session, the Legislature passed a series of bills which strengthens the controls landowners have over recreational trespassers on their property.

The new law required snowmobilers, off-road vehicle drivers, hunters, and other outdoor users to obtain written permission before they enter private property that is fenced or posted against trespass.

In the case of farmland or adjacent farm woodlots, they must obtain written permission whether or not the land is fenced or posted.

This permission must be obtained from the owner, lessee or their agent.

Presence without written permission constitutes evidence of unlawful entry, which is a misdemeanor.

Under the old law, which was known as the Horton Trespass Act, only oral permission was required. This was difficult to prove or disprove.

Under the Horton Trespass Act, convictions were nearly impossible. Landowners had to swear out a complaint before authorities were allowed on their land. Under the new law,

the property owner needs only to call a law enforcement agency to receive assistance.

Another change is that the landowner is not required to personally testify if the case goes to court. The trespasser without written permission can be arrested on the spot, and the mere fact that he was on the private property is evidence of trespass.

Especially important, the law strengthens protection against personal injury lawsuits for the property owner. The recreational user is not able to sue for injuries suffered on the private land unless he can prove there was gross negligence or willful and wanton misconduct on the part of the owner.

The Department of Natural Resources has designed a "sportsman's land use pass" to assist recreation users and property owners in getting used to the new law. On the pass, the recreational user fills in his name, home address, hunting license number and car license plate number. A box is checked to mark the type of outdoor activity the land will be used for.

Both parties sign the main part of the pass, which is kept by the recreational user. The landowner keeps the stub.

A limited number of these passes are or soon will be available at Farm Bureau outlets and some stores which sell licenses.

Horman, Galloway exchange New Years Day wedding vows



Mr. and Mrs. James L. Galloway

Rita Lynn Horman and James Lee Galloway exchanged wedding vows on Jan. 1 in St. Peter Lutheran Church, Riley Township, at 4 p.m. Rev. Roger Heintz officiated at the double ring ceremony. The bride was escorted down the aisle by her father to a Christmas decorated altar. Organist was Marion Koeppen, and John Sillman, cousin of the bride sang, "The Wedding Song", and the "Lord's Prayer."

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Horman, 8706 W. Lehman Rd., DeWitt and Mr. and Mrs. Al Galloway, N. US 27, St. Johns.

The bride wore a white floor-length long sleeve double knit gown, trimmed with brocade and a chapel length train. She wore a fingertip veil edged in lace attached to a Camelot cap. She carried a bouquet of red roses and white carnations.

Maid of honor was Lori Sillman. Bridesmaids were Debra Horman, sister of the bride; Jane Galloway, sister of the groom; and Joann Webster. Flower girl was Kisha Schaub, cousin of the bride.

The attendants wore long sleeve knit floor length gowns in a shade of

forest green. They wore forest green colored hats and carried white muffs.

The bride's mother wore a floor-length peach colored gown and the groom's mother wore a pink chiffon floor length gown with a cape.

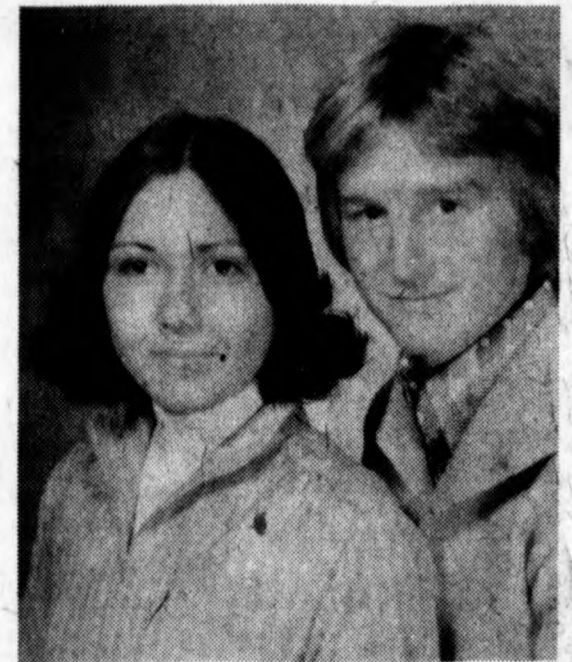
Best man was Brian Stine, cousin of the groom. Groomsmen were Bill Horman, brother of the bride; Ted Datcher, and Lynn Crumbaugh, cousin of the groom. Ring bearer was Ricky Sillman. Ushers were Earl Flegler, Jr., cousin of the bride; and Randy Hata.

A reception for the couple was held at the V.F.W. following the ceremony.

Special guests present at the ceremony were Elsie Horman, grandmother of the bride; Mr. and Mrs. Leland Stine, grandparents of the groom; and Mr. and Mrs. Chancey Hoffer, great aunt and uncle of the groom who celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Jan. 1.

The couple are both 1976 graduates of St. Johns High School.

The newlyweds are making their home in Fort Wayne, Ind. where the groom is attending Electronics School.



Julie Judd Allen Phillips

Engaged

Mr. and Mrs. W. Stanton Judd, rural Corunna, announce the engagement of their daughter, Julie Ann to Allen Phillips, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Phillips, Corunna.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Corunna High School and is employed at the Mount Pleasant J.C. Penney Co.

The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Corunna High School and is a junior at Central Michigan University.

The couple is planning an Aug. 20 wedding date.

Hospital Auxiliary plans annual dinner dance at Highland Hills

The Clinton Memorial Hospital Auxiliary Board met Jan. 18 with 35 members present. Chairman, Mary Crosby, presided.

The sewing chairman reported that 74 new articles had been made and the usual mending done. The members enjoyed a Christmas party at the home of the chairman, Mrs. Glendon Fitzpatrick.

Mrs. Mikula, television chairman, reported that the committee members had spent 69 hours installing speakers and keeping the televisions in running order. She had received \$500 from Federal-Mogul, television rental fees for their workers who are hospitalized.

The profits from gift shop sales for November and December were \$1,140.80. Mrs. Tiedt, chairman, expressed her appreciation to workers and patrons who helped in making the Christmas sale a huge success.

Thank you were read from the Nursing Homes that Mrs. Carter had delivered 251 bookmarks to.

Mrs. Montague, chairman, reported her committee members had been busy making puppets. They were very happy to welcome Mrs. Tower as a new committee member.

Marilyn McQueen, reported on the progress of the Meals-On-Wheels program. There are 31 regular delivery people, 10 substitutes, and 8 collectors. During the months of October, November, and December, 712 meals have been delivered.

Melanie Humphrey reported that plans had been finalized for the Dinner Dance at Highland Hills Country Club, February 5. Tickets are \$25.00 per couple, \$12.50 per person. Call Mrs. Humphrey, 224-4461 for tickets.

Barbara MacKinnon announced plans for a theater party to Detroit on March 26, to see the production "Chorus Line". A 47-passenger bus has been chartered. It was voted to buy balcony tickets. The tickets and transportation will cost \$18. Anyone interested in tickets, contact Mrs. Fraser MacKinnon or Mrs. Robert Wood.

Mary Crosby reported that the net proceeds from the December Concert were \$1,775.50. She has received many notes of appreciation from people attending the concert.

Romaine DeCamp, chairman of Volunteer Services, is now issuing a weekly news bulletin giving general hospital information. These will be given to all workers and patients.

Envelopes to be used in memorial fund donations are available at all funeral homes and at the hospital. These pink envelopes make it easy to give donations, as spaces are provided for all information and the postage is prepaid. The money may be given for general or special projects.

Two guests were present from the Owosso Chapter. Bobby Elow, who is chairman of the Owosso Hospital Auxiliary and Libby Gibbs who is chairman of Volunteer Services. They spoke of the services of the Auxiliary and the volunteers. They said they were impressed with the many activities sponsored by Clinton Memorial Auxiliary.

Our members are greatly appreciative of the \$1,000 donation bequeathed them by the provisions of Geraldine Niergarth's will. Mrs. Niergarth was a long-time member of the Auxiliary, and her many hours of service in various capacities will always be remembered and appreciated.

Bridge standings

Paul and Karen McNamara are in the lead with 6,770 points after the second round of play in the City Bridge League. John and Carol Furry are running a close second with 6,660 points. A very close third place goes to Jim and Betty Moore with 6,640 points.

The total standings in the City of St. Johns Bridge League are as follows:

Paul and Karen McNamara	2-0	6770
John and Carol Furry	2-0	6660
Jim and Betty Moore	2-0	6640
Reuben and Gertrude Eirschele	2-0	5650
Charles and Velma Colotta	2-0	5310
Paul and Margaret Jopke	2-0	5130
Howard and Jean Woodbury	2-0	4670
Jack and Ann Walker	1-1	6850
Paul and Rose Tarr	1-1	5180
Don and Catherine Messer	1-1	4480
Jim and Karen Barger	1-1	4070
John and Alice Bond	1-1	4060
Pete and Fran Peterson	1-1	3990
Mel and Pauline Warren	0-2	4020
Clyde and Lois Springer	0-2	3650
John and Debra Stevenson	0-2	3330
Ken and Betty Penix	0-2	2940
Robert and Kathy Whately	0-2	2810
Hod and Marceda Farley	0-2	1720
Paul and Carol Maples	0-2	1640

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Bohm named to dean's list

MELBOURNE, FLA. -- Michael Bohm, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Dale Bohm of 1012 E. Dill Rd, DeWitt has been named to the Fall quarter Dean's List for the seventh consecutive time, at Florida Institute of Technology at Melbourne, Florida.

Being named to the Dean's List represents outstanding scholastic performance and a letter of congratulations has been sent by Ray A. Work, Jr., Vice President for Student Affairs, at Florida Institute of Technology.

Bohm, a 1974 graduate of DeWitt High School is a junior and is majoring in electrical engineering at Florida Institute of Technology.

The prospective bridegroom is a 1975 graduate and is employed by Oldsmobile.

The couple are planning a Sept. 10 wedding date.

Engaged

Linda Lotre

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lotre, 405 Bridge St., DeWitt, announce the engagement of their daughter, Linda Marie, to Leland Lang cancer is a problem of epidemic proportions, says the American Cancer Society. The disease kills more Americans than any other form of cancer.

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Jane Spitzley weds Terry Schafer



Mr. and Mrs. Terry Schafer

Jayne Lee Spitzley became the bride of Terry Anthony Schafer, on Nov. 13, at 1 p.m. in St. Mary's Church in Westphalia. Rev. Fr. James Schmitt officiated at the double ring ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Spitzley, 411 E. Main, Westphalia and Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schafer, Pewamo, escorted their children to an altar decorated in autumn shades of mums and roses.

Duane Feldpausch, played the guitar and Barb Spencer, was organist for the wedding.

The bride chose a long, white crepe dress for her wedding. It featured a beaded croul collar, English net yoke bordered by Venice lace, and a cathedral length train. She wore a cathedral length train with a beaded crown trimmed in lace.

The bride carried a bouquet of dried autumn flowers, of autumn colors, roses, mums and baby's breath.

Maid of honor was Dian Theis, Westphalia. Attendants were sisters of the bride, Jolynn, Jeanne, Judy, Janelle Spitzley and sisters of the groom, Vickie and Robin Schafer. Flower girl was Jennifer Spitzley, also a sister of the bride.

The attendants wore floor length gowns with long sleeved hooded velvet jackets trimmed with maribou in shades of green, melon, pink, rust, blue, and lavender.

The mother of the bride, wore a rust color floor length gown with a floral chiffon coat. The groom's mother wore a blue floor length gown with a lace coat. They wore corsages of roses and mums.

Best man was Dan Weber, Portland. Groomsman were Kurt Schafer, brother of the groom, Pewamo; Jeff Spitzley, brother of the bride, Westphalia; Wayne Wieber, Dave Fox, Westphalia, Mike Fedewa, Pewamo, and Tim Schafer, Hubbardston. Tim Wieber, was ring bearer.

A reception honoring the couple was held at St. Mary's Hall with 500 people attending.

Hosts and hostesses for the reception were: Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Schafer, Matherton, and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Spitzley, Westphalia. Serving at the reception were Judy Smith, Mary Fedewa, Linda Schneider, Sue Feldpausch, and Julie Miller.

Special guests at the wedding were: Mr. and

Mrs. Edward Spitzley, Mrs. Arnold Schafer, Mr. and Mrs. John I. Thelen, and Mr. and Mrs. Irving Eaton.

The groom is a 1972 graduate of Pewamo-Westphalia High School and the bride is a 1976 graduate of P-W High School.

The couple took a honeymoon trip to the East Coast and are now making their home at 210 B. West Main Street, Westphalia.

Haviland, Overley united in DeWitt

Kathi Haviland, DeWitt and Clair Overley, Jr., of East Lansing, were married Dec. 11 at the First Baptist Church of DeWitt.

The couple was attended by Miss Gail Warner and Dirk Miles.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dale C. Haviland, of DeWitt and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clair Overley, of East Lansing.

Special guests at the ceremony included the bridegroom's grandmothers, Mrs. Ida Dolloff, Sheridan and Mrs. Leona Overley, Hastings; the bride's grandmothers, Mrs. Helen Haviland, DeWitt, and Mrs. Dortha Hickerson, Grand Lodge.

Special guests from St. Paul Minnesota, were Anthony Koury, Mrs. Rosemary Warner and daughter, Gail. The couple reside in East Lansing.

Dr. Russell reappointed to veteran's committee

The Board of Trustees of the Michigan Veterans Trust Fund hereby announces the reappointment of Dr. Sherwood R. Russell, 210 East Walker, St. Johns, to continue serving on the Clinton County Veterans Trust Fund Committee as the American Legion representative, for a term ending Dec. 31, 1979.

Last year, the Clinton County committee assisted 127 veterans, widows and dependents of veterans, for a total of \$4,815.42.

Throughout the State of Michigan, county committees assisted 33,608 veterans, widows and dependents, with a total expenditure of \$1,625,408.85.

Woman's Club holds monthly meeting

The first meeting of the year was on Jan. 19 at the Lambert home on West Park. Mrs. Dorothy Lawrence presided over the

meeting after coffee was served by Mila Spousta and Margaret Light.

The year's budget was discussed and projects explained. Girls Town will be helped from the treasury and a donation by every member. The following scholarships were voted to be donated in art, nursing, library and Indian Care. Each winner will receive five dollars. Financial help is planned again for the local Senior Citizen's Prk on the north side of town.

Women's Clubs' participation in the Hands-Up Program to fight crime was explained. Operation Identification of household valuables was presented again.

A silent auction of white elephants furnished by the members was also held.

CNB&T reports record earnings

Record earnings and asset growth for the fiscal year ending Dec. 31 has been reported by Clinton National Bank & Trust Company of St. Johns.

According to Brandon C. White, president, earnings for the year then ended were \$691,804 which is an increase of \$108,997 or 18.7 percent over 1975 figures.

Net income before security gains in 1976, however, experienced a decline of 4.4 percent or \$26,318. Earnings for the year amounted to .97 percent of average 1976 assets.

Birth

Mr. and Mrs. William C. Kimbler, 2113 W. Clark, DeWitt, became the parents of a baby girl, Cheryl Lynn, on Jan. 17 at Sparrow Hospital.

HUMANITY
As a general rule men are always willing to get together — the hitch comes when they try to work together.

Earnings for the fourth quarter of 1976 of \$240,777 represent an increase of 42.5 percent over the same period in 1975. Earnings before security gains were \$1,640 less than the comparable period in 1975 which represents a 1 percent decline.

According to White, an increase in assets for Clinton National Bank & Trust Company of \$9,803,552 brought the total to \$76,388,287 at the end of the bicentennial year. This is an increase of 14.7 percent over the year end 1975.

The bank plans the addition of a new full service office in Bath by mid-year 1977. The office will bring to 13 the number of offices serving the Clinton County and Lansing area.

FSC names dean's list

BIG RAPIDS -- Ferris State College has honored 1,772 students for scholastic excellence during the fall quarter by naming them to the academic honors list. Dr. James V. Farrell, Vice President for Academic Affairs, has announced. Sixteen students from Clinton county were on the Dean's List.

To be named to the Academic Honors List, a student must earn at least a 3.25 average on a 4.0 basis and carry a full academic load. A full load is defined as 14 quarter hours of credit.

Students from Clinton County are: Linda M. McCrumb, Jane A. Shirey, Eagle; Rex E. Ballantine, Jr., Joellen M. Bearup, Elsie; Dolores M. George, Fowler; Jack A. Cook, Ovid; Linda M. Bappert, Keyne I. Bauman, Rebecca S. Bond, Polly Bunce, Susan L. Fisher, Bernice M. Fox, Lucinda K. Gladstone, Margaret A. Greene, Rodney K. Henning, Kevin J. Kramer, St. Johns.

Marriage Licenses

Richard Dail Langham, 21, 406 W. Vauconsant Street, St. Johns; Denise Marie Hawkins, 17, 406 W. Vauconsant Street, St. Johns.

Albert Vincent Kukla, 38, 309 Emmons Street, St. Johns; Priscilla Ann Decker, 24, 710 Wight Street, St. Johns.

Douglas James Gross, 22, 405 E. Townsend Rd., St. Johns; Ann Marie McDougall, 22, 203 E. First North St., Laingsburg.

Denny Lee House, 38, West County Line Road, Coleman; Shirley Mae Luckhardt, 41, 212 W. Walker Rd., St. Johns.

BIRTHS

A boy, John Anthony Jolly, II, was born to Mr. and Mrs. John A. Jolly of 1712 E. Townsend, Jan. 14 at Clinton Memorial Hospital. He weighed 7 pounds, 15 ounces. The baby has two sisters. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Keith Jolly, and Mr. and Mrs. William Cartwright. The mother is the former Charlotte Cartwright.

A boy, Chad Lee, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Dale Simon of 11037 W. Second St., Fowler, Jan. 6 at Carson City Hospital. He weighed 7 pounds, 1/2 ounce. Grandparents are Mrs. Loretta Rademacher of Fowler and Mr. and Mrs. Celestine Simon of Westphalia. The mother is the former Agnes Rademacher.

A girl, Avis Mae, was born to Mr. and Mrs. David McCarrick of 2265 W. Parks Rd., Lot 108, St. Johns, Jan. 17 at Carson City Hospital. She weighed 6 pounds 8 1/2 ounces. The baby has 2 sisters. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Fred McCarrick and Mr. and Mrs. William Smith and Roy McCarrick. The mother is the former Cathleen Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald C. Tomasek, 5844 Wildcat Rd. St. Johns, became the parents of a baby boy, Joshua Edward, on Jan. 14 at Sparrow Hospital. The mother is the former Debra Miller.

A girl, Melissa Ann, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Pline of R 5, Krepps Road, St. Johns, Jan. 16 at Sparrow Hospital. She weighed 9 pounds 5 ounces. She has one sister, Wendy. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Francis Pline of R 6, Taft Road, St. Johns and Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Feldpausch of R 2, Walker Road, Fowler. The mother is the former Irene Feldpausch. Great-grandmother is Regina Feldpausch.

Mr. and Mrs. James M. Smith, 314 Lancer Lane, Lansing, became the parents of a baby girl, Rhonda Lynn, on Jan. 13 at Sparrow Hospital. The mother is the former Sandra B. Schueller.

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Alaga, 3031 S. Washington, Lansing, became the parents of a baby girl, Julie Suzanne, on Jan. 15, at Sparrow Hospital. The mother is the former Jeanne Kraatz.

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1 PUBLIC SAFETY	\$ 26,046	\$	DEWITT TOWNSHIP	
2 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	\$	\$	TREASURER	
3 PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION	\$	\$	CLINTON COUNTY	
4 HEALTH	\$	\$	730 E WELAND PD	
5 RECREATION	\$	\$	LANSING MICH 48906	
6 LIBRARIES	\$	\$		
7 SOCIAL SERVICES FOR AGED OR POOR	\$	\$		
8 FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	\$	\$		
9 MULTIPURPOSE AND GENERAL GOVT	\$	\$		
10 EDUCATION	\$	\$		
11 SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT	\$	\$		
12 HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	\$	\$		
13 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	\$	\$		
14 OTHER (Specify)	\$	\$		
15 TOTALS	\$ 26,046	\$		

ACTUAL USE REPORT			MAPLE RAPIDS VILLAGE	
(A) CATEGORIES	(B) CAPITAL	(C) OPERATING / MAINTENANCE	Has received General Revenue Sharing payments totaling \$	2,334
1 PUBLIC SAFETY	\$ 388	\$ 1861	MAPLE RAPIDS VILLAGE	
2 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	\$	\$	VILLAGE CLERK	
3 PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION	\$	\$	MAPLE RAPIDS MICH	
4 HEALTH	\$	\$		
5 RECREATION	\$	\$		
6 LIBRARIES	\$	\$		
7 SOCIAL SERVICES FOR AGED OR POOR	\$	\$		
8 FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	\$	\$ 43		
9 MULTIPURPOSE AND GENERAL GOVT	\$	\$		
10 EDUCATION	\$	\$		
11 SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT	\$	\$		
12 HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	\$	\$		
13 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	\$	\$		
14 OTHER (Specify)	\$	\$		
15 TOTALS	\$ 388	\$ 1904		

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Engaged



Mary Boettger

Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Boettger, 6748 West Walker Rd., St. Johns, announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Ann to Mark E. Green, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph E. Green, 3778 S. County Farm Rd., St. Johns.

The bride-elect is a 1976 graduate of St. Johns High School and is employed by the Xerox Corporation. The prospective bridegroom is a 1975 graduate of St. Johns High School and is also employed by the Xerox Corp.

The couple is planning a July 30 wedding date.

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CASE #U-4840, #U-4621
TO THE ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS OF CONSUMERS POWER COMPANY

THE FOLLOWING NOTICE OF HEARING IS GIVEN PURSUANT TO THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION'S ORDER IN CASES NO. U-4840 AND U-4621 DATED APRIL 12, 1976.

Monthly hearings will be held before the Michigan Public Service Commission for the purpose of considering authorization to permit Consumers Power Company to reflect in monthly billings to its customers charges or credits for changes in appropriate items of expense associated with purchased and net interchange power from a base cost included in previously approved rate levels.

A hearing will be held on February 8, 1977 at 9:30 AM in the offices of the Commission, 6545 Mercantile Way, Lansing, Michigan to consider inclusion of a proposed purchased and net interchange power adjustment charge of 0.80 mills per kilowatt-hour to be applied to bills rendered to Consumers Power Company customers in the March 1977 billing period.

The hearing shall be for the purpose of determining the amount of purchased and interchange power expense incurred during the calendar month of December 1976 and the reasons therefor. Details of the calculation of the proposed adjustment will be presented along with a summary of net system kilowatt-hour requirements including details of the various types of purchased and interchange power transactions and circumstances necessitating any outages of installed capacity for a period exceeding ninety (90) days. This information will be available on and after January 28, 1977 for examination and inspection at the offices of the Commission Secretary, 6545 Mercantile Way, Lansing, Michigan 48910, and at the offices of the Executive Director of Rates, Research and Data Control of Consumers Power Company, 212 W. Michigan Avenue, Jackson, Michigan 49201.

The Michigan Public Service Commission may either grant or deny the requested adjustment, in whole or in part, and may grant a lesser or greater adjustment than that requested. Interested parties may intervene by placing an appearance on the record at the hearing.

Jurisdiction in this matter is pursuant to Sections 1, 2, 6, 7 and 8 of 1909 PA 106, as amended, MCLA 460.551, et seq; 1909 PA 300, as amended, MCLA 462.2, et seq; Sections 3 and 4 of 1919 PA 419, as amended, MCLA 460.51, et seq; Sections 4, 6 and 6a of 1939 PA 3, as amended, MCLA 460.1, et seq; 1969 PA 306, as amended, MCLA 24.201, et seq; and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 1954 Administrative Code, Supplement No. 54, R 460.11, et seq.

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Help Wanted 1

UNUSUAL OPPORTUNITY
For local person in this area to represent a nationally known oil company. This is a permanent, full time sales position. Offers initially high income, opportunity for advancement. Knowledge of farm and industrial machinery helpful. Special training if hired. For personal interview see Don Hodge, Holiday Inn East, Lansing, Mich. Friday, Feb. 4 at 7 P.M. or Sat. Feb. 5 at 9 A.M.

39-1-p-1
Texas Oil Company needs mature person for short trips surrounding St. Johns. Contact customers. We train. Write P.O. Dick, Pres., Southwest Petroleum, Fort Worth, Texas.

38-1-p-2
HELP WANTED - 4-H Program Assistant. Position based in St. Johns. Available March 1, 1977. Minimum qualifications: high school education, desire and ability to work with young people and adult leaders. Call County Extension Office at 224-3288 for appointment and application forms. AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER.

39-2-p-1
WANTED - 2 ladies willing to work to replace 2 who didn't. Call Barb 669-6511.

CANCER INSURANCE SALES. Unlimited opportunity, stock bonus, \$300 per week to start if you meet our requirements. No travel, management possibilities. Send resume to William Campbell, State Manager, P.O. Box 1297, Lansing, MI 48823.

39-1-p-1
HELP WANTED - Openings in many areas. Call 800-322-9083.

39-3-p-1
WANTED 4 Salespeople who want to work to replace 4 who didn't. Call Mr. Lewis 669-6511.

37-1-f-DH
Jobs Wanted 3

WANTED - Bulldozing, backhoe work, drain fields, water lines, footings & digging of any kind. Lee Zuker. Ph. 224-2049. 25-1-f-3

JANUARY SPECIAL: Sofa cleaned free with any 2 rooms of carpet. Sofa 1/2 price or chair free with one room of carpet. ROYALTY CLEANING SERVICE. 224-2702. 37-3-p-3

Real Estate 4

WANTED - 1 or 2 acres perked lot between Grand Ledge & Mulliken, Grand Ledge Schools. Call Lillian Law of Fedewa Builders & Brokers, 485-0225 or 224-4236. GPC-44

39-1-f-DH-1

Have 2 cash buyers for 2 adjoining homes north-west of Lansing. Must be 3-bedroom, full dry basements and garden area. Acreage not mandatory. Call Jerry Dalman La-Noble Realty-Realtors 482-1637. Evenings 351-8734.

39-1-p-4
REAL ESTATE WANTED - Farm 100-200 acres northeast or southwest of Lansing. Good land required. Market value only. Contact Keith Bunce, Walter Neller Co. 1-351-9032 or 1-371-1400.

39-1-p-4
REAL ESTATE WANTED - Dairy farm, 250-300 acres. Qualified buyers. Contact Keith Bunce, Walter Neller Co. 1-351-9032 or 1-371-1400.

39-1-p-4
FOR SALE St. Johns 106 N. Lansing, 4 bedrooms, partially furnished. 2 baths, Alum Siding, new wiring, new roof, Michigan basement, Patio, garage, Garden spot. \$1,500.00 down plus closing. Costs 200.00 per month. Payment includes insurance. Price \$22,000. Realty showing on Sunday Jan. 23, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. for special showing call 1-544-2490 Between 9 a.m. and 10 p.m.

38-3-p-6
FOR RENT - 1-bedroom home for rent. 10684 E. M-21, Fowler, Call 647-4119.

39-3-p-6
Trailers & Campers 9

FOR RENT - 1976 Dodge Motor home 23 foot, sleeps 6. Phone 647-6539. PG-SJ 281fn

Mobile Homes 10

WOOD BURNING FIREPLACE
Colonade with a warm, crackling fireplace, master bedroom suite with sunken tub, rustic furniture, expando, plush carpet throughout, front bedroom with bath, separate dining room, step saving galley kitchen.

38-3-p-6
GRAY Mobile Homes
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For Rent 6

FOR RENT - 75 Marlette Mobile Home. Excellent condition, fully furnished. \$9,500.00 or best offer. Phone 834-2766 or 725-9661.

38-3-p-10
FOR SALE - Spacious 4-bedroom mobile home, double-side 24' x 68' with attached 12' x 20' sun deck. Is a 1975 model built by Monarch Homes and features a cozy family room, spacious living room, dining-kitchen area with gas range and power vent. Butcher block counter tops, dishwasher, garbage disposal and entire decor in Spanish motif. Comes equipped with 2 couches, 3 easy chairs, lamps, tables and is fully carpeted. Features full bath plus a laundry room with shower and stool Gas water heater and water conditioner nearby. Interested parties may purchase refrigerator and 2 air conditioning units but would be in addition to purchase price of \$13,900. Two ways to go on this one: Take over payments of \$121.70 monthly and pay my equity or finance full price by your own arrangements. May be seen locally by appointment only. Call 224-8298 Monday thru Friday after 6 p.m. or anytime Saturday and Sunday. Weekdays call 224-2361. 39-TF-10-DH

FOR LEASE - Partially furnished 4-bedroom home; 2 full baths. Children allowed, immediate occupancy. Call 1-313 676-4734 after 5 p.m. 37-3-p-6

ROOM FOR RENT - for single working girl, household privileges including use of washer and dryer. Garage available. Ready Jan. 1, call 224-2361 days of 224-7051 evenings after 8 p.m. 32-tf-6 DH

FOR RENT - St. Johns: 6-room home, 2 bedrooms, just painted, spacious rooms, natural woodwork. Inquire at St. Johns Motel. 39-3-p-6

FOR RENT - In Pawamo, furnished 2 bedroom house. Call 593-9903 or 593-2303. PC-34

FOR RENT - 2-bedroom apartment, refrigerator, stove, drapes furnished, carpeted. 4 miles S. of Fowler on Wright Rd. Must be seen to be appreciated. Thelen Haus Apartments, 587-6616. 38-3-p-6

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Snowmobiles 14

1971 Evinrude, electric start in reverse with sled, 1970 Rupp, twin cylinder, 1969 Viking. All excellent condition. Ph. 224-7740. 39-1-p-14

Farm Produce 19

9-19-9 \$2.45
3-18-18 \$2.45
10-10-10 \$1.95
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Henderson, Mich. 48841
Ph. 725-7808 or 661-2621
Dealers needed. 38-9-p-19

WANTED TO BUY - Standing hay for the 77 season. Also corn ground to rent. Ph. 682-4349. 37-9-p-19

Pets 23

5 year old pony to give away. Call 669-9668. 39-1-p-27

FOR SALE - Male Beagle, good color, 6 months old. Call 862-4603 after 5 p.m. 39-3-p-DH-23

MALAMUTE - \$5.00 each. 669-5224 after six. 39-1-p-23

FOR SALE - 3 German Shepherd pups, 2 females & 1 male, \$25.00 each. No papers but well bred. Ph. 649-8550 or 649-8734. GPC-4

Auction Sale 26

TOY AUCTION - Over \$25,000.00 in new toys to be sold to the highest bidders. All first quality. Sale to be held 7 p.m. every Friday, 127 Bridge St., Dimondale. GPC-41-19

\$75,000 TOOL AUCTION
VFW HALL - N. US 27 St. Johns, MI Feb. 17, 6:30 p.m. Air tools, cords, big drill press, Remline tool boxes, vises, chain saws, electric tools, bench grinders, air compressors, floor jacks, impacters, socket sets, saws, drills, wrench sets, hand tools. Over 150 different items. Maxwell City Tools, Robert Redman, Robert Ancel, 842-5317. 39-4-p-26

Miscellaneous 27

CUSTOM BUTCHERING AND PROCESSING, by appointment. We butcher on Wednesdays and Fridays. Beef, pork. Halves and quarters, also retail cuts. All meats MDA inspected. Vaughn's Meat Processing, West City Limits on Bussell Rd. just off M-57 Carson City. 39-3-p-29

FOR SALE - Parts for all electric shavers. Levey's Jewelry, Elsie. 1-f-29

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

Notice 29

UNEMPLOYED? Need a job - training - career counseling? If so, and you are a Clinton County resident, visit the Tri-County Manpower Coordination Office. We may be able to refer you to an agency that offers: Work experience, On the Job Training, Career Counseling, Classroom Training, Vocational Rehabilitation, Job Placement. Ph. 224-2336, 200 W. State St., St. Johns. 39-3-p-29

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White 12-row planter complete
J.D. 894AN planter; 8-row
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J.D. 184 planter, 4-row

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UNDERGROUND PIPE THAWING. Call Ithaca 875-3023. 39-3-p-3

JOINER - Jig-band, lable, metal lathe, disc-belt sander, arc-wire welder, torch set, band mill, diearco pipe bender, air compressor, drill press, hydraulic press, 616-846-2350, Spring Lake. PGC-44-fn

ELECTRIC TYPEWRITER - Wide carriage, executive steelcase desk, office clocks. Ph. 482-2632 do not phone before Thursday afternoon. GPC-3

ANTIQUE FOR SALE - Miniature "Hot Pot" heating stove. This is the old-fashioned pot-belly type, perfect for family room decoration or possibly for actual use. Make me an offer. Call 224-2361 weekdays or 224-8298 weekends. 39-TF-32-DH

Wanted Miscellaneous 28

WANTED - Hide-a-bed in good condition. Call Portland 647-4468. C-4

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

TIMBER WANTED - Logs and standing timber. Log delivered to our yard. DENVER SAWMILL, INC., 2572 N. Hubbardston Rd., Pawamo, Mich. Phone 583-2424 and/or 593-2552. 40-tf-29

WANTED TO BUY - American Flyer electric toy trains & others. Ph. between 5 & 9 p.m. 627-9682. GPC-3

WANTED - Rough land, swamp or unutilized within 30 miles of Lansing. Call evenings 372-2573. GPC-3-5

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

UNDERGROUND PIPE THAWING. Call Ithaca 875-3023. 39-3-p-27

PUBLIC NOTICE After this date, Jan. 19, 1977, I, Harold Schmaltz will be responsible only for debts incurred by myself. 39-TF-27-DH

Card of Thanks 30

We wish to thank St. Lawrence Hospital and its staff for their many services extended our husband and father during his illness and death, also the endless acts of kindness shown us by our neighbors, friends and relatives. A special thank you to Fr. James Schmitt and the Sisters of St. Marys. Your thoughtfulness will always be remembered. The family of John A. Pohl 39-1-p-30

URBAN. The family of Elizabeth Urban wish to thank all friends and neighbors who expressed in so many ways their sympathy and kind deeds during our recent bereavement. To Osgood Funeral Home for their splendid service, Rev. Fr. William Koehnigknecht for his words of comfort and prayers, also to Rev. Francis Johannides for his prayers, to Sara Louise Circle for their dinner after the service. May God bless you one and all. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Urban 39-1-p-30

Mr. and Mrs. John Worrall 39-1-p-30

Ordinance No. 284

AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE A PORTION OF STEEL STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY WITHIN THE CITY OF ST. JOHNS, MICHIGAN.

THE CITY OF ST. JOHNS ORDAINS:
Section 1. Vacation of Street Right-of-Way. The City Commission of the City of St. Johns hereby vacates 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.

Section 2. Compliance with Charter. The City Commission, in adopting this ordinance, certifies that a public hearing has been held after due notice to those persons entitled to receive notice, and that a resolution declaring the City Commission's intent to vacate said right-of-way and other provisions of the City Charter relative to vacating streets and alleys have been complied with. That notice of said public hearing was, pursuant to charter, served upon persons entitled to receive notice.

Section 3. Easement Retained. Notwithstanding the vacation of said street right-of-way, the City of St. Johns retains for itself, for the benefit of the public, an easement under, over and across said vacated premises, for the installation, maintenance and repair of any drain, sewer, water pipes, gas pipes, electric and telephone lines, and other essential utilities, said easement being perpetual and unlimited unless hereinafter released by the City Commission.

Section 4. The effective date of this Ordinance shall be the 20th day after its passage.

ADOPTION OF THE ORDINANCE WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER AREHART AND SUPPORTED BY COMMISSIONER WILCOX.

YEAS: COMMISSIONERS AREHART, WILCOX, ROESNER and EBERT.

PASSED, ORDAINED AND ORDERED PUBLISHED THIS 29th DAY OF JANUARY, A.D. 1977, BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF ST. JOHNS AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON SAID DATE.

F. Bruce Wood, City Clerk

6 MONTHS FREE RENT
Call us & see how you can get up to 6 months free rent
MOVE YOUR MOBILE HOME TO ST. JOHNS MOBILE HOME VILLAGE NOW!
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609 N. Morton Phone 224-7913

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Use This Classified Listing For Fast Service From Clinton County Business Firms

AUCTIONEER AL GALLOWAY. AUCTIONEER. Used Farm Machinery & Parts. St. Johns. 224-4713.	ELECTRICIANS SCHMITT ELECTRIC CO., Residential - Commercial - Industrial. 224-4277, 1002 E. State St.	JEWELRY LEVEY'S JEWELRY. Orange Blossom Diamond rings, Balova & Accutron Watches. Elsie. 862-4300.
SPACE FOR RENT ROB'S AUTO BODY. Complete Collision Service. 224-2921, 800 N. Lansing.	FARM DRAINAGE JAMES BURNHAM. Phone St. Johns 224-1045, Rt. St. Johns.	LIQUID FUELS
AUTOMOTIVE SPACE FOR RENT C&D CHEVROLET CO., New & Used Cars. Elsie 862-4000. You can't do better anywhere.	FERTILIZERS ZEEB FERTILIZERS. Everything for the soil. St. Johns 224-3234, Ashley 347-3571.	PARTY SUPPLIES D & B PARTY SHOP. Package Liquor 9 a.m. - 10 p.m. Mon., Thurs., Fri. & Sat., 9 a.m. - 11 p.m., 224 N. Clinton.
EGAN FORD SALES, INC. 290 W. Higham, phone 224-2285. Pinto-Ford-Maverick-Torino-Mustang.	FINANCIAL CAPITOL SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOC., 222 N. Clinton. 224-2304. Safety for Savings since 1890.	PLUMBING FAUCETS REPAIRED OR REPLACED, DRAINS CLEANED, TOILETS REPAIRED, LEAKS FIXED. NEXT TIME PAY LESS CALL WATERWORKS 838-4451
For the Best Buy in New & Used Chevrolet's see EDINGER CHEVROLET. Fowler, phone 583-2100.	FLORISTS Say it with Quality flowers from WOODBURY'S FLOWER SHOP. 321 N. Clinton. St. Johns. 224-3216.	RESTAURANT SOMEPLACE ELSE Dining & Cocktails Ph. 224-3072. S. US-27
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CONCRETE WORK	INSURANCE Automobile Coverage - Fire Insurance - General Casualty. ALLABY-BREWBAKER, INC. 106-1/2 N. Clinton Ave. St. Johns. Phone 224-3258.	SPACE FOR RENT Upholstery
SPACE FOR RENT	TO PLACE YOUR PROFESSIONAL LISTING IN THIS DIRECTORY	UPHOLSTERY FREE ESTIMATES - PICKUP & DELIVERY. PH. 224-3667 after 6 p.m. 669-9500 anytime.
CREDIT BUREAU Clinton County CREDIT BUREAU. Phone 224-2391. Credit Reports - Collections.	DRUGS PARR'S REXALL DRUGS. Open daily 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Sunday 8:30-12:30 & 5-7 p.m.	VACUUM SALES KIRBY CENTER, VACUUM SALES AND SERVICE. New & Rebuilt Kirby's. Good selection of other makes. 705 N. US 27, St. Johns. 224-7222.

Call 224-2361

Automotive 11

FOR SALE - 1974 Buick Le Sabre, 4-door, air condition. Contact John A. Thelen, Westphalia, Mich. Phone 587-3353. 37-3-p-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-1-fn

FOR SALE - 1974 Dodge Dart "Swinger" 318 V-8, power steering and brakes, vinyl top, good condition. St. Johns, 224-4417. 37-3-p-11

VEGA - 1973 hatchback, factory rebuilt engine with 20,000 miles, AM-FM stereo. Well Maintained car. Ph. 482-0592. 39-1-p-11

1973 OLDS - Vista Cruiser, automatic, power steering, power brakes, air, 3 seats, AM-FM, very good condition, \$2400.00. Call Fowler 593-2139. GPC-4

FOR SALE - 1975 Datsun pickup, blue with white stripes, 4 spd, radio, snow tires, rust proofed, cab high top with boat racks, 19,000 miles, \$2,600. Ph. 627-8877. GPC-45

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J.D. 4020 gas tractor
J.D. 40



Governor William G. Milliken invited sponsors of H.B. 5841 to witness his signing of the bill into law. With his signature on Dec. 15, it became Act 341 of the Public Acts of 1976. This bill provides that those who would be assessed for the cost of inter-county drains would be notified, not only through newspaper publications, but by a first class letter of the date of the hearing at which there would be a determination as to whether or not the drain should be constructed. There has been such a provision in the law relative to local drains but there was no provision for proper notification in the case of inter-county drains. On hand to witness the official bill signing were: [from left] Rep. Loren Armbruster [Caro], Rep. Stanley M. Powell [Lonia], chief sponsor of the bill, Rep. Quincy Hoffman [Applegate], Governor Milliken, Mrs. Karen Domanski of Lansing and Rep. Paul Porter of Quincy.

4-H Chatter State recognizes county program

By John Aylsworth 4-H Agent

Clinton County's 4-H Program won the 1976 Conservation Award for having the most outstanding County 4-H Conservation of Natural Resources Program. The award of \$50 was presented by Deere and Company of Moline, Ill. The National 4-H Service Committee in Chicago which selects the state winner wrote "We are quite impressed with this county's record" and commented on the development of the program.

The major activities of the County 4-H Program submitted for the Conservation of Natural Resources Award included:

(1) County Roadside Beautification Project held in the spring which had

292 miles of county roadside area cleaned up involving 813 youths and 196 adults. They worked 3,798 hours picking up 146 pick-up loads of trash. There were 33 4-H clubs and 15 Scout Troops involved in this project.

(2) The 4-H Glass Recycling Project which had 115,140 pounds of glass recycled this past year into new products instead of going into landfills. 4-Hers were joined with other youth groups on this monthly project. The Glass Recycling Project which was started in 1970 will soon reach the 1,000,000 pound mark of recycled glass containers into new products.

(3) Newspaper Drives for recycling into home

insulation showed 63,000 pounds of newspapers collected in two drives. Being recycled into home insulation helps to reduce the amount of energy to heat homes besides helping to raise funds for the 4-H program.

The value of these projects is tremendous in involving people to help beautify the county, provides a community service to the people, helps save our national resources by recycling into new products plus saving energy and helps to raise funds for the 4-H program and to other youth groups. The projects will continue in 1977.

People can help by sav-

ing glass containers for the monthly glass collection held at the Fair Grounds in St. Johns and the first Saturday of the month. Pick-up in St. Johns is made if people will set the glass out on the curb by 10 a.m. People outside of St. Johns may bring their glass to the Fair Grounds between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. on the first Saturday. When 4-H is not operating the glass project, other youth groups join in to help with the project.

PAPER DRIVE, FEB. 5
The next 4-H Paper

Drive is Saturday, Feb. 5. When people are urged to bring their newspapers to the Fair Grounds. People in St. Johns may set the tied newspapers out with their glass. 4-H plans to hold newspaper drives in February, June and October so people will know they can dispose of their newspapers without burning or going to the land fill. The price of newspapers for insulation makes it a profitable fund raiser as well as doing a community service.

Plans are being made for the Annual Roadside Clean-up Project Saturday, April 30. Any youth groups are welcome to join 4-H clubs on this project. Youth groups should contact the County Extension Office for more information on this roadside beautification project.

Roller Skating Activity
A total of 168 4-H members, leaders and guests participated in 4-H roller skating Thursday, Jan. 20, at Ranch Roller Rink in St. Johns. The next 4-H roller skating activity will be Thursday, Feb. 17. Clubs wishing to go roller skating are urged to contact the County Extension Office for reservations.

Leader Training Session
Clinton County 4-H dairy, livestock and poultry leaders are invited to attend a leader training ses-

sion on Thursday, Feb. 24 at the Ramada Inn in Saginaw. The program includes what's happening in the animal science youth programs showing 1977 highlights with Sam Varghese, Dick Dunn and Kathy Lee. The afternoon program will break up into interest areas of dairy, livestock, and poultry and rabbits. Reservations are needed by February 14th. If leaders will contact the County Extension Office, we can work out some rides.

Kathy Green Heads Horse Leaders

The 4-H horse leaders have re-elected Kathy Green - Blazing Britches as chairman of the horse leaders group for 1977 and Kathy Feldpausch - Boots and Buckles as secretary for the group. The horse leaders set the following dates for shows: May 21 - County 4-H and Youth Show; June 26 - C.M.H.A. Show and August 27 - C.M.H.A. Show. They also plan to have a parent-leader fun horse show in September again as well as a horse clinic in early summer. The group discussed expanding the Fair Show arena area, adding additional bleachers and installing lighting in the judges stand. Interest in the 4-H horse project is at an all time high in the County. The next 4-H horse leaders meeting will be Tuesday, Feb. 15, 7:30 p.m. at Central National Bank in St. Johns.

Congratulations, Lisa

Our congratulations go to Lisa Hicks, of St. Johns who was selected to participate in the State 4-H TEAM program. The group will be holding their first state-wide workshop January 28-30, University Inn in East Lansing. The TEAM program stands for Teen, Enrichment and Maturity Program. There were 29 outstanding 4-Hers selected from throughout the state to participate in this program.

Jim's Column

If I were president

Jim Pelham,
County Extension director



Everyone it seems has recommendations for how the President of the U.S.A. could do a better job! Generally, the less people are informed, the more recommendations they have. Those who don't even bother to read the newspapers have all the answers -- or at least they are convinced they have the answers and after all -- their friends are usually in agreement with them because they didn't let the facts confuse them either! Unfortunately, I don't share their "wisdom" in most respects. I find I have my hands full in carrying out the responsibility of my job and as important as it seems to me, I am sure no one would place it in the same classification as President!

But the holidays have

me feeling quite wise and I have a recommendation for the President! In the way of explanation, I am not a Conservation radical -- I think our natural resources were made a part have of this earth with the intent we should use them. At the same time, I don't think we should go through them like there was no tomorrow. Specifically, I am convinced a shortage of fossil fuels is soon going to change our whole way of life and I don't think many of us are going to appreciate the change.

To do our patriotic duty in conserving fuel at our house, not to mention beneficial side effects to the pocket book, we have turned down the thermostats, wear heavier clothes around the house, added insulation to the ceiling and to basement walls, eliminated air leaks, turned lights off every time we left a room and have reduced travel by ten to fifteen percent. All of these practices enable us to reduce fuel consumption by

perhaps ten or twelve percent.

But did you see the CBS program "Sixty Minutes" on Sunday, December 26? A gentleman in Mississippi several years ago invented a device capable of reducing fuel consumption of every home furnace in the country by more than twenty-three percent! The only other change in America that could possibly equal that would be to suddenly stop using large cars and place everyone in a compact.

Why isn't it available on the market? Because the governmental agency which sets safety standards hasn't gotten around to doing their job yet. According to "Sixty Minutes", the agency meets only about once a year. Is there evidence that it is unsafe? Quite to the contrary, they have been tested by a number of reliable agencies. According to the report, a number of them were placed in southeastern Michigan homes and were observed by Michigan Consolidated Gas Company. All reports

support safety claims and indicate they represent the greatest potential savings of fuel of any device known.

Meanwhile, the weeds and vines grow over the old barn the Mississippi inventor used as a factory. The inventor says he invested fifty thousand dollars plus his free time and labor.

Mr. President -- I would check this one out! If the claims made in the "Sixty Minutes" program are true, I would give my undivided attention to one governmental agency! The results wouldn't be in line with your policy of reducing unemployment, but there could be no better start in developing an effective national energy policy.

Sheriff's Dept. deputy addresses senior citizens

The Maple Rapids Senior Citizens met at the village hall for a potluck dinner Jan. 13 at noon.

The brief business meeting conducted by chairman Nina Freed, who turned the meeting to program chairman, Gail Foerch. She introduced Larry Ruby of the County Sheriff's Dept., who gave a talk and movie on "Senior Power."

Programs planned announced by Foerch are: Feb. 10 -- Mr. and Mrs.

Almond Cressman will continue their travel experience to Pakistan.

March 10, Albert Fruchtl, who is currently in Japan and other Far East countries, will give a report of his experiences.

These Programs and dinners are free to any Senior Citizens and it is hoped that more people will take an interest in these meetings. Those who need transportation in the Maple Rapids area should call 682-4172.

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SPORTS

Marauders topple Redwings

By Harold Schmalz
Sports Editor

OVID-ELSIE -- Fruits of victory for Coach Bob Foreback's Ovid-Elsie Marauders were short-lived as they downed St. Johns Friday, but took it on the chin Saturday from the Swan Valley Vikings, 71-54.

In Friday night action with St. Johns, strong outside shooting from Brian Byrnes and Ed Kaminski in the 2nd half enabled the Marauders to outlast the Redwings, 73-70.

Both Byrnes and Kaminski shared scoring honors for O-E with 17 points apiece. Tim Doyen followed close behind, in perhaps the most aggressive game he's played all season, with 15 points.

All 8 aces of Ovid-Elsie were overshadowed in their individual performances however by Dave Martis of St. Johns who worked the inside consistently throughout the game to net the game high of 29 points. Following him was Mark White with 13 and Jerry Bashore with 12.

O-E defensive tactics held Mark Geller down from his usual point output to a mere 5 while Wayne Dedyne suffered a similar drought, getting only 4. Randy Pertler added 6 to the Redwing effort while Jeff Cox added 3.

The game, which was a see-saw affair all the way through, was a crowd pleaser with the lead switching

back and forth between the teams through all 4 periods of play.

Ovid-Elsie held a close one-point advantage at the end of the opening frame, 17-16 but St. Johns stormed back to tie the game at halftime, 36-all. Both teams scored 18 in the 3rd quarter with pressure mounting with every play to enter the final period deadlocked 54-all.

Martis and his inside

shooting kept the Redwing hopes alive until the Marauder defense found the key to stop him. Fouls took



their toll on the Redwings as charity tosses proved the difference in the

called against them while O-E had only 10.

The Marauders improved its MMB standings to 3-4 on merits of its Redwing victory but fell to 3-5 after Saturday night's loss to Swan Valley. Meanwhile, St. Johns played Bullock Creek Saturday

night and avenged their O-E loss by mopping up on the Lancers, 76-53 to improve their league record to 5-3.

In Friday night's jayvee action, it was the Redwings continuing their winning ways downing O-E, 77-56.

Poor shooting victimizes O-E

SAGINAW -- Saturday night's game between the Swan Valley Vikings and the Ovid-Elsie Marauders saw a crew who had just the night before upset favored St. Johns, 73-70. The physical energy required to perform that feat apparently took its toll as Coach Bob Foreback's Marauders dropped a one-sided 71-54 decision to their hosts.

Foreback said, "We were just flat. We didn't shoot well at all."

The percentages spoke for themselves as Ovid-Elsie shot a poor 36 percent from the floor while the Vikings were tearing up the court with 52 percent.

Leading the team effort, but down from his usual

output was Brian Byrnes with 10 points. Following him were 2 Marauders also down from their usual production. Ed Kaminski, Tim Doyen were each held to only 8 points each while teammate Richard Betz added 8. Getting 4 points each were Ken Kellogg, Doug Sturgis and Wayne Swender. Kellogg's 4 was down from his usual output as was the 2 points scored by Brett Welton.

The Marauders will attempt to get it all together Friday night when they'll face the hapless Corunna Cavaliers who have just 1 conference win to their credit. Meanwhile, O-E managed to level their MMB record off at 3-5, good enough for a tie for 4th place in the league with Bullock Creek.

Redwings get back on victory trail

MIDLAND -- The St. Johns Redwings rebounded with a victory Saturday night after their surprise upset loss to Ovid-Elsie Friday night. Their victim was MMB foe Bullock Creek who fell 76-53 before the relentless scoring attack of 27 points by the Redwings in opening first period action.

Pacing the Redwing effort once again was Dave Martis who zipped the nets for 12 of the first period's 27 points and hit for a total of 22. Backing Martis with another display of scoring punch was Mark Geller who tallied 17 big points. Delivering another consistent performance of 13 points was Mark White followed by 6 points from Jerry Bashore.

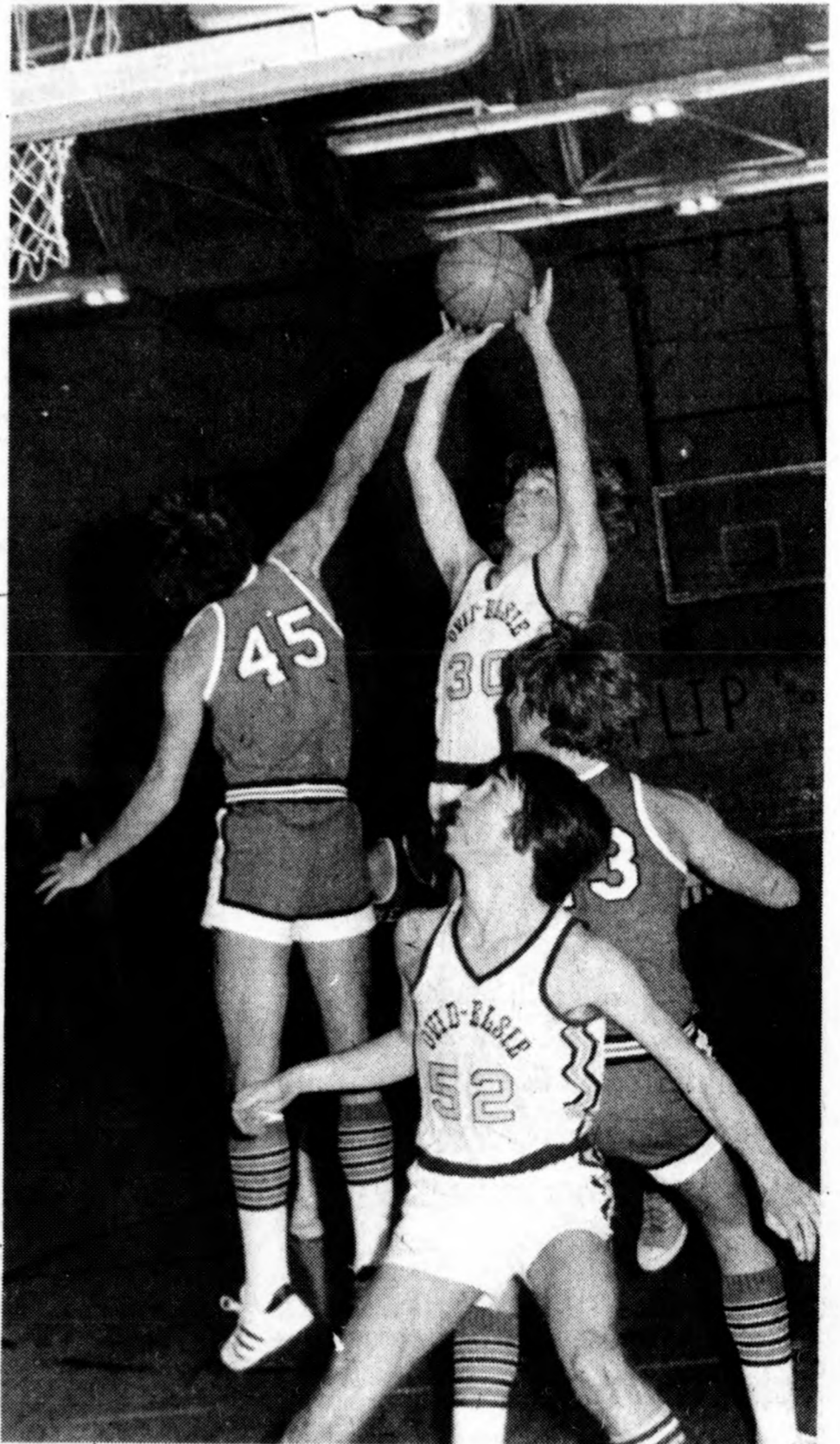
After getting off to their red-hot start in the opening frame, the Redwings cooled off somewhat in 2nd period of play with only 12 to Bullock Creek's 18, but 3rd quarter action saw the fire get lit again for the "birds" with 20 and another 17 in the final stanza. Meanwhile the Lancers were only getting 12 and 11.

The Redwings held the Lancer's big man Rick Johnson to 18.

Earlier game action in the jayvee event saw the

Redwings topple the Lancers, 68-48.

St. Johns will hope to keep their win streak alive this Friday when they'll be hosting Hemlock.



Ovid-Elsie's Ken Kellogg launches one of his two points of the night against the St. Johns Redwings as Redwing Dave Martis [45] attempts to block the shot. Others in on the scene are [52] Brett Welton of O-E and behind him, Jerry Bashore of St. Johns. Ovid-Elsie managed to outlast the Redwings and went on to win 73-70 in a hard-fought contest.



O-E's Tim Doyen represents an obstacle here to St. Johns' Mark White in Friday night's action in which the Redwings were surprised by the Marauders, 73-70. The game which was tied at halftime and also at the beginning of the final quarter gave the spectators all the action they came to see.

MID-MICHIGAN-B BASKETBALL STANDINGS

	W	L
Swan Valley	8	0
Alma	6	1
St. Johns	5	3
Ovid-Elsie	3	5
Bullock Creek	3	5
Chesaning	2	5
Hemlock	2	5
Corunna	1	6

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teams. St. Johns had one more field goal than O-E in the final stats but scored less free throws, getting only 4 of 10 attempts while the Marauders sank 9 of 23 opportunities. St. Johns had a total of 21 fouls

St. Johns 8th grade records 2 wins

In late reported action Monday night, the 8th grade recorded double victories over Corunna with the A team outclassing their rivals 63-31 while the B team sailed along with an easy 42-27 win over their opponents.

The next action for Coach Humphrey's crew will take place Thursday night when the teams will be traveling to Ionia to take on the fearless Bulldogs.

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St. Johns' Dave Marti (45) shows some of the form that allowed him to score 29 big points against the Ovid-Elsie Marauders Friday night in a losing venture, 73-70 at O-E High School. Attempting to block the shot for O-E are (30) Ken Kellogg and (54) Ed Kaminski. In the foreground in waiting for a possible rebound is Brett Welton (52).

Okemos edges DeWitt

OKEMOS -- The Okemos Chieftains edged the aggressive DeWitt Panthers Friday night 67-64 in Capital Circuit action.

The Panthers suffered a poor 3rd shooting quarter after leading at halftime 39-30, to fall to their sixth league loss to 2 victories. Okemos meanwhile continued their winning ways to maintain their top post in the league with a perfect 8-0 record.

In the ill-fated 3rd period for the Panthers, the Chiefs scored 14 straight points to baffle the DeWitt squad. Okemos piled up 21 big ones to DeWitt's mediocre output of 6.

DeWitt came back again in the final quarter to outperform their hosts, 19-16 but the famine in the 3rd sealed their doom.

Marty DeBow continued his fine performances, leading all scorers with 24 points for DeWitt. Following close behind was Dave Wilson with 18. Dave Strouse was held to a stingy 2 points while other Panthers suffered like fates. Teammate Dale Challiss however did manage 8 to aid the cause, along with a 6-point effort by Greg Mallard. Mark Willson was down from his recent point productions, held to a lone basket for 2 points.

Okemos had 3 players in

double figures. In the jayvee action of the night, Okemos downed DeWitt handily, 72-49.

CAPITAL CIRCUIT BASKETBALL STANDINGS

Team	W	L
Okemos	8	0
Charlotte	6	2
Catholic Central	6	2
Howell	5	2
Haslett	2	6
DeWitt	2	6
Eaton Rapids	2	6
Mason	0	7

The DeWitt Panthers ran head-on into state-ranked number 5 Class C Williamston last Tuesday night and in spite of an early first quarter lead finally weakened to the strong board work of the Williamston team to lose, 65-58.

DeWitt started out strong taking a 12-4 lead but Williamston retaliated by tying it up 12-all with a couple of minutes to play in the frame.

Second period action

saw Williamston take a 3-point advantage to add to their earlier 5-point spread gained in the opening frame.

Then in the 3rd frame, DeWitt shot forward with an outburst of 18 points to Williamston's 14, however, Williamston defenses cooled off the Panthers in the final frame to 13 points while their own offense was gathering in 16 points.

Marty DeBow continued his fine outside shooting, collecting 23 points, 14 of them in the first half. Dave Wilson, usual high point scorer for the Panthers, was held to a mere 8 points while Mark Willson added 6 more.

DeWitt outhit the Hornets from the floor, connecting on 28 buckets to Williamston's 25, however, the big difference in the teams came from the charity line where the Hornets hit 15 of 24 to DeWitt's 2 of 4 attempts.

In jayvee action, it was DeWitt downing Williamston, 55-43.



Swimmers improve

Redwing tankers defeat DeWitt

ST. JOHNS -- The swimming Redwings of coach Jim Makarauskas gained a victory over DeWitt High School Thursday night, 97-88.

Commenting after the win, Coach Makarauskas said, "Our superior team depth won the meet. About 65 percent of the scoring was in the 2nd and 3rd place finishes."

He continued, "Despite winning only 4 events, we outscored DeWitt in 9 of the events. We have a young team that is maturing considerably at every meet. All the guys are bringing their times down."

First place winners were Tim Grost in the 100 backstroke in a time

1:04.6; Eugene Pierce in the 200 freestyle in a time of 0:57.2; the medley relay team of Tim Grost, Rod Lounds, Keith Parsons and Alan Nelson in the 200 event in a time of 1:56.5 and diver Mark Grost with a score of 221.4.

Improving their times were Eugene Pierce in the 200 IM, Ron Moon in the 200 freestyle, Alan Nelson in the 50 freestyle; Dan Barker in the 200 freestyle, Mike Smith in the 500 freestyle and Keith Parsons in the 100 breaststroke.

The Redwing tankers take on Swan Valley tomorrow night, Thursday, in an away encounter.

Redwing gymnasts win over Flint

FLINT -- The St. Johns boys gymnastic team recorded their 4th consecutive victory of the season Saturday with an astounding win over Flint-Carman, 101.64 - 63.05.

Adding to the victory was the achievement of the team's first qualifying score of 101. This score must be equalled or bettered twice in the dual meet season for the team to enter state competition, according to coach John Furry.

Four new events records

were established in Saturday's meet. They were: Pommel Horse, Todd Furry, 5.9; Still Rings, Bart Acino, 7.0; Parallel Bars, Bart Acino, 6.45 and All-Around Score, Bart Acino, 30.70.

Other outstanding performances according to coach Furry were given by Bob LaBrie and Kurt Stork on the High Bars; Todd Baribeau and Dan Halstead on Floor Exercise and Eric Brockmyre on Parallel Bars.

Event scoring went as

follows:

Floor Exercise: 1st, Bart Acino; 2nd, Todd Baribeau; 3rd Dan Halstead.

Pommel Horse: 1st, Todd Furry; 2nd, Jack Sustic, (F-C); 3rd, Tim Estes.

High Bar: 1st, Bart Acino; 2nd, Bob LaBrie; 3rd, Kurt Stork.

Trampoline: 1st, Bart Acino; 2nd, Lance Gardner; 3rd Rick Crimmett, (F-C).

Parallel Bars: 1st Bart Acino; 2nd, Eric Brockmyre and Darryl Smith (F-C); 3rd.

Rings: 1st, Bart Acino; 2nd, Darryl Smith (F-C) and 3rd, Jeff Rice.

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 St. Johns hosts Hemlock
 P-W hosts Fowler
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Jan. 29 games
 DeWitt at Mason

WRESTLING

Jan. 27 meets
 St. Johns hosts Ovid-Elsie
 DeWitt at Eaton Rapids
 P-W at Fulton

BOYS SWIMMING

Jan. 27 meets
 St. Johns at Swan Valley
 DeWitt hosts Albion

Feb. 3 meets
 Ovid-Elsie hosts
 Essexville-Garber

GYMNASTICS

Jan. 28
 St. Johns girls at
 Mt. Pleasant

Jan. 29
 St. Johns boys hosts
 Hillsdale

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Jan. 26
 St. Johns at Hemlock
 Ovid-Elsie at Corunna
 DeWitt hosts Mason

Jan. 27
 Bath hosts Lansing Cath.

Jan. 31
 Bath at Haslett
 Ovid-Elsie hosts
 Bullock Creek

7th AND 8th GRADE BOYS BASKETBALL

Jan. 27 games
 St. Johns 7th grade
 hosts Ionia
 St. Johns 8th grade
 at Ionia

Jan. 31 games
 St. Johns 7th grade
 at Mt. Pleasant
 St. Johns 8th grade hosts
 Mt. Pleasant

Girls gymnasts win again

ST. JOHNS -- Remaining unbeaten in their fourth contest of the season, the Redwing girls gymnastics team, under director of Sue Cerny, downed the Mason Bulldogs last Wednesday night, 84.2-42.1.

Denise Cerny posted top scores in all five events. Cerny is now qualified for regional competition in balance beam.

The individual scoring was as follows:

Event	Score
Denise Cerny	7.4
Michelle Rehmann	7.2
Kathy Pifer	7.2
BALANCE BEAM	
Denise Cerny	6.95
Lois Purchase	4.0
Kathy Pifer	3.8
TUMBLING	
Denise Cerny	6.15
Lois Purchase	6.1
Kathy Pifer	4.95
UNEVEN BARS	
Denise Cerny	5.6
Lori Lashaway	5.0
Rhonda Davis	4.0
FLOOR EXERCISE	
Denise Cerny	6.7
Lois Purchase	5.8
Kathy Pifer	5.35

NOTICE

Regular 1977 Clinton County Planning Commission Meetings

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

January 12	July 13
February 16	August 10
March 9	September 14
April 13	October 12
May 11	November 9
June 8	December 14

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Roman Koenigskecht
 Chairman, Planning Commission

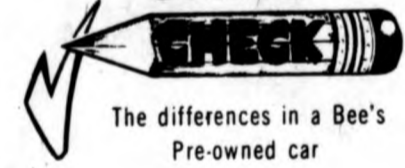


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1973 Malibu, 2-door, 8 cylinder, automatic, power steering, radio.

1974 Chevrolet Impala, 4 door, 8 cylinder, automatic, power steering, power brakes, radio.

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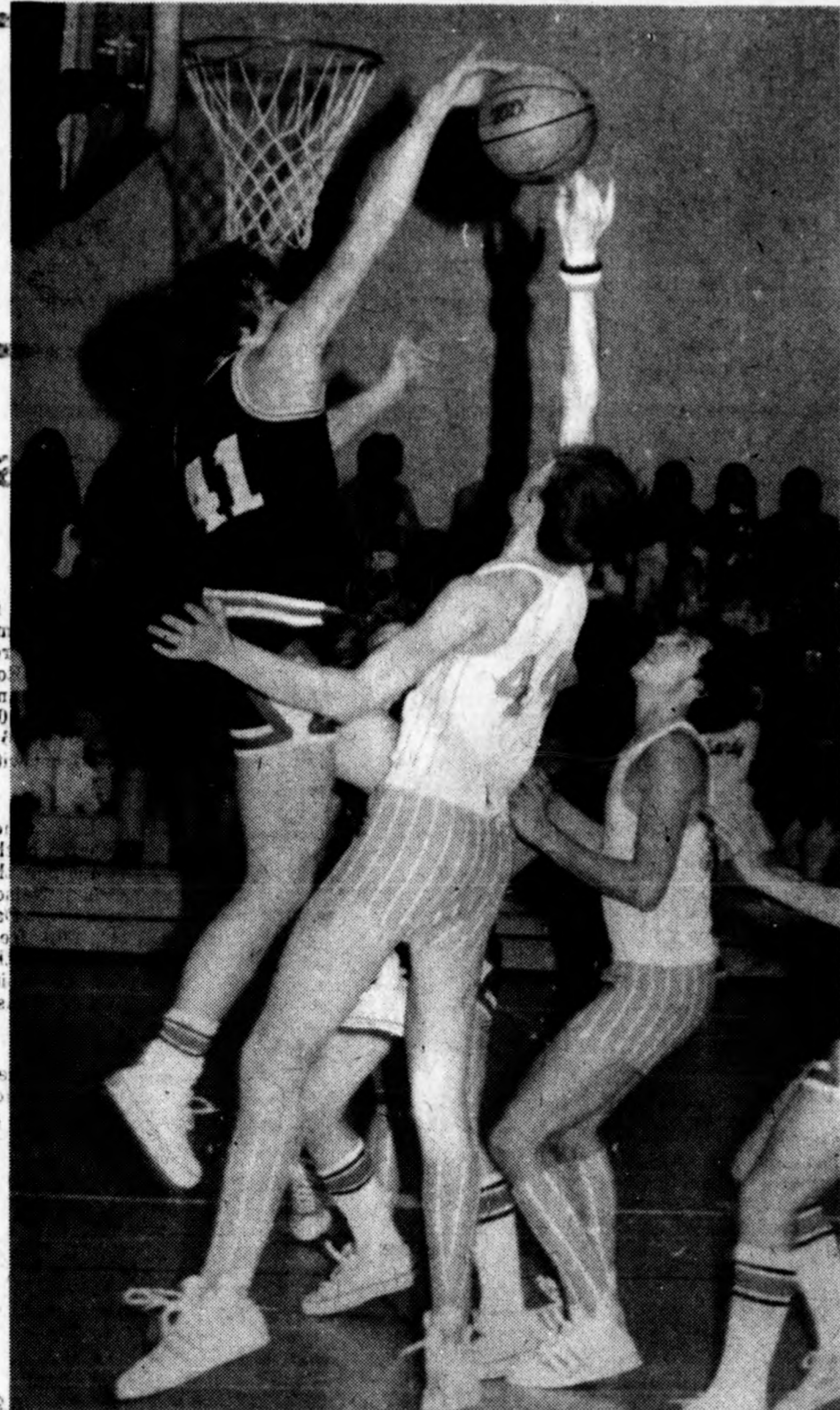
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A Dansville Aggie successfully blocks a shot put up by Bath's Bruce Swart [44] in Friday night's action at Bath High School in which the Bees downed Dansville, 69-60. Swart led the Bees in scoring with 17 points plus a masterful job of rebounding resulted in 20 grabs for his night's work. Photo courtesy of James Bunker.

Bees topple Dansville 69-60

BATH - The Bath Bees, behind the 2nd half performance of Mark Phillips, beat back the challenge of Dansville Friday night to outlast their guests, 69-60. Bath got off to a fast start with opening quarters of 15 and 23 points while Dansville was stumbling around getting only 8 points for each of their two periods.

It appeared to be a walkaway victory for Bath at halftime with the Bees leading 38-16 but the Aggies had other ideas when the 3rd quarter of play opened. Putting an 18-point 3rd quarter together plus a 26-point attack in

the final frame, Bath was up against the ropes with their cooler 3rd quarter output of 16, but managed to come back in their final frame with 15 to keep the Aggies at bay.

Bath improved its standing in the ICL to 5-2 while Dansville slipped further down, 2-5.

Bruce Swart and Phillips continued their fine performances with 17 and 16 point outputs followed by teammates Dave Green with 12 and Tim Hawks with 10.

In jayvee action, the Aggies edged the Bees in a low-scoring contest, 38-35. In last Tuesday night's

action, the Bees downed Haslett 68-62. Led by Dave Green's hot shot second half shooting, the Bees were down at halftime, 29-25 but 21 points scored personally by Green put the non-league victory away for Coach Dick Witt's squad.

Green led all scorers with a game total of 29 points.

Haslett cooled off in the 3rd frame with only 9 points but surged back in the final frame with 24 to top the 22 scored by Bath. However, in spite of Haslett's comeback highlighted with ball thefts, Green managed to hit 5

straight free throws for Bath to overthrow the uprising.

Also contributing to the scoring cause for the Bees were Bruce Swart and Tim Hawks with 11 and 10 points, respectively. Adding 8 to the Bees' effort was Mark Phillips.

INGHAM COUNTY LEAGUE BASKETBALL STANDINGS

Team	W	L
Williamston	7	0
Stockbridge	6	1
Bath	5	2
Fowlerville	3	4
Pinckney	2	5
Dansville	2	5
Perry	2	5
Leslie	1	6

Seventh graders post 3rd victory

ST. JOHNS - Coach Roger DePaep's 7th grade teams, both A and B teams, were victorious over their DeWitt rivals last Thursday night collecting their 3rd consecutive victories.

Score of the B game was 21-18 while the A team outlasted their opponents in another barnburner, 47-42.

The 5-point winning margin of the A game was not truly indicative of how exciting the game really was as St. Johns held a seemingly comfortable 5-point lead with about a minute and a half to play when DeWitt closed the gap within two.

Heads-up play by the St. Johns team controlled the situation and through good rebounding strength and a timely layup and free throw managed to down the DeWitt challenge.

Prior victories for the 7th graders were at the cost of Alma and Mt. Pleasant who both came into the confrontations undefeated. DeWitt likewise sported a 3-0 record coming into town.

In late reported action Monday night, the 7th grade extended their winning streaks by dumping Corunna in two games. The A team powered over their opponents 67-16 while the B team crushed their foes 43-25.

The next event for the 7th grade will occur Thursday night when they'll be hosting always dangerous Ionia.

DeWitt girls continue winning streak

By Harold Schmaltz
Sports Editor

DEWITT - DeWitt High School's volleyball team under direction of Tom

St. Johns 8th graders split doubleheader in DeWitt

DEWITT - The 8th grade basketball team of Coach Mike Humphrey split a doubleheader with DeWitt Thursday night with the A team grabbing a 48-41 victory and the B team dropping their contest, 35-26.

This action followed double victories last week at the expense of the Mt. Pleasant A and B teams in which the 8th graders were victorious, 58-48 and 30-24.

In Monday action a week ago, both A and B teams collected victories over Alma, 63-31 and 45-14.

Mazzolini leads Chips

ANN ARBOR - The Central Michigan University Chippewas women's basketball team led by St. Johns' own Gina Mazzolini with 12 points fell to the University of Michigan, 60-58, in a game that took place last week.

The Chips had a 33-19 halftime lead going for them but faltered to the Wolverine's pressure in the 2nd half of play.

CMU's season record now stands at 3-3 while U-M's record is 2-3.

Mauro got their season off on a positive note with an opening victory over Harry Hill, then followed with dual wins over Bath and, most recently, Okemos.

In the Bath encounter last week, the Panthers handled the Bees easily, 15-2 and 15-3 behind the high scoring serves of Kay Carroll and the good spiking by Connie Shaw.

Mauro also praised the passes and sets by Cindy White and Bonnie Shaw.

In last Wednesday night's game, the Panthers outclassed Capitol Circuit rival Okemos 15-3 and 15-9. Kay Carroll and Cindy White scored on serves

followed by Hope Woodruff who led the team in spiking. Bonnie Shaw gained honors in sets.

Carrying a 3-0 record, the Panthers next opponent after Williamston will be tonight with Mason, another Capitol Circuit foe.

The Panthers volleyball team which is entering its third year of competition, has high hopes and goals, according to Coach Mauro.

He said many of the girls on the team have experienced only 4 losses in their first two years of play. As jayvee members, he said they fashioned a 9-1 record, losing only to E. Lansing High. Last year as

CLINTON AREA SPORTS



first year varsity members, they achieved a record of 13-3.

Returning to the varsity this year from last year's CMAC championship team is Kay Carroll, all-league selection. Also returning are Cindy White, Laurie Svendsen, the team's best setter, and sisters, Bonnie and Connie Shaw.

Players who show much improvement are Hope

Woodruff, Nancy Garland, Janet Sellhorn, Sherri Lusty and Belinda Gantz. Newcomers to the team are Sherri Lotre, Beth Willard and Cindy Nettleton.

DeWitt hopes to improve their record over Capitol Circuit teams from last year (6-1). They also hope to improve their over-all 13-3 slate and are excited about playing in the State Tournament which is scheduled for March 18-19.



Appearing with their coach, Tom Mauro, are this year's varsity volleyball squad of DeWitt High School. The Panthers who sport a 3-0 record picked up a win last Wednesday night over Okemos, 15-3 and 15-9. [back row l.r.] Coach Mauro, Nancy Garland, Cindy Nettleton, Cindy White, Kay Carroll, Sherri Lusty, Sherri Lotre and Janet Sellhorn. [front l.r.] Connie Shaw, Hope Woodruff, Beth Willard, Laurie Svendsen, Belinda Gantz and Bonnie Shaw.

CLINTON SCOREBOARD

BASKETBALL

St. Johns 76	Williamston 65	Haslett 62	Fulton-Middleton 77	St. Johns 70	P-W 58
Bullock Creek 53	DeWitt 58	Bath 68	Fowler 72	Ovid-Elsie 73	Olivet 57

Ovid-Elsie 54	Okemos 67	P-W 83	Fowler 77	Bath 69
Swan Valley 71	DeWitt 64	Webberville 62	Bellevue 51	Dansville 60

JAYVEE BASKETBALL

St. Johns 68	Williamston 43	Haslett 71	Fulton-Middleton 96	St. Johns 77
Bullock Creek 48	DeWitt 55	Bath 70	Fowler 44	Ovid-Elsie 56
Okemos 72	P-W 61	Fowler 60	Bath 35	P-W 71
DeWitt 49	Webberville 51	Bellevue 40	Dansville 38	Olivet 54

WRESTLING

Haslett 36	Ovid-Elsie 39	Ovid-Elsie 26	Ovid-Elsie 45
Ovid-Elsie 17	Fenton 27	Mt. Pleasant 29	Chippewa Hills 22

DeWitt Invitational Tournament

Mason 152.2	DeWitt 127	Corunna 104.5	Flint Carman 100
Howell 87	Harry Hill 80	Highland Park 79	Farwell 32

SWIMMING

Sea Lions 546	St. Johns 97	Eaton Rapids 103	Mason 97
Ann Arbor YMCA 458	DeWitt 68	Ovid-Elsie 72	St. Johns 75

GYMNASTICS

St. Johns girls 84.2	St. Johns boys 101.64
Mason 42.1	Flint Carman 63.05

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

St. Johns 15-15	DeWitt 15-15
Bullock Creek 1-1	Okemos 3-9

7th GRADE BASKETBALL

St. Johns [A team] 47	St. Johns [A team] 67
DeWitt 42	Corunna 16
St. Johns [B team] 21	St. Johns [B team] 43
DeWitt 18	Corunna 25

8th GRADE BASKETBALL

St. Johns [A team] 48	St. Johns [A team] 63
DeWitt 41	Corunna 31
St. Johns [B team] 26	St. Johns [B team] 42
DeWitt 35	Corunna 27

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Fowler breezes 77-51

Four Eagles hit in double figures

FOWLER -- The Fowler Eagles exploded for 24 big points in the opening period of action Friday night against the Bellevue Broncos on their way to an easy 77-51 win.

Eagles Don Schrauben, Steve Simon, Jim Theis and Brian Halfman teamed together to deliver individual performances of 17, 16, 13 and 10, respectively. Schrauben and Theis led the attack in the first quarter giving the Eagles a 24-12 advantage.

Following with 20-point productions in the 2nd and 3rd periods, the Eagles completely buried the Broncos, leading 64-37 at the end of the 3rd.

The Broncos did however outscore the Eagles substitutes in the final frame, 14-13.

Hot shooting and board control for the Eagles com-

pletely outclassed the hapless Broncos who at 0-8 in the CMAC are still looking for their first season win.

Fowler, meanwhile, improved its league standing to 5-4 while Fulton-Middleton leads the pack with an impressive 8-1 mark. P-W, with their Friday night win over Webberville, holds 2nd place with a 6-3 slate. Following the Pirates are Pottsville and Laingsburg with identical 5-3 records.

CMAC BASKETBALL STANDINGS

Team	W	L
Fulton	8	1
P-W	6	3
Pottsville	5	3
Laingsburg	5	3
Fowler	5	4
Portland St. Patricks	4	4
Olivet	2	6
Webberville	2	6
Bellevue	0	8

In last Tuesday night action at Middleton, the Pirates of Fulton High School downed the Eagles, 77-72 behind the 26-point shooting of Randy Troub and his 26 personal rebounds.

The loss for Fowler which was a CMAC encounter elevated the Pi-

rates to a stronger first place hold in the league.

Missing the usual high scoring performance of Don Schrauben, the Eagles were led in scoring by Greg Johnson, Jim Theis, and Steve Simon who had 17, 16 and 14 points, respectively. Schrauben usually

froze the ball till 7 seconds remained and scored a layup to seal the apparent victory but Kohagen changed all that with his magical shot.

Leading the Pirates efforts were Rademacher and Belen with 16 and 15 points, respectively, followed by 10 points each by Kohagen and Steve Miller. Rounding out the Pirate scoring were Stan Thelen with 5 counters and Duane Weber with 2.

Top scorer for Olivet was Leif Sigren with 20. In the jayvee action of the night's program, P-W creamed their opponents 71-54.

Belen sinks 42 in P-W onslaught

WEBBERVILLE -- Pe-wamo-Westphalia's Dave Belen hit his all-time scoring high Friday night in leading the Pirates to a devastating 83-62 CMAC win over Webberville. Belen, who has been averaging about 21 points a game, broke loose to lead his team to a 38-22 half-time lead.

Webberville fought back in the second half with back-to-back quarters of 17 and 23 points, but P-W continued to blister the nets with outputs of 20 and 25 themselves to keep their victory margin.

Belen was joined in double figures by teammates Lonnie Rademacher with 14 and Stan Thelen with 12.

Webberville's Ron Van Sickler led his team with 18 points.

The Pirates improved their CMAC record to 6-3 in the league while Webberville suffered their 6th league loss to stand at 2-6 in conference play.

The Pirates had hot hands from the field, connecting on 36 of 71 shots for 51 percent with Belen connecting for 19 of 29 attempts to compile a re-

markable 65 percent from the floor.

In earlier action, the Pirate jayvees downed their opponents, 61-51.

Coach Joe Ghiardi's Pirates relished a close victory last Tuesday night over CMAC foe Olivet, 58-57 as Dean Kohagen hit a last second desperation shot from mid-court.

The Pirates, down 6 points with still 4 minutes to play, rallied behind a couple charity tosses by Kohagen and baskets by Dave Belen and Lonnie Rademacher to tie the game 55-55. Then Kohagen hit one of a 1-1 situation to give his team a 56-55 lead with 48 seconds left. Olivet then

froze the ball till 7 seconds remained and scored a layup to seal the apparent victory but Kohagen changed all that with his magical shot.

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Sea Lions record seventh victory

ANN ARBOR -- The St. Johns Sea Lions, local independent swimming club, swam to their 7th consecutive victory Saturday at Ann Arbor Huron High School by downing Ann Arbor YMCA-B team 546-

458. This Saturday, Jan. 29, the Sea Lions will be hosting Flint in a home meet at 9:30 a.m.

CURRENT ISSUE

The new income tax schedules are grim reminders that you can't take it with you.

An economic expert is a guy who knows exactly what he'd do with his money, if he had some.

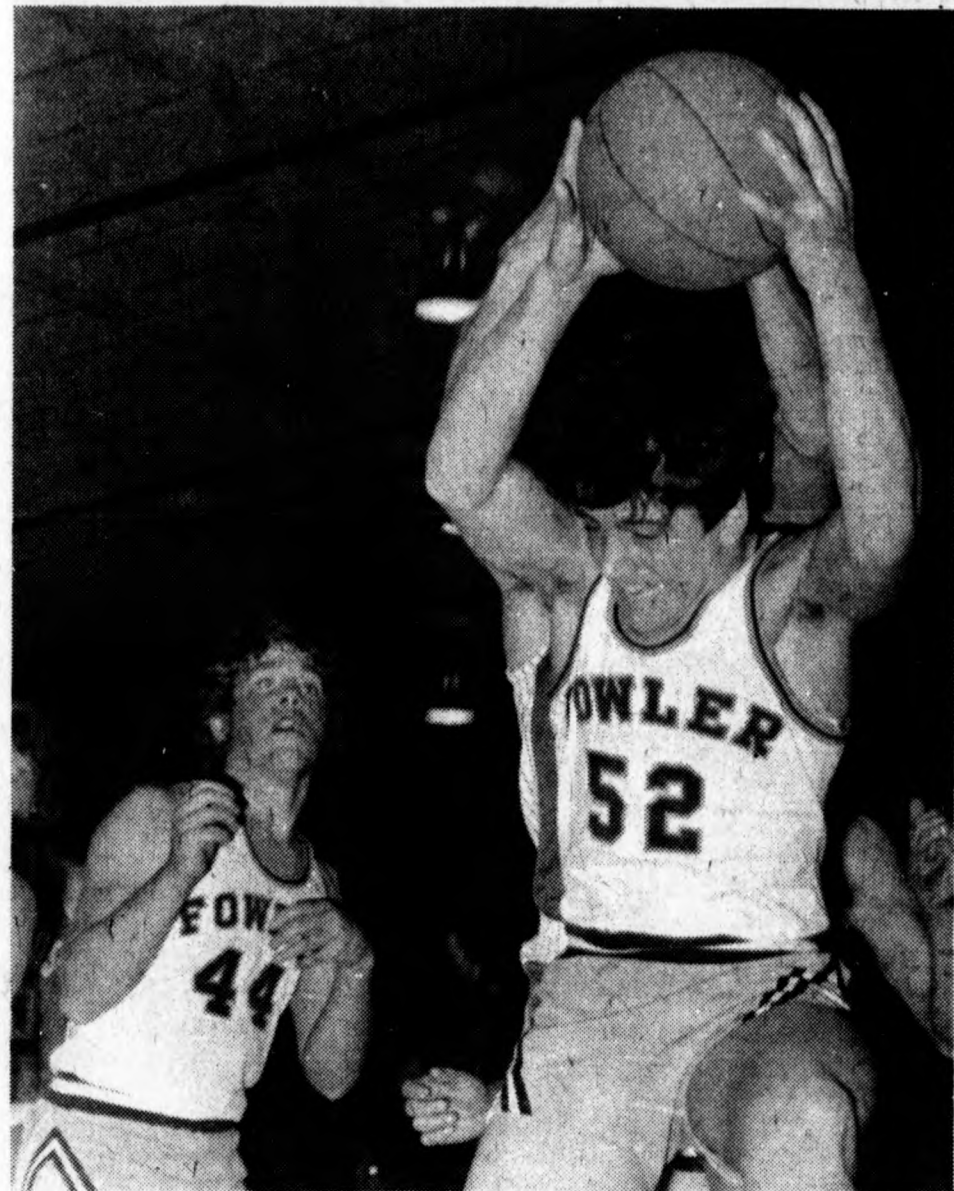
WALLEYE AND SAUGER SIZE LIMIT

The Natural Resources Commission, at its meeting on July 9, 1976, under authority of Act 230, P.A. 1925, as amended, renewed for a period of three years beginning January 1, 1977, their order of August 15, 1975, which increased the walleye and sauger size limit to 15 inches. This regulation applies to all waters, including the Great Lakes and connecting waters, except Lake Gogebic, Lake Erie, Lake St. Clair and the Detroit and St. Clair rivers, and the Muskegon River from M-20 in Big Rapids to Croton Dam.

NOTICE

Because of various snowmobile complaints and of parked cars hampering removal of snow by Village Street Dept., the snowmobile and parked car ordinances will be enforced.

OVID VILLAGE COUNCIL



Ball control is a must in basketball. Neil Thelen [52] exercises his responsibility to the team by fighting for a rebound from resisting Broncos. Fowler downed the winless Bellevue team in a one-sided affair, 77-51. Teammate Tony Schafer [44] eyes the action for Fowler.

Ordinance No. 283

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE V, ZONING AND PLANNING, CHAPTER 51, KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ST. JOHNS.

THE CITY OF ST. JOHNS ORDAINS:

That the Zoning Ordinance of the City of St. Johns, and the Zoning Map of the City of St. Johns forming a part thereof, shall be amended in the following respects:

Section 1. That the premises hereinafter described shall be rezoned from its present R-3, Multi-Family Residential to MC, Municipal Center.

Section 2. That the description of the affected zoning reclassification is as follows:

Lots 10 and 11, except the South 45 feet thereof, Block 16, the Original Plat of the City of St. Johns.

Section 3. The City Commission has predicated this rezoning action upon recommendation of the St. Johns Planning Commission, as a result of the Planning Commission's Meeting of December 2, 1976.

Section 4. Except as herein provided, the Zoning Ordinance of the City of St. Johns Code shall stand as first enacted or otherwise amended.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after its passage.

PASSED, ORDAINED AND ORDERED PUBLISHED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF ST. JOHNS AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD THE 24th DAY OF JANUARY, A.D., 1977.

Adoption of the ordinance was moved by Commissioner Wilcox and supported by Commissioner Roesner.

Yeas: Commissioners Wilcox, Roesner, Ebert and Archart.

Nays: None.

THE ORDINANCE WAS DECLARED ADOPTED.

F. Bruce Wood, City Clerk

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Clinton County leaders attend Hawaii meeting

A delegation of nearly 600 Michigan farmers attended the recent American Farm Bureau Federation annual convention in Honolulu, Hawaii, January 9-12.

Representing Clinton County Farm Bureau at the national meeting were: Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kissane, and Mr. and Mrs. Fran Motz, all from the St. Johns area.

The convention was one of the largest ever for the organization with an attendance of some 14,000 farm people. Policies on both national and international issues were adopted by the voting delegates representing 49 state Farm Bureaus and Puerto Rico.

The Federation is the largest general farm organization in the nation with more than 2.5 million member families.

Guest speakers included Ambassador Frederick B. Dent, U.S. Special Representative to the General Trade Negotiations in Geneva, Switzerland, and Shirley Temple Black, Chief of Protocol for the Department of State.

In his address to convention delegates, American Farm Bureau president Alan Grant said that the organization asks that the market price system have freedom to function, with emphasis placed on building competitive opportunities in farm market places of this country and the world.

"True, money earned in the open market is subject to the risks of that market which livestock and grain farmers now understand all too well, but these risks are more predictable than political risks of congressional appropriations action," he told delegates. Grant said the Farm Bureau recognizes that there is a proper role for government in agriculture but "this role should be restricted to the prevention of severe downswings in some price cycles to keep large numbers of farmers from going broke through no fault of their own."

Dr. John Hannah, former president of Michigan State University and presently executive director of

the World Food Council, was also a speaker.

Others attending from Clinton County were Mr. and Mrs. Leon Thelen, Mr. and Mrs. Don Tolles, Bernard Tolles, Mrs. Fern Brandt, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Ormston, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Barks, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Eric Barks, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Malkin and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Zeeb, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Woodhams, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Mayers, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kissane, Mr. and Mrs. Byron Kissane, Mr. and Mrs. Gale Boron, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Garlock, Mr. Oscar Heil, Miss Cheryl Romig, Mrs. Cassie Mack, Mr. and Mrs. Don Seyfried, Mr. and Mrs. Neil Harte, Mr. and Mrs. LaVern Lerg, Mr. and Mrs. John Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Faye Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Morrill, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Powell, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lietzke, Ray Thayer, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Rickis, and Mr. and Mrs. Ron Motz.

Clinton County kicks off membership drive

The Clinton County Farm Bureau kicked off its 1977 membership campaign Tuesday at the Farm Bureau office in St. Johns.

The membership campaign depends on volunteer farm leaders who contribute much time and travel many miles to offer eligible county residents the opportunity to join their organization.

The volunteers for whom the meeting was planned, heard county leaders outline the many membership services available to Farm Bureau members.

Fran Motz, campaign manager, emphasized that those who wish to continue their participation in several of the member service programs, including Blue Cross-Blue Shield, must renew their membership on or before Jan. 31.

The Clinton County

Farm membership goal has been set at 1,533. Motz challenged the workers to strive for an early success in membership goal. "United to Serve Agriculture is the theme and the real goal of the 1977 membership campaign," he told workers. "Beyond membership acquisition is membership strength. We must reach our goal early so we can get to the business of implementing the policies of our organization."

He explained that Farm Bureau members are given the opportunity, not only to make the policies of their organization, but also to put these policies into action.

Local farm leaders working on the Farm Bureau membership campaign are: Allen Cable, Elizabeth Nobis, Alden Knight, Mari-

lyn Irrer, Robert Murton, Leonard Puetz, Robert Kissane, Neil Barnhart, William Kissane, Don Stump, John Kowatch, William Hufnagel, Paul Seeger, George Baird, Dwight Nash, Robert Moore, Edward Batora, James Rivest, Harry Byam, Jack Anderson, James Dershem, Tom Benson, Adeline Dershem, John Beck, Mike Pettigrew, John Jones, Jim Graham, Robert Exelby, Bertine Thelen, Roger Lerg, Dave Conklin, Jim Voisinet, Bob Harte, Earl Barks, Bob Fox, Ron Miller, Lee Ormston, Clarence Mead, Don Witt, Stanley Fedewa, Catherine Sehke, Charles Horman, Arlo Stichler, Claude Underhill, Lewis Lonier, Ed Smazel, Robert Borton, Mike Borton, Dave Pohl, Betty Morris, and Tom Irrer.



Bill Kissane (left), Clinton County Farm Bureau president and Don Keim (right), insurance agency manager, are shown with Michael Pettigrew who was named Farmer of the Week, an award sponsored by the Michigan Farm Radio Network and Farm Bureau Insurance Group.

Farmer of Week

An area farmer, Michael Pettigrew of Route 3 N. Scott Rd., St. Johns was named Farmer of the Week recently in recognition of his contributions to Michigan agriculture.

The weekly award, which honors farmers in Michigan, is sponsored by the Michigan Farm Radio Network and Farm Bureau Insurance Group.

Pettigrew, 24, who has been farming for six years is a dairy and crop farmer, currently farms 600 acres and milks 100 cows in partnership with his father and brothers. Of the 600 acres, 360 are rented.

His involvement in community and agricultural affairs includes: Young Farmer chairman of the Clinton County Farm Bureau; member of the Clinton County Farm Bureau Board of Directors and he has headed important Farm Bureau activities in Clinton County, such as the Rural Urban Tour and the Young Farmers Bicentennial display in St. Johns. He is also an active member of the Eureka Congregational Christian Church.

Citrus sale to be repeated

The Clinton County Farm Bureau will be taking orders for citrus fruit, orange and grapefruit concentrate, and Florida salt roast peanuts during the month of February.

Also available will be yellow popcorn, apple cider concentrate and Wisconsin cheese.

Pettigrew and his wife, Paula, have one child.

Recipients of the Farmer of the Week award, who are selected by the Michigan Farm Radio Network and Farm Bureau Insurance Group, are chosen for the quality of their farming operation and for their contributions to agriculture.

Nominations are made by Michigan farm organizations such as the Michigan Milk Producers Association, the Michigan Livestock Exchange, the Michigan Potato Council and by Farm Bureau.

Winners of the Farmer of the Week award, who are announced each Monday morning on the statewide "Michigan Today" radio program, receive a personalized certificate, a carrying case for business papers, and a calculator from the local Farm Bureau Insurance Group agent.

The purpose of the Farmer of the Week program is to recognize Michigan farmers each week for their outstanding contributions to the state and to the agriculture industry.

In Clinton we will take orders through February and until March 15 with delivery between March 23 and April 6. Order blanks will be printed as soon as final arrangements can be made.

The March shipments will be of Valencia oranges and pink grapefruit.

Farm Bureau women host Gratiot women

By Marguerite Gove

Clinton County Farm Bureau Women met Dec. 7 at 10:30 a.m. for a business meeting.

About 30 were in attendance and Gratiot County Farm Bureau Women were guests.

Call to order was by Mrs. Betty Morris, chairman. Committee reports given were: Legislative - Marie Woodhams; Citizenship - Goldie Moore; Health - Jeanette Babbitt; Consumers Affairs - Jean Borton, and Information - Marguerite Gove.

Reports on State Annual at Grand Rapids were given by members who attended.

Mrs. Claudine Jackson was appointed for State Women's chairman for another year, Barbara Kimerer, 1st vice chairman, and Kay Wagner, 2nd vice chairman.

Mrs. Betty Morris was elected as a member of Women's Committee for County Policy Development Committee.

After the noon lunch, a Christmas homemade gift exchange was held.

Anabel Peck introduced Gratiot County Women's Chairman, Mrs. Lola Godley, who is active in the Annual Gratiot Bean Smorgasbord and has won prizes for her bean recipes.

A group of Gratiot ladies had a display of their Czechoslovakian festive costumes, pottery, needlework and dolls. Mrs. Martha Maza and Mrs. Mildred Bradley demonstrated making nut crescents and Kolaches. Everyone helped make, bake and eat them.

Recipes

Long Method:
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8 egg yolks, beaten
1 pt. cream or maybe 3-4 pint depending on size of eggs.

2 yeast packages into a little liquid plus 1 tsp sugar and let bubble.

Blend butter, margarine and flour like pie crust.

Add rest (cream, lukewarm) yolks and yeast. Beat with hand against side of bowl but don't knead like bread. It's sticky at first but will get over it. Cover and put in refrigerator over night. In morning make little balls and put back in refrigerator. While they are getting cold make filling.

8 egg whites, beat until thick gradually add 3 cups sugar. Fold in ground 2 or 3 cups English walnuts. Maybe a tsp. vanilla.

Roll balls thin on flour. Put on some filling and roll up and shape like a crescent. Brush with egg yolk and roll in flour. Place on cookie sheet to rise with seam on bottom, 15 min. Bake 350 degrees about 15 min.

Short Method:
1 lb margarine
4 cups flour
4 eggs separated
2 pkgs. dry yeast in 1/2 C warm water plus 2 tsp sugar and mix and let rise or bubble.

Mix flour and margarine like pie crust. Add beaten

egg yolks, yeast. Make into small balls right away and refrigerate 3 hr. Roll each ball in powdered sugar. Put on filling and roll up moon shaped. Brush with egg yolk and dip in flour. Bake right away, 350 degrees.

Filling: Thicker filling for these.
4 egg whites and 1 1/2 cups sugar and ground nut meats.

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4 cups flour
1 cup scalded milk, add 1 stick oleo, 1 stick butter and cool to lukewarm.

1/2 cup sugar
1 yeast dissolved in 1/4 C warm water plus 1 tsp sugar
Pinch of salt
2 beaten eggs

Beat all together until satiny smooth. Cover bowl and let rise until double in bulk. On floured board flatten dough to about 1/2 inch, cut in 2x2 in. squares. Stretch these squares and put 1 teaspoon of filling in center and then fasten so filling is covered. Place on

greased pan and spread with melted butter. Bake 375 degrees for about 20 minutes.

Fillings:
1 C flour
1 C sugar and
1/4 or 1-3 C Margarine

More fillings:
Prune - Cook until tender, pit, and grind. Add a little cinnamon and sugar to taste.

Cheese - Break fine, 1 package farmers dry cheese and add 2 egg yolks, a little lemon rind and sugar to taste.

Apricot - Cook until tender, grind and add sugar to taste.

Poppysseed - Grind in special poppyseed grinder. Cook with enough milk to make a medium paste until boiling, then add enough honey or sugar to sweeten to taste.

Next Jan. 4 meeting. Program is to be Health Care needs, trends, cancer detection, and Emergency First Aid by County Nurse. Lunch hostesses - Loyal Neighbors and Parker Center. Plans to be made for serving Kick Off Membership Drive meal.

Local farmer heads labor committee

Roger Lerg, of Round Lake Road, DeWitt has been appointed to head the Clinton County Farm Bureau's Labor Committee. The appointment was announced by William Kissane, president of the County Farm Bureau.

Lerg's responsibilities will include servicing problem areas regarding agricultural labor and assisting with the Michigan Agricultural Services Association (MASA) membership drive.

MASA is an affiliate of the Michigan Farm Bureau and provides research and information on current management rules and regulations concerning agricultural labor to its members.

Lerg will also alert members to action on crucial agricultural labor issues which may arise, such as Workmen's Compensation and proposed OSHA-MIOSHA regulations. This action could include letters to legislators or appearances at hearing to testify how certain legislation would affect farmers.

Lerg announces that a labor information and membership meeting will be held Feb. 7 at 1 p.m. at the Farm Bureau office, 134 W. Maple, Mason.

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Obituaries

William Lockwood

William D. Lockwood, 65, 294 Boichot Rd., Lansing, died Jan. 18, at his residence following a short illness. Funeral services were held at Osgood Funeral Home, St. Johns on Friday, Jan. 21 at 1:30 p.m. Burial took place at the Mt. Rest Cemetery with the Rev. Averill Carson officiating.

Mr. Lockwood was born in Benton Harbor on May 4, 1911 to Scyrene and Bertha (Robertson) Lockwood. He attended Maple Rapids High School.

He resided most of his life in the St. Johns area and in Lansing for the past 10 years.

He married Edith Nagy in Angola, Ind., on July 22, 1935.

He was a member of the First Congregational Church; F and AM, Belding; Scottish Rite; Grand Rapids Saladin Temple; 32nd Degree Mason; Eastern Star; Radiant Chapter 79; and the DeWitt Township Board of Review.

He was a retired farmer and owner-operator of Lockwood Realty. Mr. Lockwood is survived by his wife, Edith, one son, David, Bay City; three daughters, Mrs. Kenneth (Janice) Pyle, St. Johns; Mrs. Ralph (Priscilla) Gove, St. Johns; Mrs. Neil (Nancy) Wright, Charlotte; two sisters; Mrs. Belva Smith, and Mrs. Janet Jennings, both of Ionia; one niece and two nephews.

Ona Marten

Ona Pearl Marten, 87, died Tuesday, Jan. 18 at the Ovid onvallescent Manor after a long illness.

Funeral services were held at the Houghton Chapel, and Friday at the Church of Christ, in Hicksville, Ohio. Burial took

place at the Forest Home Cemetery in Hicksville, with the Rev. John P. Hilox officiating.

Mrs. Marten was born in Antwerp, Ohio, on Feb. 6, 1889 to Byron and Arinda Snook. She attended Hicksville and Antwerp schools, and resided most of her life in Hicksville.

She married Emil R. Marten, in Antwerp on Dec. 25, 1909. He died in 1970.

Mrs. Marten was a housewife and is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Luella Canfield, Ovid; Mrs. Ruth Connor, Fort Wayne, Ind.; and Mrs. Leota Beck, Ft. Myers, Fla.; eight grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Elizabeth Urban

Elizabeth Urban, 89, 508 S. Ottawa St., St. Johns, died Jan. 20. Funeral services were held at Osgood Funeral Home, St. Johns, Saturday, Jan. 22 at 10:30 a.m. Burial took place at the Mt. Rest Cemetery with the Rev. William Koenigsnecht officiating.

She was born on Sept. 17, 1887 to Martin and Katherine Gregorik. She resided in St. Johns all her life.

She married Louis Urban in Ohio in 1914. He died in 1950. Mrs. Urban was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Mrs. Urban was a housewife and is survived by one son, Richard, St. Johns; one daughter, Mrs. Faye Worrall, Placerville, California; seven grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Florence Cross

Florence Cross, 90, 207 East St. Ovid, died Sunday, Jan. 23, at Memorial Hospital in Owosso. Funeral services were at the Houghton Chapel of the

Osgood Funeral Homes, in Ovid on Tuesday, Jan. 25 at 1 p.m. Burial took place at the Maple Grove Mausoleum with the Rev. Claude B. Ridley officiating.

Florence Cross was born in New Philadelphia, Ohio, on April 3, 1886 to Jacob W. and Nancy Stood. She attended the Ovid Schools.

She moved to Ovid in 1900. She married Ernest E. Cross in St. Johns on Dec. 12. He died in 1957.

Mrs. Cross is survived by two nephews.

Linda M. Jones

Mrs. Linda M. Jones, 91, Upton Rd., Laingsburg, died Saturday, Jan. 15 at Lansing General Hospital.

She was born in Iowa, on Jan. 6, 1886 to Henry and Catherine Thode. She attended schools in Iowa and the University of Winnipeg. Mrs. Jones and her husband Henry operated the H.M. Jones and Sons orchards in Victor Township. He preceded her in death in 1966.

Mrs. Jones is survived by two daughters: Mrs. Ruth Linabaugh, San Francisco; Mrs. Helen Mick, Lansing; three sons, George, Tulsa Oklahoma, Claude, and Lawrence, both of Laingsburg; 10 grandchildren, eight great grandchildren, one brother and two sisters.

Funeral services were held at the McDougall Funeral Home in Laingsburg, Jan. 19 at 2 p.m. with Pastor Terry Stiehler officiating. Interment was at the Stilson Cemetery.

Luxury phone tax reduced

General Telephone customers will save an estimated \$1,142,000 in 1977 as a result of a further reduction of one percent in the Federal Excise Tax (FET) on telephone service.

The FET was reduced to five percent on January 1, the fifth in a scheduled series of nine annual reductions calculated to eliminate by 1982 the World War II-imposed "Temporary" tax.

Termed a "luxury tax" when it was enacted, the FET on telephone service was originally established at 10 percent. Congress reduced the tax to three percent in January, 1966, but restored it to the 10 percent level three months later.

The present one-percent-per-year reductions began in 1973.

Middlebury News

The Middlebury United Methodist Women met recently at the home of Thora Austin for a cooperative dinner with 11 members present. Assisting hostesses were Marilyn Baumgras and Dorothy Jordan. The meeting was called to order by Mildred Brookins, president, and opened with prayer.

Thank you notes were read from the Shiawassee County Medical Facility for the bibs made, Red Bird Mission and Mrs. Kilmer for the monetary gifts, and from David Semans.

Rev. Brian Kunding recently took the gifts collected to the Methodist Children's Home in Detroit. Mildred Brookins, reported on the executive meeting held recently at her home. Margaret Potter reported several Christmas plates were delivered to shut-ins.

In the absence of Pastor Brian, Mildred Brookins, assisted by Rita Whitmyer, Margaret Furry, Margaret Potter, presented the program. Elizabeth Putnam conducted the devotions and closed with prayer.

Brianna Lynn, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James VanDyne received Christian Baptism during morning worship recently at the Middlebury United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Don George is convalescing at her home following surgery performed recently at Memorial Hospital, Owosso.

Many new books at Elsie Library

Librarian Mrs. Orpha Clement and Mrs. Maude Craven, trustee on the Elsie Public Library Board for many years were hostesses to the women's Literary Club, Tuesday evening for the annual Book Review.

Mrs. Paul Platner, program chairman, presented Mrs. Murray Cole, the former Wilma Green, and a former teacher in this area, who with her husband moved back to Elsie last year, chose to briefly review several books instead of only one since the library has so many of the recent best sellers.

The first two she selected were thumbnail sketches about Michigan people.

"Farmer" by Jim Harrison is out of Northern Michigan, Lake Leelanau area with the main character, Joseph, with a similarity to the author a bachelor who took this opportunity to write about what he loves -- hunting, fishing, tramping through the woods and rural culture with its extremes as women enter the picture.

"Ordinary People" by Judy Guest, a niece of Edgar A. Guest is an emotional story because of a tragedy to ordinary people like you and your neighbor and concerns the futile attempts to hold the family together in an extraordinary way.

"Roots" by Alex Haley is the story of one man's search through black history portraying a 200-year portrait of a black American family from its origin in Africa. It continues to be at the top of the best sellers list.

"The Grass is Always Greener over the Septic Tank" is the humorous side of suburban life by

Erma Bombeck, considered our foremost humorist.

"Dr. Nina and the Panther" by Shirley Wheeler is the chronological account of Nina Case from her confusing and desolate childhood until her death in 1974, a brave woman who fought her way through the mountains of Pennsylvania as a horse and buggy doctor to become a superb diagnostician recognized throughout the U.S. and abroad.

"Passages" by Gail Sheehy is a helpful study of middle-life crises. This book is rapidly nearing the top of the best sellers. It is No. 2 next to "Roots" in the general list.

"Ceremony of the Innocent" by Taylor Caldwell is a Cinderella type story, heavy on ideology.

"Lovey" by Mary MacCracken is a true story of an emotionally disturbed child and a teacher who was determined to bring the child's personality to light.

Mrs. Cole's brief reviews of each book held the attention of her listeners who immediately asked to be on waiting lists for many of these books. Mrs. Cole rejoined the Woman's

Nowlin's named Centennial farm

A farm owned by Larry R. and Iene S. Nowlin of Rt. 3, 5901 East Pratt Road, Victor Twp., has been designated as a Centennial Farm by the Division of Michigan History.

The farm has been in the possession of the family since 1872. It was originally purchased May 25, 1872 by Mary Stiehler, great grandmother of the present owners.

Certificates are provided by the Division of Michigan History. Large metal markers are provided by the Detroit Edison and Consumers Power

"The Shepherd" by Frederick Forsyth was written and beautifully illustrated as a Christmas present to his wife in 1975. It is filled with aeronautical terms but ignorance of them doesn't affect the readers' enjoyment of this story of the air pilot whose radio suddenly died in the heavy fog. He was shepherded to an obsolete air base that had been abandoned years ago. You will have to read the book to get the astonishing conclusion. It is a beautiful haunting book.

"Bellamy Saga" by Pearson; "Windswept" by Giles; "God is an Englishman"; "Katie Mulholland" by Cookson; "The Money-changers" by Arthur Hailey; and "A Fine Woman" by Seton, were others Mrs. Cole recommended.

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The Michigan History Division considers a farm to be either 10 or more acres having estimated farm product sales of more than \$50 yearly, or less than 10 acres having estimated sales of at least \$250 yearly. A centennial farm comprises only the land and not the farm buildings, which may be remodeled or even new.

Literary club as a member when she returned to live here.

Prior to the program, Mrs. Ruth Rasdale, president, for a brief business meeting with the members repeating the Club Collect.

Mrs. Ethel Stull gave a memorial for Mrs. Lillian Case who passed away Dec. 29. She was a member of the W.L.C. for seven years.

Routine reports were given and a further discus-

sion of plans to purchase cement benches for needed locations on Main St.

Coffee and cookies were served by rs. Jim Betta, Mrs. Lyle Dunham and Mrs. Don Hugelot from a table centered with stand-up books of several best sellers.

Creative Arts will feature the next meeting Tuesday evening, Feb. 8 at the home of the president, Mrs. Rasdale, on Wight St., Elsie.

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News and notes from the County News staff

Befuddled by taxes?

That federal income tax form causing your eyes to cross and teeth to grind? A toll-free center to help answer your questions is now in operation from 8:30 a.m. until 5:15 daily weekdays. The toll-free number is listed in the tax form packages. If your questions are more complex, in-person help may be obtained at the local Internal Revenue Service office at the U.S. Post Office Building in Lansing, Allegan and Washtenaw Streets. The service is free and is offered Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

School buses re-routed

Lyle French, St. Johns police chief, cautions area residents to be aware school busses have been re-routed and will be using more city streets due to the water main problem on Lansing St. Residential areas affected are South Clinton Church, West Park, and Morton Streets. School busses will be using these alternate routes for an indefinite time.

Babysitting clinic

St. Johns Jayettes are sponsoring a baby sitting clinic with sessions scheduled for Feb. 1, 3, 8, 9 and 15 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the community room of Central National Bank. The clinic is for boys and girls eleven years and older.

Included in the clinic will be a session on first aid, instruction by a St. Johns fireman, a talk on child care by Janet School and a Civil Defense session by Lt. Pat Long of the Clinton County Sheriff's Dept. Jayettes request that participants attend all sessions. Those who pass the test at the end of the clinic will have their name, address, age and telephone number available for baby sitting jobs in St. Johns. For more information, call 224-2070.

Rocking for dollars

St. Johns Fellowship of Christian Athletes will hold their third Rock-A-Thon Friday and Saturday in the St. Johns High School cafeteria. The Rock-A-Thon begins at 3 p.m. Friday and continues 33 straight hours until midnight Saturday. Participants keep the rocking chairs rocking to the tune of hourly pledges. Last year, approximately \$1,500 was collected and the FCA wants to match or better that mark this year. Proceeds from the event are used throughout the county to benefit charities.

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