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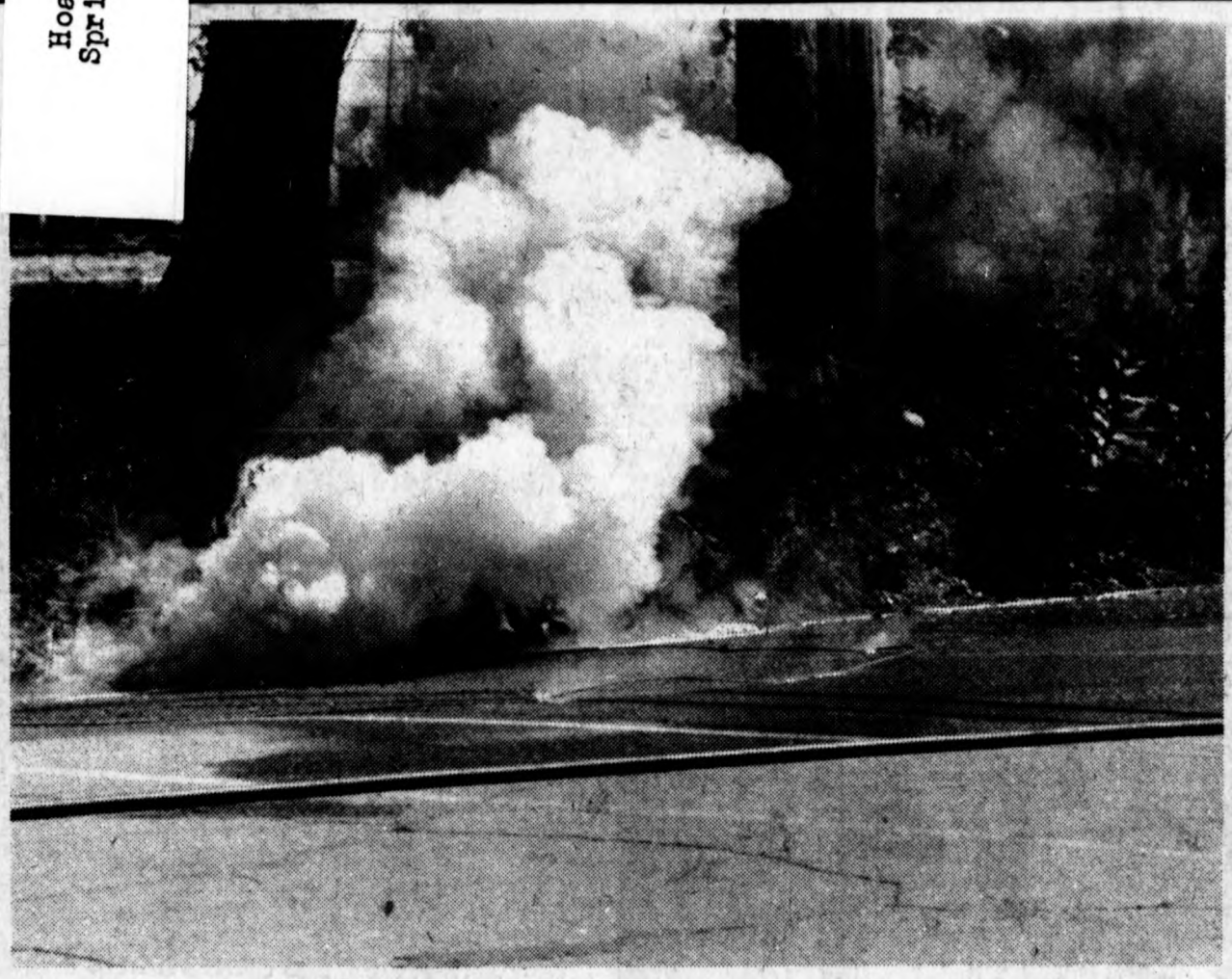
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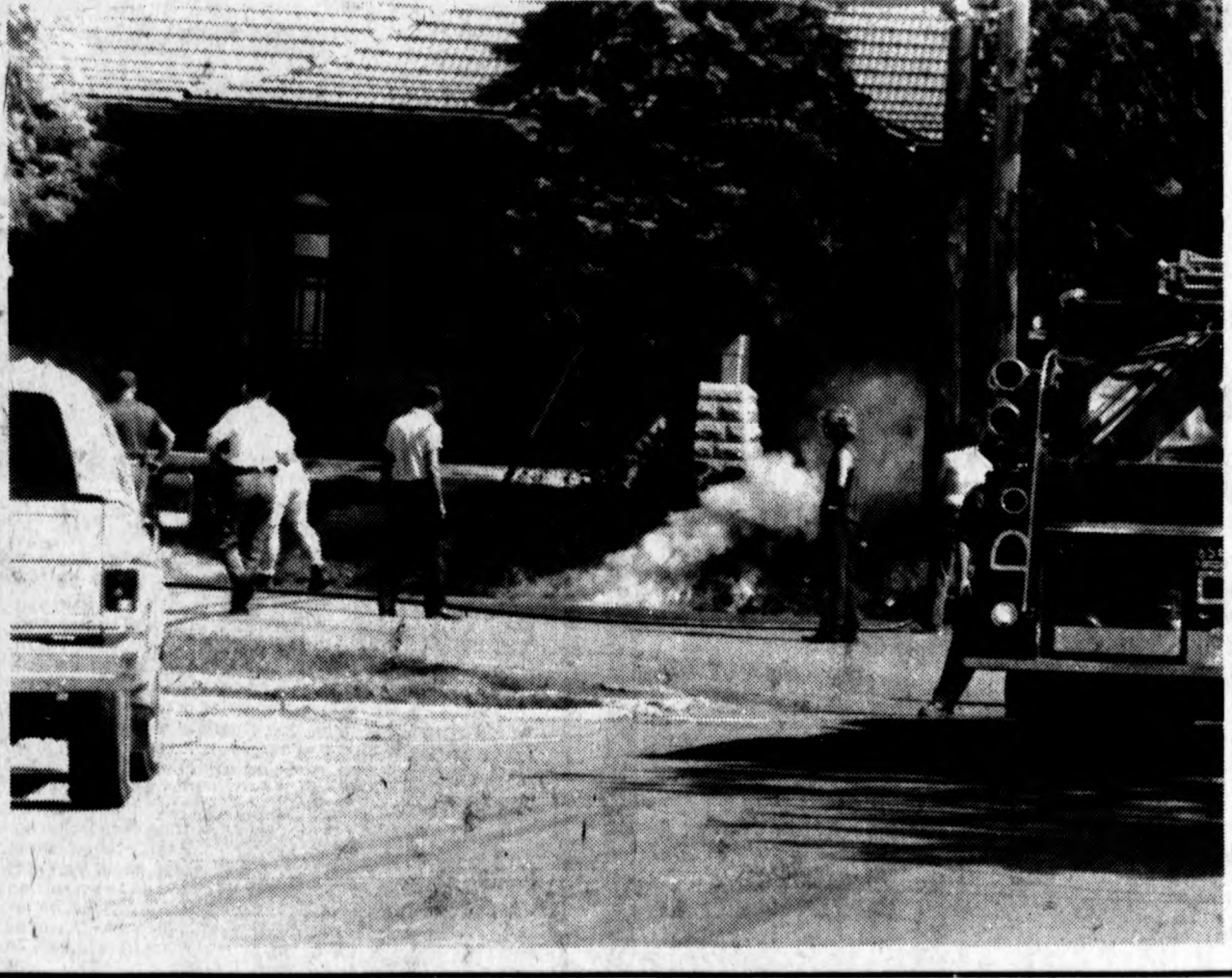
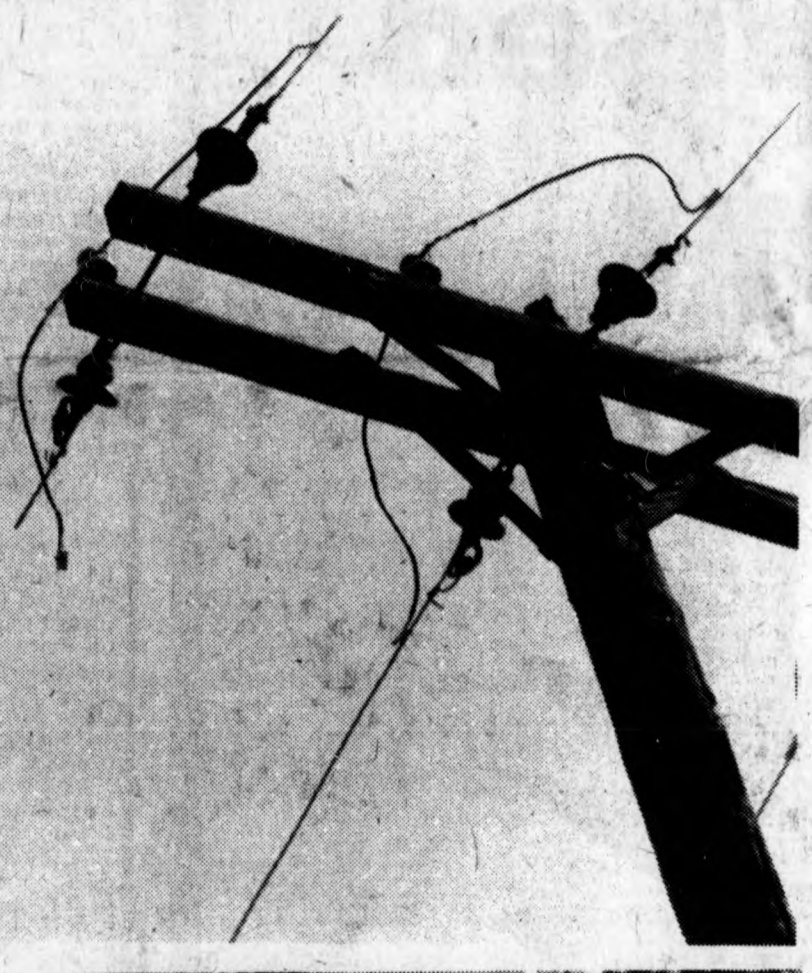
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It was snap, crackle, pop, in St. Johns Wednesday, July 6, and it wasn't a bowl of cereal. A high voltage wire snapped at the end of Spring St. near the F.C. Mason Company causing a fire. There was also a gas leak at the location. Fire fighters and Consumers Power were called to the scene, taking control of a potentially dangerous situation. Police and fire officials surmise the wire was weakened during the Fourth of July storm. Power in a major part of the city was off for nearly two hours. No one was hurt during the mishap.



Defeat could mean \$300,000 in cuts

School Board returns with millage proposal

By Jim Edwards
Editor

ST. JOHNS—St. Johns School Board members voted Thursday night to return to the district voters with a 17.75 millage proposal Aug. 16. Voters turned down the proposal at the June 13 election by a total of 643 voters.

The proposal includes 17.5 mills which expire this year plus an additional 1.75 for operating purposes.

A .25 mill request on the June 13 ballot will not be included on the Aug. 16 ballot. The request was for improvement of elementary services.

During the Thursday night meeting, school administrators presented to the board budget cuts in the school operations totaling \$370,000 which would be necessary if the millage proposal is not approved.

Cuts in elementary operation would include \$2,000 in fifth and sixth grade athletics, \$6,000 in field trips, \$9,000 for library books, \$12,000 that would have been used for two kindergarten sections; \$12,000 for a sixth grade teacher; \$10,000 to replace outdated science text books, \$5,640 to replace dictionaries, \$26,730 in teaching aids, \$7,126 for instructional tools, \$3,505 that would have replaced worn out equipment and \$6,000 for teaching supplies.

The cuts in the elementary program would total \$112,001.

In secondary education departments, cuts would include reduction of 4½ teachers at \$68,000, \$3000 by eliminating driver education after school, \$1000 for Student Council advisor, \$1000 out of the student handbook budget, \$1000 from Student Council assemblies, \$350 in in-service education for staff members, \$150 reduction in the intramural athletic program, \$18,000 for teaching supplies and textbooks, \$20,000 in the counseling department, \$400 from the library bank, \$22,100 in replacement of equipment, \$10,000 that was over-budgeted for electricity, \$10,500 in cafeteria aides, \$13,500 in athletics, \$1,000 in field trips, \$2,000 for conferences, \$8,000 in administration and \$1,100 in building repair.

Secondary education cuts would total \$183,825.

In special education proposed cuts include \$31,210 for two staff members, \$25,100 in reduction of aids, \$2,300 in teaching materials, \$1,650 in teacher conference expense and \$650 for Special Olympics and field trips.

Administration cuts include \$6000 for a clerk and \$1,200 for capital outlay for a total reduction of \$7,200.

Reduction of one custodian accounts for a \$15,000 cut in the plant operation and maintenance.

A total cut of \$12,050 was listed in the transportation department include the reduction of one mechanic, non-purchase of new equipment and reduction of student services.

An \$1,800 cut was listed in health services.

The proposed reductions, if made necessary if the millage doesn't pass, reflects a 6½ percent cut throughout the school district programs. Administrators explained it was a "skimming" process from throughout the district to prevent completely eliminating some programs.

Dr. Donald Burns, superintendent of St. Johns Schools, told the board the cuts are not recommendations the school would make and are not things the school administration would like to do. However, it was indicated that, if the millage failed, the above listed items would have to be cut.

The original proposed school budget for 1977-78 was \$6,066,000.

If the millage vote passes, the school would receive, including local millage county millage, and state aid \$6,019,400 in revenue.

However, if the millage fails, which would include the 17.5 expiring mills, the district would be operating on eight mills from the county allocation board, plus state aid, giving the district revenues of \$1,392,000.

St. Johns man rules national table tennis

By Sue Kiley
Staff Writer

Why would a 74 year old man jog one mile a day and then run sideways and backwards? Would you believe he is in training for table tennis?

Oliver Nicholas, a St. Johns resident, proved that working hard and keeping in shape pays off. As he recently won the U.S. Open Tennis Table Championship for the fourth consecutive year.

"It was quite exciting and a real thrill," Nicholas said.

Nicholas was 32 years old the first time he played table tennis and admits he wasn't all that good then. He had seen it played at the YMCA in Oakland, California while he was working for General Motors.

When Nicholas and his family moved back to St. Johns to a farm which is now part of Sleepy Hollow State Park, there was just no time and no clubs for him to play table tennis.

He loved the game so much however, he did find a way to practice and improve himself in somewhat of a crude fashion. He set up a table in the barn and practiced. Many times he played against children in the neighborhood.

In 1957 Nicholas tried to qualify for the "Over 50's" tournament but failed to make it.

When he retired in 1965 Nicholas and his wife Lorna moved to Phoenix. There he got on a team and played on a Phoenix club.

"There's a lot of difference in the game now," Nicholas noted. "When I first started playing the game we used sandpaper paddles, now we use rubber

backed paddles giving more flexibility and a faster moving game."

He added, "It's just a game of spins and counter spins."

About five years ago Nicholas went through a table tennis training camp in Grand Rapids, which really helped him improve his game. In later years Nicholas found places to play his sport in Lansing and Grand Rapids. This helped him stay in condition the six months a year he was away from Phoenix.

Nicholas qualified for the nationals in 1974 for the "Over 70's" category and competed against four other "old-timers" in Oklahoma.

"I really didn't have any hopes of winning at all," Nicholas recalled. "I remember saying to Lorna after I won the first game, 'Well, at least I got one game out of it, anyway.'"

Nicholas commented he was quite proud of the fact he won the first time. "It's a thrill to win anything on a national level," he said.

The following year (1975) he played at the Houston Astrodome Complex and took first place again. In 1976 the number of people competing in the "Over 70's" category went from five contestants to 11. This did not stop the St. Johns resident however, from once again sweeping the first place title in Philadelphia.

Hollywood, California was the site of this year's competition and the number of contestants went down again to five. Of these five people competing, three of them were doctors.

There was some tight competition in the last contest Nicholas played in. A doctor from Grand Rapids decided Nicholas had won first place one too many times and was out to beat the champ.

"He really gave me a run for my money," Nicholas said. "It was kind of funny because he beat me in the U.S. Closed Tournament, and then I turned around and beat him the U.S. Open."

No one in the older categories has ever taken the title four times in a row, so this is another thing Nicholas can be proud of.

"I think by keeping active and involved in table tennis it has kept me young," he said. His wife shook her head in agreement.

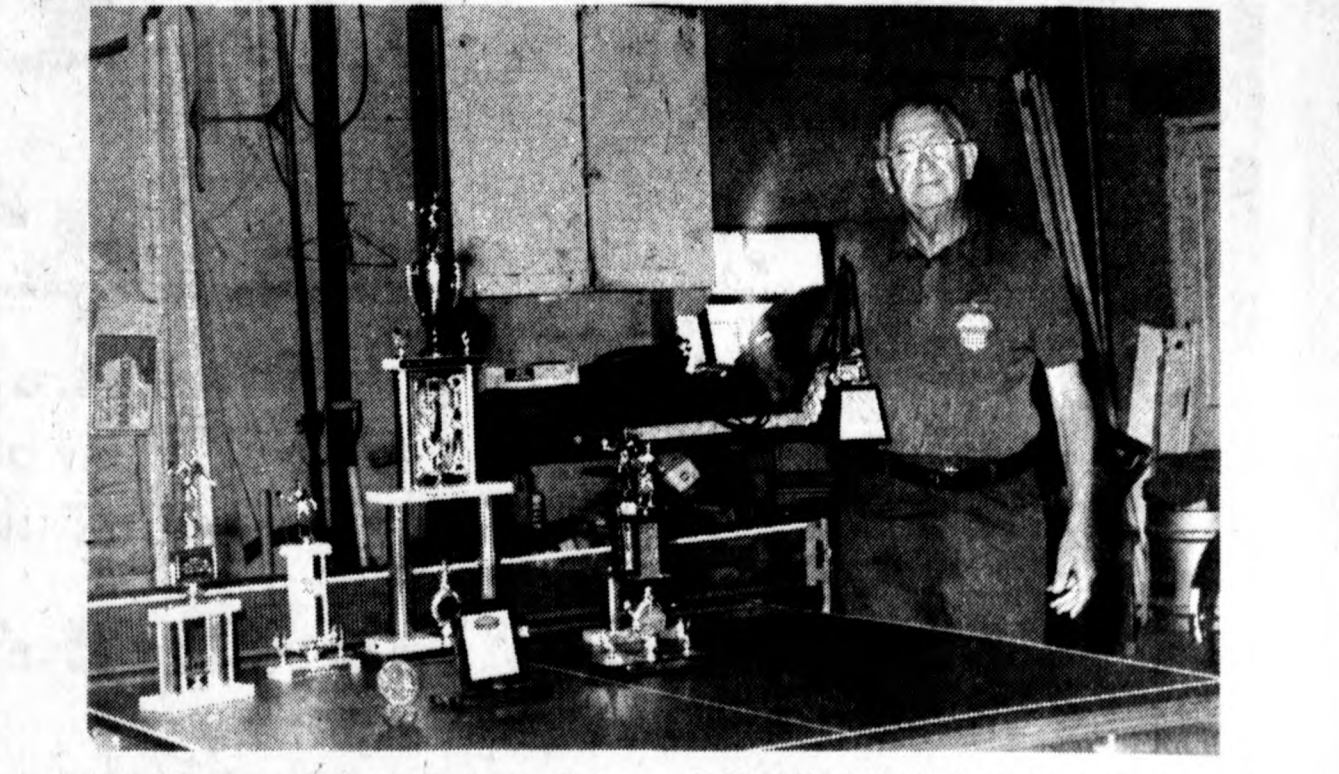
The St. Johns athlete has also played in the open singles but hasn't fared too well in that competition. "Of course you're playing against some of the top people in the world as well as the country," Nicholas said. "They're all a little younger than I am too," he added with a grin.

Nicholas has played against people from foreign countries and some of the really good table tennis players.

"I've never beat them" he said. "I might have made them work for their points though."

In Phoenix where the couple stay in the winter, Oliver give lessons to people in the motor home trailer court they stay at for retired people.

The couple has three children, Paula Phelps, Leona Ettinger, and Roger Warner, all of St. Johns; one-step son Duane Warner, Midland; and 10 grandchildren.



Oliver Nicholas proudly displays the trophies he has won playing table tennis. He holds this year's trophy in his hand. This is the fourth year he has won in the U.S. Open "Over 70" category.

School Board elects Neil Barnhart president

ST. JOHNS—Neil Barnhart was elected president of the St. Johns Board of Education Thursday night.

Barnhart and Wendell Waggoner were nominated for the position with Barnhart winning on a 4-3 vote.

Waggoner was also nominated for vice-president, but withdrew his name. Lee Ormston and Alden Livingston

were then nominated for the vice-president's position with Ormston winning 4-3.

Unanimous ballots were cast for Bill Richards, secretary, and Alden Livingston, treasurer.

The newly organized board then set the meeting dates for the coming year.

School Board meetings will be held on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the winter and 8 p.m. in the summer.

The board meets in the superintendent's office at the high school.

Tension mounts as DeWitt Twp. deals with money woes after election results

By Sue Kiley
Staff Writer

DeWitt Township is going to try it one more time. The results of the Wednesday's election (July 6) which defeated the concept of Charter Township prompted DeWitt Township Board to hold another election Aug. 30. This time however they are going to take an entirely different approach to the matter.

Residents against going to a Charter Township form of government showed up at the polls Wednesday 900 strong. Only 109 people voted to change the status quo. There are about 5,000 registered voters in the township and according to Alta (Catherine) Reed, township supervisor, approximately 22 percent of the electorate turned out to vote.

On a motion from Enid White, township treasurer, one mill for fire protection and one mill for police protection and one mill for police protection for three years each will be placed on the Aug. 30 ballot as separate issues. Those voting against this proposal were Trustees Jack Kzeski, Roger Pline and Eileen Corr. Those voting for it were White, Roger Olger, Reed, and Connie Whitney, substitute for Donna Syverson, clerk, who is on vacation.

Much discussion, controversy, and approaches were dealt with at Monday night's meeting.

"We all have to do a little soul searching to find out just how we are going to handle this situation," Pline said. He implied he felt there was more than just the issue involved. "Maybe there was even some revenge involved."

Pline went on to say that even if one mill were to be passed by the people he didn't think they could make their budget. "We have other obligations to think of besides just police and fire protection," he said, referring to the Remy-Chandler drain project as one example. "We need at least two mills."

"We can't do it unless somebody pays the bill," Corr said. "We might not be able to have a township." Trustee Kzeski commented he felt it was wrong to make the police and fire departments pay for the budget. "People at the annual meeting agreed the budget was okay and workable," he said.

A citizen in the audience, Harvey Sherran, commented to the board, "I don't feel you should underestimate the intelligence of the voters." He added, "I agree there is apathy however."

Kzeski noted most of the time people work against

things instead of for them. "That's not all bad," he said. "But if we are going to make this thing work we have to get all the support we can."

The election has to be held by Aug. 30 in order to have it spread on the tax rolls by September.

A motion to set the millage at two mills for general operating purposes of the township for three years was made by Kzeski but died for lack of a second.

Corr then made a resolution for a millage vote to place a combined vote of two mills for police and fire for three years. This motion went down to defeat with White, Olger, Reed and Whitney casting dissenting votes.

During the course of the meeting Kzeski asked Robert Pope, one of the strongest advocates against the charter township proposal, just what it would take to get his group to support the millage vote.

"We won't work for two mills, but if you go down to 1 3/4 mills we'll work with you," Pope said.

Kzeski counter-acted with, "I'm going to feel very ashamed if the people in this township can't get together over a quarter of a mill."

"There has been a heck of a lot of waste in the township in my opinion," Pope replied. "I feel the quarter of a mill has already been spent."

Max Calder, another citizen against the charter township said, "You have to show the people you are going to the bottom line in your spending and that you are pinching every penny you can." He added, "We feel you can operate with a mill and three quarters."

"I don't believe you people have gone over the budget close enough to come up with a bottom line," Kzeski asserted. "This has become a symbolic thing."

It was mentioned presently the township has no money for roads and they will not be able to financially operate the library which might have to close its doors to the people of the township.

"We need more than two mills to operate, and to us that is the bottom line," Corr said.

Pline added, "Our police and fire protection is second

to none and right now we have good roads, but we seem to forget them. They should be protected too."

After listening to Pope and some of the other citizens in the audience Kzeski commented he would be willing to go down to a mill and three-quarters because, "We need the support."

Before the motion to have the electorate vote on the police-fire millage separately, White told the board, "It's going to be a selling job no matter which way you go with it."

"By doing what you are, I think you are acting in an irresponsible manner as a member of this township board," Corr said to White about her motion.

"I feel all four of those who voted against a combined millage were wrong," Kzeski added.



Mrs. Mike Medina, 511 W. Gibbs, St. Johns was the lucky winner of \$500 worth of free groceries from Andy's IGA. Mrs. Medina bought a ticket from the Jaycees to help the Big Brother-Big Sister program in the county. Mayor Roy Ebert is shown drawing the winning ticket, with John Berg, external vice-president holds the canister and Carter Lahring, chairman watches. About 875 tickets were sold for a dollar each.

Child critically injured after run down by car

A four-year old child is on the critical list in the intensive care unit of Sparrow Hospital after he was run down by a hit and run driver at the Northside Drive-In on US-27 in DeWitt Township. Amado Hernandez of South Grand, Lansing, was walking from the concession stand at the drive-in when he was struck down and run over by the unknown vehicle.

The incident happened at 10:45 p.m. on July 10. Police are still investigating the accident.

A 40 year old Dewitt man pulled a knife and threatened an employee of the Carbert Lounge on US-27 after being told to leave the bar. Robert C. Stark of Cutler Rd., was arrested by police for felonious assault. There were no injuries.

Office set up to answer PBB questions

Gov. William G. Milliken announced Thursday that people with questions or problems which they feel are related to polychlorinated biphenyls (PBB) now have a free source of information and direction.

They can call the field office of the Michigan Department of Public Health at Big Rapids, collect, at 616-796-3514.

The field office staff is prepared to answer questions and assist with prob-

lems, Milliken said. If the information is not readily available, the staff will obtain information or provide names of people who may be able to help.

As part of the Health Department's long-term study of the effects of PBB on human health, the Division of Environmental Epidemiology last year established the field office in Big Rapids where the highest concentration of quarantined farms were located.

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Migrant school teaches children while parents work

While their parents work in the fields children of migrants attend summer school in St. Johns.

The philosophy behind the school is to work with the children in a deficiency area they might have, basically in

reading, writing and math. These children move around quite a bit during the school year, leaving one learning facility and picking up at another. This type of school helps them keep up with the other children.

The Swegles Street School houses the migrant children during the summer session which is under the direction of Robert LaBrie, high school language teacher. The day begins at 8 a.m. and ends at 5 p.m. while the

parents are in the fields working. The school provides breakfast, a mid-morning supplement for pre-schoolers; lunch, and then a supplement (apples and milk) before going home for the day.

sites for the workers and children. Two family dinners (fiestas) are being planned too.

The school day is intended not only to serve the children educationally but also culturally. The children are taken to Potters Park, Sleepy Hollow, the Grand Rapids Museum, the Michigan State University Animal Farm. Worked into the regular academic schedule is time for arts and crafts; and a physical education program.

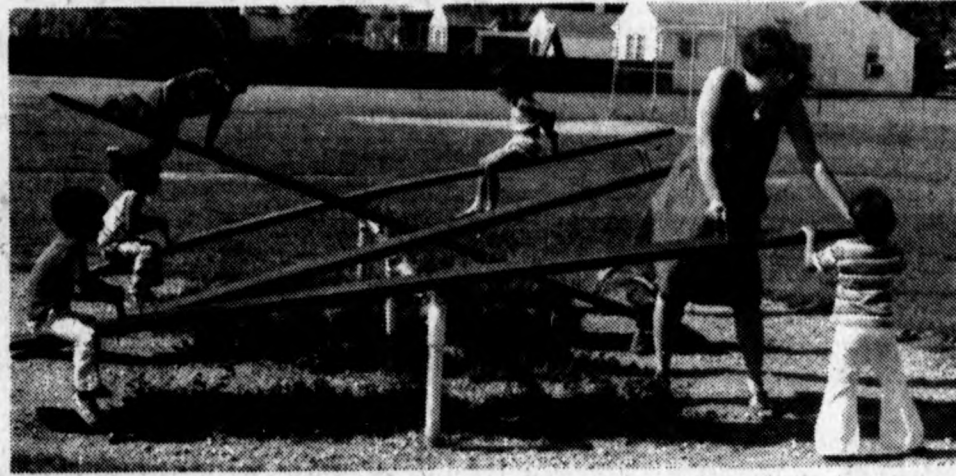
The school started in the area about five years ago. This year it began on June 27 and will last until Aug. 12.

Funding for the program comes from three different sources. The first is from Title I (Compensatory-Migrant Education); the second is from infant day care from the department of Social Services; and third is the State of Michigan, which reimburses the school for meals given to the children.

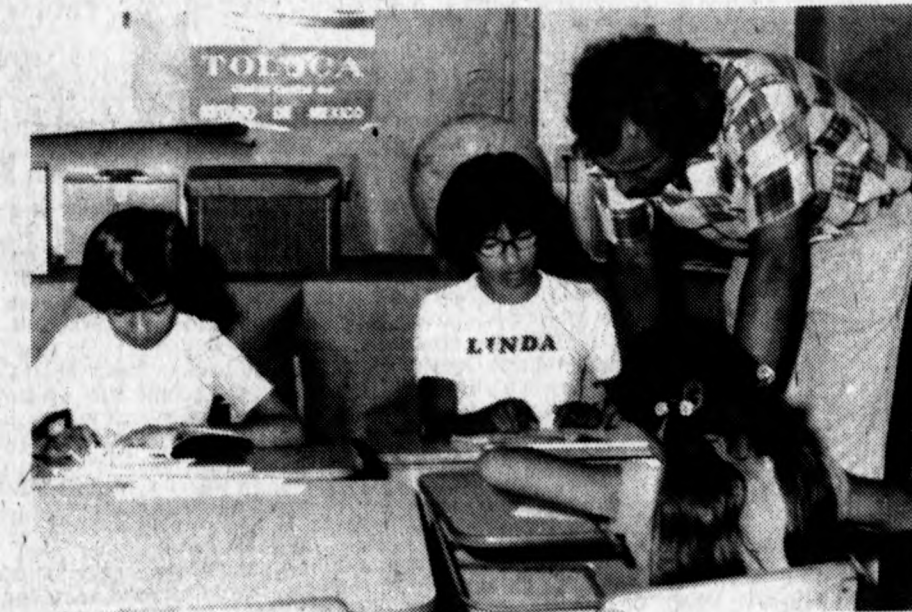
The children range in age from one month to 18 years old. The classes are broken down into sections with the nursery being babies to two year olds; pre-school; two and a half to five years; early elementary from five to eight year olds and upper elementary from nine years old up.

Right now there are about 40 to 50 students in the school, but more children are expected. According to LaBrie many of the camps are not in yet and they expect between 80 and 100 students.

Besides holding school for the children the staff at the school offer bingo for the families at night giving groceries as prizes. They also show movies at the camp-



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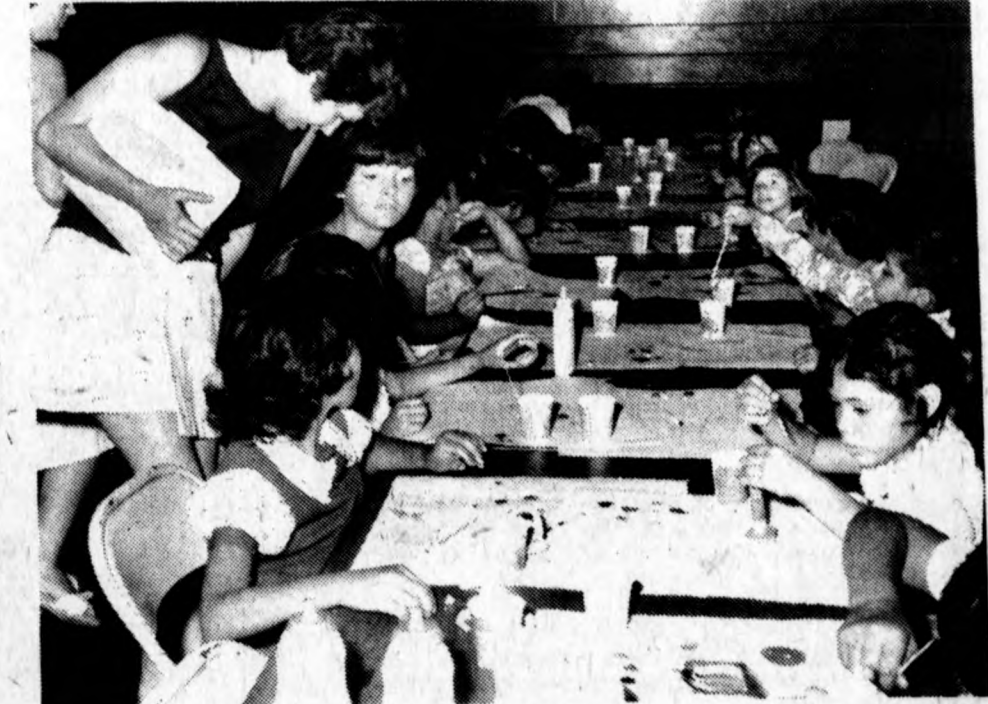
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Learning how to paint

St. Johns police report

The St. Johns police department reported a busy week with a varied amount of activities taking place.

Two persons were arrested for driving while under the influence of liquor and one person for being drunk and disorderly.

Police handled one simple larceny; one careless driving; two larcenies from

buildings; one warrant pick-up; one reckless driving; one attempted breaking and entering of an auto; one careless driving; and one domestic situation.

Perry Vesey, 301 E. Walker St., reported on July 8 that a tool box and tools were taken from the inside of his garage.

There were 10 accidents in the city none with injuries. Fire fighters were called out to a train fire.

Birth

A boy, Ryan Thomas, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas G. Wiseman of 205 S. Ottawa, St. Johns July 9 at Clinton Memorial Hospital. He weighed 7lb. 4oz. Grand-

parents are Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wiseman of St. Johns and Marge and Edwin Paquette. The mother is the former Michelle Paquette.

Stolen lumber causes problems in Bath

There has been a rash of stolen lumber from building sites in the Bath area according to Gene Reno, police chief. Between \$300-\$400 worth of lumber has been taken from four differ-

ent building sites of new homes within the last month. Residents on Webster Rd. have been having a problem with someone shooting a B.B. pellet gun at windows breaking about five windows

with an estimated \$70 worth of damage being done. A 1970 650 Triumph motorcycle was taken on July 10 at about 9:30 p.m. from the Dennis Norton resident at 9370 State Rd.

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Articles explain millage proposal

Beginning this week, a series of articles will be published in the Clinton County News regarding the Aug. 16 millage election in St. Johns.

The articles are provided by the administration of the St. Johns School District and attempt to explain the proposal, state aid methods, tax rates, reasons for the millage request and other related topics.

While we realize the articles are designed to support the position of the school, we also feel the articles are a good way to reach the people with explanations about the millage request.

We urge voters to read the articles each week as the election approaches to learn more about the structure of school financing and why the school has placed the millage proposal on the ballot.

If, at the conclusion of the series, reader feel their particular questions have not been covered, you are welcome to call us and we will attempt to obtain the answers.

Again, we urge you to read the articles carefully so that voters regardless of vote, for or against, are informed of the issue on the ballot.



Herb and Agnes Baker

By Sue Kiley
Staff Writer

Anytime you need a lift to the spirit, feel like talking to someone, or want to be totally amazed by two 80 plus old people, just take a walk past 209 W. Cass St. sometime. There the passerby will be greeted by Herb and Agnes Baker as they sit on their front porch from morning until night. "This is where we live practically in the summer time," Agnes said, talking from one of the many chairs seen on the wooden porch. Herb sitting on his favorite swing shakes his head in agreement.

Another interesting fact about the Bakers is they have been married 58 years, and are still as much in love as when

they were when they married July 9, 1919. "I guess you could say it was love at first sight," Agnes said telling of how the couple was introduced to each other by a mutual friend.

When they were first married Herb worked as a cook on a construction car of a railroad line feeding eight men who built wooden water towers in towns along the Grand Trunk line. He held that job for eight years and then went into the baking business in St. Johns.

Herb at 82 years old is still quite sharp in his thinking and remembers the people he worked for during his baking career, recalling names like Bill Murray, the Bradley Bakery, and Bill Graham. He has made everything from pies and cakes to bread.

Who did the baking at home? "It sure wasn't me," Herb

said with a shake of his head. "The only thing I can ever remember Herb making at home was creme puffs for a shower that was given us after we were married," Agnes mentioned. Mrs. Baker is quite an exception to the rule of growing old also. Still very spry at age 81, she drives the family car, does the grocery shopping, and cleans her own home.

"We loved each other, and work for each other," Agnes commented. "I really think that is one of the main things that has kept us young," Herb added. "Then too we've always had fun in whatever we have done," Agnes said.

When Agnes was a young girl she worked for the Clinton County News (then called the Republican News) as a linotype operator. She continued to work after she was married until the time she was seven months pregnant with the couple's first child, Fred. The pair have three other children, Evonne McCurry; Ardis Haviland, and Joanne Martis, as well as 13 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Living in their home on Cass St. for 42 years the couple has made many, many friends both young and old alike. They always say "hi" to everyone who passes the house, and then look at each other asking, "Do you know who that is?" They always seem to find out one way or another, too.

For three years Fred and his father ran Baker's Cafe which is now the Colonial restaurant. "We worked nights," Agnes said, "and Mom and Dad Baker worked days." At that time the cafe was open 24 hours a day and was a popular truck stop.

"It was a lot of hard work," she said, "but it was a wonderful living."

The Baker's, long-time residents of St. Johns, have seen the town grow and change with time. They have seen transportation go from horse and buggy; to the street car, to modern cars. "I remember when they tore the street car rails right out of the middle of the street," Agnes said.

The couple have helped many people out in their lifetime and that's the way they like. "We used to button shirts, tie shoes, and fix hair," Agnes remembers. "They'd stop on their way to school and usually on the way back," she added.

One little boy who used to stop at the Baker home and is now grown and moved away came back to visit the couple and give them a graduation picture.

Up until last October Herb still was baking bread off and on for Pierce's Bakery. He fell and broke some ribs which laid him up for awhile and now he walks with a cane.

"I've been taking care of him ever since then," Agnes said with a grin, "I'm not complaining either."

"She's still nothing more than a kid to me," Herb commented.

Remembering the old days in St. Johns, Agnes said, "This was really a country town. Saturday night everyone would be on Main Street talking, pushing a baby carriage, and there would be people all over."

One room in the Baker home is rather unique as it is covered completely, ceiling and four walls with old time movie star pictures from Shirley Temple, to Loretta Young, to Clark Gable. It used to be their oldest son's room and they have left it that way for all these years.

Christmas is the special time when the whole Baker clan gets together. "And we sing up a blue streak," Agnes commented.

Any time you walk by the Baker home on Cass St. you'll hear, "hi," and "come one up and visit with us for awhile."

Back Through the Years

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

JULY 13, 1967
10 YEARS AGO

Swegles Street elementary school.

The Post Office Department wants to buy a 39x50 foot chunk of city property to provide space for a future expansion of the St. Johns Post Office. The request was made to the city commission last Tuesday evening by St. Johns Postmaster J. D. Robinson. He said the department wants to buy a chunk of land comprising the south one-third of the city parking lot adjacent to the A & P Store off West Walker St.

Clinton County will borrow \$200,000 to help tide itself over expected financial hurdles between now and the end of the current fiscal year Dec. 31. The money will be borrowed in anticipation of the collection of taxes beginning in December. The first tax monies collected will be applied to the loan until the principal and interest are paid off.

A \$51,758 federal grant has been awarded St. Johns Public Schools for next year to operate a pilot program in "Team Approach in the Area of Special Services."

JULY 11, 1957
20 YEARS AGO

Wendell D. Sleight, 36, well known Olive Township farmer, was killed instantly Sunday afternoon when his skull was crushed underneath a hay baler at his farm, R5, St. Johns. Sleight, in company with his father, Edd Sleight, was having some difficulty coupling the baler to a tractor when the tongue of the baler slipped from the tractor and fell upon him. The accident occurred at about 2 p.m. Coroner Dave Houghton of Ovid investigated the mishap.

Twenty of the 6,500 people in the St. Johns school district took time Monday night to attend the district's annual meeting and listen to the items included in a half-million dollar budget presented for the coming year. Also presented at the meeting were plans for a three-room \$75,000 addition to the

JULY 17, 1947
30 YEARS AGO
Gilbert A. Baker, 39, of Route 3, St. Johns, died at approximately 6:20 Sunday morning in Clinton Memorial hospital of third degree burns sustained when his truck caught fire as the result of an accident at 10 p.m. Saturday night. His wife, Beatrice, was taken to the hospital with burns and other injuries after the accident and hospital officials described her condition as "fair" yesterday.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Thursday at the St. Joseph Church for James DeRose, of 207 Spring Street who died at his home Tuesday morning. Prayer services were held Wednesday at the Ebert's funeral home at 9 p.m.

Owners of temporary housing units in St. Johns, who have been allowed to continue operation of them during the war, are now being told by city officials that the buildings must be changed to conform to the city zoning ordinance of 1944.

JULY 15, 1937
40 YEARS AGO

St. Johns school taxes will total \$39,565 this year as against \$40,344.83 in 1936, with a tax rate of \$13.90 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation as compared to \$14.30 last year.

Lewis Castner, Bingham Township farmer, narrowly escaped serious injury last Saturday afternoon, when a large ice cream truck hit the rear of a wagon he was driving west on M-21, just east of St. Johns. Castner was taken to Clinton Memorial hospital where an examination proved that he suffered only minor cuts.

Traffic accidents have taken a heavy toll in this locality the past few days. Two fatalities have occurred and several persons have been injured. The dead are: Frank Batora, 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Batora who live northeast of Elsie; Leon Adams, 21, of Shepardsville.

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GOP seeks labor's secrets

By Richard L. Milliman

How about a midsummer stroll, barefoot among the potpourri.

I see by the paper where the Michigan Republican party has invited Bill Marshall, president of the Michigan AFL-CIO, to address the September GOP leadership conference at Mackinac Island, on how to win labor votes. That's surprising.

It's even more surprising that Bill Marshall accepted... and, cynic that I am, I'll be even more surprised than that if Marshall actually shows up.

The idea of inviting Marshall, who is Democratic national committeeman from Michigan as well as labor's chief political honcho in the state, undoubtedly springs from Bill McLaughlin, Michigan Republican chairman. One of McLaughlin's favorite speeches to his fellow Republicans and non-partisan groups emphasizes the need to destroy the exclusive, country club image of the Republican party, and Marshall's participation in a Republican conference is in keeping with the McLaughlin tone.

McLaughlin was quoted as saying "It is important for Republicans and organized labor to know one another better" if the GOP is to attract labor votes.

"For too long, our party as a whole has treated the labor movement as a kind of enemy," McLaughlin said, adding that such a stance is at odds with the need for the GOP to rebuild and broaden its base.

Right there, in that little concluding phrase, may be at least one thing that's wrong with the Republican-labor relationship.

GOP leadership apparently sees the need to attract labor votes "to rebuild and broaden" the Republican political base. Certainly that would benefit Republicans.

But to most union members, the long breath of the Republican political base is unimportant; perhaps the Republican leadership should be looking instead for ways it can help the working man, and not just for ways the working man can help the Republicans. Who's to benefit? The union person, or the Republican party?

Perhaps it's a subtle difference... perhaps it's splitting hairs; but it could be the key for which Republicans like McLaughlin seem to groping.

J.F. terHorst, who served briefly as President Ford's press secretary, before resigning in a fit of integrity over the Nixon pardon, recently criticized the former President and his family for making money.

"Our 38th President Is For Sale," was the title of a terHorst magazine article, in which he pointed out that Mr. Ford and his family stand to make as much as \$3 million in the next few years as a result of his having been President.

"Huckstering and hustling and merchandising of the presidency," complains Mr. terHorst, "—robs the office of something fine and decent."

True it is, and fair enough subject for criticism. However, curmudgeon that I am, I must take Jerry terHorst's broadsides with a load of salt.

Is it perhaps also questionable, for example to profit from service in the White House as press secretary to a

President? And if so, how many added newspapers signed up for Mr. terHorst's syndicated column after he left the White House? To what degree did his lecture fees increase after his blaze of integrity? What about supplying magazine articles, like the one about presidents for sale?

I don't begrudge Jerry terHorst—an old friend, by the way his chance to turn an honest dollar. More power to him, I say; I hope he surpasses Mr. Ford's \$3 million.

But I do caution that when pots and kettles are of somewhat similar hue, then perhaps any critical rhetoric should be scrutinized accordingly.

Let's close this session with a few nuts and jolts from Hod Shewell:

—One sure way to hit the nail on the head is to aim the hammer at the finger.

—Nothing will separate a couple in the front seat of a car like their first child.

—The guy behind the meat counter is no longer a plain old butcher; now he's a meat stylist.

—There's a rumor going around that born-again Mr. Carter may change the name of our defense headquarters to the Re-Pentagon.

—An after dinner mint these days is the amount of the check.

—The last leg of a good vacation is the first leg in your front door.

A PERSONAL LOOK AT THE NEWS

Between the lines

with Jim Edwards

ANYBODY WANT MY AUTOGRAPH?—My personal hand-written invitation to meet a VIP came in the mail this week. I and eleven-seventeen other weekly newspaper editors were invited to meet Billy Carter at the Silverdome. The p.s. on the invitation stated, "Beer will definitely be served." Shucks, I was on vacation during Bill's visit and I make it a policy not to goof off on my own time.

GRAVE SITUATION—The old graveyard will never be the same thanks to three computer scientists. They've designed a line of computerized tombstones powered by solar energy and featuring a video display panel on the front of the headstone which will light up with the name of the deceased and other pertinent information, a rainwater catch basin which automatically checks the soil and sprinkles the grass around the headstone when necessary, a synthesized voice matching that of the deceased that will greet visitors, a family tree flashed onto the screen that will provide information on ancestors (future members can be programmed as they're born), a computerized photographic image of the deceased along with the deceased's favorite music, incense dispenser, and last but not least, a legacy read aloud in the computer-simulated voice of the deceased. All that for only \$39,500. Tacky, tacky, tacky.

OTHER NEW GOODIES—A digital watch company has come up with a watch that, not only gives you time, date etc; it also measures the wearer's heartbeat. It'll run you \$2500 for the solid gold model or \$500 for stainless steel. Thump, Thump.

A pencil maker in Connecticut is marketing pencils made of plastic that look and sharpen like the regular wooden ones.

POLITICAL NOTE—A politician saying, "I'll make my remarks brief," is like a wife saying "I'll be ready to go in two minutes."

HE'S GOT A NEW NAME—Recently retired, a St. Johns man said his wife has a new name for him since his retirement—Honey Do. "It's Honey, do this—Honey, do that."

IT'S A THOUGHT—I heard this comment the other day. "They want to legalize marijuana, but ban saccharine. Who's going to protect us from our lawmakers?"

ANOTHER GOVERNMENT IRONY—Although I do buy lottery tickets now and then, it does seem ironic that

Michigan residents can legally play the state's number game, use the state as a bookie in lottery horse race games and engage in other lottery gambling activities, but a poker game in the kitchen is still illegal.

TRICKY SOUVENIRS—A Detroit area community is having difficulty preventing people from stealing a street sign. As soon as the sign is replaced, somebody steals it for a souvenir. The sign is at the intersection of streets named Nixon and Bluett.

A LITTLE BIRD CLASS—The "Bird" showed his class the other night. In an earlier game, Ralph Houk was booed unmercifully when he removed the "Bird" from the game for a relief pitcher. Friday night, he called for a relief pitcher after "Bird" was battered by the White Sox. Again the crowd started to boo, but it was short-lived. Fidyrych waited on the mound until Houk was done instructing the relief pitcher, and walked into the dugout with the Tiger manager. Purpose? Well, it was hard to cheer for Fidyrych and boo Houk at the same time. Nice move.



...and so, it isn't too early to make conversion plans to heaters and solar energy.

Senator Richard Allen Tax talk

30th District

Much ado about nothing. That's the way I view the late-night session during which the Senate approved extension of the present rate of the income tax.

Senate Finance Committee chairman Pat McCollough tried to build a big case with the public that two-tenths of one percent was due to expire and that the Legislature would break faith with the people by extending it.

Senator McCollough is running for governor and garnered enough Senate support from Democratic supporters and anti-tax Republicans to hold up one hour before the midnight expiration of the present rate.

In the end, Senator McCollough failed to convince a majority of the Senate. I doubt he has convinced a majority of people and nothing is easier for people to believe than that taxes are too high.

But, the senator from Dearborn appears to be determined to make this an issue on which to at least partially base a campaign. I'm surprised by that, since it seems to be a repeat of Democratic gubernatorial candidate Sandy Levin's

losing strategy four years ago.

Remember why we have a 4.6 percent income tax, with 2 of it due to expire July 1, 1977? If you don't now, you will when I remind you.

In 1974, a citizens group succeeded in a petition drive to put removal of the sales tax on food and drugs on the ballot. Sandy Levin, in his campaign for governor, strongly supported removal of the sales tax and went on to say that the \$80 million lost would not need to be replaced.

Governor Milliken neither supported nor opposed the sales tax reduction, but emphatically stated that the lost funds would need to be replaced.

This debate became the central theme of the campaign and history shows the people believe Milliken, Levin, a long-time supporter of education, mental health and social services, was not believable when he said the money was unnecessary.

So, when the people reduced the sales tax, the Legislature increased the income tax to balance the books—with the 2 increase due to expire this July just in

case Levin turned out to be right.

History took another turn after that 1974 election.

The economy went bad, very bad in Michigan. Tax receipts crashed and unemployment and other social costs soared.

For two fiscal years, Michigan scrambled through every imaginable gyraton to meet the Constitutional requirement of balancing the budget. We borrowed normally restricted funds and changed bookkeeping in marvelous and amazing ways.

During the worst year, we spent close to \$500 million more than our direct receipts. So our cash balance fell badly behind and school aid and other payments were made late.

Now, times are better and we are slowly, painfully recovering. But we haven't begun to replace those books or reverse those book-keeping shenanigans. Until we do, reducing taxes is absurd and most people know it.

Sandy Levin was wrong in 1974 as is Senator Pat McCollough in 1977.

Letters to the Editor

Another writer criticizes state decision on local nursing home

Dear Sirs:

A letter to the editor by one of our leading senior citizens prompted the writing of this letter.

It concerns the denial to the Rivard Nursing Home in St. Johns of a permit to build a larger nursing home and skilled facility.

Just because there are ones in Lansing doesn't mean there are enough to service the surrounding area. Also, it is very hard for elderly spouses to get into Lansing or elsewhere to visit a sick or ailing loved one.

A case in point is my 83-year-old great aunt whose husband, age 85, was admitted to such a facility in Okemos. She couldn't drive there herself and had to beg for rides from wherever she could find them.

Now old people have their pride just like the rest of us and Aunt Marguerite is no exception. She hated to have to call all over town just to get in to see Uncle Bill.

If he had been here in town (which he couldn't because of huge waiting lists everywhere, especially for skilled facilities) she could have made the trips to see him so much easier.

She got lonely, as did he, and she wanted to see him as often as possible, but she was not afforded the opportunity often because he was so far away.

Perhaps you people aren't old or perhaps you don't ever anticipate reaching that golden age where the ones closest to you can't help take care of you and your needs anymore because they also are in need of care.

But, whatever the reason you ignored the petitions issued in Clinton County concerning the extension of Rivard facilities, perhaps you ought to reconsider your hasty denial and stop and think about how you'd feel if you had to have someone travel 20-40 miles to see you—how often would you be visited?

I hope you will reconsider your denial.

My uncle died today all alone because Aunt Marguerite couldn't get there in time. What a shame they couldn't have been together.

Thank you for considering this letter. I hope it will change your mind.

Mrs. R. Beebe

Commends St. Johns firemen, policemen

July 4, 1977
12 a.m.

Editor:

We would like to commend the St. Johns Fire Department for their fire works display. We feel it was the best we've seen in a long while.

We also want to say how pleased we were with the way the fire department and St. Johns police force handled the traffic with the

weather situation.

We were back in our car before it really started and even though we didn't realize exactly what was happening until the siren went off, we felt the two departments were handling things as they thought would best protect the mass of people there.

Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Salisbury
Rt. 3 Lowe Rd.
St. Johns, Michigan

Critical of actions during tornado warning

Editor:

Where is the Shepard? What is the matter with our Police, Firemen and Civil Defense?

On the Fourth of July while the fireworks were being displayed in St. Johns a tornado warning was sounded.

People panicked and rushed for their cars and, as a result, nobody was able to move for about an hour. The car is not the place to be during a tornado.

Why didn't they announce it on the loud speaker system that everyone present was to take cover in the High School immediately? This is what the weather bureau and civil defense

preach all the time during a tornado warning.

If there was nobody present with keys to the school the Police or Firemen could have broken out a single door glass and unlocked it in a hurry. Which is easier to replace—a pane of glass or several thousand lives?

This better serve as a lesson to the Police, Firemen and Civil Defense officials. The people are not at fault for they would get in trouble if they broke into the school.

As far as I am concerned it shows a lack of leadership and responsibility on our leaders' part. They are supposed to be the Shepherd not the sheep.

Dale Hitchcock

Rep. Francis Spaniola How to curb crime?

87th District

Now pending in the Michigan House is a resolution which would, if passed, place a bail reform issue on the 1978 ballot for voter approval. The resolution was recently reported out of committee and now awaits debate by the full House.

Basically, the resolution would, if passed by voters as a ballot issue, deny bail to persons who have been convicted of two or more violent felonies within a 15 year period of time. The resolution defines a violent felony as one which involves a violent act or a threat of a violent act against another person.

Supporters of the resolution describe the purpose of the resolution as twofold. First, it would protect Michigan citizens from violent or potentially violent persons whose cases await due process of law. Secondly, it would act as a deterrent to further crimes by past offenders.

Opponents of the resolution suggest that, since the person may not be awaiting trial for a violent crime, it is entirely possible that they have been rehabilitated and should not be denied the same privileges granted to other persons.

Statistics which will reveal how many persons would fall under the terms of these provisions and how much protection would actually be granted to Michigan residents will be forthcoming. It is, however, undeniable

that some measures to curb our rate of crime must be enacted. Some persons contend that the best way in which to do this is to establish more preventative measures, such as half way houses, community centers and counseling services. Others feel that, while these methods may also be important, it is equally as important to deal with crimes as they occur.

I feel that the best solution is a combination of these concepts. I would like to see a comprehensive, crime-fighting program which includes methods of dealing efficiently with criminals as well as a program which will help to prevent persons from becoming criminals. Precisely where the best balance of these two programs rests remains uncertain; but I do not feel that we can ignore either alternative and still see an effective crime control program in Michigan.

I do feel that the resolution now pending in the Michigan House may have the potential for contributing to a safer climate of law and order for Michigan citizens, and I also believe it is equally as important to deal as fairly as possible with all segments of society. If bail reform for persons convicted of violent felonies can contribute to a safer state for Michigan citizens without depriving persons of their constitutional rights, I feel it is an important measure for consideration.

Rep. Stanley Powell Raps child pornography

88th District

The House unanimously approved another in a package of bills designed to halt the child pornography business in Michigan. The measure was sponsored by my Republican colleague John Engler, and amends the Hittle Act, Michigan's juvenile employment act, by making it illegal for a child to obtain a work permit for employment in sexual commercial activities.

Amending the child labor law is a unique approach to this growing problem and it may make convictions easier. The standard of proof in these cases would be the movie or magazine or any other pornographic material. If a child appeared in any one of them, it would be clear that the producers of the material violated the law if they hired a child without a work permit and they would be subject to prosecution.

The bill carried with it a strong penalty. The crime would be considered a felony and would be punishable by up to 20 years in prison or a \$20,000 fine or both.

With Senate approval almost assured, the state will take a large stride in stopping this sickening and exploitative business.

MICHIGAN INCOME TAX
The House last week voted to maintain the 4.6 percent income tax rate if the budget stabilization fund is created. The rate was scheduled to roll back to 4.4 percent July 1, and the House originated bill just squeaked by with a 55-49 vote.

Before the final vote was taken, the House overwhelmingly approved a Republican sponsored amendment which would roll back the tax to 4.4 percent on January 1, 1978 if the budget stabilization fund is not established. Another amendment, specifying a minimum of \$75 million for the fund, was stricken after assurances from Democratic leaders that a substantial amount would be funded. As a matter of fact, the House Appro-

priations committee did vote to approve a \$75 million allocation for the fund.

As you may remember, the Governor originally requested about \$130 million for the fund to be used as a cash flow restoration and a "rainy day fund," to be used when the economy fluctuates. The Office of Management and Budget has forecast a slump in the economy for

slump in the economy for 1978-79, the purpose of the budget stabilization fund is to maintain state programs and services rather than slashing individual budgets when the state's revenues are down.

The income tax bill went to the Senate, where after quite a battle it was approved so the 4.6 percent rate will remain in effect.

HEALTH CODE
A massive, 450-page bill that brings together all of Michigan's public health statutes into one code, passed the Michigan House of Representatives last week.

Essentially, the bill is the same one that also passed the House late last year following much debate. But it died in the Senate due to the upper chamber's lack of time to give, what Senators felt, adequate consideration to the bill.

The bill was developed by a special legislative public Health Statutes Revision Project committee which worked nearly two years reviewing all of Michigan's present public health laws and consolidating them into one code.

An innovative feature of the bill provides that basic health care will be made available to all residents of Michigan, regardless of where they live and their ability to pay.

It also changes some of the licensure provisions for various health professionals and takes steps intended to guarantee continuing competency on the part of health care providers.

An important, positive aspect of the bill is that it will provide state money to local communities to carry out health care programs mandated by the state. In the past, the state has mandated programs at the local level, but has not provided the level of funding necessary to carry out those programs.

While the new code was promoted as a means of bringing about greater efficiency in the delivery of health care services in Michigan, there were many reasons why I voted against it on final passage. It has now gone to the Senate.

POT DEBATE

The House of Representatives at one time last week approved a bill liberalizing penalties for use and possession of marijuana and then reconsidered and rejected the same bill the following day.

Currently the bill is subject to still another reconsideration vote, but further House action on this bill will be delayed until September.

As it stands right now, the bill (H.B. 4603) would make possession or use of one ounce or less of marijuana a misdemeanor carrying a maximum fine of \$100 without jail or a criminal record.

Supporters of this measure claim it will save time that law enforcement agencies and courts now spend processing cases involving the use and/or possession of small amounts of marijuana. They claim that police agencies will have time to work preventing and solving more serious crimes if the marijuana possession penalties are lowered.

Opponents claim that liberalizing the marijuana penalties would make more people less fearful of arrest and prosecution and, therefore, will result in increased use of marijuana.

This issue was one of the most hotly and emotionally debated topics the Legislature has handled in a long time.

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Bowles, Kristin exchange vows



Mr. and Mrs. Kurt Kristin

Wedding vows were exchanged by Jayme Lee Bowles and Kurt Joseph Kristin on June 18 with Rev. Fr. Max Frego officiating at the 3 p.m. ceremony at St. Cyril's Catholic Church in Bannister.

The bride was escorted down the aisle by her father to an altar decorated with white glads and yellow daisies, for the double ring ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bowles, 6253 Winfield Rd., Ovid and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Kristin, 11095 Woodbridge Rd., Bannister.

Vocalists for the wedding were Cindy Hehrer and Doug Long. Organist was Joe Beno.

The bride wore a Victorian styled gown of sata-peau over taffeta with a stand-up collar of Venice lace. The dress featured a sheer yoke bodice trimmed with Venice lace. The Empire Waistline was trimmed with lace and the bodice of petal trimmed in lace also. The dress has long fitted sleeves, an A-line skirt and a Cathedral length train.

For something old the bride's father placed a 1887 three-cent coin in her slipper, something new was a diamond cross from her

mother's cross, collection, something blue was a miraculous medal that was worn by the bride as a baby, and something borrowed was a lace handkerchief from her mother.

She wore a half-hat of seed pearls and rhinestone trimmed with Venice lace which secured her lace edged fingertip veil.

She carried a colonial bouquet of yellow roses, white carnations, and baby's breath with trailing ivy.

Matron of honor was Denise Harnick, sister of the groom, from Bannister. Other attendants were Marge O'Connor, Minden City; Karen Johnson, Brighton; and Sandy Webster, Eureka.

The attendants wore yellow floor length gowns with empire capelets and flowing short sleeves. They wore yellow picture hats trimmed

with green and yellow lace with yellow streamers down the back. They carried nosegays of white daisies, baby's breath, trimmed with yellow streamers.

The bride's mother chose a floor length gown of Quiana nylon with variegated shades of shocking pink, with a flowing cape of chiffon that tied around the waist. She wore a wristlet of pink roses.

The groom's mother wore a flowing gown of apricot chiffon over taffeta. She wore a wristlet of apricot roses.

Best man was Gary Rivest, of Elsie. Groomsmen were: Joe Wassa, Bannister; Dan Bowles, brother of the bride, Ovid; and Pat Terrell, Bannister. Ushers were Bob Harnick and Randy Bowles, brother of

the bride.

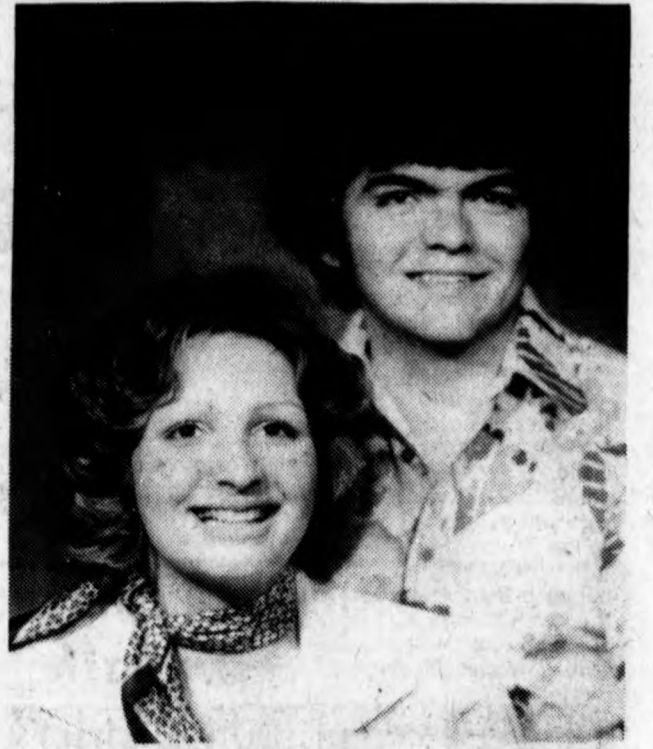
A reception for 750 people was held at the Slovak Hall in Bannister.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Galicka were host and hostess for the reception.

Special guest present at the ceremony were the bride's grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bowles, of Morrice; the bride's godparents, Mrs. John Phillips, Chesaning, and Felix Malkaski, Ovid, and the groom's godparents Mr. and Mrs. John Kristin, Bannister.

The bride attended Central Michigan University. The groom graduated from CMU in 1975 and is a teacher in St. Louis.

The couple took a wedding trip to Higgins Lake and St. Helen and are making their new home at 22205 W. Wickie Rd., Bannister.



Cynthia Custer Steven LeDuke

They're engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Custer, Ashley, announce the engagement of their daughter, Cynthia Kaye, to Steven Wayne LeDuke, son of Mrs. Noreen J. Hunnicutt and David W. LeDuke, both of St. Johns.

The bride-elect is a 1975 graduate of Fulton High

School and is presently employed by the State of Michigan.

The prospective bridegroom is a 1975 graduate of St. Johns High School and is employed at Motor Wheel.

An Aug. 20 wedding is being planned by the couple.



A boy, Brock Kenneth was born to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Barber of 201 S. Clinton July 5, at Clinton Memorial Hospital. He weighed 7lb. 13 1/2 oz. Grandparents are Jerold & Gloria Flowers and Dave & Anna Siebert. The mother is the former Brenda Flowers.

A girl, Jill Ellen, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Greg Rueckert of 5247 Pittsburg Rd., Laingsburg July 4 at Clinton Memorial Hospital. She weighed 7lb. 5 1/4 oz. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Claude Murdock and Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Rueckert. The mother is the former Phyllis L. Rose.

Elsie couple united in summer wedding

Kathleen Sue Behrens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Behrens, 3240 S. Meridan, Ovid, and Daniel Thomas Latz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Latz, of Elsie were married June 25.

St. Paul's Catholic Church, of Owosso, was the setting for the Saturday noon double ring ceremony. Father William King officiated.

The bride approached the altar wearing a wedding gown of Peau-de-soi over taffeta. The full bias skirt fell from a high empire waist and flowed into a sweeping cathedral train. Venice lace edging trimmed the Queen Anne's collar and V-neckline, Bishop sleeves and train.

Her camelot headpiece accented with pearls and Venice lace secured her lace trimmed finger-tip veil.

She carried a bouquet of red roses, daisies and baby's breath.

Mrs. Kim Hornbeck, of Ovid attended as the matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Wendy Mort, of Henderson; Sherry Decker, Ovid; Polly Bashore, Ovid; and Beth Latz, sister of the groom, Elsie. They wore gowns in rainbow colors.

Dennis Strachota, of Elsie joined the groom at the altar as best man. Groomsmen were Doug Mort, Henderson; Gayle Woodard, Elsie, Steve Latz, brother of the groom, Elsie; and Bradley Behrens, brother of the bride.

Cousin of the bride, Jennifer Linton, attended as flower girl and Tim Thornton, cousin of the groom attended as the ring bearer. Ushers were Brent Behrens and Mark Latz.

Mrs. Roger Behrens was the organist for the ceremony at which a classmate, Cindy Hehrer sang.

A dinner reception for 400 guests followed at the Veterans of Foreign War Hall in Ovid. The band "Breeze" was the entertainment.

The bride is a 1977 graduate of Lansing Community College. The groom is a 1977 graduate of Michigan State University from the Landscape and Nursery Program. He is currently employed at Selbey's Garden Center of Owosso.

The couple will make their home in Elsie upon returning from a Canadian honeymoon.



Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Latz

County students receive degrees from FSC

Ten Clinton County residents were among 2,792 students at Ferris State College to receive degrees and certificates during the 1976-77 school year.

Students completing their programs of study during the summer, fall, winter, and spring quarters were eligible to participate in the traditional commencement exercises held Saturday, May 21.

The commencement address was given by S. John Byington, Ferris alumnus who is chairman of the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission.

Those graduating include: Ronald R. Kindel, DeWitt, bachelor of science in Pharmacy; JoEllen M. Bearup, Elsie, an associate of applied sciences degree in legal assisting (with high honors); Dolores M. Goerge, Fowler, BS in human ser-

vices; Brad U. Loudenbeck, Fowler, AAS in auto body; Thomas F. Kirinovic, Ovid, BS in business education, (with high distinction).

Those students from St. Johns include: Ross L. Baker, AAS, nursing; Paul R. Beck, BS, trade-tech education; Polly Bunce, AAS, executive secretarial, (high distinction) Bernice M. Fox, BS science education, (high distinction); and Arthur T. Mahar, BS in pharmacy.

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Receives degree

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Mrs. Kauffman, a 1972 graduate of Eastern Mennonite High School on the EMC campus, is married to Timothy Kauffman of Harrisonburg.

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Candlelight ceremony unites couple

St. Johns Episcopal Church was the setting for the marriage of Makayla Marie Good, and Paul Damien Vitous on June 26 during a candlelight double ring ceremony performed by Rev. Hugh Banniga.

The bride was escorted down the aisle by her parents Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Good, of 714 Garfield, St. Johns to an altar decorated with white and pink daisies, yellow mums, white carnations, white glads and babies breath. The groom is the son of Jean L. Vitous, 501 E. State, St. Johns and William Vitous, Springfield, Virginia.

Carol Duguay sang, "O Perfect Love," and "Walk Hand in Hand," while Norma Haas played the organ for the ceremony.

For her wedding the bride chose a chiffon over taffeta gown with a sweetheart neckline featuring a bodice of eyelet Venice lace. The dress was Empire styled with cardinal sleeves of lace and tiered chiffon which accented the A-line skirt and chapel train.

She wore a matching mantilla on a camelot headpiece with Venice lace and pearls on bridal illusion. Her bouquet was white daisies, babies breath, pink sweet-

heart roses and miniature white carnations which fell into a cascade effect.

Maid of honor was Andrea Boyce, St. Johns. Bridesmaids were: Joellen Bearup, Elsie; Lori Goff, St. Johns; and Kriss Parks, Lansing. Flower girl was Liz Vitous, sister of the groom from St. Johns.

The attendants wore similar gowns of light blue aqua crepe with capes and white picture hats. They carried bouquets of daisies, carnations, static, and babies breath. The flower girl wore a flower print gown of crepe in aqua blue also.

The bride's mother wore a floor length gown of blue-green qiana jersey which gathered at the bodice and had a gathered skirt. The groom's mother chose a navy and white print polyester knit floor length gown featuring an A-line skirt which gathered at the bodice. Both mothers wore corsages of cymbidium orchids.

Best man was Robin Miller, of St. Johns. Groomsmen

were Gerald Good, Terry Tucker, and Joe Vitous all of St. Johns. Ushers were Walter Russell, Steve Iocco, Jim Vitous, and Tom Vitous.

A reception was held for the couple with 250 people attending at Smith Hall following the wedding.

Host and Hostess for the reception was Gerald and Shirley Karber. Assisting at the reception were: Buster Splan, Erin Wood, Caren Dietrich, Mary and Ann Vitous, Andrea Boyce, and Lorene Tait.

Special guests attending the ceremony included two great aunts, Aluada Hefty, and Blanche Purvis.

Both the bride and groom are 1975 graduates of St. Johns High School. The bride attended Michigan State University for two years and the groom has been in the Marines for the past two years.

The couple took a wedding trip to the Upper Peninsula and are making their new home in Rota, Spain.



Gerald Erskine Marvelann Shaw



Konnie Keusch Eric Thornton

They're engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Shaw, 8113 N. Welling Rd., Elsie, announce the engagement of their daughter, Marvelann, to Gerald Erskine Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Erskine Sr., of 417 Susan St., Cedar Springs.

The bride-elect will complete her education in Cedar Springs.

The prospective bridegroom attended Cedar Springs High School and is employed at Keller Brass.

The couple is planning a August 12 wedding date.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Keusch, 8310 E. Parks Rd., Ovid, announce the engagement of their daughter, Konnie, to Eric Thornton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norval Thorn-

ton, 5220 N. Shepardville Rd., Elsie.

The couple plan a July 16 wedding date at Holy Family Church in Ovid.



Mr. and Mrs. Paul D. Vitous

SP4 Enderle

Specialist Four Philip A. Enderle, 20, whose wife, Grace, lives at 5490 W. Howe Road, DeWitt, recently was graduated from the U.S. Army Noncommissioned Officer Academy here.

Students received training in leadership responsibilities, map reading and military teaching methods.

Enderle is an operations assistant in the 4th Infantry Division in Wiesbaden, Germany.

He entered the Army in May, 1975.

Enderle attended Michigan State University.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack A. Enderle, live at 5373 E. Howe Road, DeWitt.



Fran Martin, putts in on the fourth hole of golf as first place winner Edith Russell (holding the flag) watches the ball go in. Mrs. Russell is the winner of the Green Tee Cup. The event was held Wednesday, July 6.

Suprise visit

Mrs. Max (Ardis) Haviland, of Bancroft, Wisconsin, surprised her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herb Baker, of

Cass St., St. Johns by visiting over the Fourth of July week-end. The family also held a reunion during the week-end.

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Lenon receives award

Marie Lenon has been granted a scholarship award for the 1977 Michigan State University Summer Youth Music Program.

Marie, a member of the St. Johns High School Orchestra, was granted the award on the basis of musical experience, leadership qualities, and the recommendations of his/her teachers and the Youth Music faculty.

LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION

SCHOOL ELECTION

NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE ELECTORS OF CLINTON COUNTY INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT MICHIGAN RESIDING IN THE ST. JOHNS PUBLIC SCHOOLS CLINTON AND GRATIOT COUNTIES, MICHIGAN

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please Take Notice that the Intermediate School Board of Clinton County Intermediate School District, Michigan, has called a special election to be held in the Intermediate School District on Tuesday, August 16, 1977.

The purpose of the special election is to vote on an Area Vocational-Technical Education Proposition.

A person who is a school elector of a constituent district of an intermediate school district and who is registered in the city or township in which that person resides is an elector of that intermediate school district.

THE LAST DAY ON WHICH PERSONS MAY REGISTER WITH THE APPROPRIATE CITY OR TOWNSHIP CLERKS, IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, 1977, IS MONDAY, JULY 18, 1977. PERSONS REGISTERING AFTER 5:00 O'CLOCK, P.M., ON MONDAY, JULY 18, 1977, ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE SPECIAL ELECTION.

Persons planning to register with the respective city or township clerks must ascertain the days and hours on which the clerks' offices are open for registration.

This Notice is given by order of the Intermediate School Board of Clinton County Intermediate School District, Michigan.

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Bike tours



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(Editor's Note: This is the seventh in a series of 15 weekly articles on bicycle touring through Michigan. These features are designed to encourage Michigan tourism and promote bicycling near population centers.)

A 154-mile circle bicycle tour linking Cadillac, Manistee and Ludington offers slow-paced, scenic views of lakes, forests and northern Michigan farm country, according to Automobile Club of Michigan.

The towns along the way are steeped in history. Manistee is an Indian word for "spirit of the woods." Cadillac is named for an early French explorer, and a huge cross atop a high hill at Ludington marks the spot where pioneer explorer Pere Marquette died in 1675.

Since the trip is long, bicyclers may decide to tackle it in sections. One 60-mile segment travels between Cadillac and Manistee. A 27-mile stretch from Manistee to Ludington is partly along Lake Michigan's shore, and the last lap stretches inland for 67 miles from Ludington to Cadillac. Each section offers views

of lakes and some of the state's finest scenery. There also are inns and lodges for overnight stops, plus restaurants. Three state parks en route can accommodate outdoor enthusiasts.

The trip from Cadillac to Manistee winds along M-55 to M-115, which heads north past Lake Mitchell and William Mitchell State Park. Watch for Boon Road. A sign directs travelers west on Boon Road to the villages of Boon and Harrietta. Boon Road becomes Coates Highway after crossing the Wexford-Manistee County line.

The State Fish Hatchery at Harrietta, open daily from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., raises rainbow trout for Great Lakes plantings. Hodsens and Tippy dams on the Manistee River also are points of interest.

Coates Highway, a tree-lined road through rolling hills, joins US-31 (Chippewa Highway) 29 miles west of the hatchery. M-110, seven miles southwest of that junction, leads north off US-31 to Orchard Beach State Park, a 201-acre facility with 180 campsites located on a high bluff overlooking Lake Michigan. The park is two miles north of Manistee.

Manistee is flanked by Lake Manistee and Lake Michigan. First Street Beach Park on Lake Michigan has picnic tables and grills as well as comfort facilities. The Old Water Works Building on First Street has early lumbering days exhibits and the Russell Memorial Museum offers pioneer exhibits.

If leaving Manistee for Ludington, turn right one block off US-31 on any downtown street to Maple Street. Head south six miles on Maple Street to County Line Road and go right one block to Quarter Line Road, then south six miles to Town Line Road and jog right to Stiles Street.

Follow Stiles, Fountain and Angling roads and Dewey Street through the trees and past Hamlin Lake to Lake Shore Road for a pleasant, seven-mile ride along Lake Michigan into Ludington.

Just above Ludington, M-116 leads north into Ludington State Park, with three miles of sandy beach on Lake Michigan and four miles along Hamlin Lake. The 4,000-acre park has 414 campsites and miles of foot trails. The only marked bike trail on this tour leads eight miles along Lake Michigan, from Ludington into the state park.

Ludington is a fishermen's hot spot, with Lake Michigan to the west, Lake Hamlin to the north and Pere Marquette Lake to the south. The American Salmon Derby is headquartered at Ludington each summer. The city is a port for car ferry and passenger service across Lake Michigan.

Among other attractions are the city park on Lake Shore Drive in the downtown area and the Rose Hawley Museum with displays from Ludington's past.

To reach Cadillac, reverse the 14-mile route followed into Ludington from Stiles Road and head east 10 miles on Fountain Road to the village of Fountain, an old-fashioned hamlet among rolling hills studded with dairy farms.

Set dates for fast pitch tournament

There will be a fast pitch softball tournament at the St. Johns Little League Field Friday, July 15, at 6 p.m. All proceeds from the tournament will be donated to the little league.

Eight teams will participate in the three day event. They are: Arts Bar, Lansing; Hodges Standard, Webberville; Batey's Standard, Midland; Lansing Eagles; Gino's of Lansing; Eagles, Owosso; Campus Corners II, Lansing; and Mitchell Corporation, Owosso.

The tournament will be made up of two divisions with each team playing three games.

The first place team of division one will play the second place team from division two with the second place team from division one playing the first place team from division two.

The final game will place both winners against each other for the championship. The public is invited to attend.

Recreation Round-up

Last week was made up games for rained out games earlier in the season. The game results and current standings are as follows.

SOFTBALL
AMERICAN LEAGUE
 Hub Tire 5-0
 Buckeye Lounge 4-1
 Becks 4-1
 D & B Party Store 4-1
 WRBJ 3-1
 Andy's IGA 3-2
 Central Michigan Lumber 1-3
 Smith Plumbing 1-4
 Randolphs Ready Mix 1-4
 H & H Lounge 0-4
 Cowens 0-5

NATIONAL LEAGUE
 Wilcox Engineering 3-0
 Federal Mogul 4-0-1
 F.C. Mason 3-1
 Sillmans Store 3-1
 Egan Ford 3-2
 Clinton Auto 2-1-1
 Bee's Chevrolet 2-2
 American Legion 2-2
 Sunkiss 1-3
 Schmitt Electric 0-3
 Gellers Welding 0-4
 Knights of Columbus 0-4

WOMENS LEAGUE
 Egan Ford 4-0
 Community Dodge 4-0
 Julie K. 3-0
 Theatre Barbers 2-2
 Borton 1-2
 Webster Tire 1-2
 Keeleans Buick 1-2
 Wilcox Engineering 1-2
 Marton Rawleigh 0-3
 Central National Bank 0-4

AMERICAN LEAGUE
 D & B 12
 Andy's 6
 Randolph's 12
 H & H 11

Hub Tire 36
 Cowens 6

Hub Tire 25
 Smith 5

NATIONAL LEAGUE
 Sillmans 16
 F.C. Mason 5

CITY TENNIS LESSONS
 The first session of the city tennis lessons wrapped up Friday, with a mini tournament with the following results-In the 10 and under group were Bill Tennant and Brian O'Conner in first place with Richard Kiley a close second. Winning U.S.I.A. certificates were Robyne Strombon, Kelly Stevens, Scott Tarnasky, Janet Roesner, Kim Daley, Kelly Daley, Kristin Tarnasky, Patrick and Peter McNamara, Aaron Johnson, Brent Cornwell.

In the 17 and under division Chuck Coleman is leading John Strombon, but are awaiting the return of Bonnie Eisler who is recuperating from a tennis injury. In the women's division Ruth Davis presently leads over Meryl Davison and Billie Tarnasky won her first set in a tie-breaker over Marilyn.

The second two week session begins July 11 with 10 and under at 9:00-10:00; Women at 10:00-11:00; 17 and under at 11:00-12:00.

Adult classes will be on Saturdays from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. All classes are free and fun-Sign up soon. All classes meet on the new tennis courts. For more

information contact Richard Coletta 224-3213 or sign up at the tennis courts.

GIRLS SOFTBALL
 The deadline for signing up for girls softball ages 8-12 and 13-16 has been changed from July 6 to July 13. Girls wishing to sign up should do so at City Hall or by calling 224-3213.

PLAYGROUND PROGRAM
 The playground program will be held each Tuesday from 9 a.m. until noon, Wednesday from 9 a.m. until noon and 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Children of all ages may participate any or all of the above hours.

Area Happenings

JULY 15-16—Ovid-Elsie High School Band car wash, 11 a.m., 4 p.m., Friday, 9 a.m., 4 p.m. Saturday. Moore's Car Lot, Ovid. \$1.50 to wash outside, \$2.50 inside and out.

July 22-23—Ovid-Elsie High School Band car wash, 11 a.m., 4 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m., 4 p.m. Saturday. Elsie Library. \$1.50 for outside of car, \$2.50 inside and out.

'Best Ball' plans announced

The Clinton County Country Club will host the "Best Ball Tournament", Saturday and Sunday, July 30 and 31 with \$400 going to the winners.

This is the first time after several years the club has gone back to open participation in the event. Prizes will also be awarded to every 10th place.

Absolute deadline for competition is Sunday, July 24.

According to Barry Dean, co-ordinator for the event

they have already received several applications from the surrounding area and are anticipating a number of great golfers to enter.

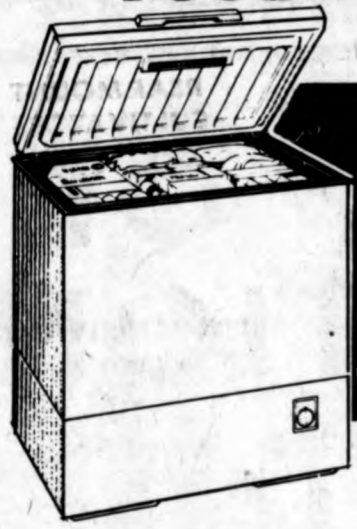
Shotgun start will be at 8:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Saturday with the opposite starting time on the second day.

The entry fee of \$40 must accompany the application, which should be sent to Best Ball Committee, 905 W. McConnell, St. Johns, MI.

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4-H chatter

Fair entries due July 21

By John Aylsworth 4-H Director

Clinton County 4-H members are reminded that their 4-H Fair Entries are due in the County Extension Office by Thursday, July 21. Members should contact their 4-H leader for a fair book and entry form if they have not already done so. It is important that the members and leaders get the entries in by the deadline so they can be put in alphabetical order and assigned an entry number plus making up all the judges' books. All entries turned in after July 21 will require the member to stand in line at the fair to make the entry then.

Although the County Fair is three days in length, the total days involved by leaders and members include seven days starting with set-up of pens, tables, etc., on Friday, Aug. 12. All non-perishable exhibits except livestock and indoor garden will come in on Saturday, Aug. 13 between 9-12; horses that will be staying at the fair will come in on Sunday Aug. 14 from 2-6 p.m. Livestock, indoor garden, western horses and foods must be in by noon on Monday, Aug. 15 with vegetables to come in at time designated. Ponies, English horses, and dogs are brought in on Tuesday. Thursday is project release day and clean-up.

A new policy established this year for still projects exhibit include a claim check number. Members will receive a claim check number that matches their entry form number. When members check out their projects on Thursday, they must have the claim number that matches their entry form. Also this year, no projects are released until Thursday morning. Any member or leader having questions about their fair entries should contact the County Extension Office.

RABBIT EVALUATION
4-H rabbit project members are invited to bring their rabbits to the fairgrounds on Wednesday

evening July 20 - 7:30 p.m. Robert Vitek, a local 4-H rabbit leader will check over the rabbits and evaluate them. There will be a showmanship contest and members will see where they need to improve.

SOFTBALL DRAWINGS
The 4-H softball play-off drawings were completed on Thursday, July 7 with eight teams in the Green League, three teams in the Green All Girls Teams and twelve teams in the White League. All teams will play Friday evening July 22 at Fowler High School, Fowler Little League, St. Johns Park and Elsie Park. There will be three games at each field starting at 6 p.m.-7:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. The remaining games needed include Saturday, July 23, July 29, 30, 31 and Aug. 5 according to the schedule sent to the 4-H Softball leaders.

GUN SHOOT CONTESTS
The county 4-H gun shoot contests have been finalized with the trap shoot to be held Saturday, Aug. 6, 2 p.m. at the Sleepy Hollow Conservation Club north of St. Johns, and the Rifle Shoot will be held Sunday, Aug. 7, 2 p.m. at the Ingham County Conservation Club west of Lansing. 4-H Gun leaders are asked to contact the Extension Office by Aug. 1 as to how many participants from each club will be shooting. County winners will have the opportunity to shoot in the state 4-H Gun Shoot on Tuesday, Aug. 23 at Lansing.

VICTOR NEWS
The Victor 4-H club members have donated \$15 to the county project of providing smoke alarms for the Kettunen Center facilities. Clinton County pledged to raise \$600 for this project. Kettunen Center is the state 4-H adult leader and teen leader training center. Presently, the Michigan 4-H Foundation is conducting a \$110,000 improvement drive for Kettunen Center. Clinton County has had many members and leaders receive project and leadership training at Kettunen

Center since it was established. A friend of 4-H in the county has contributed \$125 to the county project at Kettunen Center.

INITIATE NEW MEMBERS
The Boots and Buckles 4-H club members initiated three new members into the club at their last meeting. Members talked about their work meeting attendance and decided some members will need to increase their attendance or they won't show. The Double M 4-H club show bills on July 23 were passed out. Members signed up for their fair entry classes. In the annual club initiation horse race, Diane "Fonzie" Martin placed 1st; Doug "Phyllis Diller" Fitzpatrick placed 2nd; and Patty "Fat Albert" Wirth placed last. The club's next meeting will be July 20.

FIREBALL OFFICERS
The Fowler Fireballs 4-H members elected new officers for the summer program as follows—Mary Feldpausch, president; Kelly Feldpausch, secretary; Marc Arthur, treasurer; and Andy Feldpausch, news reporter. The members voted to have each member donate 50 cents to the county project for Kettunen Center (Michigan 4-H Leader Training Center). The member will start their club float in July for the fair float contest in August. All members playing on the club's 4-H softball team received their t-shirts. The team is undefeated as of now and is looking forward to their remaining games and playoffs.

BEARUP BURNERS REPORT
The Bearup Burners cooking club members learned how to identify kitchen utensils with a contest. The members did a fine job plus learning about kitchen safety. A demonstration on measuring was given by Kitty Bearup. The members enjoyed the 4-H Food Tour to East Lansing July 7. The club will have participants on the Food Bowl preliminaries July 14, International Dinner July 28 and for the 4-H Fair in August. The boys got in groups of two and made peanut butter cookies.

Retirement party honors Raymond Locher

A retirement party honoring Raymond F. Locher, ACP Program Specialist of the Michigan Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service Office, was held recently at the Club Roma on Round Lake.

Locher was born on the Locher homestead farm in DeWitt, and has always lived on farms within a mile of his birthplace. He was in partnership with his father in 1929, operating a 450-acre, livestock and grain farm. He and his wife, Brownie, have operated 221 acres in Clinton County for 37 years.

Raymond began working as a part-time employee with the Clinton County Extension Agent in 1933 on the Federal Corn-Hog, Wheat and Agricultural Adjustment Administration (AAA) Programs. He served on the Clinton County Committee from 1937-1947. In 1947, he was appointed Farmer Fieldman for the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (FCIC) for the western half of Michigan.

In 1949, the Michigan State AAA Committee appointed him a farmer fieldman with 10 to 14 counties near Lansing and in the Thumb Area. He served in this capacity until the fall of 1954, when he joined the state office as a program specialist. He has been in charge of the Agricultural Conservation Program (ACP) since 1954.

In the beginning, he also handled the sugar program, aerial photography, and al-

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lotments and marketing quotas; but, as the programs grew, these were given to other specialists.

In 1974, the Forestry Incentive Program (FIP) was added to Raymond's duties, and in 1977, the Drought and Flood Conservation Program (DFCP) also became his responsibility.

There were 186 present at his retirement smorgasbord to honor him for his many years of service to Michigan farmers and agriculture.

A number of retired ASCS personnel were present, as well as former state committeemen, state executive directors and district directors; former county executive directors; newly appointed state ASCS committeemen Vernon L. Kretschmer, Burton S. Grier and Paul D. Johnson; state office staff, including present district directors and county office specialist; present county executive directors and county employees; and representatives from Soil Conservation Service (SCS), Farmers Home Administration (FmHA), Cooperative Ex-

tension Service (CES), Soil Conservation Districts (SCDs), and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

A special honor was bestowed upon Locher by Representative Stanley Powell from the Michigan Legislature. It was Senate concurrent Resolution No. 136, a resolution of tribute to Raymond F. Locher, offered by Senator Richard J. Allen (with Representative Armbruster, McCullough and Powell named as co-sponsors), in recognition of the 44 years he has devoted to agriculture in the state of Michigan.

A copy of the tribute was presented to Raymond and Brownie Locher in testimony to the high regard in which he is held by the Michigan Legislature. Framed copies were also provided for his two daughters.

Chet Wright of the State ASCS Office presented Locher with an Elgin quartz watch and a check for \$400 on behalf of all of his friends in ASCS. His children also made a presentation at the retirement party—a plane reservation to their parents to Hawaii.



4-H Spotlight

Those hot, humid, miserable days we've had in the last couple months don't seem to bother 4-H leader Oscar Ornelas too much. He works all day in a Michigan Milk cooler in Ovid.

Oscar works loading cottage cheese for the milk company and keeps cool on the job. He comments that "It's a little warm when you first come out though."

Oscar lives on the outer edge of Elsie with his wife Dorothy and three children Roger (13), Julie (6) and John (3). There are three other children not living at home, Terry (25), Sheri (23) and Bobby (15).

When asked to tell something special about their dad, Julie and John said, "He's a good dad" and "I love him".

How does a "good dad" who keeps a house with a very large yard; spends time giving Herman, a large black dog, a bath; works for MMPA; swims and plays golf get involved in 4-H? He takes his kids to 4-H meetings and when they need a leader he volunteers.

That's how Oscar became a 4-H woodworking leader three years ago in the Elsie 4-Corners Club. He works with an average of ten kids a year but says he couldn't have made it without the help of Doug Conklin. They work together with the kids and share tools, ideas, problems and favors. The two of them are going to be building some much needed partitions in the Quonset dressing rooms before the fair this summer.

Oscar says of being a 4-H leader, "The nicest part is getting them (the 4-H members) to accomplish things and do their work." Long term goals sometimes get forgotten in the fun at the moment. Oscar is glad he volunteered to lead that first woodworking group and we're glad he did too.

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Carland News

By Mrs. Leo Deming

One hundred persons gathered at the Carland United Methodist Church Thursday evening for a pot-luck supper and an evening of fellowship to welcome back the Reverend and Mrs. Homer VanBuren to pastor the Burton and Carland United Methodist churches for another year.

Mr. James Fent gave the invocation, and a program was then held in the church proper with Steve Simpson providing the music with his guitar and singing.

Mrs. Leo Deming dressed in bib-overalls and a derby-hat gave a sermon entitled, "The Loose that Gaid the Olden Geggs".

The VanBuren's wedding picture along with other family pictures of old were passed among the people who attended from both churches, for viewing.

The fun night gave the Reverend VanBuren quite a roasting, which is graciously accepted and even tape recorded it all—agreeing with Pudge's sermon that "All that Goldens is not Glist".

Mrs. Deming dismissed the group with prayer.

Carol Orlowski and infant daughter, Amy Renee, who is 2½ months old, weighs fourteen pounds and whose father is Robert Orlowski. Mr. and Mrs. Orlowski and daughter live in Lansing, but Mrs. Orlowski is the former Carol Kusnier of rural Carland, were guests at a baby shower July 10 at 4805 N. Vincent Rd., Elsie, Michigan.

The hostesses were Nancy Kusnier and Kathy Rickett.

Kim Stinson was honored at an open house held by parents, Mr. and Mrs. Farrell Stinson of rural Carland with 75-100 attending.

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A participant in last week's bike rodeo in St. Johns negotiates her bike through the cone slalom which tests the dexterity and coordination of the rider.



No, Deputy Larry Ruby of the Clinton County Sheriff's Department hasn't pulled over all these bike riders to issue tickets. He's checking their score cards during the bike rodeo in St. Johns.



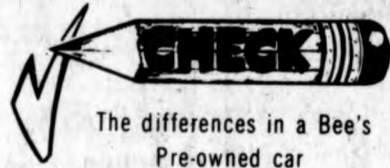
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Wilbur M. Weston

Secretary, Board of Education of De Witt Public Schools, Clinton County, Michigan



A folk dance group from Germany delighted a St. Johns audience on the courthouse lawn Monday night with their dancing and singing talents. The group dressed in their native costumes performed for people both young and old.

Elsie News

Saturday's special meeting of Elsie Masonic Lodge F & A.M. 239 was dedicated by Worshipful Master Sidney J. Keys to his old friend and Brother Mason Oscar G. Fisher of the Owosso Masonic Lodge 81.

Fisher, who is nearing his 88th birthday, has been a Mason for 56 years and is presently tier of the Owosso Lodge, an office he has held for 25 years.

W.M. Keys invited him to a place of honor in the East during the conferring of an initiatory degree.

Remarks were made by several of the guests present from Swartz Creek, Owosso, DeWitt, Perry and Ovid.

Prior to the meeting, a ham dinner was served by ladies of the Order of Eastern Star, headed by Mrs. Jim Litomisky, Mrs. Robert Kelley and Mrs. Donald Ike.

Mrs. Murray Cole returned home from Owosso Memorial Hospital Friday, following medical treatment

for injuries received in a fall in the basement of her home April 19. Her daughter and granddaughter have spent a few days with her.

Mrs. Esther Dorman entered Owosso Memorial Hospital Tuesday, April 26 for medical treatment.

Hiram Lipp, son of Mrs. Aletha Lipp of Elsie was taken to the St. Lawrence Hospital Friday from his work in Lansing and underwent surgery that same evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Brown and sons, Larry Jr. and Jeff and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Wright of St. Johns, Mr. and Mrs. Hermineo Roldan and children, Christina and Cuauhtemec and Mr. and Mrs. Sid Keys of Elsie recently spent several days at Pigeon Forge, Tenn., and Waynesville, N.C.

The golfers enjoyed their sport at mountainous Country Clubs at Gatlinburg, Tenn., and Canton and Waynesville, N.C.

Several side trips were

made through the Great Smoky National Park viewing the virgin forests and cascading mountain streams and the flowering shrubs such as rhododendrons, azaleas, dogwood and laurel on the hillsides, with the eternal haze hanging over the Park.

They climbed the Observation Tower to Clingman's

Dome, drove through tunnels, Newfound Gap and were close to 6593 ft. high Mt. LeConte, the highest mountain in eastern U.S.

They crossed the Cherokee Indian reservation and several saw black bears and the Indian dancers in colorful native dress, while others enjoyed the beautiful Maggie Valley.

A. Wickerham named new Legion commander

The regular meeting of the DeWitt American Legion Post 379 was held at the Municipal Building Wednesday, July 6.

Officers for the coming years were installed by 8th District commander Marsden and his assistant commander Davis of Saginaw.

The new officers are: commander-Alfred A. Wickerham; 1st. vice-John A. Apthorp; 2nd vice-Richard L. Corwin; adjutant-Charles H. DeYoe; finance officer-

Arthur F. Newman; historian-Margaret A. Faught; chaplain-Charles E. Smith; service officer-John A. Apthorp; sgt. at arms-Warren L. Smith.

Following the installation a social hour was held by members of the Legion Post and Auxiliary.

Meetings are the first and third Wednesdays of each month. All veterans are invited to attend. Meetings are held in the Memorial Building, DeWitt.

DEWITT TOWNSHIP

Synopsis

Synopsis of the regular meeting of the DeWitt Township Board held on June 27, 1977 at the Township Hall, 780 E. Wieland Road.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Supervisor Reed. The meeting was opened with an invocation and the pledge of allegiance. Board members present: Reed, Syverson, White, Pline, Corr, Kzeski, and Olger.

The agenda was approved with the addition of additional sewer leads. Mrs. Gordon Harlow complained about the zoning change of their property. Herman Heiden asked about the plugged drains on Eskes Drive. The Parks and Recreation Commission minutes were reviewed.

Corr gave the fire and police reports. The minutes of the Public Safety Committee were reviewed. Approved a two year contract with Lansing Mercy Ambulance with provisions. Approved capital expenditures in the amount of \$800. Authorized Fancher and Robinson to pursue the DeSander violation.

Referred the proposed noise ordinance to Fancher, Ferrence and Robinson. Referred the zoning ordinance back to the Planning Commission for reconsideration. Reed reported on the CETA positions and the employees were approved by the Board. Discussed two zoning problems. Instructed the Zoning Official to enforce the ordinance. Allocated ten more sewer leads to the building department.

Adjourned at 9:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Donna B. Syverson, Clerk

Approved by Alta C. Reed, Supervisor

DeWitt City police

DeWitt City police report the malicious destruction of property at St. Jude's Church on Main St., where some unknown persons tore up the lawn with automobiles.

There have been some reports of harassing phone calls in the area. There was the larceny of a fishing pole and tackle from a trunk of a camper. The DeWitt Area

Chapel reported the larceny of \$350 on July 2.

Police received a complaint of a nude man exposing himself to children in the Lake Geneva area.

A breaking and entering occurred at the Brunswick apartments with frozen foods and edible items being taken.

An arrest was also made on a warrant pick-up.

Health clinic set

Mid-Michigan District Health Department Community Public Health Clinic will be held at Congregational church, 100 Maple St., St. Johns on July 14, 1977 regularly held on 2nd Thursday of each month. Blood Pressure Screening 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. Immunizations 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.

Immunizations will be available free of charge for children eight weeks of age to adulthood.

Job required tuberculin skin testing is available for a fee of \$2.00, other T.B. skin testing is done free of charge.

A parent or legal guardian must have been informed of possible side effects of vac-

cines or tests before giving written consent for the administration of them. Please bring previous immunization records in order to insure proper scheduling.

Cancer Society volunteers will provide health education and information concerning cancer in adults and children.

Information on the following programs is available: Women, Infants and Children Nutrition Program (W.I.C.), Family Planning, Home Health Nursing Services, Crippled Children Services, Venereal Disease, Child Hearing and Vision Screening and Summer Topical Fluoride Program.

PUBLIC NOTICE

PURSUANT TO OPEN MEETING ACT 267, PUBLIC ACTS OF 1977, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF THE SCHEDULE OF REGULAR MEETINGS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1978.

BY ACTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE ST. JOHNS PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF CLINTON AND GRATIOT COUNTIES REGULAR MEETINGS WILL BE HELD ON THE SECOND WEDNESDAY OF EACH CALENDAR MONTH. SUCH MEETINGS TO BE HELD IN THE OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, LOCATED IN THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE, 501 WEST SICKLES, ST. JOHNS, MICHIGAN. TELEPHONE No: 224-2394.

THE TIME OF MEETINGS WILL BE 7:30 P.M. DURING THE MONTHS OF NOVEMBER THROUGH APRIL AND THAT DURING MAY THROUGH OCTOBER THE TIME OF THE MEETING WILL BE 8:00 P.M.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE REGULAR MEETING DATES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

JULY 13, 1977	JANUARY 11, 1978
AUGUST 10, 1977	FEBRUARY 8, 1978
SEPTEMBER 14, 1977	MARCH 8, 1978
OCTOBER 12, 1977	APRIL 12, 1978
NOVEMBER 9, 1977	MAY 10, 1978
DECEMBER 14, 1977	JUNE 14, 1978

WILLIAM P. RICHARDS
SECRETARY, BOARD OF EDUCATION

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGE IN SCHOOL DISTRICT BOUNDARIES

In accordance with Act No. 451, Public acts of 1976, Part II, Sec. 951, notice is hereby given that a hearing of the Clinton County Intermediate Board of Education and the Eaton Intermediate Board of Education will be held at the time and place specified below to consider the petitions to transfer properties from the Pewamo-Westphalia School District to the Grand Ledge School District.

The property to be transferred is located in Westphalia Township.

The legal description of the property is as follows: All that part of E 1/2 of N.W. 1/4 lying South of Pioneer Road in Sec. 25, T6N, R4W, Westphalia Twp., Clinton County, Michigan.

PLACE OF MEETING
Clinton County Intermediate School District
4179 S. US-27
St. Johns, Michigan

TIME
8:15 P.M.

DATE
July 18, 1977

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THIS MEETING.

Larry A. Schwartzkopf, Secretary

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Winifred McKean

Secretary, Board of Education of Fowler Public School District, Clinton County, Michigan.

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HELP WANTED—ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SANITARIAN I—Mid-Michigan Dist. Health Dept. Clinton County Branch Office. Applicants must possess a Baccalaureate degree in Environmental Health or related fields of Science of Engineering. For applications call main office 831-4832 or write Mid-Mich. Dist. Health Dept. P.O. Box 336, 120 S. Court St. Stanton, MI 48888. Deadline for accepting applications July 25, 1977. An equal Opportunity Affirmative Action Employer.

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ANTIQUES WANTED - Furniture, tools, guns, coins, stamps, jewelry, household items, etc., especially furniture in need of refinishing. From attic to basement, if its old, I'm probably interested. Call Dan 593-2888. PGCR 28-30

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Legal Notice

State of Michigan The Probate Court for the County of CLINTON Estate of OSCAR R. KOHLER TAKE NOTICE: On Wednesday, September 7, 1977, at 10:00 A.M. in the Probate Courtroom, Court House, St. Johns, Michigan, before the Hon. TIMOTHY A. GREEN, Judge of Probate, a hearing will be held on Petition of Theo Brown for probate of a purported Will of the deceased dated December 1, 1969, and for granting of administration to Theo Brown, Esq., Michigan, or some other suitable person, and for a determination of heirs.

Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate must be presented to said Theo Brown, Route No. 1, Eagle, Michigan, and proof thereof filed with the Court on or before November 6, 1977. Notice is further given that the estate will be thereupon assigned to persons determined of record entitled thereto. Dated: March 31, 1977 Theo Brown Petitioner

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CMH hires new doctor



Dr. Casher works on patient

A new doctor in town. At Johns Clinton Memorial Hospital has added a new doctor, Michael Casher, to its team in the emergency room. Dr. Casher has been kept busy during his first few days of work and is shown stitching up the arm of a young patient.

Paul McNamara, administrator, announced the expansion of the emergency room services at Clinton Memorial Hospital. The hospital now provides emergency care twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, with a physician on duty in the emergency room from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Monday through Thursday and 10 a.m. Friday through 8 p.m. Sunday.

The expansion of services is the result of an agreement with Northern Professional Emergency Room Physicians, P.C. The Petoskey firm provides emergency room physicians on a contractual basis to community hospitals.

Michael Casher, M.D. will be the physician on duty in the emergency room from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday

through Friday. Northern Professional Emergency Room Physicians, P.C. will provide physicians to cover the weekend hours. Local physicians will be available on a call-in basis.

McNamara states this is an important addition of services for the hospital and community. Before this arrangement, local physicians took turns covering the emergency room on a call-in basis.

Dr. Casher is a graduate of the University of Michigan Medical School. He has completed one year of post-graduate training in community medicine at the University of Colorado Medical Center. His undergraduate degree was from Johns Hopkins University. He resides in St. Johns.

News from Elsie

The 1926 and 1927 graduates of Elsie High School met recently (Sunday June 26) at the old high school building.

They assembled for an hour before dinner to renew old classmates and register the guest book with Mrs. Gertrude (Umstadt) Hofferbert in charge.

A buffet dinner was served the 25 guests by the J&M catering service in the cafeteria of the Junior High. A cake was made and decorated by Mrs. Dan Egbert and was cut by Austin Hall (president of the 1927 class). Mrs. Eileen (Dodge) Engebretson received the floral centerpiece since her home was the farthest away.

It was voted to hold another joint reunion on a Saturday evening in August 1978 at the same place.

Present from the 1926 Class were: Gertrude (Umstadt) Hofferbert and her spouse, Ivan of Bannister; Doris (Loynes) Crawford and spouse Clare of Ovid; Lucille (Leavitt) Heibeck of St. Johns; Cleon Rumbaugh of DeWitt; Eileen (Dodge) Engebretson of Sun City, Arizona; Leroy Vincent of Elsie; Bing Debar and his spouse Betty of Lansing; and Edna (Rule) Ferguson and spouse Newton of Lansing.

From the 1927 Class were: Bernadine (Young) Biebesheimer of Wayne; Blanche (Cook) Goodrich of Swartz Creek; Florence (Hess) Beckwith and spouse Bob of Hillsdale; Lyle Peters and spouse Julia of St. Johns; Paul Brainard of Flint; Frederick Mole and Shirley of Muskegon; Austin

Hall and Wanda of Akron, Ohio; and Gladys (Knight) Vincent of Elsie.

Several hours were spent visiting and looking at old school pictures and scrapbooks. Letters were read from the class sponsor, Mildred (Fuller) Markie of Grand Ledge, Mariam (Bouck) Foster of Lansing, Bonita (Bruner) Mogelgaard of Drummond Island and Grant Evans of Sun City, Arizona.

Arrangements for the joint reunion were instigated by Gladys and Leroy Vincent, who were assisted by others in this area.

The Elsie Library Historical Ass'n is sponsoring a homemade ice cream social and homemade quilt raffle on the library lawn Friday, July 22 from 5 to 9 p.m. Proceeds will be used for Historical Room needs and equipment.

The scalloped quilt, in the double wedding ring pattern

is on display in the show window of Bob and Nan's General Store (formerly Wooley's Variety Store). The quilt was made by Mrs. Maude Craven and quilted by Mrs. Ida Hammond.

This project is being held during Elsie's Sidewalk Sale Days. The tickets on the quilt are now on sale by members and others of the Historical Ass'n and drawing will be held at 7:45 p.m. You need not be present to win.

The regular meeting of the Elsie Historical Ass'n will be held Tuesday, July 19 at 7:00 p.m. in the Historical Room for membership drive and new members are welcome to attend.

Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Peltier were Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Knirk from Arizona. Knirk was a former Superintendent of the Elsie Public Schools some thirty years ago.

C. McNeilly graduates

Mrs. Chris McNeilly, the former Kathy Esterline, a 1977 graduate of Bob Jones University in Greenville, S. C., and a native of Dewitt,

has accepted a position on the faculty of Fairhaven Christian School in Chester-ton, Ind., beginning in the fall.

A 1973 graduate of DeWitt High School, Mrs. McNeilly is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pepe Ramirez of 13007 North U. S. 27, DeWitt. She received the bachelor of arts degree from the South Carolina school in June.

While a student at B.J.U., Mrs. McNeilly was a member of Theta Alpha Chi Literary Society.

Bob Jones University, known as the "World's Most Unusual University," is a liberal arts, coeducational, Christian institution. Each year the university matriculates more than 5,500 students who come from every state in the Union and about 30 foreign countries and territories.

Heifer, cow sale

At least 40 head of high quality registered open heifers, bred heifers and cows will be sold at the State Guernsey sale to be held at the Clinton County Fairgrounds Saturday, July 23. Consignments are coming from most of the good herds

in the state, as well as from at least three breeders in Ohio and Indiana.

Charles Chestnut will be pounding the gavel to get the sale started at 12 noon.

For additional information, contact Alan Anderson at 224-2202.

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LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION SCHOOL ELECTION

NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE ELECTORS OF CLINTON COUNTY INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT MICHIGAN RESIDING IN PEWAMO - WESTPHALIA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS IONIA AND CLINTON COUNTIES, MICHIGAN

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

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This Notice is given by order of the Intermediate School Board of Clinton County Intermediate School District, Michigan.

Thomas A. Droste

Secretary, Board of Education of Pewamo - Westphalia Community Schools, Ionia and Clinton Counties, Michigan

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Gail Matthews

Secretary, Board of Education of Bath Community Schools, Clinton and Shiawassee Counties, Michigan



"Uncle John" Beck, of Uncle John's Cider Mill inspects some of his apple crop after he went to the organic way of growing. So far the only thing that has hurt his crop has been a hail storm.

Beck's use organic method Growing apples the natural way

By Sue Kiley
Staff Writer

An old cliché goes, "An apple a day, keeps the doctor away." But nowadays just how safe is an apple to eat once it has been sprayed with chemicals to retard spoilage, keep insects and bugs away, and to perfect the flawless, red, apple?

John Beck, of Uncle John's Cider Mill and Orchards, located north of St. Johns, has recently changed his U-Pick operation to organic growing. This means he will avoid hard pesticides and harsh chemical fertilizers on his apple trees.

Instead Beck, along with the help of Phil Wheeler, of Nature's Way Farm, in Vestaberg will use substitute natural mined sources for fertilizer, and also live insects and biological controls along with organic sprays.

"We are going to allow the minimum amount of cosmetic fruit damage, and in turn hope the public will accept a more naturally grown apple," Beck said. "If insects prove to be too big of a problem, we will end up using as hard a chemical as needed."

The St. Johns orchard, one of the biggest in the area, is the first apple farm in this part of Michigan to go totally organic in its growing operations. "We've had a lot of inquiries lately from consumers about how the apples are grown and what kind of chemicals are used," Beck said. "There is a real interest now and we are going to try to satisfy our customers."

According to Wheeler, chemicals are not the only answer to controlling insects and growing things. "There are a lot of organic ways to take care of major problems," he said.

"I think growers would be surprised to discover it is actually cheaper to grow organically," Wheeler commented. He added, as of yet, there have been no significant changes in yield production. "Generally speaking the greatest changes will come after the first couple of years," he said.

Beck is using the seaweed concept of organic growing which helps in drought and frost resistance. Wheeler states that by using this method the growing becomes cost effective, there is a lack of environmental pollution and there are less disease problems.

Wheeler noted more work will be involved with the new process of producing the "natural" apple, because it will have to be closely monitored.

Before the crops were sprayed with the "shotgun" approach. With the new method to get rid of the problem insect they use the sex-scent of the insect. They determine what kind of insect is the cause and then release a natural predator.

On a nationwide basis the use of natural fertilizers is doubling, as the trend for reverting back to nature grows.

"At first I didn't even want to talk about changing over to organic growing, but the more I thought about it the better it sounded," Beck said.

When using regular poison sprays to control pests, the materials stay effective for two weeks. By using other types of natural methods it lasts two or three days making it a little more difficult for the farmer.

This fall's apples will be the first crop under the new growing system. Wheeler commented that in most crops the nutritional content improves as well as the taste.

Although no chemicals will be used on the apple crop, both men noted it will take a couple of years for other fertilizers to wear out of the soil. This will leave some residue in the apples, but not nearly as much as the traditional way.

Beck anticipates no major problems even with insects.

Beck said another reason he went to organic growing, as many other farmers did, was because federal controls were getting a lot tighter.

"People are also becoming more aware of what they are eating now," he added.

The Beck farm is in its third generation dating back to 1895 with Frank Beck as the first owner. Later the farm was passed down to Maynard Beck, John's father, who in turn passed it on to him.

Between 6-6,500 trees are involved in this new natural process on the Beck Farm.

"We are pretty optimistic on how it's going to work," Beck concluded.

St. Johns City Commission Minutes June 13, 1977

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Mayor Ebert.

COMM. PRESENT: Ebert, Wilcox, Arehart, Roesner
COMM. ABSENT: Hannah
STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Humphrey, City Attorney Maples, City Clerk Wood, Zoning Adm. Coletta.

Motion by Comm. Arehart, supported by Comm. Roesner to approve the minutes of the May 23, 1977 meeting as written.

YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Arehart, Roesner
NAY: None
Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Roesner, supported by Comm. Wilcox to approve the Warrants.

YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Arehart, Roesner
NAY: None
Motion Carried.

Mayor Ebert asked for additions or deletions to the agenda. There was one addition.

Motion by Comm. Arehart, supported by Comm. Roesner to approve the agenda as amended.

YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Arehart, Roesner
NAY: None
Motion carried.

A letter from the St. Jude's Childrens Research Hospital was presented.

Motion by Comm. Wilcox, supported by Comm. Arehart to approve the request of St. Jude's Childrens Research Hospital to have a door to door march on September 24 or 25 from noon until 4:00 p.m. and that all fees be waived.

YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Arehart, Roesner
NAY: None
Motion carried.

The Manager presented a bill for the 1977 Miss Digg.

Motion by Comm. Wilcox, supported by Comm. Roesner to approve the Miss Digg bill in the amount of \$198.48.

YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Arehart, Roesner
NAY: None
Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Roesner, supported by Comm. Arehart that the Ass't. City Manager be authorized to purchase as MTD 16 h.p. lawn mower from Quality Farm Fleet.

YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Arehart, Roesner
NAY: None
Motion carried.

The City Manager gave a report and update on the Step III construction grant.

Motion by Comm. Wilcox, supported by Comm. Roesner that the City of St. Johns exercise a lease with Grand Trunk Western Railroad at a cost of \$110.00 for the first year and \$10.00 for each 10 year period thereafter.

YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Arehart, Roesner
NAY: None
Motion carried.

A letter from Al Johnson, on behalf of the St. Johns Public Schools requesting permission to operate the park concession stand was presented.

Motion by Comm. Wilcox, supported by Comm. Arehart to approve the contract with the school and authorize the City Manager and City Clerk to sign.

YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Arehart, Roesner
NAY: None
Motion carried.

A request from Clinton County for parking was presented.

Motion by Comm. Ebert, supported by Comm. Roesner to refer the letter of Gerald Ambrose to Carl Fonger, Water Department Superintendent.

YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Arehart, Roesner
NAY: None
Motion Carried.

Motion by Comm. Wilcox, supported by Comm. Arehart to adjourn.

YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Arehart, Roesner
NAY: None
Motion carried.

The meeting was declared adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Conservation jobs available to youth

Some 3,000 jobs on conservation projects in Michigan will soon become available to young people for the summer, State Senator Richard Allen of the 30th District has announced.

"A bill recently approved by the Legislature will enable youths between the ages of 15 and 21 to begin work shortly on conservation projects on public lands," he explained. "Age is the only qualification set by the Legislature."

"The bill appropriates \$5 million for this special youth employment program which will last for up to 10 weeks," he continued. "The money is allocated to the state Department of Natural Resources. About \$1.86 million will be used for state conservation projects across the state without regard for the area's unemployment rate, while the remainder will be distributed to local governments and park authorities in areas with an unemploy-

ment rate of six percent or more to hire young people to work on local conservation projects."

"Youths will be paid at a rate of \$2.57 per hour and are limited to working no more than 40 hours in each week," he added. "Jobs will include park maintenance, river beautification, erosion control, and wildlife habitat management."

Senator Allen advised young people who are interested in obtaining a job under this program, and who meet the age qualification, to contact their nearest State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) office within the next few days to get an application for employment. DNR offices are found under "Michigan, State of" in most telephone directories. He also suggested that applicants check with their municipal governments and park authorities to determine if they will have positions available for

the summer under this program.

"Some jobs will begin as early as July 11 and the DNR hopes to have all the positions filled by the end of this month," he noted.

"I am hopeful that many young people from my district will apply for employment under this program," he urged. "It is a program which I believe will benefit our state's young people and help to improve our environment."

NOTICE Of Proposed Change in School District Boundaries

In accordance with Act No. 451, Public Acts of 1976, Part II, Sec. 951, notice is hereby given that a hearing of the Clinton County Intermediate Board of Education and the Gratiot-Isabella Intermediate Board of Education will be held at the time and place specified below to consider the petition to transfer properties.

FROM the Fulton-Middleton School District to the St. Johns school District. The property to be transferred is located in Essex Township. The legal description of the property is as follows:

1. The E 1/2 of the NW 1/4, Sec 28, T8N-R3W
2. SE 1/4 of SW 1/4, Sec 21—T8N-R3W
3. South 100 acres of NE 1/4, Sec 28—T8N-R3W

FROM the Fulton-Middleton School District to the Fowler School District. The property to be transferred is located in Essex Township. The legal description of the property is as follows:

The W 1/2 of the E 1/4 of the SW frac. 1/4 of Sec 18, Also the W 1/2 of the SW frac. 1/4 of Sec 18 Except land described as follows: Comm. at the SW corner of the said Sec 18, running th N51 rd th E73 and 1/2 rods, th S51 rods, thence W 73 & 1/2 rods to place of beginning. All in T8N, R3W, Also except all that land lying North of Hayworth Creek.

FROM the Ovid-Elsie School District to the Ashley School district. The property to be transferred is located in Elba Township. The legal description of the property is as follows:

The Southwest Fractional 1/4 of Section 31; T9N, R1W, Elba township, Gratiot County, Michigan, EXCEPT commencing 890 feet South of the West 1/4 corner thereof, thence South 165 feet, thence East 528 feet, thence North 165 feet, thence West 528 feet to the place of beginning and also except right of way to Consumers Power Co. Recorded in Liber 274 of deeds on page 310 or any instruments affecting the same.

PLACE OF MEETING

Clinton County Intermediate School District
4179 S. US-27
St. Johns, Michigan

TIME: 8:30 P.M. DATE: July 18, 1977

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THIS MEETING.

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LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION SCHOOL ELECTION

NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE ELECTORS OF
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CLINTON AND GRATIOT COUNTIES, MICHIGAN

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please Take Notice that the Board of Education of St. Johns Public Schools, Clinton and Gratiot Counties, Michigan, has called a special election to be held in the School District on Tuesday, August 16, 1977.

THE LAST DAY ON WHICH PERSONS MAY REGISTER WITH THE APPROPRIATE CITY OR TOWNSHIP CLERKS, IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE SPECIAL ELECTION CALLED TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, 1977, IS MONDAY, JULY 18, 1977. PERSONS REGISTERING AFTER 5:00 O'CLOCK, P.M., ON MONDAY, JULY 18, 1977, ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTION.

Persons planning to register with the respective city or township clerks must ascertain the days and hours on which the clerks' offices are open for registration.

This Notice is given by order of the Board of Education of St. Johns Public Schools, Clinton and Gratiot Counties, Michigan.

William P. Richards
Secretary, Board of Education

Obituaries

Helen Davis

Helen M. Davis, 67, 902 E. Court St., Flint died July 6 in Flint.

Funeral services were held July 9 from Dadds Dumanois Funeral Home. Burial was at South Birmingham Cemetery Ovid.

She was born in Clinton County Aug. 15, 1909.

She had lived in Flint since 1936, moving there from Peoria, Ill.

She is survived by three sons, Dayne of Flint, Raymond of Detroit and Duane of Walcottville, Ind.; 15 grandchildren; one great grandchild; two sisters, Mrs. Marian Hubbard of Flint, Mrs. Lucille Shoemaker of Ovid.

Marie Wise

Marie J. Wise, 82, Saginaw, died Tuesday, June 28 at St. Luke Hospital, in Saginaw, following a short illness.

Funeral services were held at the Houghton Chapel of the Osgood Funeral Homes on June 30 at 1:30 p.m. Burial took place at the Maple Grove Cemetery with the Rev. Gilbert Heaton, officiating.

Mrs. Wise was born in DeKalb, Ill., on July 19, 1894 to Douglas and Anna (Morrison) Deming. She resided most of her life in Saginaw. She married Leslie O. Wise in Flint in 1923. He preceded her in death in 1930.

Mrs. Wise was a member of the White Shrine; Salina Eastern stars, Amaranth Court of which she was a past matron; Azure Rebecca Lodge; and active in Grand Court, past president of the Pioneer Golden Age Club in Saginaw.

Mrs. Wise was a homemaker. She is survived by one son, Robert, of Midland; five grandchildren, and two sisters, Mrs. Viola Tribelfner, Elsie; and Mrs. Hazel Twomey, of Durand.

Jean Hoekje

Jean Dale (Finch) Hoekje, 51, of East Lansing, died suddenly on July 10 at Sparrow Hospital.

Private family services were held Tuesday, July 12 in East Lansing.

Mrs. Hoekje was born in St. Johns July 31, 1925 to Dale and Jessie Finch. She was a 1943 graduate of Rodney B. Wilson High School.

She married John C. Hoekje, of Kalamazoo in Kalamazoo on Feb. 12, 1946. She was a member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in East Lansing.

Mrs. Hoekje is survived by her husband John; her mother Mrs. Jessie Finch, St. Johns, a sister, Mrs. Jetta Swiat, Kalamazoo, a brother, Fielding Finch, St. Joseph; and seven children.

Robert Pettit

Robert W. Pettit, 63, 320 W. Main St., Fowler, died July 3, in Carson City Hospital.

Funeral services were held at the First Congregational Church in St. Johns, Wednesday, July 6 at 11 a.m. Burial took place at the Mt. Rest Cemetery with the Rev.

Averill Carson officiating. Arrangements were made by the Goerge Chapel of the Osgood Funeral Homes in Fowler.

Mr. Pettit was born in Wabash, Indiana, on Nov. 27, 1913 to Charles and Retha (Wilson) Pettit. He attended the Indiana Schools and moved to the Clinton County area in 1951.

He married Verona B. Wolfum in Wabash, on March 18, 1937. He was a member of the First Congregational Church, in St. Johns. Mr. Pettit was also a member of the Masons, in Lyons; Eastern Star, past president of the Temple Association; Odd Fellows, a former mayor of Fowler, former member of the council in Fowler, and worked actively for the senior citizens. He was also a Rebekkah member.

Mr. Pettit was an accountant for Michigan Claims Service of Lansing retiring in 1975. He was also in the Farmers Co-op in Fowler for 17 years.

Left to survive are his wife Verma; one daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Piggott, West Bloomfield; one son, Edward Pettit, DeWitt; a step-mother, Emma Pettit, Wabash; and six grandchildren.

Royden Butler

Royden J. Butler, 80, Midland, died July 6 at Clinton Memorial Hospital.

Funeral services were held at the Osgood Funeral Home in St. Johns on Saturday, July 9 at 2 p.m. Burial took place at the Mt. Rest Cemetery with the Rev. Kenneth Anderson officiating.

Mr. Butler was born in Marion on March 6, 1897 to Almon and Martha (Hubbard), Butler. He married the former Beatrice Keener Wagoner, in Muskegon, on Feb. 8, 1953. He was a member of the Church of the Nazarene.

Mr. Butler was employed as a security guard for the State of Michigan.

Mr. Butler is survived by his wife, Beatrice; one daughter, Bernice Shetlerly, Lansing; one son, Donald Butler, Grand Ledge; one step-daughter, Mrs. Donald Mead, Midland; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren; three sisters, Mrs. Ella Hall and Mrs. Oleata Alberts, both of Marion; and Mrs. Dorothy Reeser, Owosso.

John Hokanson

John A. Hokanson, 89, 1733 Milbourne, Flint, died July 8 at Carson City Hospital.

Funeral services were held at the Abbott Chapel, of the Osgood Funeral Homes in Maple Rapids on Tuesday, July 12 at 1:30 p.m. Burial took place at the Sowle Cemetery with the Rev. Silas Foltz officiating.

Mr. Hokanson was born in Sweden on Oct. 7, 1887 and resided in Maple Rapids for the past five years.

He was married to the former Ethel Kenney and was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Flint.

Mr. Hokanson retired from the Buick Plant in Flint. He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Marian Buck, California; two grandchildren and three sisters.

John Loveridge

John James Loveridge, 87, Walker Rd., Ovid, died Saturday July 9 at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Pat Hines, following a long illness.

Funeral services were held at the Houghton Chapel of the Osgood Funeral Homes, in Ovid on Tuesday, July 12 at 1:30 p.m. Burial took place at the Maple Grove Cemetery with the Rev. Earl Copelin officiating.

Mr. Loveridge was born in West Lebanon, Pennsylvania, on July 22, 1889 to John T. and Margaret (Carney) Loveridge. He resided most of his life in Pennsylvania.

He married the former, Mary Jane Hunsinger, in Lopez, Pa., on April 23, 1910.

Mr. Loveridge was employed as a coal miner.

He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Walter (Pansy) Hines, Ovid, and Mrs. Harry (Sandra) Faroux, Bridgeport, Conn.; four grandchildren; and one sister Mrs. Margaret Robinson, Cranesville.

Rose Motta

Rose Motta, 74, 2563 S. St. Clair Rd., St. Johns, died Saturday, July 9 at Owosso Memorial Hospital following a long illness.

Funeral services were held at the Holy Family Catholic Church on Tuesday, July 12. Burial took place at the Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Hayward, California.

Mrs. Motta was born in Hawaii, on Nov. 20, 1902 to Manuel and Ledvina Gasper. She attended the Hawaii Schools.

Mrs. Motta resided most of her life in California moving to Clinton County in May of this year. She

married Anthony Motta who died in 1963.

She was a member of Holy Family Catholic Church. She was a homemaker.

Mrs. Motta is survived by one daughter, Mrs. James (Lorraine) Huyck, St. Johns, three grandchildren, two great-grandchildren; and one sister, Mrs. Christine Tiesiera, of Palm Springs, California.

Carrie E. Rose

Carrie E. Rose, 93, 1515 S. Hollister Road, Ovid, died Sunday, July 10 at the Ovid Convalescent Manor after being ill for several years.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, July 13 (today) at the Houghton Chapel of the Osgood Funeral Homes, of Ovid at 1:30 p.m. Burial took place at the Maple Grove Cemetery with the Rev. Edward Wilson, Jackson officiating.

Mrs. Rose was born in Ovid on April 18, 1884 to R.J. and Alice St. Clair. She attended the Ovid Schools and lived in Ovid all of her life.

She married Carl Rose in Ovid on July 18, 1904. She was the oldest member of the Ovid Eastern Star.

Mrs. Rose is survived by one son, Gale, of Ovid; one foster grand-daughter, Leone Corrigal; and two foster great grandchildren, of Grand Blanc.

Ethel W. Trumbull

Ethel W. Trumbull, 94, 5693 W. Jason Rd., St. Johns, died July 11, at Clinton Memorial Hospital.

Funeral services were held at Pilgrim United Methodist Church, Wednesday, July 13 (today) at 2 p.m. Burial took place at the Oak Hill Cemetery with the Rev. Brian Sheen officiating. Memorials can be made to the Pilgrim United Methodist Church or the Michigan Heart Association.

Mrs. Trumbull was born in Saginaw on Dec. 7, 1882 to Horace and Elizabeth (Schuster) Hayt. She had resided in Riley Township since 1916. She married Edmund Trumbull in Owosso on June 14, 1905. She was a member of the Pilgrim United Methodist Church and the Rebekah Lodge.

Mrs. Trumbull was a housewife. She is survived by her husband, Edmund; two daughters Mrs. Frances Schneider, Wayland; and Mrs. Margaret Muns, Novi; one son, Clarence Trumbull, St. Johns; three grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; one brother, Elmo Hayt, Henderson; and one sister Edna Wood, Puyallup, Washington.

Driver loses control of auto, lands in field

James K. Shaffley, 310 E. Sturgis, St. Johns, was injured when he lost control of the auto he was driving on Kinley Rd., on July 7 at 11:57 p.m. The vehicle skidded past the stop sign, went through the intersection and into a ditch. The car crossed DeWitt Rd. and rolled over into a field.

Two passengers in the auto were also injured and taken to Clinton Memorial Hospital. Shaffley was cited by deputies for not having the vehicle under control.

Cars driven by Stephen J. Fabus, 2835 E. M-21, St. Johns and Patricia L. Fowler, 206 Wight St., St. Johns collided at the intersection of M-21 and Krepps Rd. on July 8 at 12:10 p.m.

Fabus was coming around the corner of Krepps Rd., while Fowler was making a right hand turn. There were no injuries and both cars were driven from the scene.

Kurt G. Black, 2506 S. Williams, St. Johns was traveling around Round Lake Rd. too fast on July 9 at 2:30 p.m. went around the curve off the shoulder of the road and into a ditch.

There were no injuries but the car had to be towed from the scene.

Terrance D. Bone, East Lansing, was south bound on I-96 when he stated he fell asleep causing him to lose control of his auto striking a guard rail.

Elsie man joins USAF

Lansing—Edward E. Borst, son of Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Borst of 544 N. Ovid Street, on June 29, 1977 enlisted in the U.S. Air Force's Delayed Enlistment Program, according to SSGT Charles Symon, Air Force recruiter.

Borst, a 1977 graduate of Ovid-Elsie High School, is scheduled for enlistment in the regular Air Force on

The incident happened at 11:15 p.m. on July 8. There were no injuries but the car had to be towed from the scene.

Cars driven by Albert C. Schultz, 4215 S. Lowell, St. Johns, and Julia F. Howard, Ovid, collided on M-21 near Airport Rd. Schultz was traveling in the wrong lane and hit the Howard auto head on, at 9:55 p.m. July 9.

Schultz was cited by deputies for being drunk and disorderly.

David M. Zampetti, Lansing, was traveling east on Pratt Rd., when the left front tire blew out causing him to lose control of the auto, going into a ditch and then into a cornfield.

The accident occurred at July 10 at 2:30 a.m. There were no injuries and the car was towed from the scene.

Richard Leseney, reported the breaking and entering of his residence at 5087 W. Centerline Rd. Taken was a television, stereo and turntable.

Philip Lowers, 503 N. Clinton, reported the theft of his 1967 Ford pick-up truck.

Ingrid Podolak, reported someone took her purse from the car as it was parked at Sleepy Hollow State Park.

Wayne Gassman, reported the theft of tools taken from the Calvary Church on E. M-21.

Richard Owen, Gilson Rd.,

reported the theft of some gasoline.

An attempted breaking and entering occurred at the Nelson Wilson resident at the corner of M-21 and Hollister Rd.

A breaking and entering

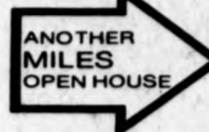
occurred at the Holiday Girl Scout Camp in Watertown township.

Donald Wortwright, reported the larceny of his Springer Spaniel dog.

Kay Ringle, reported the breaking and entering of the

Smith Tree Store in Lansing located at 6270 N. Grand River. Taken was some money.


Linda Meyers reported the theft of two canoes and two motors from 9264 Oakdale Dr., in Laingsburg.



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