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County will not pay remainder of appraisal bill

By Sue Kiley
Staff Writer

Clinton County is not going to pay any more.

The finance committee of the Clinton County Board of Commissioners decided unanimously Friday not to pay the remaining \$27,000 to United Appraisal Corporation for its re-appraisal of the county.

The county board and the majority of assessors in the county feel an unprofessional, inadequate job was done by the Findlay, Ohio based firm, and the general consensus was nobody was satisfied due to the large amount of errors.

For some time trouble has been brewing between the county and the appraisal firm over the quality of work that was done.

Board of Commissioners concurred with the finance committees recommendation at its Tuesday morning meeting.

In a letter sent to the board United Appraisal says it will provide at no additional cost to the county a photo of each property for the townships which desire another picture of the properties within the township. They will re-copy those property record cards that are unreadable or unusable.

The letter written by Richard Hoffman, general manager of the company said, United Appraisal will send one of its qualified employees to Clinton County to reside in the court house or other locations to re-calculate any cards where there was a mathematical mistake or problem.

In a final statement Hoffman said, "The company will be responsible for assisting Clinton County under the terms of our agreement in the preparation of any appeal to the courts."

A letter has been sent back to the firm saying they will not pay the rest of the money it owes them.

The total cost of the re-appraisal was \$254,000 and began in November of

1974. There was one extension granted in October of 1976. The penalty for going over-time was to be \$100 a day, but because they were granted the extension by the county, they were not charged.

United Appraisal indicated to the county they wanted them to pay the \$27,000 it had left to pay and then collect from the bonding company.

Finance committee chairman, Walter (Bud) Nobis said the county's auditor said they should take them to court, because otherwise they will get only 50 to 75 percent of the total cost instead of the full 100 percent.

Many of the assessors present at the special meeting noted that using pencils on the original cards made the cards nearly impossible to read when copied on a copy machine.

Some of the pictures had just a steering wheel in it instead of the property being appraised.

"What kind of quality controls did these people have?" Robert Zeeb, commissioner asked.

"I still think you are going to find a lot of errors next year," Nobis commented to the group.

Thomas Woodruff, Bath Twp. supervisor, said that in a lot of cards he looked at, they changed the top total figure but not bottom, still making the cards in error.

Francis Trierweiler, supervisor for Westphalia Township said, "If they come back I want to be right there." He added, "Legally we don't have any recourse if they come back and correct their errors."

"We did this re-appraisal to get away from a factor," Woodruff said and now we have a bigger factor than what we had last year."

Nobis added, "I think we have an awful mess."

"We sure didn't get a professional job, that's for sure," finance committee member, Glen Webster said.

In questionnaires returned by the townships most of them agreed that the job done by the firm was not

acceptable.

"They weren't consistent," Carol Bashore, from Ovid said, "They put too much value on a lot of farm buildings."

Marilyn Irner, of Bengal Township said, "For the amount of money the county paid it was not the quality it should have been. They were not consistent in a lot of areas."

Trierweiler stated, "Apart from the obvious mistakes, generally equalization was not achieved."

Herman Openlander, supervisor of Watertown Twp. said he spent the biggest part of his time correcting errors made by the firm. He noted he received a copy of a letter received by Leon Thelen, county equalization director, saying a representative of United Appraisal would be present at their board of review. Watertown Township had already held its board of review before the letter was received. Several other townships noted the same thing happened to them.

St. Johns acting assessor, Diane Edwards, said copies of the pictures didn't show the true appearance of the houses.

"For United Appraisal to find and correct all the errors, the majority of parcels would have to be appraised," Mrs. Edwards said. "In many cases our old appraisal cards were used to determine information concerning properties, as the majority of new cards we have in our office are not readable."

Russell J. Libey, of Duplain Twp., commented, "United Appraisal promised to make call backs to property owners and never did."

Woodruff said he spent at least 120 hours going over the cards. "There were so many mistakes all the cards had to be checked for errors."

Robert Remus, of Victor Twp. summed up his feelings in one sentence, "We don't want United Appraisal back here, we have enough problems."



This youngster hitches a ride to view the overall situation of Sidewalk Sales held in downtown St. Johns Thursday. Plenty of shoppers bought, and browsed at stores throughout the city. Friday's rain put a damper of some of the activities but sales continued inside. For more pictures see Page 3.

Landfill zoning dispute erupts

By Sue Kiley
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Clinton County Board of Commissioners approved a five-year special use permit to Bruce Love, operator of Watertown Development Corporation for a sanitary landfill. Love, however, says he can't live with it.

The landfill is located on Grand River between Wacousta and Forest Hill Roads, on property zoned A-1, Agriculture. An extension was asked for in 1974.

In a letter to the Board of Commissioners Love says, "It is our position that the landfill is a conforming use, and as such, the County is without power to limit the term of the special

use permit." Love asked for a 15-year extension.

The special use permit for the landfill expired Aug. 2. It was approved by the board in 1970 for a period of seven years.

Richard Hawks, board member commented, "It seems to me that previously in talks with the planning and zoning commissions, Mr. Love was willing to do the things we asked him to. Now in this letter he stated we don't have any right to say anything on the way he runs the operation."

"I feel the operator has been very cooperative with us, but he feels some of the regulations are not justified," Jack Nelson, zoning administrator said.

It was noted Watertown Township, where the landfill is located, gave the

operator 29 regulations.

"This letter says we have no right to set a time limit, but I feel we can," commissioner, Walter (Bud) Nobis said.

Attorneys for both Watertown Township and Love disagree on the legalities of the regulations.

"Our biggest dissatisfaction," Herman Openlander, township supervisor, said, "was the township didn't have anything to say on how the operation was run." He added, "We have had a lot of problems with litter. We hope we can get some police action on the road and that the wells will be monitored. We haven't had too good cooperation for the DNR (Department of Natural Resources)."

A representative from the DNR, Rodney Mosier, was present at the meeting and stated wells in the area were installed under the DNR's supervision and direction and have been monitored.

"There has been a problem in the past with surface water flow, but I don't think there has been any underground water contamination," Mosier said.

Robert VanDriessen, commissioner, stated he would like to see cooperation between all the police agencies in the area regarding the situation and that Mid-Michigan Health Department takes samples at least twice a year.

"My question is, are we going to end up in a legal battle?" acting commissioner, Robert Zeeb asked.

After the decision of the board to go along with the zoning administrators recommendations, Love indicated his next step would probably be to take the matter to the zoning board of appeals. From there the matter could go to circuit court.

One of Love's biggest contentions was he already pays a \$45,000 bond to the DNR. This is a surety bond which in the event that the operator (Love) fails to comply with regulations the money would be used to correct the situation. The county wants an additional performance bond in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit in the amount of \$40,000.

Commissioner Duane Chamberlain agreed with Love that it was a steep price to pay.

"No way can I come up with that cash bond," Love said, "I can't post it, and won't post it, it's that simple."

He added, "If I accept what they are proposing they'll have the zoning administrator camped at my door. I can't even wiggle under this."

Some of the recommendations set up by the zoning administration were, "final grade elevation shall not exceed 880 feet. There will be a provision for grading, re-vegetation, and stabilization that will minimize soil erosion and sedimentation."

Also stated in the regulations are that a green belt will be built within 90 days, litter will be contained, and the roads should be in good repair.

Robert McCollough, attorney for Watertown Twp., said, "At the last minute he (referring to Love) is trying to get away with no enforcement at all."

"I'm willing to work with anything that is reasonable," Love said. "There are a lot of things I just can't live with."

He continued, "I'm really not threatening to close down, and we've complied with every law there is."

He further stated he couldn't accept the zoning commission being able to modify the general site plan.

In reference to the litter situation Love said, "I'm sick of hearing about it. We've had the police out there at various times, and, Mr. Openlander, you're going to have to set up an ordinance and then enforce it."

"He just doesn't want to be regulated by this governmental agency," McCollough said.

There was a seven to three vote approving the resolution with Robert Wood being absent. Voting for the resolution were Nobis, Harold L. Martin, Earl Lancaster, Roger Overway, David Whitlock, Robert Zeeb, and Richard Hawks. Voting against were: VanDriessen, Chamberlain, and Glen Webster.

In other action taken at the Tuesday

morning commission meeting Chamberlain informed the board of the cancellation of five insurance policies with Farm Bureau and bids had been advertised.

The old drivers' license bureau room formerly located in the court house will be divided between the Register of Deeds and the County Clerk's office.

Hawks told the board the Economic Development Corporation is considering the County Farm property for an industrial park facility.

A job classification report was given to the board for its approval.

It was noted some pay for certain jobs was increased considerably up to \$2,000. Other jobs were being overpaid and they will have to wait until they catch up.

The average increase was \$400. Those being over paid will be "red-lined", or held up. No one will take a cut in pay. The increases will be effective July 1 and will amount to between \$25-26,000.

Upper Peninsula man dies in auto accident

A 21 year old Upper Peninsula man was killed instantly when he failed to stop for a stop sign Sunday evening at the corner of M-21 and Shepardsville Rd. in Clinton County.

David Dean Miller, Engadine, was struck by a car driven by Donald W. Bowen, 22, of Fowler, eastbound on M-21. The Bowen auto could not stop in time to avoid hitting the Miller auto as it passed through the intersection.

Bowen and four passengers were injured in the crash which happened at 8:15 p.m. The four people injured in

the accident were transported to Ingham Medical for treatment.

Betty Bowen, 17 of Holt was treated for internal injuries and a broken hip. Brian McKean, 20, Fowler, received a broken elbow and injured ribs; Brenda Bowen, 18, Ovid, and Karen Bowen, 17, also of Ovid received cuts, bruises, and abrasions around the head and chest areas.

The Owosso State police investigated the accident assisted by the Clinton County Sheriff's Department.

This makes the tenth traffic fatality in Clinton County during 1977.

Hold-up suspect charged

An Elsie man was held up at gunpoint in his Main Street apartment by men wearing ski masks.

William Wriggelsworth, 21, told Elsie police that on July 22 at about 3 a.m. three men broke into his apartment and tried to tie up him and another person in the apartment.

Because of the great amount of confusion and the noise made during the break-in the subjects fled the scene.

Richard McGuire, 22, 5100 Ridge

Rd., Elsie was arrested by police on July 26 and charged with felonious assault. The other two subjects involved were not prosecuted.

McGuire was taken before Judge Fred Lewis with a \$5,000 bond set. He is lodged in the Clinton County jail.

A preliminary examination will continue on Thursday with Judge Timothy Green hearing the case.

The Elsie police department was assisted by Detective Richard May of the Clinton County Sheriff's department.

Sewer grant OKd

ST. JOHNS—It's taken seven years of studies, preapplications, applications and correspondence with government agencies, but the final phase of the St. Johns sanitary sewer project now appears to be funded.

City officials have received notification from Sen. Donald Riegler and congressman Elford Cederberg that the third and final step of the grant application has been approved.

Bids on the project have been approved and construction is expected to begin within a month, with completion scheduled by late fall.

Cost of the projects is \$419,440.50 for the Kibbee relief sewer and \$248,809 for a southend interceptor.

Charles Rogers Construction was awarded the contract for the Kibbee relief sewer and D.A. Kloote Contractor will construct the southend interceptor.

The project is 75 percent funded by the federal government, five percent by the state and 20 percent locally.

Work on the project began back in 1970 when the city was cited by the

Department of Natural Resources. The DNR then said the city must remove 80 percent of the phosphate from untreated sewage and later determined the St. Johns sanitary sewer system had to be completely tertiary, a three step cleansing process.

Following a series of public meetings and appearances before civic groups explaining the city's problem, a bond election was held in 1973.

In that election, voters approved local funds for both storm and sanitary projects, with 80 percent of the funds through state and federal agencies.

Following the election, contracts were granted for work on the storm sewer system to remove storm water that was infiltrating the sanitary system.

Following the completion of the storm sewer project, it was possible to determine what work was needed on the sanitary system.

Following the construction of this phase of the sanitary sewer system, the only portion remaining is work on the wastewater treatment plant.

Bath shooting justifiable homicide

Clinton County Prosecutor, Jon Newman, had determined the fatal shooting of Spencer Scott Stull of Bath Township by a Clinton County Sheriff's Dept. deputy was "justified under the law."

Newman made the announcement in a prepared statement released last week.

Following are the contents of Newman's statement:

"On the afternoon of Tuesday, June 21, 1977, a felony warrant was issued for the arrest of Spencer Scott Stull, based upon an investigation conducted by the Clinton County Investi-

gative Squad. The Investigative Squad is a specialized team of four officers assigned from various police departments in the county and charged with responsibility for investigating burglary and larceny complaints in the county.

"A meeting was held by the Investigative Squad with four uniformed sheriff's deputies and a plain clothes detective from the sheriff's department. Discussion concerned information that there were a number of loaded firearms at the Stull residence and the fact that Spencer Stull was also being sought on a federal warrant charging him with two felony

violations of the Federal Firearm Act (making a false statement in the acquisition of a firearm by a convicted felon and receipt by a convicted felon of a firearm which had been transported in interstate commerce). It was agreed that the safest way of making the arrest would be by stopping him in his vehicle while he would be traveling home from work.

However, this effort was unsuccessful. Shortly after 8:00 p.m., the vehicle was observed in the driveway and it was decided that the arrest would be attempted at the Stull residence. At approximately 8:30 p.m.

seven police vehicles converged on the house. Sergeant Woolston reports that he immediately announced to the several people outside that he had a felony warrant for Spencer Stull's arrest. Officers report they saw two people, believed to be Spencer Stull and his sister, Delilah, run from the driveway through the garage and into the house. Two police officers state that they followed Delilah into the garage instructing her to stop and that they had a warrant. Delilah Stull proceeded to slam and lock the door leading into the house.

"Meanwhile, another deputy ran around the back of the house to the sliding glass and screen doors, raised his weapon, and ordered Delilah to halt before someone gets hurt. Nonetheless, she closed and locked the glass door. The deputy also reported that he heard a male voice say, 'It's the cops, get your gun.' It is uncontroverted that at that time only two males were in the house, Trent and Spencer Stull. Neither Trent nor Delilah confirmed that this statement was made, however both did state that Spencer Stull said that the Clinton County cops were there.

"At the locked garage doorway, orders were given to kick the door in; subsequently the door was kicked in and two officers entered. Trent Stull was coming up the basement stairway into the kitchen. He pushed one officer aside but was immediately apprehended and searched for weapons by other officers now entering the kitchen from the garage. Several officers in the kitchen report that they stated they had a felony warrant for Spencer Stull's arrest. Trent Stull in his interview with the Michigan State Police complained that no warrant was shown to him at that time, however he did admit that the officers stated that they had a warrant. Also observed at this time was a loaded shotgun in the kitchen and a .22 bolt action rifle in a bedroom off the kitchen.

"Two police officers, one being Deputy Daniel Polzien, report that they began to walk down the hallway when Spencer Stull stepped out of a bedroom into the hallway with an M-1 Carbine shouldered and aimed at

them. Later tests conducted by the Michigan State Police showed that the carbine was fully loaded with 15 shells, one shell being in the chamber. Upon seeing the weapon, one officer rolled back behind the kitchen wall, while Deputy Polzien ducked into the basement stairway. Several officers including Polzien, shouted, 'He's got a gun, he's got a gun.' Along with the gun, several officers heard Spencer Stull make threatening statements to get out of the house, although Trent and Delilah Stull state that they heard no such statements.

"Spencer Stull moved from the hallway into the bathroom. At least two officers, including Polzien, state that they ordered him to throw down the gun and come out. Again Trent and Delilah Stull contradicted the police by saying no such warnings were given. Spencer Stull then stepped out of the bathroom into the hallway with the rifle at the right shoulder in a shooting position. Although Trent Stull agrees that his brother was armed, he claims that the rifle was at his side and not his shoulder, while Delilah Stull states that she never saw her brother with a weapon.

"The reports indicate that Deputy Polzien stepped out of the basement entrance and fired his shotgun. 'He's still coming,' he shouted, and three more shots were fired.

"After the fourth shot, three officers rushed down the hallway and kicked the gun away from Spencer Stull, now sitting on the floor in the bathroom entrance

with his feet in the hallway. The officers administered first aid and an ambulance was called. Both officers and ambulance attendants report that he was combative and struggling. Spencer Stull was then taken to a hospital where he died at 10:25 p.m.

"An autopsy was performed in the early hours of the following morning at Sparrow Hospital by Dr. L. R. Simson. The autopsy report shows that Spencer Stull was injured by three separate rounds from a 12 gauge shotgun using 00 Buckshot. He took five pel-

lets of 00 Buck in the right abdomen. He took one pellet in the left temple and another pellet creased his scalp. A third round caused eight pellets to enter the outside of his right forearm. It is unclear in what sequence Spencer Stull was hit, however it is the statement of Delilah Stull that Spencer was hit in the head on the second shot by Deputy Daniel Polzien.

"Where an officer is resisted in the discharge of his duty to make a felony arrest, he may repel force by force and if, in doing so, he kills the party resisting him, it is justifiable homicide. After a

careful review of the statements of all of the witnesses and the physical evidence, I am satisfied that the officers were in the lawful execution of their duty and that Spencer Stull was armed and actively resisting the officers' efforts to place him under arrest before, during and after Deputy Polzien was firing at him. As Trent Stull stated in his interview:

'He (the officer) acted rationally and everything happened so quick that I couldn't control it. I don't know as he (Spencer Stull) was going to shoot but he had a gun in his hand so it made it look that way to them, and I know that the cops had a job to (do) and a family just like anybody else. So

"Accordingly, I am of the opinion that the homicide of Spencer Stull was justified under the law."

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Proposals will be received until 2:00 P.M. E.D.S.T. Thursday, August 11, 1977, in the Office of Gerald Ambrose, Secretary, Clinton County Building Authority, County Court House Building, St. Johns, Michigan, and publicly opened and read aloud in meeting room of County Commissioners at 2:30 P.M. of same date. Proposals received after the time specified will be returned unopened. Bids may not be withdrawn for a period of 30 days after opening.

Contract Documents may be examined at the Architect Engineer's office, the County Court House Building, the F.W. Dodge Plan Room in Lansing and Flint, and Builders Exchange in Lansing and Saginaw, and through Dodge Scan, Inc., Detroit, Michigan.

Bidding documents may be obtained from the office of the Architect Engineer upon request after July 26, 1977, for a deposit of \$25.00 per set. All documents remain the property of the Architect and shall be returned in good condition within 10 days of bid opening date. Deposits will be refunded only to those who have submitted a bid or sub-bid.

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SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTION

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION OF CLINTON COUNTY INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT, MICHIGAN TO BE HELD AUGUST 16, 1977

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE ST. JOHNS PUBLIC SCHOOLS, CLINTON AND GRATIOT COUNTIES, MICHIGAN, WHO ARE REGISTERED IN THE CITY OR TOWNSHIP IN WHICH THEY RESIDE.

Please Take Notice that a special election of Clinton County Intermediate School District, Michigan, will be held on Tuesday, August 16, 1977, in The St. Johns Public Schools, Clinton and Gratiot Counties, Michigan.

THE POLLS OF ELECTION WILL OPEN AT 7:00 O'CLOCK, A.M., AND CLOSE AT 8:00 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The following proposition will be submitted to the vote of the electors qualified to vote thereon at the special election:

AREA VOCATIONAL - TECHNICAL EDUCATION PROPOSITION

Shall Clinton County Intermediate School District, state of Michigan, establish an area vocational - technical education program which is designed to encourage the operation of area vocational-technical education programs if the annual property tax levied for this purpose is limited to 1.95 mills (\$1.95 on each \$1,000.00 of state equalized valuation)?

If the above proposition receives a favorable vote, the Intermediate School District intends, during the first two to three years, to use the funds derived from the levy of the above millage for the construction of an area vocational-technical building. The estimated cost of said vocational education building facility is One Million, Nine Hundred Thirty-Nine Thousand, Three Hundred and Seventy-Four Dollars (\$1,939,374). The Intermediate School District has received a precommitment from the Michigan Department of Education on a vocational educational center building grant. Said building grant will be in the amount of approximately Nine Hundred Sixty-Nine Thousand, Six Hundred and Eighty-Seven Dollars (\$969,687). If a favorable vote is received on the above millage question, the federal grant monies, together with monies raised from the levy of the above millage, will be used to construct the vocational education facility.

THE VOTING PLACES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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- Precinct No. 2
Voting Place - The East Essex Schools.
- Precinct No. 3
Voting Place - Eureka School.
- Precinct No. 4
Voting Place - The Olive Center School.
- Precinct No. 5
Voting Place - The Riley Town Hall, corner of Francis and Pratt Roads.

All school electors who are registered with the city or township clerk of the city or township in which they reside are eligible to vote at this election.

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

William P. Richards
Secretary, Board of Education of
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and Gratiot Counties, Michigan

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Shoppers flock to St. Johns Sidewalk Days



Tough to make a decision



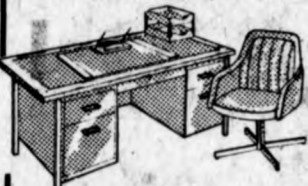
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Notice of Public Hearing

Ordinance No. 293

Notice is hereby given that the St. Johns City Commission will hold a public hearing on August 22, 1977 at 7:45 p.m. in the Commission Chambers at 121 E. Walker Street, St. Johns, Michigan for the purpose of hearing all persons interested in a proposed zoning amendment which if adopted, would amend Title V, Zoning and Planning Chapter 51, Zoning Ordinance of the City of St. Johns as follows:

Would rezone lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 of Perrins Second Addition to the City of St. Johns, Clinton County, Michigan from R-2, Medium Density Residential to R-3, High Density Residential

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4 bedrm. bi-level on 3 acres, beautiful, see this one. (O-25)

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Editorial
Grant program
a boondoggle

An inefficient, error-filled, unfair program could best describe the recent Economic Development Act grant allocations.

Howard Wolpe, representing Sen. Donald Riegler, met with the St. Johns City Commission last week to tell them chances are slim and none that St. Johns will qualify for grant money to construct a new police and fire building.

While speaking, he indicated one reason the County Road Commission qualified for funds and St. Johns didn't is that the funding organization may have felt St. Johns already received a grant thinking the county was St. Johns. Sigh.

A complicated formula we won't even try to explain here determines which areas should qualify for grant funds based on unemployment figures.

According to that thinking, the unemployment rate eight blocks from city hall is higher than it is downtown.

To be fair to the EDA, another consideration entered into the county receiving the grant. Their project was over \$1 million instead of just a few hundred thousand. That amount best fit into the total being allocated to units in Clinton County.

After the Road Commission received their funding, only a couple of hundred thousand was left to allocate.

The Fowler School System's application for \$1 million-plus was first turned down, but later approved when a school official explained to the grant officials that as long as \$1 was left, another grant could be approved with the amount over the limit also funded.

Although we don't begrudge Fowler, we do pass on the thoughts of Donald Roesner, St. Johns City commissioner. He asked Wolpe why communities such as St. Johns must support school building projects with millage and bonding proposals while the U.S. government funds the Fowler School project 100 percent.

Wolpe agreed and said he didn't understand why the school qualified for the money.

At the same time, St. Johns is living with a crumbling fire hall and a sardine can police department.

A government grant to fund a new police and fire building for St. Johns would be similar to grants awarded all over the country.

We're not saying the city has been singled out for unfair treatment.

What we are saying is that the entire EDA funding system has been inconsistent, officials have admitted that several errors have been made (one city received \$3 million not applied for at the expense of other communities—the EDA let the error stand and the community kept the money) and confusion with the program from the beginning has made it a questionable governmental endeavor.

We are somewhat surprised that a community somewhere which received a runaround from the EDA has not sought an injunction on the way to declaring all application approvals and funding invalid.

Sometimes when something is going bad, the best thing to do is scrap it and start over.

Although it is too late now because it would be unfair to cancel monies going to units who have already started projects, the EDA grant program should have been shot and buried after the first couple of boondoggles and started over.

Back Through
the
Years



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

AUG. 3, 1967
10 YEARS AGO

Sealed Power Corp. has presented a check for \$5,000 to the Clinton Memorial Hospital Building Fund. A check for that amount was handed to Ink White, chairman of the board of directors of the hospital, Friday by Lawrence G. Sexton, manager of the St. Johns Sealed Power plant.

The St. Johns Public Library Board has instituted new regulations governing people who possess overdue books from Bement Library. Beginning Aug. 1, notices will be sent to those people whose library books are two weeks overdue. If a receiver of the notice does not respond by bringing the delinquent book back to the library, a second notice will be sent to him. If, after the second notice, the book has not been received by the library, a statement will be sent to the person billing him for 90 percent of the replacement price of the new copy of the missing book.

AUG. 1, 1977
20 YEARS AGO

The "cold war" between Michigan Milk Producers Association and the Detroit dairies over a demanded \$5 price for class 1 milk was warming up Wednesday noon, 12 hours before the deadline for new contracts. Thirty-six of Detroit's 63 dairies had agreed to pay the \$5 price by noon Wednesday and most of the others were expected to follow suit.

"No cause for action" was the verdict returned by circuit court jury here last Friday afternoon in a \$251,000 damage suit brought against Mrs. E. Pearl Miller and her sons, Jack and Ronald, of rural Ovid, by Mrs. E.L. Robbe, of Elsie, executrix of the estate of her late husband.

AUG. 7, 1947
30 YEARS AGO

Arbie L. Smith Jr., 24, of Grand Rapids believed to be a member of the four man burglar ring sought for the breaking and entering of 25 business places in Eaton, Gratiot, Ingham and Clinton counties in the past three months is being held in the county jail here. He is to be arraigned before Justice Charles Speer Thursday afternoon. Smith has served time for one previous breaking and entering charge, and has been convicted of auto larceny and delinquency, according to police records.

Mainly C. Brown, 32, of DeWitt, was killed Saturday night when the car which he was driving crashed into a telegraph pole near DeWitt on the temporary US-27, one half mile from Herbison road. State police officers who investigated the accident said the right front tire of the automobile was blown, possibly indicating that Brown had lost control of the car from a blow-out.

AUG. 12, 1937
40 YEARS AGO

Charlie Blank was painfully cut about the face and badly shaken up Monday afternoon, when his team became unmanageable on the binder and ran away, throwing him to the ground. The team stopped when they ran into a wire fence, piling the binder up on top of them and almost completely wrecking it but the horses escaped without much injury to them.

Now that the threat of general war between China and Japan has reached the port of Shanghai where the Japs landed reinforcements under cover of darkness Monday night, Dr. and Mrs. Charles T. Foo of St. Johns, are naturally apprehensive concerning the safety of their son, Charles, who, at last report, was headed for that ancient city.

Personality Profile

Sgt. Robert Ott

Policeman... on the job for 30 years

By Sue Kiley Staff Writer

Bob Ott, believes good public relations is an essential part of police work. And he should know because he's been a policeman for over 30 years.

Ott started as a plant security guard in 1942 for the Army Air Corps in Lansing. From there he went to a three-man police division at Michigan State University with 14,000 students attending the school.

"It was routine foot patrol of the buildings and property owned by the university," Ott said. "Riots or demonstrations? No, that wasn't too much of a problem. The biggest thing was thievery among the students."

During this time Ott took about a year and a half of police administration classes. He was then asked to join the East Lansing City Police Department.

"There were two different types of laws," the sergeant said. "Instead of a judge, the students go before the dean, of students for their traffic offenses."

When an opening came up at the St. Johns police department, Ott decided the best thing to do was take the opportunity.

He was born and raised in St. Johns and living in town while he was working in Lansing.

In 1946 Ott became a patrolman on the St. Johns police force.

"We used our own cars and were paid five dollars a week for their use," he remembers. "I bought a used police uniform for \$10 and starting salary was \$2,500 a year."

The officers worked 10 hour shifts much like they do now. Ott worked from 7 p.m. until 5 a.m.

"We used to mop the floors of city hall at about 3 a.m. back then," he recalled. The St. Johns squad was also made up of three officers and the department was located above the fire station in one room.

The only thing the city furnished the men was a badge and handcuffs. If one officer was on vacation (usually two weeks in a row), the remaining two officers each worked 12 hour shifts for the two weeks.

During his 30 year career Ott says he worked at least 10 of them on the nightshift.

In order to make ends meet during the early years on the force, Ott worked for various business people in town such as Kurt's Appliance, Gambles Store, Paradise Television, and more.

"I think I must have roofed about half of the houses in town and put up just as many television antennas," he commented with a smile.

Regardless of what the weather was outside, Ott said they used to check every door and window in the business district at least two times a night.

One of the major occurrences during Ott's tenure as a police officer was an accident which happened on US-27 between M-21 and Sturgis St. Two trucks, one carrying 27 Mexican Nationalist was sideswiped causing the truck to overturn, trapping 10, killing four and hospitalizing 18 persons.

"None of them could speak English, so we had to use interpreters," he said. "Their first names were their last names, and their middle names were their first names."

The case ended up in the Michigan Supreme Court and was under investigation for almost two years.

"It was really interesting to see the follow-up on this case," Ott said.

Another exciting experience for the veteran policeman was an armed robbery which occurred at Anderson's I.G.A. The owner was held at gunpoint and six people fled the scene after taking some money.

"The suspects' car got stuck in the mud and they took off in all directions," he commented. "It happened about 11 p.m. and all the subjects were apprehended by 7 a.m."

Ott is very civic minded and cares a lot about the people in the community. He has great pride in the job he is doing.



In 1956 he worked quite actively with the Chamber of Commerce for the Centennial celebration. He was a Keystone Cop for the three days and drove a 1922 Ford Model T as a paddy wagon. He wore a full beard and carried a night stick.

He was also a Keystone Cop for the "Gay 90's Review." Ott designed and developed the Bicentennial city parking lot on Walker Street near Artes Cleaners.

In his spare time Ott operates a ham radio, flies a Cessna plane out of Ionia Airport, and fishes.

He and his wife Vivian have one son, Randy, who is employed by the Lansing Police department as a motorcycle policeman. The couple have two grandchildren.

Ott became interested in police work when he helped a distant relative make an arrest in a restaurant. "From then on I knew what I wanted to be," he said.

When a policeman was needed there was a horn that sounded to let him know he was needed. "That horn used to drive us crazy," he asserted. From there the department went to three lights in town that came on when a policeman was summoned. "You really had to be on your toes then," he said.

He recalls when parking used to be in the center of town, and there were at least four to six accidents a day.

"I think the people on Main St. are just great," he said. "I wouldn't trade this job for any road patrol."

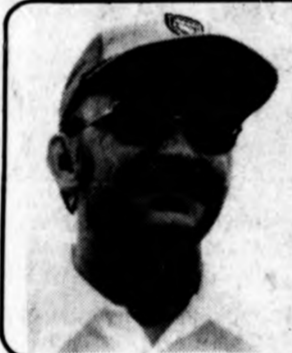
Even though Ott gives out many tickets during the course of a day he always has a smile for everyone and stops to exchange a word or two.

Sgt. Bob Ott likes his job as a traffic officer in St. Johns and wouldn't trade it for anything else.

almanack

Should 3-Rs be standardized?

By Richard L. Milliman



The state of education in this country regularly evokes both criticism and concern on fairly high levels, frequently with good reason.

One of the more vocal and more qualified critics is Admiral Hyman Rickover, no stranger to controversy, who deserves the adjective "feisty" if anyone does. Congress has repeatedly extended the retirement deadline to keep him on the federal payroll at age 77.

Admiral Rickover, head of the Navy's nuclear propulsion program, recently gave some of his thoughts to a congressional committee.

Among Rickover's claims were these: —Schools and colleges are giving too many students A's and B's they don't deserve.

—The idea that learning should be made easy and entertaining is "cruel to the child and dangerous to society, for children grow up believing that they need not struggle to excel."

—Teachers often are unqualified; tenure makes it hard to get rid of bad teachers; labor agreements preclude paying teachers according to merit.

Among his suggestions for improvement, the admiral proposed that Congress appoint a panel to develop national scholastic standards, including minimum competency requirements for pupils and uniform tests to measure basic reading, writing and arithmetic.

The national standardization idea drew immediate negative response from Mary Berry, assistant secretary for education in the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

She claimed that education is a local responsibility, with disagreement among localities on what constitutes good education. For example, some localities consider the classics as vital, while others discount them; some think business English is important, others do not. At least, these were a couple of Ms. Berry's examples.

Despite the fact that education is, as Ms. Berry claims, a local responsibility, there is also considerable merit in some standardization. Reading is reading, writing is writing, arithmetic is arithmetic. All are important to getting along in everyday life; if you don't think so, just ask someone who can't read, write or count how they get along, day by day.

Rickover cited to Congress several examples of education's shortcomings, including these:

—The federally-financed National Assessment of Educational Progress studied writing samples of 7,500 youngsters and concluded that only a tenth of 9-year-olds, a third of 13-year-olds and half of 17-year-olds could organize ideas on paper.

—Faced with an increasing number of high school graduates who cannot read, the Navy gives some recruits a 6-week remedial course designed to raise reading ability to sixth grade level.

—In Long Island, N.Y., a high school graduate sued the local school system charging educational malpractice; he said he was not taught enough reading and writing to get a decent job.

Where should the emphasis lie—on the three R's, with Rickover; or on the classics and business English, with Ms. Berry? I have to come down on Rickover's side in this controversy.

Too much schooling, it seems to me, is getting out of hand and off the point; it's nice, but it's not essential. It should be add-on, rather than bedrock.

Rickover cited another example in his Congressional appearance: real or imagined, it makes a telling point about educational priorities.

It seems a Georgia school teacher sent home a progress report along with the child's report card, in this fashion:

"Alvin excels in initiative, group integration, responsiveness and activity participation. Now, if he'd only learn to read and write"

A PERSONAL LOOK AT THE NEWS

Between the lines

with Jim Edwards



THOUGHTS THROUGH A TYPEWRITER

... **WHERE IS THIS?**—A friend from out of town stopped to see me at the County News office this week. Said he had a complaint—street signs—or, more correctly, the lack of them. It's a complaint I've heard before in St. Johns.

... **SUNDAY MORNING GIFT BEARERS**—When we woke up Sunday morning, a visit to the front porch for the paper revealed a bag of squash. I don't know who the generous person is, but thanks. However, the paper didn't arrive until noon—ever try to read squash?

... **BRIGGS RED CROSS OFFICE**—Ranny and Sue Briggs, who live across the street from the tennis courts in St. Johns, have found themselves dispensers of first aid. They have bandaged up one friend who cut his hand open in the park facilities and came to my aid after my forehead was gashed open by my own tennis racket. That's another story and not one you're likely to hear about.

... **LBJ AND RMN**—Will the scandals ever stop crawling out of the woodwork? Now we learn that Lyndon Johnson may

that, if his game plans were dull, they won ballgames, but after last season's Rose Bowl, you think he'll change his thinking?

... **HEY, WEATHERPERSON, WE COULD USE THE RAIN**—A local television station relates every day about how wonderful the weather is—no rain expected. In case you haven't noticed, there are a lot of people around who would love to have a few inches of rain.

... **QUIZ TIME**—We all knew Hizzoner, Mayor Richard Daly of Chicago. What's the name of the man now mayor in Chicago?

... **LAST CONCERT TONIGHT**—The final concert of the summer at the St. Johns City Park will be tonight (Wednesday). The high school stage band and other soloists will be performing from 8-10. As an added attraction, concert-goers will be able to dance on the tennis courts.

... **WHAT'S UP, BILLY?**—Billy Carter's latest stunt is to open a chain of pubs in the U.S. named after a town in England. They'll be known as Carter's Little Liverpools.

have stolen his first election and Richard Nixon has been accused of accepting a \$1 million payoff to keep Hoffa out of the union. I spent some time in Texas and, from impressions I received from some who were around during LBJ's early days, it wouldn't surprise me if the stories were true. But, there are enough other stories passed on through the years about Texas politics to rank the state right up there with Chicago.

The story about Nixon is probably just one of many that will continue to surface, true or false, in the next few years. Believe me, we'll all grow tired of hearing them, if not already.

... **SPEAKING OF TIRED OF THEM**—Wouldn't it be nice to go through a complete day without hearing, seeing or reading about Farrah Fawcett-Majors?

... **TAKE THAT, BO**—MSU is running an extensive advertising campaign to raise ticket sales for the Spartan football games. Part of the campaign asks readers if they aren't tired of dull, grind-it-out football, referring to Daryl Rogers' plan to have the Spartans put the ball in the air. Bo used to argue



Letters to the editor

Praises County News staff writer

Dear Sir:

A few lines to say thank you to Sue Kiley for the wonderful picture and item she did of my parents Herb and Agnes Baker, which appeared in the July 13 paper. I have enjoyed your many articles and especially "Personality Profile". The one of Treva Hill in the April 20 issue was tremendous. I have been gone from St. Johns for 30 years, but try to get back for a visit whenever I can. I have never missed an issue of the Clinton County News, and look forward to the paper each week with its many items and pictures

of folks I still remember. So again I say thank you Sue Kiley for the wonderful job you are doing, and know that your items and pictures will be placed in many a scrap book to be enjoyed for years to come.

Ardis Baker Haviland
Bancroft, Wisconsin

Writer describes facts, notions

Dear Editor:

As a new resident and property owner in St. Johns, I have become quite interested in the upcoming School Millage election. With a background in economics, I've done some research into public schools' costs and revenues. What I've found is that school finances are very complex and confusing. Many common notions which should be right are wrong and vice-versa. What do I mean? Following are three examples:

(1) **FACT:** School administrators project an enrollment decline for 1977-78 of 92 children to a total of 4350 students. **NOTION:** Well with fewer students to teach, educational costs should decline—right? **ANSWER:** Wrong! **REASONS WHY:** Inflation and an uncanny inability to reduce cost items are two main reasons why costs rise rather than fall. The first one, inflation, is that old devil which affects all of us with higher prices for food, clothing, gasoline, utilities and everything else. Furthermore, the rate of inflation (CPI) has increased over the first six months of 1977 at an annual rate of 10 percent! Since our schools are likewise affected by inflation, higher costs are a terrible fact-of-life in this country. The second reason of not being able to cut costs is less easier to understand. The 92 fewer students will be distributed throughout all grades K-12. Thus one can't dismiss a teacher simply because his or her class size has dropped from 28 to 26, for example. Since these fewer students are from all grades, one can't close down one of our neighborhood school buildings either just because there's a half-dozen less children at that place.

(2) **FACT:** The Michigan Legislature recently passed a Public School Aid Bill that increased the basic formula state-aid by \$48 million to an estimated \$998 million for 1977-78. **NOTION:** Everything else equal, with a larger state appropriation for formula state-aid, St. Johns schools should receive more state aid—right? **ANSWER:** Wrong! **REASONS WHY:** The state school-aid formula multiplies a net SEV subsidy level per pupil times the number of students in the school system. Since St. Johns School District is projected to have fewer students, their total amount of formula state aid in 1977-78 will also be lower.

(3) **FACT:** The State Equalized Valuation (SEV) of St. Johns School District increased by 24 percent this past year due to both land development and the county-wide reassessment. **NOTION:** Since our tax base increased, total school revenues would be higher with the same school operating tax rate—right? **ANSWER:** Wrong again! **REASONS WHY:** Although substantially more property tax dollars will be rolling into the school's treasury, the state school aid formula rules are written so they balance off the additional property taxes for our schools by an equivalent decrease in formula state aid! Unfortunately St. Johns schools have gotten "both barrels" shot at them from the State. First we are told to re-assess all property in the county which forced our taxes to go up. Next because SEV per pupil is projected to be much higher (\$24,802) for this year than for last year (\$19,571), total state aid will be lower which forces our property taxes higher.

What can we do? First in order to maintain quality education for our community children, all costs of the \$6 million budget should be carefully reviewed. Luxuries we cannot afford and basic education is what we need. Secondly, we should work hard to change the state school-aid formula so we receive our fair share. Presently rural school districts like ours are subsidizing big city schools like Detroit. The clear result is higher taxes. If our state legislators claim that there simply isn't enough money, we should remind them of their unkept promise to earmark state lottery funds for public education.

These changes would enable our local schools to maintain a quality education that we are willing and able to pay for.

Sincerely,
Robert G. Craig
St. Johns, Mich.

Rep. Stanley Powell

Michigan hosts national conference

88th District

Michigan has the honor this year of hosting the annual meeting of the National Conference of State Legislatures in Detroit August 2-5.

The Michigan State Legislature has been planning this event for months now and many of our members are in Detroit this week attending seminars, listening to speakers, and getting to know legislators from all 50 states.

The NCSL is financed by the states and governed by

a 43-member executive committee. Its purpose is to help lawmakers and their staffs meet the continuing challenges we all face in running our individual governments and dealing with the complex federal system. It served as a kind of lobbying tool, also, by strengthening the states' voice in the federal decision making process and fosters inter-state communication and cooperation.

During the four days

spent in Detroit, legislators are attending meetings on such topics as state taxing policies, energy initiatives, sunset legislation, welfare reform, budgetary innovations, decriminalization of marijuana and hospital cost containment. An important part of the meeting will be determining policy on state-federal issues to guide out lobbying efforts before Congress and executive agencies.

We have a spectacular lineup of speakers. Dr.

Henry Kissinger, secretary of state under Presidents Ford and Nixon, will speak on "Global Energy Issues." Dr. James Schlesinger, energy assistant to the president and former Cabinet member in the Ford and Nixon administrations, will discuss "State and Federal Energy Initiatives" with Thornton Bradshaw, president of Atlantic Richfield Co., and Barry Commoner, environmentalist.

Commerce Secretary Juanita Kreps will speak on "National Growth Policy," and ABC news correspondent Herb Kaplow is also a featured speaker.

President Carter is tentatively scheduled to speak at the state dinner, but if he cannot be there, Vice President Mondale will appear.

I think these four days will not only be enlightening, but will give a broader perspective on state and federal issues and how to best solve the problems our states face.

SENIOR CITIZEN AID

Michigan, I am happy to report, has agreed to participate in a federally funded program to assist senior citizens in paying home heating bills.

There will be \$13.6 million available in Michigan for this program.

The Home Heating Assistance Program is designed to assist those individuals, 65-years-old and older, who suffered financial hardships resulting from unusually high heating bills because of the severe 1976-77 winter.

Here is how the program works:

There will be a one-time payment of \$250 which will be paid directly to fuel suppliers on behalf of persons age 65 or older who have large, unpaid heating bills and who face having their heating service discontinued as a result.

The program will also provide a one-time direct payment of up to \$50 to persons age 65 and older who have already paid large heating bills which caused them financial hardship.

Fuel suppliers in Michigan have been informed about this program and have been asked to participate in it. Applications have already been distributed to individuals identified by participating fuel distributors as having outstanding heating bills. Applications have also been mailed to individuals identified by the Department of Social Services and Department of Treasury. Payments will be mailed to suppliers by Sept. 30.

During this month of July and August, Area Offices on Aging are attempting to reach individuals who were not identified through other government records.

If you feel you qualify for this program and do not receive an application, contact your local Department of Social Services or Area Office on Aging or my office at the State Capitol in Lansing.

This is certainly a good program to help our senior citizens and I don't want to see someone who is eligible for assistance miss out.

FOOD STAMP INCREASE

Most Michigan families using food stamps are now able to purchase more stamps for the same price they previously paid.

The reason is that the U.S. Department of Agriculture implemented an increase in the food stamp program, effective this past July 1, to reflect the rising cost of groceries.

Because of this increase, the average monthly food stamp allotment for all households will increase by at least \$2.

This means a family of four will be able to buy \$170 worth of food stamps each month compared to the \$166 worth of stamps they were able to purchase before the increase.

Senator Richard Allen

Who's out of step?

30th District

Everybody's out of step but me.

Or at least it seems I stand almost alone on one basic important political philosophy—whether legislators should work full-time at their elected jobs or not.

I say no.

But, it appears to me more and more, and in fact, most people think otherwise. The trend is against me, but I still fight it.

Almost all new people coming to the Legislature announce in their campaigns that they will be a "full-time" legislator.

In our most recent official directory 92 of 110 house members list under occupation simply, "legislator." The Senate, having more hold-

overs from the old school, shows 22 of us out of 38 with some occupation listed other than legislator.

Obviously, under present legislative schedule, no one can work a lot at their other occupations with their slighting their performance as a legislator. Perhaps, one or two do that. Perhaps, in the case of attorneys, there is some basis for concern about conflict of interest.

But all in all, I think the people are best served by legislators who maintain some interest in their past professions and trades. There are quite a variety of such occupations amongst the 22 of us who do.

Sen. Charles Zollar of Benton Harbor and I list farming

as one of our outside activities. He also lists "industrialist" and I think it's this activity that keeps him tuned into computer technology and other areas and thus makes him our leading budget expert.

Sen. John Otterbacher of Grand Rapids, a clinical psychologist, and I, a veterinarian, are the only experienced links with the medical professions. We have worked together in some related areas such as nursing homes.

We have three businessmen and I'll bet Sen. Al Degrow, sitting in Pigeon on a weekend working over his Workers' Compensation form for his Ben Franklin Store, picks up better insight into business problems than he would by serving on some full-time subcommittee.

Sen. Jack Toepp of Cadillac still works some as a sports announcer and Jack Faxon operates a private school in Detroit.

We have nine who list themselves as attorneys, fewer than most people think, although perhaps more than most think we need.

Two list labor union activities. While I am often distressed by the strong arm organized labor seems to exert in our Legislature, I think it is good that these two list their outside occupations. And, apparently the people in their districts see no more conflict in this than in someone else being a farmer.

To me, this is the essence of democracy—a group of citizens leaving their chosen fields for a period of time to write the laws under which we will all operate; not experts on the law, but knowledgeable in our fields and in the needs of the people.

The meeting times for governmental bodies vary widely—from a few afternoons or evenings a month in some local offices to the year-around activities of our national Congress and increasingly, many state legislatures.

When it becomes so full-time that most cannot really live at home (Is Grand Rapids really Jerry Ford's home after all these years?) or maintain their original occupations, I think Lawmakers' thinking changes—and not in the best interest of the people. For this reason, local government in a democracy is often more attuned to the needs of the people.

Do I really believe all this or am I just making excuses for the fact that I intend to spend a fair amount of time in our two-month break as a veterinarian and a farmer?

I guess that's for you to decide.

Write me if you have opinions or problems with state agencies and want help or if you would like me to speak to your group. I keep up on such political activities and my secretary usually knows where to reach me.

Letter to the editor

Board member explains St. Johns millage need

Dear Editor,

As is common in educational funding issues, we have attracted some "instant experts" who are trying to justify their refusal to support the education of young people.

It is very easy to second guess people in leadership roles. Very often while campaigning, people tell how they would do things better and for less money but after they are elected, and when they better understand all the facts, they do not conscientiously do the things they thought possible.

As usual when we face school funding, the second guessers are out hunting again. Often these are the same people who have been against the schools in the past. Some of us can't help remembering how many people were against the financing and construction of our existing school facilities. If it had been put off costs would have soon doubled. The swimming pool would not be there for the hundreds who use it if the school board had decided to put it on a separate ballot.

It is the job of the school board to analyze the budget, programs and needs of the school and then ask the voters to levy a tax on themselves to help pay for them.

It has been the tradition of this board to be conservative in its millage requests, to ask for no more than necessary.

Education isn't as simple as it was 20-30 years ago. It demands a sophistication that prepares young people for a role in the nation instead of the family farm, business, or local community. Our young people no longer compete for jobs only at home.

As our education program has struggled to grow over the years we've had dissenters, "no" voters, people who choose not to support education. Those of you who know the importance and

necessity of education, I ask you to once again support our schools and young people and help insure the future of our country.

The issues are very simple. First, the State Legislature makes the decision on guide lines for school funding. Re-evaluation of our property does not benefit the district in funding the operation of our schools. This method can be changed only by writing and soliciting our state political representatives. The local school board cannot bring about this change; it has to be dealt with at a higher level.

Second, school board members are elected for the purpose of representing the taxpayer (similar to a board of directors for a corporation) to operate the schools to the best of their abilities and your best interests. These best interests include the community and the young people who need the benefits of a quality training system.

Third, the issue is presented as one package simply because this is what is needed to operate. The funding is necessary to maintain and continue present programs. There are no sinking funds or hidden accounts.

When we talk about splitting the ballot and allowing some services that may be very vital to certain students to be eliminated, then as a board member, I do not feel that I have met my responsibility to the youth in the school system. If I said to my wife, "This year you will have exactly the same number of dollars to run the household," she would say, "That's impossible. Where are we going to cut?" When I suggest the second card and that she might start walking, we have an argument in the making.

The public needs to have confidence in its board members and their judgments.

Thank you,
Bill Richards

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Mr. and Mrs. Michael W. Snyder

Couple wed during evening rites

Julie Ann Acuna, became the bride of Michael Wayne Snyder, at the DeWitt Community Church on June 18 at 5 p.m. Rev. Muri Eastman performed the ceremony with Mrs. Krol playing the "Wedding March", and "The First Time Ever I Saw Your Face."

The bride was escorted down the aisle by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Acuna. The groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. John R. Snyder.

Maid of honor was Tammy Wilson who wore a flowery print styled long dress with a solid apricot jacket. She carried a single apricot rose trimmed in babies breath.

Best man was Jim Couling. Bridesmaids were Linda Snyder, Mary Van Alstine, Debbie Jameson, and Kathy Acuna. The attendants wore, long, solid apricot gowns with flowered print jackets and carried single apricot roses.

Groomsmen were Fred Alfred, Rick Snyder, James Harris, and Mark Acuna. Ushers were David Acuna and Butch Ward.

For her wedding the bride chose to wear her mother's wedding dress. The gown featured white lace sleeves, a lace front with buttons in back, a high waist and long Chicago Classical train.

She carried white and apricot roses with babies breath and white ribbons.

Both mothers wore floor length gowns in shades of blue and green.

Grandparents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. L. Draper, and Mrs. Louis Acuna and Mrs. Mona Reamsnyder.

Flower girl was Christy Mather, who wore a flower print long dress. Ring bearer was Scott Snyder.

A reception for the couple, with 100 guests in attendance, was held at the DeWitt Memorial Building. Music was provided by Rick

Steele. Waitresses were Mrs. Janz, Mrs. Riech, Mrs. Rubleman, and Mrs. Bouts.

The couple took a wedding trip to Mackinac Island and Canada and are living in DeWitt. They are both graduates of DeWitt High School. The bride is employed by the state and the groom by Fisher Body.



Melissa Bancroft Tim Foland

Engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Anderson, Portland, and William Bancroft, Detroit, announce the engagement of their daughter, Melissa Sue to Timothy Lee Foland, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Foland, Route 1, Ashley.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Fulton High School and is presently a student at

Lansing Community College, where she is majoring in nursing.

The prospective bridegroom is also a Fulton High School graduate and is employed by Smalley's Body Shop.

The couple plans an Oct. 14 wedding date.

Marriage licenses

Steven Bruce Souza, 22, 1250 Yorkleigh, Lansing; Diane Rae Unger, 19, 12576 North US-27, DeWitt.

Clifford L. Walker, 52, 214 W. First North St. Laingsburg; Carole Wilson Hookey, 44, 306 E. McConnell St., St. Johns.

James F. Harmon, 42, 9576 Gratiot County Line Rd., Elsie; Diana Lorine Clafflin, 35, 9576 Gratiot County Line Rd., Elsie.

Donald Roger Haid, 22, 7640 Cutler Road, Bath; Irene Marie Miller, 19, 8624 Round Lake Rd., Laingsburg.

Gary J. Wakley, 21, 7085 Howe Rd., DeWitt; Myrna Helen Payne, 19, R2, Herbinson Rd., Eagle.

Merle Franklin McCullough Jr., H&S Co. 7th Eng Bn., Camp Pendleton, Cal.; Cathy Christina Walder, 21, 16840 Nichols Road, East Lansing.

Brian Charles Ritter, 22, 205 N. Kibbee St., St. Johns; Linda Kay Thelen, 19, 901 N. Lansing St., St. Johns.

Terry LaVern Lange, 18, 14747 Lowell Road, Lansing; Sandra Sue Max, 19, 5851 S. Hollister Road, Ovid.

John Joseph Schmitz, 18, 110 North State Street, Pewamo; Christina Agnes Wilson, 19, 1529 S. Lansing Street; R. 4., St. Johns.

William David Feldpausch, 21, R 2 E. Townsend Road, Fowler; Kathleen Marie Lutig, 20 11253 West Second St., Fowler.

Wedding announcement

There will be an open wedding for Karla Sitler, and Tim K. Lynam, Aug. 13 at 2 p.m. at St. Johns Episcopal church with the Rev. Hugh Banninga performing the double ring ceremony.

A reception for the couple will be held immediately following the church service in the basement.

There were no invitations sent.



Roy Wagonschutz Tamara Page

Engaged

Mr. and Mrs. William C. Page, 8140 N. DeWitt Rd., St. Johns, announce the engagement of their daughter Tamara Ann to Roy K. Wagonschutz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell A. Wagonschutz, 1770 E. Alward Rd., DeWitt.

The bride attended DeWitt High School.

The groom graduated from St. Johns High School and is employed by Oldsmobile.

The couple plan an Aug. 12 wedding date.

Area happenings

St. Johns Women's Bowling Association will meet tonight (Wednesday, Aug. 3) at 7:30 p.m.

The meeting will be held in the community room of Central National Bank.

donations asked for food and drinks. All proceeds go to Mooseheart Children of Mooseheart. Dinner starts at 1 p.m. at the Frank Painter, sergeant of arms, residence, 306 N. Traver St., St. Johns. Sponsored by Moose Lodge 724.

Aug. 7—Cabbage roll dinner, public invited. Separate

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Havens, Harr exchange wedding vows



Pictured is one of the many handmade quilts and afghans which will be given away at the Holy Trinity Parish Festival in Fowler, Aug. 7. Also featured is a ham and roast beef dinner which will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Displaying the quilt are Mr. and Mrs. Leon Schafer, Mrs. Evelyn Thelen, Mrs. Rose Van Ellis, and Fr. Albert Schmitt, pastor.

Wedding vows were exchanged between Julie Ann Havens and Edward R. Harr at St. Joseph Catholic Church in St. Johns on May 20 at 6 p.m. The double ring ceremony was performed by Father William Harker and Rev. Terry MacArthur of Greenbush United Methodist Church.

The couple were both given in marriage by their parents, with the altar decorated with rust and yellow color carnations.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Eugene A. Havens, French Rd., and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Harr, 105 W. Park St., all of St. Johns.

The bride wore a Ecru satin gown with a scooped neckline, belled sleeves trimmed with lace edging. The empire waistline fell into a full gored skirt with was made by the bride. She wore a gold pendant necklace of her grandmothers. She wore a chiffon full length cape with wide lace edging and a full hood.

She chose a small bouquet of carnations, daisies, and babies breath.

Maid of honor was Lianne Whitford, St. Johns. Attendants were Debbie Mikula, Sharon Harr, sister of the groom, Julie Chant, and Kay Harr, sister of the groom, all from St. Johns.

The attendants wore rust colored gowns with empire waists, semi A-line skirts with hooded jackets of contrasting rust print. Each of the bridesmaids carried a single yellow rose.

Mothers of the bride and groom wore print gowns complementing the colors in the wedding party.

Best man was Gary Burk, St. Johns. Groomsmen were Clem Rademacher, Fowler; Joe Kus, Kent Murton, and Alan Havens, brother of the bride, all of St. Johns.

A reception for the couple with 400 people attending was held in St. Joseph's gym immediately following the wedding.

Host and hostesses were Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Howard and Mr. and Mrs. John Fabus, Jr.

Cutting the wedding cake were Katherine Stockwell, aunt of the bride and Cathy Webster, friend of the family.

Serving at the reception were Pam and Sandy Howard, Jeanette Nemcik, and Carola and Nancy Pung. Attending the guest book were Chris Russell and Kathy Howard.

Special guests at the

ceremony were Mr. and Mrs. E.G. Stockwell, grandparents of the bride, St. Johns; Mrs. George Havens, Lansing, grandmother of the bride; Katie Stockwell, Ohio, aunt of the bride; Jeanette Rosekrans, great aunt of the bride, St. Johns.

The groom's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Meyer, Illinois were unable to attend.

The bride and groom graduated from St. Johns High School in 1975 and

1972 respectively and are making their new home at 1395 N. Lowell Rd., St. Johns.



Mr. and Mrs. Edward Harr

Engaged

**Cornell
Maurice**

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Cornell, Jr., 2515 W. Pratt Rd., DeWitt, announce the engagement of their daughter, Michelle, to Paul Maurice, of Hazel Park.

An Aug. 12 wedding date is being planned by the couple.

They will be making their new home in Marquette where they will both attend Northern Michigan University.



Michelle Cornell

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

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CLINTON COUNTY INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT, MICHIGAN
TO BE HELD
AUGUST 16, 1977

TO THE ELECTORS OF FOWLER PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT, CLINTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN, WHO ARE REGISTERED IN THE CITY OR TOWNSHIP IN WHICH THEY RESIDE.

Please Take Notice that a special election of Clinton County Intermediate School District, Michigan, will be held on Tuesday, August 16, 1977, in Fowler Public School District, Clinton County, Michigan.

THE POLLS OF ELECTION WILL OPEN AT 7:00 O'CLOCK, A.M., AND CLOSE AT 8:00 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The following proposition will be submitted to the vote of the electors qualified to vote thereon at the special election:

AREA VOCATIONAL - TECHNICAL EDUCATION PROPOSITION

Shall Clinton County Intermediate School District, state of Michigan, establish an area vocational - technical education program which is designed to encourage the operation of area vocational-technical education programs if the annual property tax levied for this purpose is limited to 1.95 mills (\$1.95 on each \$1,000.00 of state equalized valuation)?

If the above proposition receives a favorable vote, the Intermediate School District intends, during the first two to three years, to use the funds derived from the levy of the above millage for the construction of an area vocational-technical building. The estimated cost of said vocational education building facility is One Million, Nine Hundred Thirty-Nine Thousand, Three Hundred and Seventy-Four Dollars (\$1,939,374). The Intermediate School District has received a precommitment from the Michigan Department of Education on a vocational educational center building grant. Said building grant will be in the amount of approximately Nine Hundred Sixty-Nine Thousand, Six Hundred and Eighty-Seven Dollars (\$969,687). If a favorable vote is received on the above millage question, the federal grant monies, together with monies raised from the levy of the above millage, will be used to construct the vocational education facility.

THE VOTING PLACE IS AS FOLLOWS:

Gymnasium of the Fowler High School, in the Village of Fowler, Michigan.

All school electors who are registered with the city or township clerk of the city or township in which they reside are eligible to vote at this election.

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

Winifred McKean

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

St. Johns

CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

JUNE 27, 1977

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Ebert.

COMM. PRESENT: Ebert, Wilcox, Arehart, Roesner, Hannah
COMM. ABSENT: None
STAFF PRESENT: Acting City Manager Wood, City Attorney Maples.

Motion by Comm. Roesner supported by Comm. Hannah to approve the minutes of June 13, 1977 as written.

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

Voucher 11439 for the new tornado siren was discussed at length.

Motion by Comm. Arehart supported by Comm. Roesner to approve the Warrants minus the tornado siren portion of Voucher 11439.

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

Mayor Ebert asked for additions or deletions to the agenda. There were four additions and one deletion.

Motion by Comm. Arehart supported by Comm. Roesner to approve the agenda as amended.
YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Arehart, Roesner, Hannah
NAY: None
Motion carried.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Halfman and Florence Feightner were present to inquire about getting a senior citizen building and also about low cost senior citizen housing.

Mayor Ebert appointed himself and Richard Coletta as a study comm. to determine if there were any federal or state funds available for these types of projects.

Bids were taken for the Kibbee St. Relief Sewer and South End Interceptor projects.

Motion by Comm. Wilcox supported by Comm. Roesner that the City of St. Johns award the contracts to Charles J. Rogers Construction Co. for proposal B (Kibbee Relief Sewer) in the amount of \$419,440.50 and D.A. Kloote Contractors Inc. for proposal C (South End Interceptor) in the amount of \$248,809.00, and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute the contracts only upon receipt of state and federal funds and sale and issuance of bonds to finance the project.
YEA: Hannah, Arehart, Roesner, Wilcox, Ebert
NAY: None
Motion carried.

A utility report was submitted by the Acting City Manager.

Motion by Comm. Hannah supported by Comm. Arehart that Bruce Wood, Acting City Manager, be appointed the designated representative for the Pollution Abatement Program, Treatment Works Grant C26-2333-03.
YEA: Hannah, Arehart, Roesner, Wilcox, Ebert.
NAY: None
Motion carried.

Bids were taken for an engine analyzer.

Motion by Comm. Wilcox supported by Comm. Arehart that the engine analyzer from Paul Automotive, Kal Model 4098, be purchased for the amount of \$770.00.
YEA: Hannah, Arehart, Roesner, Wilcox, Ebert
NAY: None
Motion carried.

Water Supt. Carl Fonger submitted a memo in reference to the County's request to use the City property around the water tower for parking.

Motion by Comm. Hannah supported by Comm. Roesner that the City Attorney be authorized to draw up a contract between the City and the County regarding the use of the City property at the water tower for a parking lot.
YEA: Hannah, Arehart, Roesner, Wilcox, Ebert
NAY: None
Motion carried.

There was an discussion of the insurance policies and coverages.

Mayor Ebert called for a five minute recess.

Motion by Comm. Roesner supported by Comm. Wilcox to table the insurance bids until the next meeting, July 11, 1977, when Brewbaker and McKenzie will submit more information and a combined proposal.

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

Motion by Comm. Arehart supported by Comm. Wilcox that Victor Twp. be granted an extension of the fire contract until August 15, 1977 and Bingham Twp. be extended until July 11, 1977 and that any fire runs after July 1, 1977, will be charged at the new rate.
YEA: Hannah, Arehart, Roesner, Wilcox, Ebert
NAY: None
Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Wilcox supported by Comm. Roesner that Dennis Sisson and Mark Barber be engaged to acid clean the copper sign on the Municipal Building and the copper lights for the sum of \$200.00
YEA: Hannah, Arehart, Roesner, Wilcox, Ebert
NAY: None
Motion carried.

Comm. Wilcox said that the second story windows on the firehall ought to be worked on at the same time that the frame and door are painted. He said he would like the Acting City Manager to get an estimate on the repair of these windows.

Resumes for the Waste Water Treatment Plant Superintendent were discussed.

A memo was submitted by the City Treasurer, Eugene Simon, in reference to the payment of all unpaid City invoices at the fiscal year end, June 30, 1977.

Motion by Comm. Hannah supported by Comm. Arehart that the City Treasurer be authorized to pay all unpaid invoices as of June 30, 1977.
YEA: Eber, Roesner, Wilcox, Hannah, Arehart
NAY: None
Motion carried.

There was a brief discussion about the need of a new well. Also, about the best location and type of a new well that would be needed.

Motion by Comm. Roesner supported by Comm. Wilcox that the City of St. Johns file a pre-application for Federal assistance in the development of a new well.
YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Arehart, Roesner, Hannah
NAY: None
Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Wilcox supported by Comm. Arehart that the City accept bids for asphalt and paving of the City streets.
YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Arehart, Roesner, Hannah
NAY: None
Motion carried.

Acting City Manager requested the Comm. to appoint Diane Edwards Acting Assessor, and Richard Coletta Acting City Clerk.

Motion by Mayor Ebert supported by Comm. Wilcox to table the request for further study.

Comm. Hannah requested a roll call vote.
YEA: Ebert, Wilcox
NAY: Arehart, Hannah, Roesner
Motion failed.

Motion by Comm. Hannah supported by Comm. Arehart that the request of the Acting City Manager regarding the appointment of Richard Coletta as Acting City Clerk and the appointment of Diane Edwards as Acting City Assessor be approved and the appointments made.

Comm. Wilcox called for a roll call vote.
YEA: Arehart, Hannah, Roesner
NAY: Wilcox, Ebert
Motion carried.

There was a discussion of an amendment to the Zoning Code to change the number of members from 5 to 7.

Motion by Comm. Hannah supported by Comm. Arehart that the first reading be accepted and that the second reading and public hearing be set for July 25, 1977 at 7:45 p.m.
YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Arehart, Roesner, Hannah
NAY: None
Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Hannah supported by Comm. Roesner to adjourn.
YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Arehart, Roesner, Hannah
NAY: None
Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:26 p.m.



Five generations were completed in the Reed family with the birth of Heather Jean Reed on June 27. Seated are Heather's great-great grandmother, Lela Henning, and great grandmother Wilma Reed. Standing are the child's grandfather, Dale Reed and her father Donald, all of DeWitt.

BY CHLOE PADGETT

Home Economist

Chloe's Column



The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has announced it will not approve the use of a sweetener made from miracle fruit.

Mary Zabik, associate professor of food science and human nutrition at Michigan State University, reports that the ban on cyclamates, and the concern over recent sacharin studies, have increased interest in alternative low-calorie sweetening agents, especially miracle fruit.

Made from berries of the miracle fruit tree, the sweetener is a protein that makes most sour foods taste sweet.

Since it is used in foods in very low limits, its calorie contribution is low. Miracle fruit grows in tropical West Africa where it has been used for hundreds of years. The FAO (Foods of Africa) listed it as safe for human consumption in 1970.

The Miralin Corporation, Hudson, Mass., manufacturer of the sweetener, petitioned the FDA in 1973 to classify miracle fruit and its concentrates and extracts

as a food additive. The company planned to market miracle fruit products for use in chewing gum, candies, dessert puddings, and fruit-flavored drink mixes. The company went out of business in 1975.

The FDA, after careful review of all data submitted by the firm, cannot assure the safety of either general or limited use of miracle fruit and its products for use in foods.

BIRTHS

A girl, Rebecca Lee, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Alley of 231 W. First St. Ovid July 23 at Clinton Memorial Hospital. She weighed 7lb 13 1/2 oz. Grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. Donald K. Lytle and Rev. and Mrs. Hugh Alley, both of Flint. The mother is the former Debra Lytle.

A girl, Sarah Marie, was born to Mr. and Mrs. David Yallup of 1724 Yallup Rd. July 22 at Clinton Memorial Hospital. She weighed 8 lbs 8 1/2 oz. The baby has 1 brother and 3 sisters. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Yallup and Mrs. Mary Wadell. The mother is the former Janice Wadell.

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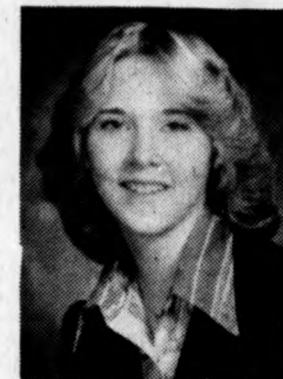
Joyce Gillett

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Schindorf of 6430 Bluewater Highway, Muir announce the

engagement of their daughter, Joyce Gillett, to Dale Mitchell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Mitchell, Sr., Route 1, Anderson Road, St. Johns.

Miss Gillett is a 1975 graduate of Ionia high school and is employed at Ionia County Memorial Hospital. Mitchell is a 1976 graduate of St. Johns high school and is employed at Tony Coats in E. Lansing. A September wedding is being planned.

Both are 1975 graduates of Ovid-Elsie High School. The couple is planning a May 13, 1978 wedding date.



Teresa Reynolds

Reynolds-Heinze

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Reynolds, 7803 Welter Rd., Ovid, announce the engagement of their daughter, Teresa Ray, to Patrick James Heinze, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Heinze, 11507 Taft Rd., Bannister.

D. Pentecost graduates with nursing degree



Denise Pentecost

Denise Pentecost, recently graduated from Michigan State University's School of Nursing with high honors.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daale Maier, St. Johns.

She is a member of Sigma Tau, a nursing honor society.

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Questions answered about Career Center

Bernard Feldpausch, head of the steering committee for the Clinton County Vocational-Technical Citizen's Advisory Committee, reported that an enlarged staff of citizen resource volunteers is at work answering questions about the proposed Clinton Area vocation Center.

"It seems the more questions we answer, the more we get," he said. "But we're not complaining because it shows people care enough to want the facts and that's what our effort is all about."

Feldpausch indicated that 30 volunteers were now serving on the resource staff. "By next week we'll have over 50 at work and this includes a real solid representation from every one of the six districts," he stated.

Here is a sample of some of the most recent questions and answers as compiled by the volunteers. "If one or two people bring these questions to us," said Feldpausch, "then there's a lot of citizens puzzled by the same things, so we need to get the answers out through help from the media."

What are the main benefits an area vocational center offers?
A center provides vocational training that is not available at the local high schools. It can effectively increase the earning power of each student. A center offers adult education and retraining as well as vastly expanding the ability of handicapped students to learn a trade. Finally, students learn skills at an area center so they can go directly from graduation to jobs.

What are the advantages of a "pay as you go" method of financing?
The citizen's committee looked at a number of financing plans and finally recommended "pay-as-you-go." The key is that state and federal funds are only used as needed and the unspent balance is invested so that it draws interest. This will save the taxpayers three quarters of a million dollars in interest that a bonding program would require and the center would be paid for when it opens. Four other Area Centers in Michigan have been successfully funded in this way.

What is the percentage of graduating seniors from existing area centers that are offered jobs and then stay on those jobs?
More than 90 percent of those completing the training, and seeking employment are offered jobs. Surveys indicate that after three years 86 percent of those graduates are still on the job.

Mrs. Robert Boettger delegate to Lutheran convention

Mrs. Robert W. Boettger of St. Johns has been chosen as a delegate representing the capitol area to the 17th biennial convention of the international Lutheran Women's Missionary League to be held on the University of Wyoming campus, Laramie, Wyo., Aug. 8-11.

Mrs. Richard French of St. Johns will also be attending the convention as a guest.

The LWML, women's auxiliary of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, has 200,000 members in the United States and Canada. About 4,000 delegates and guests are expected to attend the convention.

Theme for the convention is, "Lift Thine Eyes." According to Mrs. Boettger, "This theme sets the tone for the convention and encourages us to look beyond the hills to our Heavenly Father. Who loved us enough to send Jesus Christ to die for us. His love surrounds us as the mountains surround Jerusalem, and in response we share that love with others in words and deeds."

Convention speakers will highlight the convention theme. They include Dr. T.A. Raedeke, who directed the Key 73 evangelism thrust and presently serves as director for the World Home Bible League; Rev. W. Leroy Biesenthal, director of stewardship and evangelism for the Missouri District of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod; Rep. Glee Jones, serving her fourth term in the Kansas House of Representatives, and Mrs. Rozelia Richardson, a member of Synod's Task Force on Women.



There weren't enough hands for the checks. Presenting the Special Education department money collected from the annual Tootsie Roll Drive were members of the Knights of Columbus. (from left to right) Don Martin, Fowler, Grand Knight; Roger Theilen, Westphalia, Grand Knight; Bob Purtil, Knights of Columbus, district deputy; (receiving checks) Gerald Nester, director of the special education program for the Intermediate School District; and Tony Kuntz, St. Johns Grand Knight.

Green Meadows dominates District Holstein Show

The District VI Holstein Show representing Clinton, Genesee, Gratiot and Saginaw Counties was held at Caprunna last Thursday. There were a total of 219 entries with 55 being shown by 13 Clinton County dairymen.

Green Meadows dairy farm of Elsie, the largest purebred Holstein farm in the world, dominated the show; but there was some strong competition both from within and without Clinton County.

Green Meadows is owned in partnership between Merle Green, the founder, and his two sons, Duane and Velmar and their families.

Green Meadows exhibited the first place Jr. Heifer Calf; 3rd and 4th place Intermediate Heifer Calf; 3rd place Jr. Yearling Heifer; 2nd and 3rd place Sr. Yearling Heifer; 1st and 2nd place two year old; 1st place 3 year old; 1st and 2nd place in the dry three and four year old class; 1st in the four year old class and 1st and 4th in the aged cow class. Senior and Grand Champion honors also went to Green Meadows, as did 1st place in the best three females class and 1st in the Get-of-Sire Class.

Golden Knob Farms also won considerable honors, too. This farm was well represented by George and Shirley Hazle, their daughter and son-in-law, Dana and Kevin Kirk, and their grandchildren as well. George's father, Wes, was working in the showing and Shirley's mother and sister-in-law were in the cheering section.

Other county exhibitors included Jill Swagart, Gregory Paalen, Debra and David Feldpausch (Showing Witt Farm cattle) and Mike Borton.

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CITY OF ST. JOHNS

Ordinance No. 292

An ordinance to amend Chapter 51 of the St. Johns Code, known as the Zoning Ordinance of the City of St. Johns.

The City of St. Johns Ordains:

Section 1. That Section 5.32 BOARD OF APPEALS, Title 5 Chapter 51 Zoning, shall be deleted in its entirety.

Section 2. That the following shall be inserted in the place and stead of Section 5.32 and shall read as follows:

"5.32 Membership. The Board shall consist of seven (7) members, appointed by the City Commission. One (1) of these seven (7) members may be appointed from the membership of the Planning Commission of the City of St. Johns. Members of the Board serving on the effective date of this Ordinance shall be and constitute the Board hereunder, and each member thereof shall serve the balance of the term to which he was previously appointed."

Section 3. Except as herein provided, the Chapter 51 Zoning of the St. Johns City Code shall stand as first enacted or otherwise amended.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after its passage.

Passed, ordained and ordered published by the City Commission of the City of St. Johns at a regular meeting held this 25th day of July, A.D., 1977.

Adoption of the above Ordinance was moved by Commissioner Arehart and supported by Commissioner Hannah.
Yeas: Ebert, Wilcox, Arehart, Hannah
Nays: None
The Ordinance was deemed passed.

The Ordinance was ordered published on the 3rd day of August, A.D. 1977.

Richard L. Coletta
Acting City Clerk

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Four injured in two-car crash

Four persons were injured and taken to Sparrow Hospital in Lansing when cars driven by James R. Weller, Fenton St., Lansing, and Steven E. Crooks, Middleton, collided.

The accident happened July 30 at 3:21 p.m. at the intersection of northbound US-27 and Alward Rd. The Crooks auto was northbound on US-27 in the right hand lane. Weller was westbound on Alward Rd. when he pulled into oncoming traffic.

Weller, Robert Sebell, Shirley Knight, both of Lansing, and Jerry Horvath, St. Johns, were all injured and were transported to the hospital for treatment.

Crooks was also injured in the wreck and taken to his home.

Weller was cited by deputies for failure to yield, improper registration, and a violation of a restricted operator's license.

Another injury accident occurred at 4:45 p.m. July 31 when a car driven by Cynthia J. Simon, of Peawamo, went out of control on Price Rd. and went through an intersection failing to stop for a stop sign.

Simon was injured and taken to St. Lawrence Hospital for treatment.

Steven T. Curtis, St. Johns, was traveling south on Krepps Rd., reportedly too fast for conditions around a curve, causing him

to lose control of the auto. He went through a ditch, into the air flipping over and landing upside down on a small tree.

Curtis and two passengers were taken to Clinton Memorial Hospital for treatment.

The accident happened on July 31 at 1:50 a.m.

Two Eagle residents collided at the intersection of Howe and Bauer Rd. on July 23 at 4:15 p.m. Cars driven by Richard L. Crandall and Patricia M. Doll crashed when both drivers failed to see each other.

Doll was coming through the intersection and was able to stop the auto, while Crandall swerved but was unable to avoid hitting the

other car. There were no injuries.

An accident occurred when a car driven by Connie W. Jorae, 1107 Oakland, St. Johns, went out of control on St. Clair near Jason Rd. The driver was going around a curve and lost control of the auto traveling 50 feet on the left side of the road.

The incident happened on July 21 at 10:23 p.m.

Michael S. Beaufore, Taft Rd., St. Johns, was traveling west on Townsend Rd. and lost control of the auto leaving the roadway and striking a clump of trees.

There were no injuries in the accident which occurred on July 29 at 8:30 a.m.

Orin J. McKee, 9464 Round Lake Rd., Laingsburg,

was traveling west on Round Lake Rd. and started to pull into his driveway when a car driven by Geraldine Gillison, tried to pass and the two cars collided.

The accident happened Aug. 1 at 7:40 a.m. There were no injuries, but Gillison was cited by deputies for improper overtaking and passing.

Terry Elowsky, 10645 US-27 reported the simple larceny of two baseball gloves and a bat taken from his home on July 23.

Sometime between July 12 and July 22 a larceny over \$100 occurred at the William Evert residence on Niles Rd., between I-96 and Grand River. A utility trailer

Rufus Case, 4407 E. Centerline Rd., St. Johns, reported the theft of a Mexican blanket from his vehicle on July 24.

Cynthia Cook, 6705 Westgate, Laingsburg reported the theft of four rims and tires between July 25 and July 26.

A breaking and entering occurred at the Elsie Powers home at 1142 E. Alward Rd., DeWitt on July 21. Taken were a stereo and two speakers.

A quantity of money and alcoholic beverages were taken from the Alvin David, Jr., residence at 14090 McCrum Rd., Eagle on July 24.



Robert Tait, Rt. 5, St. Johns, displays the 8-pound northern and 45 perch caught while he and his wife, Gweneth, tried the fishing at Sugar Is'and.

REPORT OF CONDITION

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Clinton National Bank and Trust Company of St. Johns City

In the state of Michigan at the close of business on June 30, 1977 published in response to call made by Comptroller of the Currency, under title 12, United States Code, Section 161.

Charter number 3378 National Bank Region Number 7

I, Robert W. Whatley Vice President and Controller

of the above-named bank do hereby declare that this Report of Condition is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Robert W. Whatley
July 27, 1977

NAME OF BANK: Clinton National Bank and Trust Company CHARTER NUMBER: 3378
BALANCE SHEET at the close of business on June 30, 1977

INFORMATION ABOVE LINE NOT TO BE PUBLISHED		Thousands of dollars
Statement of Resources and Liabilities		THOUSANDS
ASSETS	Cash and due from banks	4,706
	U.S. Treasury securities	6,331
	Obligations of other U.S. Gov't. agencies and corps	2,451
	Obligations of States and political subdivisions	13,019
	Other bonds, notes, and debentures	897
	Federal Reserve stock and corporate stock	107
	Trading account securities	NONE
	Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell	1,600
	Loans, Total (excluding unearned income)	47,237
	Less: Reserve for possible loan losses	505
	Loans, Net	46,732
	Direct lease financing	NONE
	Bank premises, furniture and fixtures, and other assets representing bank premises	860
	Real estate owned other than bank premises	516
	Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies	NONE
Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding	NONE	
Other assets	923	
TOTAL ASSETS	78,142	
LIABILITIES	Demand deposits of individuals, prtshps., and corps.	11,399
	Time and savings deposits of individuals, prtshps., and corps.	50,148
	Deposits of United States Government	102
	Deposits of States and political subdivisions	8,372
	Deposits of foreign govts. and official institutions	NONE
	Deposits of commercial banks	NONE
	Certified and officers' checks	753
	TOTAL DOMESTIC DEPOSITS	70,774
	Total demand deposits	13,991
	Total time and savings deposits	56,783
	Total deposits in foreign offices	NONE
	TOTAL DEPOSITS IN DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN OFFICES	70,774
	Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase	NONE
	Liabilities for borrowed money	60
	Mortgage indebtedness	NONE
Acceptances executed by or for account of this bank and outstanding	NONE	
Other liabilities	1,162	
TOTAL LIABILITIES (excluding subordinated notes and debentures)	71,996	
EQUITY CAPITAL	Subordinated notes and debentures	NONE
	Preferred stock No. shares outstanding NONE (par value)	NONE
	Common stock a. No. shares authorized 351,952	1,760
	b. No. shares outstanding 351,952 (par value)	1,807
	Surplus	2,457
	Undivided profits	122
Reserve for contingencies and other capital reserves	6,146	
TOTAL EQUITY CAPITAL	78,142	
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY CAPITAL	78,142	
MEMORANDA	Average for 30 calendar days ending with report date:	
	Cash and due from banks	4,676
	Fed. funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell	2,373
	Total loans	46,851
	Time deposits of \$100,000 or more in domestic offices	6,866
	Total deposits	71,264
	Fed. funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase	NONE
	Liabilities for borrowed money	60
	TOTAL ASSETS	78,766
	Standby letters of credit (outstanding as of report date)	197
Time certificates of deposit in denominations of \$100,000 or more (outstanding as of report date)	3,953	
Other time deposits in amounts of \$100,000 or more (outstanding as of report date)	2,913	

We, the undersigned directors attest the correctness of this statement of resources and liabilities. We declare that it has been examined by us, and to the best of our knowledge and belief is true and correct.

Robert W. Whatley
John A. ...
Directors

Securities having a par value of \$4,561,000 were pledged at June 30, 1977 as collateral for public deposits including \$1,127,000 of the Treasurer, State of Michigan and for other purposes required by law.

Intermediate School Board approves special education transportation contract

The Clinton County Intermediate School District Board has approved a contract to transport special education students for the 1977-78 school year.

The contract was negotiated with Special Transportation Inc. of Lansing and will call for the expenditure of \$255,000. Of this amount, approximately \$170,000 will be reimbursed by the state.

Transportation for special education students in each of the six Clinton County districts (Bath, DeWitt, Fowler, Ovid-Elsie, Peawamo-Westphalia and St. Johns) is coordinated by the Intermediate School District staff. This is one of the many services the Intermediate supplies to local Clinton County districts at no cost to those schools.

The special education students are transported to 13 facilities in Lansing and one in DeWitt. According to the Intermediate District director of Special Education, Dr. Gerald Nester, 15 buses are involved in the project on a daily basis while just two years ago there were only 4 full-time buses available causing long waits and excessive amounts of travel time for the students.

Nester said the new contract represented approximately a ten percent increase in cost over the previous year. "This is quite remarkable," he said, considering that busing costs

for special education students has tripled in the state of Michigan over the past three years. Our costs here in Clinton County will be 65 to 70 cents a mile, and that's the lowest in the state."

Larry Schwartzkopf, a superintendent of the Clinton Intermediate School District, emphasized that the majority of bus drivers are Clinton County residents, and that the contract was negotiated with a Lansing firm because of the need for highly specialized types of buses that can be comfortably utilized by physically handicapped youngsters.

He further indicated that each bus had FM communications facilities so that contact with the home base could be established immediately in the event of breakdowns or emergencies.

"It's a very rewarding experience to work on a coordinated effort such as this one," said Nester. "Even the service clubs get involved so that these people have the opportunity they need. The Civitan Club of Lansing provides transportation, free of charge, to all the students in our area involved in the Special Olympics each year. Help like that really makes a difference."

DEWITT TOWNSHIP

Synopsis of the regular meeting of the DeWitt Township Board held on July 25, 1977 at the Township Hall at 780 E. Wieland Road.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Supervisor Reed. Board members present: Reed, Syverson, White, Pline, Corr and Kzeski. Board member absent: Olger. The meeting was opened with an invocation and the pledge of allegiance. The agenda was approved with additions. James Hillman requested that the Township establish an athletic fund for equipment. The request was denied. The fire and police reports were given by Corp. No action was needed on the Public Safety Committee minutes. The Parks and Recreation minutes were reviewed. Syverson will check with Kyes as to the amount of insurance that is needed on the water tower. Recommended E-F corridor for US 27. Accepted Pieronek's service for implementing the police reporting program. The quarterly report was reviewed. Voted to accept the Reed Agency bid on workman's comp. The committee supporting the fire and police millage will meet on Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m. Informed Thelen that he would have to request sewer service through the City of DeWitt. Adjourned at 9:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Donna B. Syverson, Clerk
Approved by Alta C. Reed, Supervisor

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School administration explains millage necessities

What are the estimated budget needs for the 1977-78 school year?

The total estimated budget dollar needs for the coming school year are \$6,019,000. Without an increase of 1.75 mills in the district's operating tax rate (\$304,500) the budget cannot be balanced.

How much does the 1977-78 budget increase over the 1976-77 school budget and what are the additional dollars needed for?

The 1977-78 budget represents an increase of \$610,000 over last year's budget. Inflation, legislation, energy costs, and salary increases account for the additional dollars. The following items account for the \$610,000:

- \$330,000 Employee salary improvement (476 full- and part-time employees).
- \$135,000 To offset increased cost for school building insurance, health insurance for school employees, employee retirement (legislation, effective July 1, 1977, requires school boards to pay all employees' retirement) workmen's compensation and unemployment compensation.
- \$55,000 For additional personnel to keep district in compliance with mandated Special Education Act.
- \$8,000 Additional bus mechanic time.
- \$6,000 Office Clerk.
- \$45,000 Estimated increased costs for utilities.

New church

in Ovid

A new Church of God has been started in Ovid, located at 130 W. Williams St. Rev. Harvey Whittle is the minister for the full gospel church.

Regular Sunday services are at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Evangelistic services are at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

The public is welcome to the services. Persons having questions regarding the new church may call 834-5698.

7. \$31,000 Other (increased costs for books, paper etc.)

What are the district's revenues expected to be if the school system operating millage of 25.75 is not increased to 27.50 mills?

Based on the State Aid Formula, a student enrollment of 4350 and a tax operating millage of 25.75, the St. Johns Public Schools would receive an estimated membership aid of \$5,193,900 (includes state and local dollars) and an estimated \$520,600 in categorical aid (revenue received from state to help fund transportation, special education, driver education, vocational education, etc., costs).

What are the district's revenues expected to be if the voters approve a operating millage rate of 27.50 mills for one year?

State membership aid would increase from the above \$5,193,900 to \$5,498,400. Categorical aid would remain the same—\$520,600. Thus, the additional 1.75 mills increases the district's total revenues by \$304,500 dollars.

What does it cost to educate a child in the St. Johns Public Schools?

For the school year just ended St. Johns spent an average of \$1,239.00 on each child attending its schools. This figure includes only the costs of operating the schools. It does not include payment for new buildings. The \$1,239.00 is broken down as follows:

- \$784 per pupil for instruction (includes teacher, principal, counselor, librarian salary etc.)

This was incorrectly listed last week as \$67, which incorrectly changed the following to \$166. It should read as follows.

2. \$74 for each student miscellaneous instruction cost (books, materials, etc.)

3. \$263 on maintenance of buildings and transportation.

4. \$63 per pupil on fixed charges (costs that are of a recurrent nature, such as property insurance, employee health insurance, workmen's compensation, etc.)

5. \$32 on each student for administration costs (all costs for activities dealing with the direction and control of all schools within the district).

6. \$14 per pupil for capital outlay costs. (An example would be the purchase of initial or additional equipment for the improvement of grounds and buildings.)

7. \$9 per student for Health Services (Medical supplies and medical testing conducted for students).

What does it cost taxpayers in other districts to educate a student in their school?

Information is not available for the school year just ended. However, according to the State Department of Education the average cost of educating a child in Michigan Public Schools for the school year 1975-76 was \$1303.00. In St. Johns for the same year it was \$1157.00.

With Pudge Deming

CARLAND

Mr. and Mrs. William Morrissey of North Carland Road and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Morrissey, former residents of this area, have returned from vacationing in Ohio and the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains in West Virginia.

While in West Virginia, they visited their nephew, Father Martin Lott.

TODD-WALLING REUNION
Mr. and Mrs. William Bissette of N. US-27, St. Johns, hosted the 1977 Todd and Walling reunion.

Sixty relatives gathered for a potluck dinner served in the Bissette's garage and swimming pool area.

New officers were elected for the coming year after Mrs. Bert Walling, secretary, read the minutes of last year's meeting.

Officers elected include D. Williams, president; Tom Winkler, vice-president; Shirley Winkler, secretary-treasurer.

An engraved gavel honoring Lewis Walling's 85th birthday in 1977 was presented to the Todds and Wallings to be used annually to call the business meeting to order.

Mrs. Edith Walling presented the gavel which was a gift of Lewis Walling's daughter, Mrs. Leo Deming who was on vacation and unable to attend the reunion.

The 1978 Todd-Walling reunion will be held at Sleepy Hollow Conservation Park north of St. Johns next July.

Bob Walling remains the families' historian and continues working on the family tree.

With Neva Keys

ELSIE

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Keys of Green Bay, Wis. visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sid Keys and friends the past week. On Thursday, Bob and Sue Peterson accompanied them to Cedar Point, Ohio.

They left Friday for Marquette to spend the night with Mrs. Keys' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Gauthier and also observe their first wedding anniversary. They returned to Green Bay, where Keys was recently transferred to the K-Mart South from Marquette.

CRV sponsors August summer experience program

Area youngsters, as well as adults, are invited to participate in a summer experience program sponsored by Community Resource Volunteers which will feature programs in a variety of activities.

The program began Monday with a drawing and sketching session at the park pavilion. A photography session was held Tuesday.

An exploring activity is scheduled for this morning from 9 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. at the park pavilion. Sports will be conducted tonight at 7-8:30 at Central

School.

Chess will be the attraction from 1-3 p.m. Thursday and Aug. 11 at the Congregational Church and drawing and sketches lessons will again be given from 1-2:30 p.m. at the pavilion, Thursday, Aug. 8-11-15-18-22-25. All sketching sessions are held at the park pavilion.

Fishing lessons will be available at the pavilion Aug. 9 from 9 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Participants are to take a sack lunch.

Exploring activities will again be held Aug. 10 and 17 at the pavilion from 9 a.m. until 2:30 p.m.

Three small engine workshops are scheduled at the Congregational Church starting at 7 p.m. on Aug. 8-15-22.

A science special will be Aug. 18 from 9 a.m. until noon at the pavilion, a "star party" will be held at the pavilion Aug. 19 from 8:30-11 p.m., a gun safety workshop will be at the pavilion from 9 a.m. until noon Aug. 23 and a rock and fossil trip starts at 9 a.m. Aug. 24 at the pavilion with participants asked to take sack lunches.

Sports are held each Wednesday of Aug. from 7-8:30 p.m. at Central School.

Dennis & Janet Scott

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YES VOTE August 16

We are proud to live in the St. Johns area where we feel the School System is excellent. We know that our children will profit from such a superior system and this is one reason why we are voting yes on the school millage request.

We must retain the present programs in order to preserve the quality of our educational system and unfortunately as in other areas, the costs of this education are rising. However, we feel we have a conservative school board and we trust their prudent judgement that the increase in millage is necessary.

We urge everyone to exercise their privilege to vote in the August 16th election and we further urge a yes vote to maintain the quality of our educational system.

Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Scott

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Anthony Kuntz, Chairman

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SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTION

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION OF THE ELECTORS OF ST. JOHNS PUBLIC SCHOOLS CLINTON AND GRATIOT COUNTIES, MICHIGAN

TO BE HELD
AUGUST 16, 1977

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

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

THE POLLS OF ELECTION WILL OPEN AT 7:00 O'CLOCK, A.M., AND CLOSE AT 8:00 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The following proposition will be submitted to the vote of the electors at the special election:

TAX RATE LIMITATION INCREASE PROPOSITION FOR OPERATING PURPOSES

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in St. Johns Public Schools, Clinton and Gratiot Counties, Michigan, be increased by 19.5 mills (\$19.50 on each \$1,000.00 of state equalized valuation) for the year 1977, for the purpose of providing additional funds for operating purposes (17.75 mills of the above increase being a renewal of 17.75 mills for operating purposes which expired with the 1976 tax levy and 1.75 mills being additional operating millage)?

THE VOTING PLACES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

PRECINCT NO. 1
Voting Place - Rooms 111 and 113 of the Rodney B. Wilson High School, West Cass Street, St. Johns, Michigan.

PRECINCT NO. 2
Voting Place - The East Essex School.

PRECINCT NO. 3
Voting Place - Eureka School.

PRECINCT NO. 4
Voting Place - The Olive Center School.

PRECINCT NO. 5
Voting Place - The Riley Town Hall, corner of Francis and Pratt Roads.

All school electors who are registered with the city or township clerk of the city or township in which they reside are eligible to vote at this election.

I, Gerald E. Shepard, Treasurer of Clinton County, Michigan, hereby certify that, as of June 28, 1977, the records of this Office indicate that the total of all voted increases over and above the tax limitation established by the Constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in St. Johns Public Schools, Clinton and Gratiot Counties, Michigan, is as follows:

By Clinton County:	None
By Essex Township:	None
By Greenbush Township:	None
By Duplain Township:	None
By Bengal Township:	None
By Bingham Township:	None
By Ovid Township:	None
By Riley Township:	None
By Olive Township:	None
By Victor Township:	None
By Watertown Township:	None
By Westphalia Township:	None
By the School District:	None

Gerald E. Shepard
Treasurer, Clinton County, Michigan

I, Shirley A. Johnston, Treasurer of Gratiot County, Michigan, hereby certify that, as of June 28, 1977, the records of this Office indicate that the total of all voted increases over and above the tax limitation established by the Constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in St. Johns Public Schools, Clinton and Gratiot Counties, Michigan, is as follows:

By Gratiot County:	None
By Fulton Township:	None
By Elba Township:	None
By Washington Township:	None
By the School District:	None

Shirley A. Johnston
Treasurer, Gratiot County, Michigan

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

Lots of work, but little success

City learns obtaining a grant is like eating soup with a fork

By Jim Edwards
Editor

ST. JOHNS—St. Johns City Commissioners were told last week that there is little chance the city will qualify for grant money to build a new public safety building.

Commissioners had applied for Economic Development Act grant funds for the construction of a building to house police and fire departments.

After a series of errors and explanations by the grant's administrative agency, the city learned the grant had not been approved.

At one time, when legislative officials were contacted by the city about the status of the grant, Bruce Wood, acting city manager, was informed the grant had been approved.

However, although it is not known for certain, it appears officials who said the grant had been approved mistakenly thought a grant for the County Road Commission was the one about which the city inquired.

Subsequently the city was informed the grant had not been approved.

Howard Wolpe, aide to U.S. Sen. Donald Riegle, addressed a special meeting of the City Commission last week to explain why St. Johns did not qualify for grant money and other avenues the city could pursue in seeking building funds.

Wolpe explained the unemployment requirement and bench mark system

used in allocating grant money.

Units receiving high priority for grant funds were those with high unemployment rates.

He said that was one reason St. Johns was not high on the list to receive money, although four other units in Clinton County did receive grant allocations.

Receiving grants were the Clinton County Road Commission, Fowler, Ovid and Maple Rapids.

The bench mark system established limits of grant money available to specific areas.

In Clinton County's case, it was determined that \$2 million would be made available to units in the county.

Grants to the Road Commission, Maple Rapids and Ovid accounted for all but about \$200,000 of the \$2 million.

Grant administrators determined that no other grants would be awarded because the money would go over the \$2 million mark. Fowler School officials, however, disagreed and Roy Ellsworth, superintendent, went to Washington D.C. to argue the case. He explained that precedents had been set in other areas where the final grant was awarded although the request was not within the bench mark figure.

The school won its case and received \$1,053,000 for a school building addition.

City Commissioner Donald Roesner expressed his disagreement with the grant allocation to the Fowler Schools.

He said that St. Johns, like other communities, had to support their schools with locally raised millage and bond money and indicated he felt the grant money should not be used in such manner.

Wolpe agreed with Roesner saying he did not understand why the Fowler Schools project was approved.

Unless another similar grant project is approved in Washington, all available money to units in Clinton County has been allocated.

Wolpe told the City Commission that Riegle's staff had explored the possibility of the city qualifying for other grants for the public safety building, but had no success.

He said the city might consider a Farmer's Home Administration low-interest loan to finance the building.

To qualify for such a loan, the city would have to prove financing was unavailable from other lending institutions or that the city was fiscally unable to meet the obligations of such a loan.

Bath Twp. appoints HUD coordinator

Margaret Anderson went from a secretary to the coordinator of the HUD (Housing and Urban Development) program in Bath Township. She replaces Frank Glasskil, who was let go by the township for reportedly inadequate service.

Ms. Anderson, was hired by the township in January of this year as a CETA (Comprehensive Employment Training Act) employee and was Glasskil's secretary.

Since Glasskil's termina-

tion, Ms. Anderson has taken over the duties of the HUD job in an acting capacity at her present rate of pay.

The charter township voted Monday night to appoint her as the co-ordinator for \$10,500 for four months on a probationary basis. The salary will be raised to \$11,000 at the end of the four months. Ms. Anderson was on a 60 day trial basis when she was appointed to the job.

Board members commented Ms. Anderson has

received good comments on the way the program is shaping up and the way paperwork is moving. "Now we even have good progress reports to submit," June Burnette, township clerk said.

A letter of disposition stating conditions of employment between the township and its employees was agreed upon by board members. Carl Crofts, treasurer cast the only dissenting vote, and Allen Rosekrans was absent.

With Neva Keys
ELSIE

The West Elsie Extension Club recently met at the home of Mrs. Anabel Peck for a picnic. After the dinner the meeting was called to order by President Mrs. Mildred Whitaker and roll call was "Your favorite state and why".

After the re-election of officers, a white elephant sale was held with Jill Hutton as auctioneer. Proceeds were to go to the Club's treasury. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Florine Peabody on August 24, at 1 p.m.

July 2. The mother is the former Karlene Kurka. They reside at 211 W. Oak St., Elsie.

Manley Engebretson, who has been under medical care at the Owosso Memorial Hospital for several weeks returned to his home in Elsie.

Mrs. Lillian Morley of 220 W. Oak St., Elsie, entered Owosso Memorial Hospital as a medical patient on Friday.

C.H. Silis of 311 Carol Dr., Elsie, entered Owosso Memorial Hospital Tuesday, July 4 for surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Snyder are parents of a son, born at the Owosso Memorial Hospital on Saturday.

St. Johns receives Auto Club award

St. Johns has been cited with a Pedestrian Safety Citation in the American Automobile Association's 38th annual Pedestrian Safety Inventory for going four years without a pedestrian fatality.

The city is among 45 Michigan communities to receive the award, which recognizes superior achievement in pedestrian death and injury records, as well as effective pedestrian safety programs.

Sixty Michigan communities were honored in the AAA competition in which a record 2,577 cities plus 29 states participated. Pedestrian safety achievements for 1976 were reviewed.

Grosse Pointe Woods and Grosse Pointe Farms received Michigan's highest honors, with each suburban Detroit community winning the Award of Excellence for cities in the 10,000 to 25,000 population class.

Other Michigan cities receiving top honors included: Auburn, Greenville, Holland, Lincoln Park, Middleville, Sebawaing and Trenton.

St. Johns' award will be presented at a later date by Automobile Club of Michigan.

Warrants issued

A warrant was issued for Clarence L. Newby, 358 E. State Rd., Lansing, for the breaking and entering of a residence at 346 E. State Rd., where a 19-inch color television set was taken. Newby was arrested by the Clinton County Investigative Squad on July 19.

In connection with the breaking and entering, a juvenile was petitioned into court. The same juvenile was also petitioned for a separate breaking and entering which happened at the park on June 14. The juvenile was then charged with unlawfully driving away of an auto from Sleepy Hollow State Park on June 21.

A warrant was issued charging Daniel H. Ketchum, Bannister, for assault and battery on July 20. A petition was also filed on a juvenile for the assault which occurred July 19 on French Rd.

Two Lansing residents, Michael G. Mabie, and Sara Delacruz, both of 405 Filly, were arrested for larceny over \$100. The warrant was issued in connection with the stealing of two wire spoke wheel covers taken from an auto parked at the Stardust parking lot on June 24.

Lee Ray Carl Smith, Jr., 1518 Turner, Lansing, was arrested by the squad for the breaking and entering of an auto which occurred on June 7 at Sleepy Hollow State Park. A purse and its contents were taken.

Roberta Dianda, academy grad

Roberta Dianda, formerly of St. Johns, and now living in Naperville, Ill., was a recent graduate of Benet Academy, Lisle, Ill.

She will attend North Central College in the fall. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R.J. Dianda.

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4-H chatter Softball playoffs near finish

By John Aylsworth 4-H Director

The Clinton County 4-H softball playoffs which started July 22 are nearing conclusion as the championship games will be played on the main diamond at St. Johns City Park Friday, Aug. 5. The White League (ages 14 and under) championship will be played at 7 p.m. and the Green League (all ages) final will follow at 8:30 p.m. For an interesting and exciting Friday evening activity, why not come out and support your favorite team.

The White League teams still in competition for the final victory are Green Acres (Jim DeBrabander, coach), Fowler Fireballs (Larry Paksi, coach), Fowler Busy Bees (Bill Spitzley, coach), and Prairie (Dennis Phillips, coach).

Green League teams competing are Victor (Roger Nickols, coach), Nimble Fingers, (Jim Cerny, coach), Stoney Creek (Linda Ritter, coach), Charlie's Gang (Charles Silm, coach), Fowler Busy Bees Boys (Jerry Spitzlev, coach), and Olive 4-H (Bob Price, coach).

In the girls division of the Green League, Fowler Busy Bees (Steve Spitzley, coach) defeated the Olive Girls (Dale Haviland, coach) to become the county champions. The Olive Girls will play Green Acres (Laura Mullaney) to determine the second team to advance to the district competition.

The district playoffs will be held in Ingham County on Aug. 8 and 9 and those winners will go on to the State competition at M.S.U. later in August.

Each team has selected three players to represent them in the Clinton County 4-H All-Star game to be played in St. Johns Aug. 15, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

INTERNATIONAL DINNER
Eighty-two people from eleven different clubs held an International Potluck Dinner Thursday evening, July 28, at Smith Hall in St. Johns. Each group had studied a different country

and concluded their study by preparing an exhibit depicting some examples of the country's heritage. Exhibits included foods, clothing, maps, artifacts, and other cultural information. The exhibits were colorful, interesting and informative. The two exhibits chosen as winners will each receive a \$5 check for their efforts. The two winning exhibits were prepared by Green Acres and Stoney Creek.

The potluck dinner consisted of dishes from different countries and many of the dishes seemed unusual to American tastes. Dessert was America's contribution to the dinner, as everyone made their own banana splits.

The program after dinner consisted of the 4-H Foods Quiz Bowl. Four clubs had teams participating in this contest. Clubs entering were Victor, Green Acres,

Elsie 4-Corners and Bath All Purpose.

SLEEPY HOLLOW
The regular monthly meeting of the Sleepy Hollow 4-H Club was held July 14.

The flower workshop was discussed. Other items for

discussion included the paper drive Oct. 1, meat judging contest in the fall, and pies for the fair food stand.

They held a family picnic July 17 at Sleepy Hollow State Park.

With Cecilia Thelen

FOWLER

The community wishes to express their sympathy to Mrs. Peter Schrauben, family, and friends for the loss in death of her husband, Peter. Mrs. and Mrs. Martin Donovan of Mt. Clemens spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wieber and family, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Boak

and family of Lansing were visitors of Mrs. Lula Boak Sunday afternoon.

Correction—The Wakefield and Boak Reunion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Wakefield of Dimondale, instead of Douglas Boak as previously reported.

Jim's Column

New York dairymen visit

BY JIM PELHAM County Extension Director

Clinton County, Michigan is a long way from Hamden, New York, but dairymen out there have heard about us and on August 6 seventy-four of them and their County Agent, Van Travis, are coming to visit.

What will they see in Clinton County? First, they will drive across the third highest milk producing county in Michigan and probably be surprised that a county that is so widely noted for dairy production does not specialize in dairying, but also is important for the production of corn, wheat, soybeans, navy beans, beef, sheep and hogs. Clinton County is especially well known for its production of spearmint and is one

of the top counties in the country in the production of this crop. They will probably be surprised to learn that apple production, too, is very important.

It may come as a real surprise to find that on top of this the county is not even especially rural. Developments are springing up all over and more Clinton residents work outside their county than any other county in the state.

Any three of perhaps thirty dairy farms could be picked as models to visit. There are at least that many doing an especially good job and 280 herds meet strict rules for producing clean, high quality milk.

The first farm to be visited will be Green Meadows, located on the edge of Elsie. Here the visitors will see the largest purebred and registered holstein herd in the world. Currently, 1450 cows are being milked daily at that farm and, counting young stock and calves, there are close to 4,000 cattle on the farm. To top that off, they will see production levels that would be the envy of any dairyman—large or small. Each cow averages close to 17,000 pounds of milk yearly. Totalling it all up, Green Meadows by itself could supply a city of close to 60,000 people.

The second stop will be at Nobis Farms, located northwest of St. Johns. There they will see a very smooth running dairy farm with just the right blend of both high and low cost feed storage—a new and innovative high cow density barn and a relatively low cost manure storage which meets all

government guidelines for environmental quality.

The Nobis herd has been selected as the most improved herd in the county for two consecutive years. Each of their 126 cows averages 17,376 pounds of milk a year and since the herd size closely compares with many of the New York dairymen's they are anxious to see how Paul, Ken and Larry do it.

The third stop will be an abbreviated one at Bob and Ed Grams farm, located just southwest of St. Johns. Valleyside Farms pioneered a flush system of cleaning the barns—has milking machines that remove themselves from the udder as soon as the cow has finished milking and raise their calves to be hale and hearty by starting them in completely cold housing—even in the dead of winter.

Valleyside Farms latest addition is a huge pivot irrigation system that will irrigate 270 acres at a time as it moves in a circle under its own locomotion.

By this time the visitors will probably be tired and half starved and will be looking forward to a feast at the Pilgrim United Methodist Church.

We hope they will take some good memories as well as ideas back to New York. Several of our dairymen visited some of their farms on a tour organized by Shiawassee County last year and possibly some more of us will get a chance to see them sometime in the future.

I know of no better teaching device for dairymen than learning from each other.

Two from county attend MMPA tour

About 65 4-H members and adult leaders from throughout Michigan headed for Michigan Milk Producers Association headquarters in Detroit for the

40th annual MMPA 4-H milk marketing tour July 21 and 22.

Attending from this area were Cheryl Konkin of DeWitt and Charlene Shea of

Elsie. The tour, sponsored by MMPA in cooperation with the Michigan State University extension service, is designated by MMPA in

cooperation with the Michigan State University extension service, is designated to give 4-H members more familiarity with milk marketing procedures and the duties and operations of a dairy farmer cooperative.

The 4-H members toured the MMPA Detroit office and visited the Detroit Pure Milk Company.

Glenn Lake, MMPA president and Jack Barnes, general manager, discussed the Association's marketing and price bargaining efforts and its member services.

Tour participants also attended a banquet at the Holiday Inn in suburban Southfield.

In a problem-solving session, the 4-H members divided into groups to discuss and solve situations like those confronting the board of directors of a dairy cooperative.

Two of last year's top tour participants, Larry Crouch of Grass Lake and Sue Ann Fuerstenau of Richmond, were session leaders. They chaired various sessions during the two-day event.

MMPA is a milk marketing cooperative owned and controlled by some 6,000 dairy farmers throughout the state.

Bill's Column

By BILL LASHER, County Extension Agent

Questions and answers

about drought-stressed corn

How can I tell if ears will develop? If kernels will set? If a plant has tasselled and shed pollen, and no ear has developed, it will be barren.

What is the feed value of drought stricken corn?

In studies in Nebraska and South Dakota, silage made from corn with no ears or corn with ears but no grain gave 90 to 100 percent of the growth rate, milk production, and feed efficiency of silage made from well-eared corn. Based on these studies, corn silage made from immature corn would be expected to give nearly equal performance if properly ensiled.

When should I cut for silage?

If stored in an upright silo, the forage should not contain more than 65-70 percent moisture. If stored in a bunker silo, it should not be more than 70-75 percent moisture. Silage made from immature corn may see easier than that made from well-eared corn even if both are made at the same moisture content because most of the sugars are in solution in the immature corn. If the corn didn't set ears and is still green, the moisture content will be too high to make good silage. If the ears are all brown and the stalk is still green it can still contain too much moisture to make good corn silage. However,

continued hot and dry weather can result in a rapid drop in moisture. Therefore, when in doubt, get a moisture test. Excessive moisture reduces quality, caused excessive seepage and greatly reduces dollar value if sold as silage. See your County Agent for assistance in determining moisture content.

Is the nitrate content of the drought-damaged corn plant likely to be too high for feeding to cattle?

The drought-stricken corn plant tends to accumulate more nitrate than the normal corn plant. Therefore, in some cases, nitrate levels could be dangerous, particularly if grazed, fed as a green chop or fed at a high level without an adjustment period. During the ensiling process, however, over 1/2 of the nitrate is destroyed. Therefore, the best and safest use of the drought-damaged corn plant is for silage. Whether fed as forage or silage, it should be gradually introduced into the ration. Studies show that cattle can metabolize large amounts of nitrate if allowed to become adapted to feeds containing nitrate. Therefore, start by feeding only a few pounds and then take about a week to fully introduce it into the ration. If in doubt, feed only as part of the ration. If you want to graze it, put one or two cattle on first and observe them for several days for toxicity problems.

What can I afford to pay for drought-damaged corn to be harvested for silage?

As indicated earlier, studies indicate that the dry matter of silage made from drought-damaged corn has 90-100 percent of the feed value of the dry matter of silage made from well-eared corn. A ton of silage made from well-eared corn is considered to be worth 5 to 6 times the current price of shelled corn per bushel plus \$3, out of the silo. If the buyer harvests, reduce the price by \$2 a ton. Since it has little or no grain content, however, its only alternative use is as forage. Therefore, it should be priced according to the judgment of both the buyer and seller, based on current prices for corn, the expected feeding value of the silage made from drought-damaged corn, and the alternative use of the drought-damaged corn by the seller.

What special precautions should I take against nitrogen oxide (Silo gas) in the silo?

Observe the same precautions practiced with normal ensilage. Heavier-than-air silo gas develops shortly after filling and accumulates just above silage, at the silo bottom, in the unloading chute or adjacent feed room.

Dead birds around the silo are a clue to gas, but you may not see any signs of gas. Take no chances.

If you must go in the silo, ventilate with a blower 15 or 20 minutes before entering and keep it running while inside. Don't go in alone. Wear a nitrogen dioxide mask.

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Extension calendar

- Aug. 2 Bean & Beet Field Day—Saginaw Valley Research Farm.
- Aug. 4 Adult and Junior 4-H Fair Superintendents—8 p.m.—Smith Hall.
- Aug. 5 County 4-H Softball championships - 7 p.m. City Park.
- Aug. 6 County 4-H Shot Gun Shoot - 2 p.m. - Sleepy Hollow Conservation Club—St. Johns.
- Aug. 6 New York Dairymen's Tour of Clinton County.
- Aug. 7 County 4-H Rifle Shoot - 2 p.m. - Ingham County - Conservation League.
- Aug. 8 & 9 District 4-H Softball Playoffs - Ingham County.
- Aug. 10 No-Till Field Day - Vermontville.
- Aug. 11 Work session 4-H Beef members & leaders at Fairgrounds.
- Aug. 12 Food Stand information meeting for involved 4-H members & leaders.
- Aug. 12 Clinton 4-H Fair set-up.
- Aug. 13 Mich. Swine Breeders Production Tested Boar Sale, 7 p.m. - MSU.
- Aug. 15-17 County 4-H Fair, St. Johns.
- Aug. 16 School Millage vote on vocational technical center.
- Aug. 18 State Tractor Contest, Elsie, MI.
- Aug. 22 Meats Laboratories for 4-H members to see—quality of animals they raised - 7 p.m. at Sheldons - 8 p.m. at Buggs.
- Aug. 23-25 State 4-H Dairy Show at MSU.
- Aug. 27 CMHA Horse

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M.F. 3-16 Mounted

MMB announces fall and winter schedules

Boys and girls varsity, junior varsity and freshman athletic schedules for the coming fall and winter sports season have been announced by the Mid-Michigan B Conference.

Following are the schedules for St. Johns and Ovid-Elsie varsities, the two Clinton County schools in the MMB

FOOTBALL

St. Johns	Ovid-Elsie
Sept. 16 Bullock Creek (A)	Swan Valley (A)
Sept. 23 Hemlock (H)	Corunna (H)
Sept. 30 Swan Valley (A)	Bullock Creek (A)
Oct. 7 Corunna (H)	Hemlock (H)
Oct. 14 Chesaning (A)	Alma (A)
Oct. 21 Alma (A)	Chesaning (H)
Oct. 28 Ovid-Elsie (H)	St. Johns (A)

CROSS COUNTRY

St. Johns	Ovid-Elsie
Sept. 6 Bullock Creek (A)	Swan Valley (A)
Sept. 13 Hemlock (H)	Corunna (H)
Sept. 20 Swan Valley (A)	Bullock Creek (A)
Sept. 27 Corunna (H)	Hemlock (H)
Oct. 4 Chesaning (A)	Alma (A)
Oct. 11 Alma (A)	Chesaning (H)
Oct. 18 Ovid-Elsie (H)	St. Johns (A)

GOLF

St. Johns	Ovid-Elsie
Sept. 6 Bullock Creek (A)	Swan Valley (H)
Sept. 13 Hemlock (A)	Corunna (A)
Sept. 20 Swan Valley (H)	Bullock Creek (H)
Sept. 27 Chesaning (A)	Hemlock (A)
Sept. 29 Alma (H)	Alma (H)
Oct. 4 Ovid-Elsie (A)	Chesaning (A)
	St. Johns (H)

BASKETBALL

Dec. 2 Bullock Creek (A)	Swan Valley (A)
Dec. 9 Hemlock (H)	Corunna (H)
Dec. 16 Swan Valley (A)	Bullock Creek (A)
Dec. 20 Corunna (H)	Hemlock (H)
Jan. 6 Chesaning (A)	Alma (A)
Jan. 13 Alma (A)	Chesaning (H)
Jan. 17 Ovid-Elsie (H)	St. Johns (A)
Jan. 20 Bullock Creek (H)	Swan Valley (H)
Jan. 27 Hemlock (A)	Corunna (A)
Jan. 31 Swan Valley (H)	Bullock Creek (H)
Feb. 3 Corunna (A)	Hemlock (A)
Feb. 10 Chesaning (H)	Alma (A)
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Ovid-Elsie

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

St. Johns	Ovid-Elsie
Jan. 23 Bullock Creek (A)	Swan Valley (A)
Jan. 25 Hemlock (H)	Corunna (H)
Jan. 30 Swan Valley (A)	Bullock Creek (A)
Feb. 1 Corunna (H)	Hemlock (H)
Feb. 6 Chesaning (A)	Alma (A)
Feb. 8 Alma (A)	Chesaning (H)
Feb. 13 Ovid-Elsie (H)	St. Johns (A)
Feb. 15 Bullock Creek (H)	Swan Valley (H)
Feb. 20 Hemlock (A)	Corunna (A)
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Feb. 27 Corunna (A)	Hemlock (A)
Mar. 1 Chesaning (H)	Alma (H)
Mar. 6 Alma (H)	Chesaning (A)
Mar. 8 Ovid-Elsie (A)	St. Johns (H)

WRESTLING

St. Johns	Ovid-Elsie
Dec. 1 Bullock Creek (A)	Swan Valley (A)
Dec. 8 Hemlock (H)	Corunna (H)
Dec. 15 Swan Valley (A)	Bullock Creek (A)
Jan. 5 Corunna (H)	Hemlock (H)
Jan. 12 Chesaning (A)	Alma (A)
Jan. 19 Alma (A)	Chesaning (H)
Jan. 26 Ovid-Elsie (H)	St. Johns (A)

GIRLS BASKETBALL

St. Johns	Ovid-Elsie
Sept. 20 Bullock Creek (A)	Swan Valley (A)
Sept. 27 Hemlock (H)	Corunna (H)
Oct. 4 Swan Valley (A)	Bullock Creek (A)
Oct. 11 Corunna (H)	Hemlock (H)
Oct. 18 Chesaning (A)	Alma (A)
Oct. 25 Alma (A)	Chesaning (H)
Oct. 27 Ovid-Elsie (H)	St. Johns (A)
Nov. 1 Bullock Creek (H)	Swan Valley (H)
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GOLF

St. Johns	Ovid-Elsie
Sept. 6 Bullock Creek (H)	Swan Valley (H)
Sept. 13 Hemlock (A)	Corunna (A)
Sept. 20 Swan Valley (H)	Bullock Creek (H)
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Sept. 27 Chesaning (H)	Alma (H)
Sept. 29 Alma (H)	Chesaning (A)
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CROSS COUNTRY

St. Johns	Ovid-Elsie
Sept. 6 Bullock Creek (A)	Swan Valley (A)
Sept. 13 Hemlock (H)	Corunna (H)
Sept. 20 Swan Valley (A)	Bullock Creek (A)
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SWIMMING

St. Johns	Ovid-Elsie
Feb. 2 Swan Valley (H)	Corunna (A)
Feb. 9 Corunna (A)	Alma (H)
Feb. 16 Alma (H)	Swan Valley (H)
Feb. 23 Ovid-Elsie (A)	St. Johns (H)

Marching Redwings at MSU Band Camp

EAST LANSING—For anybody thrilled by high school bands, the Michigan State University campus is going to be heaven all this month and the St. Johns High School Marching Band will be one of the stars.

Some 3,800 bandmen from 30 Michigan high schools will come to the campus for the four week-long sessions of the traditional Marching Band Camp. With their band directors and chaperons they will occupy University residence halls and other facilities.

In tank tops, shorts and sneakers they will defy the Dog Days sun, crisp grass and rolling dust of MSU's east campus while perfecting marching and playing skills in preparation for their fall show-off season.

Thad Hegeburg, director of bands at MSU, plus an elite group of MSU bands-

men will counsel band directors and coach clinics for drum majors, flag bearers, twirlers and percussion players.

It will be oompah, oompah, oompah, rat-a-tat-tat, and "step, two, three, four," for hours on end with an occasional rest in the shade or plop in the University pool.

Then with rough edges smoothed a bit, each band will proudly join with others of its session in presenting a Saturday morning public performance—with proud parents attending—along Wilson Road near the Veterinary Clinic.

The 1977 band camp—the 12th—is sponsored by the University Music Department and Continuing Education Service.

St. Johns will go to the MSU Band Camp Aug. 13.

Fulton announces athletic physicals, meeting times

Physical examinations will be given at Fulton High School in Middleton Aug. 4 at 7:30 p.m. for students participating in fall sports.

All interested football candidates should attend.

John Wachsmuth, football coach, has announced a meeting for all football players in grades nine through 12 to be held at Fulton High School Aug. 9 at 7:30 p.m.

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION OF CLINTON COUNTY INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT, MICHIGAN TO BE HELD AUGUST 16, 1977

TO THE ELECTORS OF BATH COMMUNITY SCHOOLS, CLINTON AND SHIAWASSEE COUNTIES, MICHIGAN, WHO ARE REGISTERED IN THE CITY OR TOWNSHIP IN WHICH THEY RESIDE.

Please Take Notice that a special election of Clinton County Intermediate School District, Michigan, will be held on Tuesday, August 16, 1977, in Bath Community Schools, Clinton and Shiawassee Counties, Michigan.

THE POLLS OF ELECTION WILL OPEN AT 7:00 O'CLOCK, A.M., AND CLOSE AT 8:00 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The following proposition will be submitted to the vote of the electors qualified to vote thereon at the special election:

AREA VOCATIONAL - TECHNICAL EDUCATION PROPOSITION

Shall Clinton County Intermediate School District, state of Michigan, establish an area vocational - technical education program which is designed to encourage the operation of area vocational-technical education programs if the annual property tax levied for this purpose is limited to 1.95 mills (\$1.95 on each \$1,000.00 of state equalized valuation)?

If the above proposition receives a favorable vote, the Intermediate School District intends, during the first two to three years, to use the funds derived from the levy of the above millage for the construction of an area vocational-technical building. The estimated cost of said vocational education building facility is One Million, Nine Hundred Thirty-Nine Thousand, Three Hundred and Seventy-Four Dollars (\$1,939,374). The Intermediate School District has received a precommitment from the Michigan Department of Education on a vocational educational center building grant. Said building grant will be in the amount of approximately Nine Hundred Sixty-Nine Thousand, Six Hundred and Eighty-Seven Dollars (\$969,687). If a favorable vote is received on the above millage question, the federal grant monies, together with monies raised from the levy of the above millage, will be used to construct the vocational education facility.

THE VOTING PLACE IS AS FOLLOWS:

Small all-purpose room in the Elementary School.

All school electors who are registered with the city or township clerk of the city or township in which they reside are eligible to vote at this election.

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

William R. Fouch
Secretary, Board of Education of Bath Community Schools, Clinton and Shiawassee Counties, Michigan

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TO THE ELECTORS OF PEWAMO - WESTPHALIA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS, IONIA AND CLINTON COUNTIES, MICHIGAN, WHO ARE REGISTERED IN THE CITY OR TOWNSHIP IN WHICH THEY RESIDE.

Please Take Notice that a special election of Clinton County Intermediate School District, Michigan, will be held on Tuesday, August 16, 1977, in Pewamo - Westphalia Community Schools, Ionia and Clinton Counties, Michigan.

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THE VOTING PLACE IS AS FOLLOWS:

Pewamo - Westphalia High School Building.

All school electors who are registered with the city or township clerk of the city or township in which they reside are eligible to vote at this election.

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HELP WANTED—Clerk-typist, two full time positions One each for Gratiot and Clinton County Branch offices. Mid Michigan Dist. Health Dept., Women's, Infants' and Children's Supplemental Nutrition Program. Competitive salary and benefits. For application call Stanton (517) 831-4031 or 831-4832. Deadline for accepting applications is Aug. 10, 1977. An Equal Opportunity Affirmative Action Employer.

WANTED—Bulldozing backhoe work, drain fields, water lines, footings — digging of any kind. Lee Zuker Ph. 224-2049.

KALKASKA—MANCELONA AREA—10 acres—small private lake front—partly wooded—borders State Forest—\$7995 with \$1200 down—\$75 monthly—8 percent Land Contract. Write or call Wildwood Retreats Real Estate, R 1, Box 254, Kalkaska, Mich. 49646. Days 616-258-4873. Eves. 616-258-5934.

1975 Kawasaki 400 cc Road Bike—SHARP. Egan Ford Sales, Inc. St. Johns, Phone 224-8266.

FOR SALE—Registered Quarter Horse gelding, 5 yrs. old, 15.6 hands. 669-5682.

LOST: In St. Johns City SW side Neutered male Siamese cat. Friendly, missed by childless couple, needs medication. If whereabouts is known, please call 224-6261, or 608 W. Cass.

I would like to thank all the nurses at Clinton Memorial Hospital, Dr. Fitzpatrick, Dr. Chun, all of my Van Riders, friends and relatives for calls, cards, visits and prayers while I was in the hospital and since my return home. A special thank you to my fellow employees for the lovely plant and all of their visits. Thank you all so very much, your thoughts will always be remembered.

BORED OR BROKE? Full or part time. No experience required. Call 669-6511.

HELP WANTED—Woman needed for office clerical work, typing, general office work. Hrs. 8-5. Send qualifications to Box S, Clinton County News.

29 YEARS EXPERIENCE—Interior, exterior painting. Complete restoring and repairs, all kinds. Color consultant, Professional work only houses & offices. Excellent references. Call Terry Wohler 332-6368 or 321-5355. GCCN 30-40 tfn

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1977 Maverick 4 door—automatic, V-8, power steering, power brakes, Drivers Training car - save dollars, Egan Ford Sales, Inc. St. Johns, Phone 224-8266.

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WANTED—Bookkeeper, experience necessary. Apply only if interested in long term employment. Send resume to Box E, Clinton County News, St. Johns.

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DO YOU NEED HELP with painting, canning, house-keeping, washing windows, yard work, any type of odd jobs? Call 224-8285 9-2 p.m. If no answer 224-4182.

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FOR SALE—1972 SUZUKI 250 Road Bike. Under 8,000 miles. \$400 or best offer. Call after 3 p.m. 669-3283.

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING of the Union Home Cemetery Assn. will be at the Costello home on S. Gratiot County Line Rd. Aug. 1 at 1:30.

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FOR RENT—1976 Dodge motor home, 23 ft., sleeps 6. Phone 647-6539.

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COUNTRY LIVING—BEAUTIFUL DECOR, has full basement, 2-car attached garage, 1 acre lot. 1/2 mi. S. of Pewamo — Westphalia Schools, \$45,900. Call Don Bretz, Jim Fox Real estate, 323-3272 or 669-5189.

FOR SALE—1971 Chevy 1/2 ton pickup. \$750.00 or best offer. Phone 224-3377.

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LEGAL NEWS

State of Michigan
The Probate Court for the County of Clinton, Estate of Roman Myers, Deceased; File No. 19789.

TAKE NOTICE: On Wednesday October 26, 1977, at 9:30 a.m., in the Probate Courtroom, the Courtroom in St. Johns, Michigan, before the Hon. Timothy M. Green, Judge of Probate, a hearing will be held at which all creditors of said deceased are required to prove their claims. Creditors must file sworn claims with the Court and serve a copy on Derrill Shinabery, Administrator, 200 W. State, St. Johns, Michigan, prior to said hearing.

Dated: July 27, 1977
Attorney for Petitioner:
Robert H. Wood
306 N. Clinton
St. Johns, Mich. 48879
Phone 224-3238
Petitioner:
Derrill Shinabery
200 W. State
St. Johns, Michigan 31-1

State of Michigan
Probate Court for the County of Clinton, in the matter of David and Raymond Ellinger, Minors.

It is Ordered that on Tuesday, August 30, 1977, at 10:00 a.m., in the Probate Courtroom, Courtroom, St. Johns, Michigan a hearing will be held on the petition of James A. Moore praying that Randy Tahvonen be appointed the guardian of said minors to the exclusion of Carla Sue Ellinger, the mother of said minors, who is legally liable and able for and to support and care for the education of said said minor children and has nevertheless failed and neglected to do so for a period of more than one year last preceding the date for filing of said petition, for the purposes of consenting to the adoption of said minors.

Dated: July 28, 1977
WALKER & MOORE
James A. Moore, Petitioner
Attorney at Law
117 E. Walker
St. Johns, Michigan, 48879
Timothy M. Green 31-4

State of Michigan
In the Probate Court for the County of Clinton, in the matter of David Ellinger and Raymond Ellinger, Minors. Order to Answer File No. 3946.

At a session of said Court held in the Courtroom in the City of St. Johns, Michigan on the 28th day of July, 1977.

PRESENT: HONORABLE TIMOTHY M. GREEN, Probate Judge.
On the 28th day of July, 1977 a petition was filed by James A. Moore, Guardian ad litem of David Ellinger and Raymond Ellinger, against Carla Sue Ellinger, the natural mother of said minor children, in Court alleging that the aforesaid two children were dependent and neglected children.
IT IS ORDERED that Carla Sue Ellinger shall answer said charges by appearing in the probate Court for the County of Clinton on August 30, 1977 at 10:00 in the afternoon, failure to comply with this order will result in the aforesaid two children being declared dependent and neglected children and all parental rights being severed permanently.

TIMOTHY M. GREEN,
Probate Judge 31-4

NOTICE OF REVIEW OF APPORTIONMENTS

Notice is hereby given, that on Monday the 15th day of August, 1977, at the Drain Office, 1003 South Oakland Street, in the City of St. Johns, County of Clinton, an assessment will be levied on the DRAINER Drain for maintenance work, which has been done in the past and will be subject to review for one day, from nine o'clock in the forenoon until five o'clock in the afternoon.

The following consolidated descriptions of the Special Assessment District of said Drain, viz:
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NOTICE OF MORTGAGESALE

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made on the 14th day of August, 1975, between RICHARD J. CORTRIGHT and MARY ANN CORTRIGHT, husband and wife, Mortgages, and CAPITOL SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOCIATION, Mortgagee, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Clinton County, Michigan on August 18, 1975, in Liber 281 of Mortgages, Page 750, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this Notice principal and interest, the sum of THIRTY THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-TWO AND 65/100 (\$30,222.65) DOLLARS and an attorney fee of SEVENTY-FIVE (\$75.00) DOLLARS allowed by law, as provided in said Mortgage, and no suit or proceedings at law having been instituted to recover the monies secured by said Mortgage or any part thereof.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, on Friday, the 12th day of August, 1977, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, the undersigned will, at the North entrance of the Clinton County Courthouse, in the City of St. Johns, County of Clinton, State of Michigan, that being one of the places where the Circuit Court for the County of Clinton is held, sell at a public auction to the highest bidder the premises described in the said Mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount as aforesaid due on said Mortgage, with Nine (9) percent (9.25 percent) interest, and all legal costs, together with said attorney fee, which said premises are described as follows in said Mortgage:

Commencing at the SW corner of Sec. 30, T7N, R1W, Twp. of Ovid, Clinton Co., Mich., then N along the W line of said Sec. 184 ft., then E 172 ft., then W to the place of beg. Subject to easements, restrictions and rights of way of record.

The length of the redemption period as provided by law is six (6) months from the time of sale.
CAPITOL SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOCIATION
DATED: July 13, 1977
CUMMINS & CUMMINS
400 Capitol Savings & Loan Bldg.
Lansing, Michigan 48933
Attorneys for Mortgagee 28-5

Said premises are situated in Township of Bath, Clinton County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot No. 33, Nelson's Subdivision, a subdivision of a part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 17, Town 5 North, Range 1 West, Township of Bath, Clinton County, Michigan, also that part of Outlot "A" of Nelson's subdivision, commencing at the southeast corner of said Outlot "A", thence West 22 feet, thence North 165 feet, thence East 22 feet, thence South 165 feet, to the point of beginning.

During the six months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed.
Dated: July 25, 1977
By Rollin Huard
Trust Officer
200 N. Clinton Ave.
St. Johns, MI 48879 31-1

State of Michigan
The Probate Court for the County of Clinton, Estate of Gordon F. Harlow, Sr.

TAKE NOTICE: On August 17, 1977, at 10:30 a.m., in the Probate Courtroom, in the City of St. Johns, Michigan, before the Hon. Timothy M. Green, Judge of Probate, a hearing will be held on the petition of Clinton National Bank and Trust Company, Trustee, for the allowance of its Ninth Annual Account.

Dated: July 25, 1977
By Rollin Huard
Trust Officer
200 N. Clinton Ave.
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State of Michigan
CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CLINTON
BURNEDA SNYDER, Plaintiff, vs BELLE MILLER HENLEY and OPAL M. FISHER their unknown heirs, devisees, and legatees, in Defendants. 77-2144-CZ.

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hearing will be held on the Petition of Gordon F. Harlow, Jr. and Anna M. Cough for the revocation of a purported will dated May 21, 1973, for granting of administration to Gordon F. Harlow, Jr. and Anna M. Cough, the co-executors named in said will, or some other suitable person, for a determination of heirs of said deceased.
Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate must be presented to the said Gordon F. Harlow, Jr. and Anna M. Cough, with copies of the claims filed with the Court on or before October 19, 1977.
Notice is further given that the estate will thereafter be assigned to persons appearing of record entitled thereto.

Dated: July 30, 1977
Attorney for Petitioner:
Alfano L. Beachler, a single man, to WATERFIELD HOLDING COMPANY, INCORPORATED, an Indiana Corporation.
Mortgagee, Dated August 6, 1971, and recorded on August 11, 1971, in Liber 261, on page 978, Clinton County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to TALMAN FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION by an assignment dated August 30, 1971, and recorded on September 3, 1971, in Liber 262, on page 320, Clinton County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of EIGHTEEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED TWENTY-ONE AND 88/100 Dollars (\$18,221.88), including interest at 7 percent per annum.

MORTGAGESALE
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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the South entrance to the Clinton County Courthouse Building in St. Johns, Michigan, at 10:00 o'clock a.m., Local Time, on Thursday, August 11, 1977.

Said premises are situated in Township of Bath, Clinton County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot No. 33, Nelson's Subdivision, a subdivision of a part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 17, Town 5 North, Range 1 West, Township of Bath, Clinton County, Michigan, also that part of Outlot "A" of Nelson's subdivision, commencing at the southeast corner of said Outlot "A", thence West 22 feet, thence North 165 feet, thence East 22 feet, thence South 165 feet, to the point of beginning.

During the six months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed.
Dated: July 6, 1977
TALMAN FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION
Assignee of Mortgagee
Dickinson, Wright, McKean & Cudlip, Attorneys
800 First National Building,
DeTroit, Michigan 48226 27-5

ORDER TO ANSWER

At a session of said Court held in the City of St. Johns this 25th day of July, 1977.
Present: Hon. Leo W. Corkin, Circuit Judge.
On the 22nd day of July, 1977, an action to discharge a mortgage was filed by Burneda Snyder against Belle Miller Henley and Opal M. Fisher, their unknown heirs, devisees, and legatees, in this Court, to set aside and discharge a certain mortgage recorded in Liber 179 at Page 462, Clinton County Records.

It is HEREBY ORDERED that the defendants Belle Miller Henley whose address is unknown, and Opal M. Fisher, whose address is Ovid, Michigan, their unknown heirs, devisees, and legatees, shall file answer or take such other action as may be permitted by law, on or before October 3, 1977. Failure to comply with this Order will result in a judgment by default being taken against said defendants for the relief prayed for in

the complaint filed in this Court. The relief prayed for is to discharge a certain mortgage covering property known and described as: All that part of the West 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 27, T6N, R1W, lying North of Grand River Road, also known as Trunk Line M104, Victor Township, Clinton County, Michigan.
It is further ORDERED that a copy of this order shall be published in the Clinton County News for five consecutive weeks and that a copy thereof shall be forwarded to the last known post-office address of the defendants.

LEO W. CORKIN
Circuit Judge
Russel A. Lawler P16458
Attorney for Plaintiff
200 Hollister Building
Lansing, MI 48933 31-5

New doctor

Another new physician has opened a practice in the St. Johns area. Dr. Alfredo N. San Juan, began his new practice July 18.
He is a specialist in the areas of obstetrics and gynecology.
Dr. San Juan's office is located at 210 East Walker in St. Johns, with Doctors Russell, Grost and Cook.
He has been given special privileges in obstetrics and gynecology, including gynecological surgery at Clinton Memorial Hospital.
Dr. San Juan came to this country in 1971 after completing medical school at the University of St. Thomas, in the Philippines.
He recently completed his residency in obstetrics and gynecology at Mt. Carmel Mercy Hospital and Providence Hospital in the Detroit area.
He resides in St. Johns with his wife, Beatriz, and their four children, Maria, 11; Arnold, 9; Geraldine, 7; and Alfredo, 1.
His office phone is 224-2338 and his home number is 224-8022.

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Obituaries

Everette Mudge

ELSIE(c)—Funeral services for Everette Mudge, 64 of Elk Rapids, were held unday afternoon at the Carter Funeral Home in Elsie with the Rev. David Miles officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery, Elsie.

Mr. Mudge, an Ovid-Elsie area resident for most of his life, died Thursday July 28 in the Traverse City Osteopathic Hospital.

He was born July 10, 1913 in Owosso to Fred and Hazel Mudge. He was a truck driver. His wife, the former Vena Mead, died in August 1969.

Survivors are: sisters, Mrs. Hilda Stevens of Muskegon and Mrs. Frances Dunn of Elk Rapids, a daughter, Mrs. Carol Shaw of Ashley, five grandchildren and a great grandchild.

Stanley Harris

Stanley A. Harris died at Gladwin Hospital July 25. He was born April 1, 1910 in Lebanon Twp.

Most of his early life was spent in Hubbardston. He moved to Maple Rapids where he worked for Austin Cowles for several years, later moving to Gladwin where he was engaged in the plumbing business.

He married, Opal Dick in Hubbardston in 1928 who survives, along with four children.

Funeral services were Wednesday, July 27 at 2 p.m. at the Matthews Funeral Home, with burial in Eastlawn Memorial Gardens, Saginaw.

Frank Fowler

Funeral services were held July 28 at Houghton Chapel of Osgood Funeral Home for Frank E. Fowler, 60, 221 E. Williams St., Ovid, who died July 25 at Munson Hospital in Traverse City following a short illness.

Rev. Joseph Speas officiated with burial at Oak Grove Cemetery.

Mr. Fowler was born Aug. 16, 1916 in Owosso, the son of Edwin and Isabelle (Fulton) Fowler.

He attended Burton Schools, was a 1934 graduate of Ovid High School and lived all his life in Ovid.

An employee of Globe Union in Owosso for 25 years, he retired in 1976.

He served in the U.S. Army during World War II, was a member of the Clinton County DAV and UAW Retired Workers 754.

He was married July 20, 1946 in Detroit to the former Jimmie Cothran, who survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Joan L. Denison of Owosso, Anna (Fran) Fowler of Lansing and Mrs. Virginia L. Shipley of Owosso; son, Robert (Randy) Fowler of Belle-

ville; brothers, George S. Fowler of Ovid and Walter R. Fowler of Houghton Lake; sister, Mrs. Wilda Turner of Royal Oak and six grandchildren. He was preceded in death by three sisters. Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association.

Clyde

Lapham

Funeral services were held July 29 at Osgood Funeral Home in St. Johns for Clyde G. Lapham, 76, 7440 US-27, Dewitt, who died July 26 at his residence.

Rev. Averill Carson officiated with burial in Mr. Rest Cemetery.

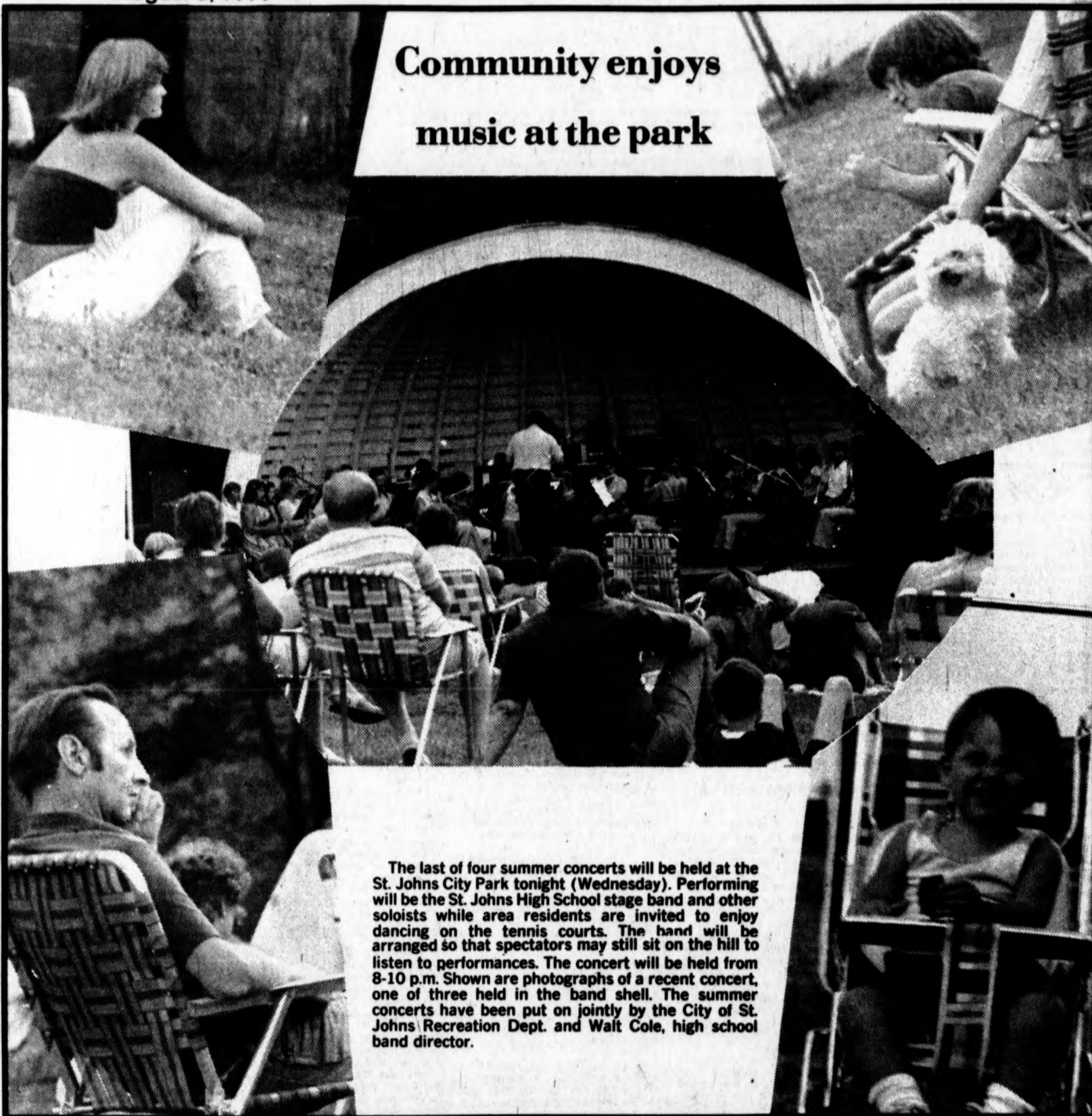
Mr. Lapham was born Nov. 1, 1900 in Olive Twp., the son of August and Emma Lapham.

A resident of the US-27 address all his life, he was a farmer and employee of Melting Drop Force, retiring in 1965.

He was married Dec. 24, 1922 in Maple Rapids to the former Neita Bancroft, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Gerald of DeWitt and Durward of Bay City and three grandchildren.

Contributions may be made to the Heart Association.



Community enjoys music at the park

The last of four summer concerts will be held at the St. Johns City Park tonight (Wednesday). Performing will be the St. Johns High School stage band and other soloists while area residents are invited to enjoy dancing on the tennis courts. The band will be arranged so that spectators may still sit on the hill to listen to performances. The concert will be held from 8-10 p.m. Shown are photographs of a recent concert, one of three held in the band shell. The summer concerts have been put on jointly by the City of St. Johns Recreation Dept. and Walt Cole, high school band director.



It was hobo day last week for St. Johns youngsters participating in the playground activities, sponsored by the St. Johns Summer Recreation Dept. The hobo clan hiked from the courthouse lawn to the city park where they ate sack lunches and later had a soaking good time in a waterballoon contest.

Area families tour western United States

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Deming of Carland and Mr. and Mrs. Richard C. Mead and Brian of St. Johns returned July 24 from spending 19 days traveling, sight-seeing and visiting many interesting places.

The Meads and Demings began their trip via Chicago Skyline Drive, through 14

states, before arriving at the Mackinaw Bridge.

Mrs. Diane Mead, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Deming spent her birthday, July 11, in Yellowstone National Park and it had snowed two inches the night before they arrived. They traveled there through the South Dakota Badlands,

Black Hills, Mt. Rushmore and Crazy Horse Mountain.

They toured Shell, Zion, Bryce and Gunnison Black Canyons and Great Salt Lake before reaching the Grand Canyon in Arizona.

They toured Garden of the Gods, the Shoshone Project, Buffalo Bill Dam and Reservoir through a one-mile tunnel and a mile-high mountain-top drive.

Brian Mead rode a tortoise and watched a rattlesnake battle in Wyoming.

Touring in Salt Lake City, Utah, they heard the world's largest pipe organ recital in the Mormon Tabernacle.

They then visited the Grand Canyon in Arizona.

From Arizona, they traveled to North Platte, Neb. where they visited Buffalo Bill's home and ranch and also visited the world's largest railroad train terminal, round-house and wash and repair shop. The new Union Pacific terminal is able to service 450 trains daily with 36 trains running into the building that covers acres of grounds.

Richard Mead also celebrated his birthday on the trip and they sang "Happy Birthday" to him on Pike's Peak, an altitude of 14,110 feet in Colorado, during a snow storm July 17.

From Colorado, they traveled through Nebraska, Kansas, S. Dakota again to Aberdeen where Mr. Deming's father worked on a ranch when he was a young man in 1913, then on to N. Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin and back to Michigan.

While in Yellowstone National Park, they viewed a mother moose and calf, many elk, deer, buffalo, mountain goats and prairie dogs.

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25	\$37,500	\$116,610.52
30	\$45,000	\$180,024.80

NOTE: This chart reflects an annual contribution of \$1,500 at the beginning of each year, with interest compounded semi-annually. All accounts are guaranteed to earn the rate of interest currently in effect at the time of deposit. If in the future CNB could offer new interest rates, additional or renewed deposits would be subject to those rates.

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