

Recommend area school districts remain as they are

Clinton County's 18-man school reorganization committee is waiting with bated breath for the state committee's reaction to a recommendation that all Clinton County high school districts remain as they are.

The state committee's guidelines called for formation of high school districts that would have enrollments of not less than 2,000 students. Four of the six high schools in the county are well below that figure.

THE CLINTON County reorganization committee forwarded its final report to the state unit Friday morning after holding their report hearing before the public Dec. 13.

County Supt. of Schools Carl Bates pointed out the report was turned in very early (the deadline isn't until Dec. 31), and a reply from the seven-man state committee could come before too long.

"The committee is fully aware of the advantages of an adequate size high school," the Clinton County report read, "and the committee is also aware of the problems that have been faced in the past history of our successful reorganizations."

"WE DO NOT believe that any attempt to consolidate any one of the four small districts would result in anything but hostility, as long as each community is sitting there with a brand new high school that the state has seen fit to give them permission to bond for and build."

The four high schools mentioned, and their enrollments, are Bath 1,283, DeWitt 1,112, Fowler 415, and Pewamo-Westphalia 531. The two other county districts, St. Johns and Ovid-Elsie, have enrollments of 3,329 and 2,306 respectively.

"IT IS THE recommendation of this committee that we allow the six high school districts to exist as they are now, with the exception of Pewamo-Westphalia, a vote is scheduled for Jan. 25 to annex the Ionia County district of Matherton. If this vote should fail, the committee recommends that Matherton and Pewamo-Westphalia vote on annexation under plan two."

Plan two referred to in the report would allow, by state law, that both the Pewamo-Westphalia and Matherton districts would vote on the annexation question, with the total vote in both districts governing the final decision.

THE CLINTON County report reviewed the history of reorganization of school districts that has taken place since the 18-man committee was appointed. This "self-reorganization" by the several districts made the committee's work comparatively easy, Supt. Bates pointed out, and resulted in early completion of the reorganization study.

Consolidations since 1963 reduced the number of districts from 47 non-high school districts and seven high school districts to six high school districts and two non-high school.

ONE OF THE non-high school districts, Eagle 2 & 5 has already voted to split, effective June 30, 1966, between Grand Ledge and Portland. The Bath 6 Fr. district will probably ultimately join Laingsburg's high school district, and the Clinton committee transferred jurisdiction to Shiawassee County. In turn, they accepted jurisdiction over the Matherton district from Ionia County.

"As long as we could see that non-high school districts were not going to be a problem, we took a look at our high school districts."

In "bending" the guidelines of the state committee regarding size of high school districts, the county group took a number of factors into consideration.

ONE WAS THE fact that each of the four districts in question had a new high school, built in the last 10 years, and in the case

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of DeWitt the new high school hasn't even been occupied yet.

"It appears that Bath is in a natural geographic center, in a rapidly growing area," the report went on. "We found that DeWitt has made various area studies over the years and they also appear to be in a natural center with an exploding population."

"WE FOUND that Fowler and Pewamo-Westphalia had previously studied their situation and had held a consolidation vote before either community had built a new high school." That proposition was overwhelmingly defeated.

The report also noted that there is a parochial school membership in the Fowler district of 400 and a parochial membership in the P-W district of 632.

The Clinton study committee noted in concluding its report that there are some irregular boundary lines between districts and that there would probably will be some future minor changes. They recommended that the appeals and property transfers now pending should not be influenced by the report but that each case should be decided on their individual merits by legal action provided by law.

ABOUT 20 persons attended the public hearing on the committee's report, reportedly curious as to the effect of the report on property transfer appeals pending in the area east of Eureka between Ovid-Elsie and St. Johns districts.

Members of the Clinton County study committee were Lawrence Seeger, Douglas Cook, Paul Nobis, Donald Davis, Lee Ormston, Irene Zeeb, Paul Thelen, Julius Koenigsnecht, Stanley Loznak, William Brook, Al Johns, Leon Schumaker, Cyrus Waldron, Wally Gross, Janet Everett, Harold Benson, Wendell Waggoner and Norman Thelen.

THE COMMITTEE had a relatively easy report to make, compared to some of those shaping in surrounding counties. In Shiawassee, the school study committee there has recommended that Morrice and New Lothrop high school districts be disbanded. They recommend that most of Morrice merge with Perry district and small parts of it with Owosso and Durand.

In Gratiot County, the possible merging of Ashley and Fulton districts is being considered for recommendation by the Gratiot committee.

Fowler, St. Johns banks merger OK'd by directors

As a result of negotiations which have been in progress for some time, an agreement providing for the merger of the Fowler State Bank of Fowler and the Clinton National Bank and Trust Co. of St. Johns has been reached by the boards of directors of the two banks.

Stockholders of both banks were notified of the pending merger agreement in letters from Roman P. Thelen, president of the Fowler bank, and John A. Rumbaugh, vice president and cashier of the St. Johns bank.

BEFORE THE merger can become effective there must be approval from the comptroller of the currency and the shareholders of both institutions, say bank officials.

The expanded bank resulting from the possible merger would have total resources in excess of \$26 million and a capital structure of more than \$2.4 billion. Opportunities to serve the financial needs of the entire Clinton County area would be enhanced by the proposed consolidation.

NO PERSONNEL changes are contemplated at the Fowler banking offices. Present officers would continue in charge of the local operation.

Bank officials say that two months or more will be required

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'When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy . . .'

Matthew 2:10

Church bells ring, calling worshippers

The bells of Christmas will call area worshippers to church services at several St. Johns churches Friday night. Other congregations have already held their Christmas services or will have them Sunday.

Christmas Eve services will be held at the First Congregational, First Methodist, St. John's Episcopal, St. Johns Lutheran and Evangelical United Brethren churches. The First Baptist Church has Christmas-oriented services scheduled for this Sunday.

At the First Methodist Church, a family worship service will begin at 7:30 p.m. Christmas Eve, with all three choirs singing. Rev. Keith Bovee will have "Thank You, God" as his meditation topic.

A CANDLELIGHT AND caroling service will be held at the First Congregational Church at 7:30 p.m. Friday, with all three choirs of that church participating.

The Evangelical United Brethren Church in Bingham and Bental townships will have a candlelight service at 7:30 p.m. Christmas Eve, with the Youth Fellowship in charge. The Youth Fellowship and junior choir were to spend Wednesday evening caroling around the countryside.

AT ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC Church, Christmas Midnight Mass will be a Concelebrated Pontifical High Mass by Bishop Joseph Green, Father John Young and Father Edwin Schoettle. Christmas carols will begin in the church at 11:30 p.m. Christmas Eve. Singing before and during Mass will be led by the adult parish choir under the direction of Brother Gregory, OFM, of DeWitt, with Mrs. Matilda Smith at the organ.

On Christmas Day, morning Masses will be at 6, 7:30 and 9, with High Mass sung by the grade school choir, and at 10:30 and 12 noon. There will be no evening confessions Christmas Eve.

BISHOP ZALESKI has dispensed the Catholics of the Lansing Diocese from the Christmas fast and abstinence this year, meaning that all may eat meat on Thursday and Friday. Catholics may eat meat also on Friday, Dec. 31, this year.

On Thursday, Confessions will be from 3:30 to 5:20 p.m. and 7:30 to 9 p.m. Christmas communion to the aged and sick will be in the morning. Confessions Friday will be from 2 to 5 p.m.

NO CHRISTMAS EVE OR Christmas Day services are planned at the First Baptist Church, but on Sunday Rev. Roger Harrison will speak on "The Christmas Rush" at the 11 a.m. worship service. At 7 p.m. that evening the senior choir will present John Peterson's cantata, "Night of Miracles."

Christmas services at the Free Methodist and Nazarene churches were held last Sunday.

SUCH WAS ALSO the case at the St. Johns Baptist Temple where a Christmas program was presented by Mrs. Roy LaDuke and children of the Sunday school during the Sunday school hour. Rev. Roy LaDuke brought the Christmas story from the scriptures according to St. Luke and St. Matthew, and Rev. Roy Green delivered the worship hour message at 11 a.m. This Sunday at the church, Rev. Neil Jackson, a missionary to South America, will be the speaker at the 11 a.m. services. Teaching from the book of Jude will be done during the Sunday school classes. There will be church training classes for all ages at 6 p.m. Sunday, with an evangelistic message at 7 p.m.

AT ST. JOHN'S Lutheran Church, there'll be a lot of activity Christmas Eve. At 7:30 p.m. the Sunday school will present a program entitled "Candles for the King!" John Flak, Sunday school superintendent, and Keith Bishop, assistant, will be in charge. There will be a Holy Night service at 11:30 p.m., at which time Holy Communion will be celebrated.

On Christmas Day, a worship service will be held at 10 a.m.

The confirmation classes of the Lutheran Church were to present a pageant, "The Roads to Bethlehem," Wednesday evening at 7:30. The pageant will inaugurate a series of festival services. Mrs. M. Seibert will be director of the program, assisted by Mrs. John Flak, Mrs. Ray Ebert and Miss Ellen Halsey.

AT ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL Church, congregational singing of Christmas carols will take place between 11 and 11:30 p.m. Christmas Eve, with Holy Communion at 11:30. On Christmas Day, a communion service will be held at 10:30 a.m.

Exchangites entertain kids

Some 60 Exchange Club members and their children attended the club meeting last Thursday. The highlight of the meeting was the appearance of the "Man in the Red Suit," who gave gifts to all of the children.

Santa said, "One of my reindeer, Comet, couldn't make the trip this year because he had to stay home to clean the kitchen sink!"

SPECIAL GUESTS were the

Will share Yule with foreigners

Christmas will provide an added joy for six Clinton County families this year. They'll be hosts for a couple of days to a diverse group of foreign students taking part in the 13th annual Adventure in World Understanding program at Michigan State University.

The students will spend Sunday night through Tuesday night with the following families:

Eugene Havens of R-3, St. Johns; Ray Peck of R-1, Elsie; Don Witt of R-4, St. Johns; Ron Spitzley of R-2, Fowler; Bill Brook of R-1, East Lansing; and Robert Baese of R-2, Ovid.

IT WAS originally planned that 13 county families would have a chance to host foreign students for the two days, but enrollment at the MSU program is well below expectations, so only six are available for Clinton County.

The extension office said Tuesday there may possibly be some others, but it would not be known for sure until later this week.

The students will arrive in St. Johns by bus about 2:15 p.m. Sunday and after a brief coffee hour for them and their host families in the extension office, they will disperse to the various farm homes. The extension office staff will put on the coffee hour.

THE MSU ADVENTURES in World Understanding program started Tuesday and will run through next Wednesday, Dec. 29. "Home" for the nine days will be

the Kellogg Center for Continuing Education, MSU's internationally known residential conference facility, and the area farms.

About 80 students from nearly 40 countries in all parts of the world were expected to take part.

THE STUDENTS will live together, break bread together and exchange both views and customs. They will hear talks by MSU professors and other learned men, and will join in cross-cultural discussions on some of the major issues facing 20th century society.

As in the past, the foreign visitors will visit Central Michigan farms for a look at Michigan agriculture and will spend Christmas Eve in Lansing area homes.

Business not quite THAT good!

While business is good at F. C. Mason Co., it isn't quite up to the height intimated in last week's Clinton County News story on the industry outlook in St. Johns in 1966. Bob Gay, vice president of the firm, said the company already has done 100 per cent, or an amount equal to the business of last year, with seven months yet to go in their fiscal year to improve on last year. They haven't had a 100 per cent increase in orders so far, as the story said.

DANCE — Thursday, Dec. 23, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Jim Adams trio. H & H Lounge.—Adv. 35-1



WILFRED C. LOCKE

Form Episcopal mission in Fulton Schools area

Several families met last Sunday to form a new Episcopal Mission in the Fulton School area.

Their first service will be held Sunday, Dec. 26, at the Speer residence, 235 Garfield, Maple Rapids. It will be a communion service; the celebrant will be the Rev. Richard Anderson of St. John's, Alma. The service will be a 4 p.m.

The mission will welcome anyone who does not have a church home; you do not have to be Episcopalian.

Until the mission gets a permanent place to worship, they will meet in the homes of the group. The first four weeks the service will be at the Speer's home each Sunday at 4 p.m.

ALTHOUGH his background includes experience in many different phases of trust work, his special field of interest is estate planning. Locke will be introduced to St. Johns Rotarians by Roy F. Briggs, program chairman for the meeting.

Estate planning Rotary topic

"Estate Planning" will be the subject of a talk at next Tuesday noon's meeting of the St. Johns Rotary Club by Wilfred C. Locke, assistant vice president of the National Bank of Detroit. Locke has been a member of the bank's trust division since 1951.

Prior to his association with the Detroit bank he was a tax accountant and served with the US Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics and with the general accounting division of the Detroit Edison Co.

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3 here win 4-H Key Club award

Three members of the Prairie 4-H Club northwest of St. Johns were recently presented with Key Club Awards, a new award program for Michigan designed to recognize 4-H Club members who have provided significant leadership in their clubs and counties.

Ned Upton and Dennis Whitlock. The awards were made at the recent leadership recognition dinner. The award is a state prize, with applicants determined on a county basis. The county 4-H awards committee reviewed the applications and forwarded their

recommendations to the state 4-H office. THE YOUTHS earned points in recognition of project work, judging and demonstration events, holding office and participating in many other 4-H activities.

Eligible for the 4-H Key Club award are any 4-H members who have completed three calendar years of club work as of Jan. 1 of the current year, completed 4-H projects in at least two project fields, completed a junior leadership project, participated in three district or state 4-H events and been recommended by his local leader.

The aim of the award program is to encourage the development of outstanding citizens through project growth and a broad program of 4-H Club activities over the years. The award for the boys is a gold tie clasp, along with an honor certificate.

Teacher's car hit by skidding auto

The Merle Beach School teacher, Mrs. Janice K. Ninan, 23, of East Lansing, escaped injury Friday morning on her way to school when another auto hit hers as she was turning onto Jason Road.

The other auto was driven by Robert L. LaFave, 25, of Lansing. Both cars had been going north on US-27. LaFave started to stop for a school bus, but the road was wet and he skidded onto the median. His auto struck the one driven by Mrs. Ninan as she was completing a left turn onto Jason.

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Dennis Whitlock, Ned Upton and Jon Bottum were recent recipients of the Michigan 4-H Key Club Award.

Car hits icy spot, skids and overturns

Joseph A. Remener, 17, of Owosso escaped unhurt when he lost control of his auto on Hollister Road last Thursday evening and the car hit a ditch bank and overturned. Remener said he hit a slippery spot on the road at the Walker Road intersection as he was driving north about 7:30 p.m.

Driver ticketed

Charles E. Welch, 19, of Elsie, was ticketed for excessive speed resulting in an accident early Saturday morning on Hollister Road. Welch's car dropped off the road and he lost control of it as he was driving north on Hollister a half mile north of Mead Road.



MARVIN BARCLAY

Installed

Marvin Barclay was installed as high priest of St. Johns Chapter No. 45, Royal Arch Masons, Dec. 14 in ceremonies at the Masonic Temple on West State Street.

The most excellent grand high priest of Royal Arch Masons, Ernest L. Welsh, and his staff of officers conducted the installation.

Other officers also installed were Fred Lewis, king; Don Hewson, scribe; Raymond Eick, secretary; Roland Lee, treasurer; Lawrence Crosby, captain of host; James Randall, principal sojourner; Robert Owen, royal arch captain; Arthur Cornell, master of third veil; James Spousta, master of second veil; Horace Weiland, master of first veil; and Carl Zacharias, sentinel.

Victor boy, 5, hit by truck

Allen Dibble, 5-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dibble of 8112 Round Lake Road, suffered head injuries Friday morning when he was struck by a truck while crossing the road to the mail box.

The truck was driven by Clare A. Guenther, 38, of Laingsburg. Sheriff's deputies said the Dibble boy had stopped and waited for a car to pass and then crossed the road into the path of the truck.

THE BOY, who was taken to Clinton Memorial Hospital in St. Johns, had gone to get the mail with his brother, Ricky. Ricky did not cross the road. The accident happened on Round Lake Road about 200 feet west of Upton Road in Victor Township.

Allen was reported in "very good" condition at Clinton Memorial Hospital Monday.

Ashley driver gets ticket for crash

An Ashley driver, Michael L. Erickson, 16, was ticketed for failure to yield the right-of-way Friday evening, when he reportedly made a left turn into the path of another car.

The accident occurred at 8:56 p.m. at the intersection of State and Whittemore streets (M-21 and US-27) in the city. The other car, southbound on US-27, was driven by H. L. Purvis, 30, of Laurel, Miss. Both drivers said the traffic signal light was amber. Erickson was turning left onto West M-21.

The Insurance Information Institute reports that 105,000 deaths were attributed to accidents in the United States last year, a 4 per cent increase over the 1963 total.

DeWitt fire wrangle ends in agreement

DeWITT — Fire department difficulties between the City of DeWitt and DeWitt Township have finally been worked out.

Meeting Dec. 13, the township board of trustees sold three pieces of fire equipment to the City of DeWitt for \$23,983.03, agreed to pay for fire protection from the city for the northern part of the township, and bought a new fire truck for the Valley Farms department.

Thus ended a wrangle that has been going on since DeWitt became a fifth class city last summer.

UNDER THE new agreement, the city will buy the fire equipment, paying for it in 10 equal installments of \$2,398.30. An amount equal to the 4 per cent interest on the unpaid balance will constitute an annual retainer from the township for fire protection in the township north of Clark Road.

All fire runs in the township north of Clark Road will cost the township \$125 each for the first two hours and \$50 for each additional hour required.

THE SOUTHERN part of the township will get fire protection from the new department established in Valley Farms. A 1965 demonstrator truck was bought by the township trustees from the John Bean Co. of Lansing for \$18,000.

In another item of business, a resident, Carl Goff of Oak Plain Drive, told the board he thought more police protection was needed. Other residents of the area complained that at night they had difficulty calling the township police officer, Bruce Angell, whose number is not yet in the emergency listings of the telephone directory. They claimed that calls to the Clinton County sheriff late at night have gone unanswered.

2 persons hurt at Swegles-State

Two persons were hurt last Thursday afternoon in a two-car collision at Swegles and State streets in St. Johns. James A. Moore, 34, of 105 S. Swegles, suffered bruises, and Judith L. Reese, 22, of 202 Floral Avenue, suffered cuts and bruises.

According to city police, Moore was going south on Swegles and had started across State Street when his auto was struck by the Reese car going east on State.

2 cars collide

Two cars collided last Thursday evening on US-27 at the south edge of St. Johns, but no one was hurt. Carolyn Parshall, 25, of Lansing and Nellie Bullard, 75, of 611 S. Oakland Street, St. Johns, were the drivers. According to the police report, the Bullard car pulled onto the highway from a gasoline station and went about 100 feet south at which point it was hit by the Parshall car.

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PAUL MERRITT

Jaycees look to Bosses Night

Sen. Emil Lockwood of St. Louis, state senator for the 30th district, will speak at the St. Johns Jaycees' annual Bosses Night Jan. 11. At that dinner meeting, too, the annual presentation of the distinguished service award will be made to a local person.

An outstanding young farmer award will also be presented at the January meeting.

THE JAYCEES agreed to meet with the St. Johns Chamber of Commerce to discuss plans for a big Christmas lighting contest to be held in December 1966. In past years the two groups co-sponsored contests on a smaller scale; there is no contest this year.

Merritt honored for academic work at Adrian

Paul Merritt, a senior at Adrian College, Adrian, and the son of Rev and Mrs Otto L. Merritt of Hillsdale, was named on the dean's list this semester, thus continuing his excellent record of having achieved this honor every year since he entered Adrian College as a freshman.

Merritt, a graduate of Rodney B. Wilson High School, St. Johns, is majoring in mathematics and is one of two outstanding students of the senior class nominated as candidates for the University of Michigan Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies State College Fellowship for 1966-67.

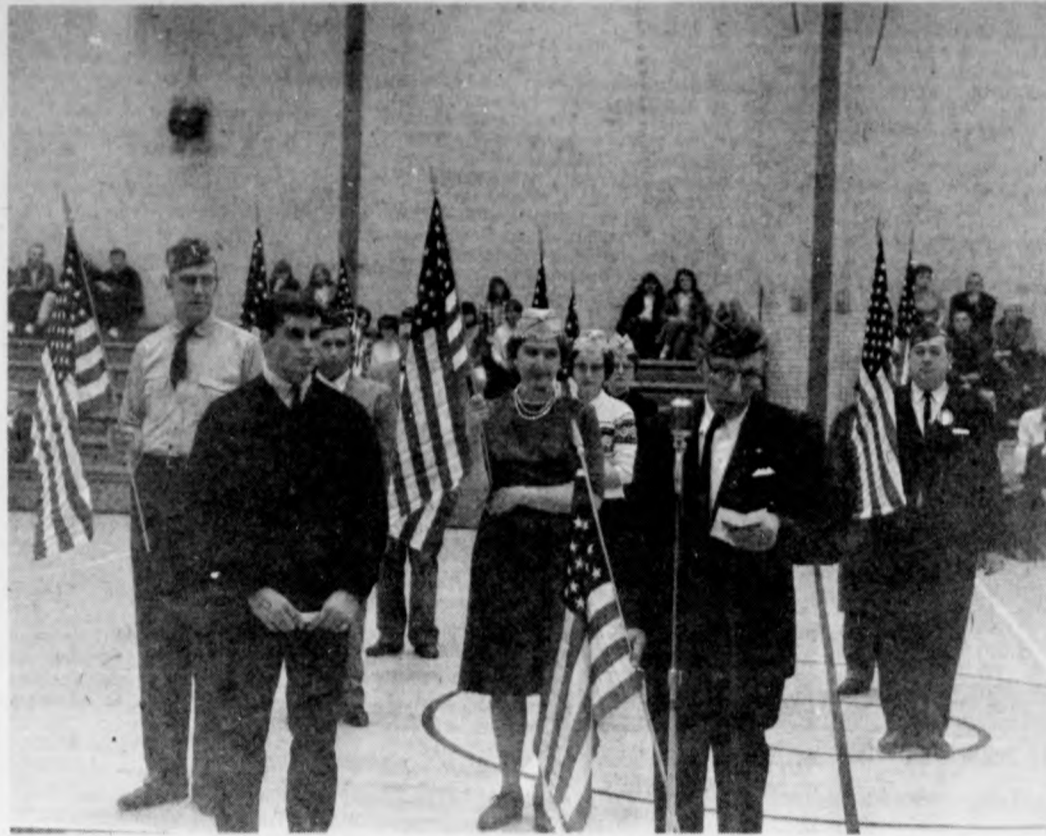
He is an officer in the Alpha Chi Honor Society for academically superior students and the Adrian College Chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity.

Trooper Bruce Smith of the East Lansing state police post was speaker at the Jaycees' December meeting last Tuesday night, Dec. 14, at the L & L Restaurant. Smith showed color slides and explained the procedures the department uses in training dogs for police work. Trooper Smith has one of a dozen or more state police dogs now in service, and he brought the dog, Tonka, into the meeting room for several minutes at the end of his talk.

Hand truck stolen

Ernest Bywater told the sheriff's department a two-wheel hand truck was stolen off the rear of his Richards' Dairy truck while it was stopped last Thursday in Elsie.

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Flags for Pewamo, Westphalia Schools

VFW Post 3733 and the VFW Auxiliary of Fowler presented American flags to the Pewamo-Westphalia area schools in ceremonies at halftime Friday in the P-W and Bath game. Ted Noeker (front left), president of the P-W senior class, accepted the flag on behalf of the high school from VFW Commander Alvin Pung (speaking). Mrs Rita George (center), Auxiliary president, presented the flag to Father Hackett of St. Joseph's at Pewamo, and Bob Trierweiler (left) presented a flag to Father Miller of St. Mary's in Westphalia. Similar ceremonies were held the previous week at Fowler High School.



KATHY LOUDENBECK

Miss Loudenbeck DAR 'Good Citizen' at Fulton

Kathy Loudenbeck, senior at Fulton High School and daughter of Mr and Mrs Max Loudenbeck of R-1 Fowler, has been chosen DAR Good Citizen by her classmates and faculty.

Kathy was a member of the Debate Club during her sophomore and junior years, class treasurer in her junior year, a member of the homecoming queen's court and is on the year-book staff at present. She also was one of two delegates chosen to represent Fulton High School at Wolverine Girls' State this past summer.

KATHY HAS FIGURED prominently in FHA work, having been regional chairman the 1963-64 school year, state delegate to the national convention in Chicago, and chapter historian this year.

Her plans are to attend Central Michigan University, majoring in elementary education.

Self-made obstacles keep many from striking their stride.

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Alien address time is here

District Director Walter A. Sahli of the Immigration and Naturalization Service noted this week the annual alien address report program usually causes a sharp rise in the number of applications for naturalization.

The law requires all aliens in the United States, with few exceptions, to report their addresses each January. Throughout the United States, almost 30 per cent more applications for naturalization are received during the months of January, February and March than are received during other months. Sahli attributes this sudden rise to the Alien Address Report Program.

ALIENS NOT required to make this report are diplomats, those accredited to certain international organizations and those who have entered temporarily as agricultural laborers.

Forms for making the reports will be available to aliens at all post offices and offices of the Immigration and Naturalization Service during the month of January.

SAHLI INDICATED that aliens desiring information concerning naturalization or similar matters should obtain the forms at an office of the Immigration and Naturalization Service where personnel trained in these fields will be available to answer inquiries.

Districting foul-up reported

By way of Lansing comes word that St. Johns should have been in the 88th state House district rather than the 87th district which it ended up in last year's statewide reapportionment.

The Austin-Kleiner plan ordered into effect by the State Supreme Court last year created districts that were presumed to come close to an equal population figure of 71,127 — the average population of all the 110 House districts.

SOMEWHERE ALONG the line, an error occurred, and St. Johns was placed in the 87th district. This gave the 87th district (which covers Shiawassee County and the eastern half of Clinton County, including St. Johns), a population of 77,261, while the 88th district had a population of 66,154 — a spread of 11,107.

The 88th district now includes the western part of Clinton County, all of Gratiot, part of Midland County and Oneida Township and Grand Ledge in Eaton County.

HAD ST. JOHNS been placed in the 88th district, as was reportedly the intention of Austin and Kleiner, the 87th would have had a population of 71,632 and the 88th a population of 71,783. Those were the figures Austin and Klein reported when they submitted their plan to the supreme court.

Blair Woodman of Owosso is representative in the 87th district; Lester Allen of Ithaca is 88th district representative.

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'Night of Miracles' to be presented Sunday

The Senior Choir of the First Baptist Church will present John Peterson's Christmas Cantata "Night of Miracles" Sunday at 7 p.m. Rev Roger Harrison, pastor, will conduct the choir. They will be accompanied at the organ by Mrs Roger Harrison and at the piano by Mrs Edward Loznak. Solo parts will be taken by Mrs Ralph Green and William Dodway.

At 11 a.m. Rev Harrison will speak on "The First Christmas Rush"

280 attend Baptist Christmas program

Over 280 attended the annual Sunday School Christmas program of the First Baptist Church last Sunday evening. The theme "Unto Us . . . A King" was developed by the various departments of the Bible School and climaxed by a playlet which included Charles Stockwell, Charles Romig, David Castner, Randy Bouchey and Robert Showers.

Rev. Harrison closed the service and a Christmas gift of cash was presented by Raymond Parr from the friends and members of the church.

Dear Santa

. . . letters from the younger set to guide Santa in his gift selections



Dear Santa,

Would you please bring me some toys. Next year, I'll be good.

I would like a Betty's Beauty Parlor and a buffet. Also a statue for my room.

I love you. That's all.
TAMMY ANNE MCKINNEY

P.S. I am only 4 (almost 5), so I have to tell mama what to write because I don't know how.

Dear Santa Claus,

For Christmas I want a little blue stroller, a little dolly, some dishes, a bottle for the dolly, a Santa Claus coloring book and d crayons, a play pen and doll clothes. I am 5 years old and if you don't have some of these toys just bring me something that you think I'll like.

JEANNETTE NEMCIK

Dear Santa Claus,

For Christmas I would like Flintstone Building Boulders, a talking doll, Frosty the Sno-Cone Machine, Play Dough. I am 4 years old.

My sister Darlene, is 1 1/2 years old. She would like a doll and a book.

We will leave you coffee and cookies on the table.

Thanks you,
DENISE CERNY

Driver bruised in city collision

The impact of a collision at West Walker and North Ottawa streets Monday morning spun one car around, and its driver suffered bruises.

She was Brucene Rice, 57, of 609 N. Morton Street, who police said was driving east on Walker. Her car was struck by a north-bound car driven by Elizabeth E. Myers, 56, of 301 E. Gibbs. She was ticketed by city police for failure to yield the right-of-way.

Mrs Rice suffered bruises in the accident.

Many a man allows mind-made obstacles to keep him from striking his stride.



Santa Makes Stop at Nursing Home

Santa Claus was in St. Johns Saturday, and he returned Sunday to pay a visit to residents and their families at a special Christmas program at the Rivard Nursing Home in St. Johns. Here Santa hands out gifts in the crowded day room at the home. A large crowd filled the room and the hallways for the program, which included an inspirational message by Rev Keith A. Bovee, minister at the First Methodist Church.

Committee seeks 'outstanding' man

The St. Johns Jaycees have announced the formation of a committee to seek nominations for the outstanding young man of the year in St. Johns, according to Don Roesner, Jaycee president.

The committee, headed by Roger Hammontree, is actively canvassing churches, business es, clubs and organizations to determine which young man—21 through 35—has contributed the most to the community during the year.

ACCORDING TO Hammontree, nomination blanks will be available through any local Jaycee member.

The distinguished service award winner from St. Johns will be named Jan. 11 at a Bosses Night dinner preceding the regular Jaycee meeting. The winner here will be entered in the Michigan Jaycee contest.

Committee members submitting nominations will be Rev Keith A. Bovee, Rev John C. Huhtala, Charles B. Huntington, Rev Gerald Churchill, Dale Robinson, Roland Sleight, Rev Roger Harrison, Mrs Mary Kuhns, Lewis Wolf, Most Rev Joseph Green, Rev Hugh E. Banninga, Rev Roy Green, Robert Davis, Lawrence Sexton, Rev Theodore C. Moeller, Kermit Hart, Reuben V. Eirschele, Elder B. K. Mills, Rev E. E. Courser, Don Gilson, Rev Joseph F. Eger

Jr., Rev Duane Brewbaker, Rev Eldon Raymond and Mrs Emerson Barrone.

ANY HELP given these people will be appreciated, Hammontree said. Persons wishing to make a nomination may contact him.

Capitol Savings tells of higher earnings rate

A new higher earning rate on savings was announced Saturday by Capitol Savings & Loan Assn., a Lansing financial institution. Beginning Jan. 1, funds will earn 4 1/10 per cent compounded quarterly. The previous rate was 4 1/4 per cent.

In making the announcement, Clifford W. McKibbin, president of the association, said that the continued healthy growth of the nation's economy and the steady increase in savings accounts and earnings has made the rate increase possible.

He pointed out that the association, founded in Lansing in 1890, has enjoyed a faster growth than the nation's economy generally, and that the association's assets have increased during 1955 from \$112 million to more than \$119 million.

In addition to the Lansing home office, Capitol has branches in Okemos, Detroit, Lathrup Village and Pontiac.

Blame icy road on US-27 crash

Slippery pavement on US-27 in the city was apparently to blame for an accident late last Thursday afternoon between Steel and Gibbs streets.

Dennis Patrick, 22, of Taylor, northbound on US-27, said he braked to avoid a third car which turned from the right lane in front of him and as he did so the car whipped around sideways. It was hit broadside by an auto driven by Herbert D. Hood, 45, of Mt. Pleasant.

No one was injured.

2 banged up in head-on crash

Bath and Mecosta drivers complained of pains resulting from a head-on crash on US-27 south of Parks Road last Thursday evening, Dec. 16.

According to the sheriff's department, Phillip G. Welchman, 19, of Mecosta, was driving north on US-27 when he lost control on slippery pavement and skidded across the median into the path of a car driven by Walter G. Glanz, 35, of 4980 Ballantine Road, Bath.

The mishap occurred at about 6:20 p.m. last Thursday.

Mail taken

Several homeowners on South Lansing Street reported theft of mail from their boxes during the last week. Some of it was recovered in ditches along the street in the 800 and 1000 blocks, leading police to believe the mail was taken by youngsters as a prank.

New Names In the News

IT'S A GIRL!

Dec. 16: Patricia Ann, Mr and Mrs Albert Arens of Fowler (Maureen Bertram)

IT'S A BOY!

Dec. 13: Daniel Sean, Mr and Mrs Donald Watters of Elsie (Evelyn Cornelius)

Dec. 19: Daniel Edward, Mr and Mrs Benjamin Walker of St. Johns (Ethelyn Shumaker)

Merry Christmas

This is the happy season, when voices join together in laughter and song. It's the time when we count our blessings and share our good fortunes with friends and strangers, alike. In the true Christmas tradition, we'd like to extend to you and yours, our best wishes for a Merry Christmas.

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Happy Hix FB group enjoys Christmas dinner

The Happy Hix Community Farm Bureau Group held their annual Christmas dinner last Saturday evening, with a group of 18 members meeting at the dining room of the L & L Restaurant in St. Johns. After completion of the meal, everyone drove to the home of Maxine and Frank Sipkovsky, who were host and hostess for the evening.

Topics for the evening concerned the road hazards in the localities and what might be done about them. The group made a list of topic suggestions for the spring and summer meetings.

AT THE CLOSE of the business meeting each one exchanged gifts, and games were enjoyed. Mrs Sipkovsky surprised Mrs Harriet Motz with a birthday cake.

Driver dozes, car noses mailbox

Norman F. Burns, 19, of Grange Road, Hubbardston, apparently fell asleep at the wheel of his car and hit a mailbox belonging to Hilary Schmitt at the intersection of M-21 and Bauer Road in Dallas Township early last Friday morning. The car also hit an abutment. Burns was not hurt.

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THE NEWS in Brief

Courthouse maintenance men, with the aid of several jail inmates, moved tables from the supervisor's room in the jail building into the new courthouse wing Friday, pointing to the use of the new supervisors room in January . . .

Clinton County will send 17 men into the armed services in January; that's the number on the county's draft call for the month . . . Another 17 men will be called in January for pre-induction physical examinations . . .

WESTPHALIA lawn and home exterior lighting displays will be judged Dec. 27, with three prizes being given for outstanding displays . . .

An anonymous donor gave \$35 to make achievement of the Carson City United Fund drive goal possible. The goal was \$2,875 . . . The Saladin Shrine Circus will appear at the civic auditorium in Grand Rapids Jan. 24-29 . . .

WILLIAM R. Carlyon of Okemos, Lansing division manager for Consumers Power Co. since 1949, will retire Jan. 1, completing a 40-year career with Consumers. His successor as division manager will be Robert H. Lawlor Jr. of Lansing, who has been Carlyon's assistant . . .

A diseased tree on the courthouse lawn was felled Monday by workmen . . . William Riels of the Lansing State Police post entertained St. Johns Jaycees and their wives with a light comedy presentation Saturday night at the Jaycees' ladies night party at the Roadhouse on East State Street . . .

The Chamber of Commerce in St. Johns has been working with the Holiday Ramblers, a camping

group in Michigan, concerning the possibility of a three-day rally at St. Johns next summer. Cadillac is also being considered by the group . . .

Thomas B. Fabus, son of Mr and Mrs Joseph Fabus of 10612 Blair Road, Ashley has been accepted as a new member in the Honors College at Michigan State University, thus being able to participate in special academic programs for superior undergraduate students. He is majoring in mechanical engineering . . .

Mroczek Brothers of Decatur were lowest of 10 bidders on a proposal to remove 1,168 trees from highway right-of-way in Clinton, Kent, Ionia, Ottawa, Muskegon, Newaygo, Oceana, Mecosta and Gratiot counties. Their bid was \$48,817. Bids on the project previously had been rejected . . .

Charles Coletta is new member of the St. Johns Rotary Club. . . Secretary of State James M. Hare was reelected chairman of the Michigan State Safety Commission at the regular monthly commission meeting last week . . .

There is no Christmas lighting contest this year, but the Chamber of Commerce and the Jaycees are laying plans for a bigger-than-ever contest, with bigger and more prizes, in 1966. . . South Oakland Street received a white center stripe last week, this one nearer the center of the street than the old one and also bending out at Oakland and State Streets to allow an easier right turn onto Oakland . . .

This old world would be in a lot worse shape if some men preached what they practiced.

Thou shalt not lie, court rules

"Thou shalt not lie" is a commandment which court officials are very touchy about. Even the Christmas season doesn't mellow the thinking when someone tries to pull the wool over the eyes of justice.

Roy Jamiez, 22, of Adrian, found that out in St. Johns Municipal Court Tuesday morning.

Jamiez had been arrested in St. Johns Saturday evening with six other youths at the Villa dance hall on West Railroad Street. When booked at the county jail he gave his age as 22, which was confirmed by his draft card and driver's license.

HE WAS THUS charged with furnishing beer to minors. When he appeared before Judge Alba Wert Monday morning, he insisted his age was 19, and so the charge was made minor in possession and he was fined the same as the other six—\$25 plus \$14.90 costs and three days in jail.

When the discrepancy in age showed up at the jail, further checking by law and court resulted. Jamiez was returned to court Tuesday morning. He admitted lying about his age and was declared to be in contempt of court for giving false information under oath. Judge Wert fined him \$25 and sentenced him to five days in jail, with a possibility of five more days if the fine isn't paid.

AND WHEN the jail time is up, Jamiez will have to appear again on the original charge—furnishing beer to minors.

Two of the other six youths arrested by city police were under age 16. The others were Victor Guzman, 19; Leo G. Montecino, 17; Richard Regalado, 18; and Louie J. Basquez, 17, all of Adrian. They were all found guilty Monday of minor in possession and were fined \$25 plus \$14.90 costs and sentenced to three days in jail.

PNG officers begin duties

New officers of the Past Noble Grands were elected at the group's annual Christmas party and dinner at the IOOF Hall Dec. 15.

Mrs Anthony Stambersky will be president for the ensuing year, with Mrs Stanley Weir as vice president, Mrs William Wilkie as secretary and Mrs Vernon Sharick as treasurer.

Due to illness of several members, only 15 members were present for the party. A turkey dinner with all the trimmings was served. The committee in charge was composed of Mrs Lawrence Burk, Mrs Stambersky, Mrs Wilkie and Mrs Sharick. The business meeting was followed by exchange of gifts.

The next meeting will be Jan. 5 at the home of Mrs Sharick, with Mrs W. T. Bandt and Mrs Herbert Estes Sr. as hostesses.

People who fish for compliments invite biting remarks.



Steven Outlines His Wishes

"Well, you see, Santa, I've been a good boy, and I'd like . . ." By his expression, that could be the conversation going on between little Steven Shoemaker and Santa Claus Saturday in St. Johns. Steven, 3 years old, is the son of Mr and Mrs Gerald Shoemaker of 304 S. Swegles Street. Santa made his last stop in St. Johns Saturday night before his big "delivery run" this Friday night.

Add 8th factory visitation time

The St. Johns Chamber of Commerce and Saylor Beall Manufacturing Co. have added a second visitation period at the Saylor Beall plant during Factory Recognition Week Jan. 17-20.

Saylor Beal visits will be at 9:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Jan. 17. On Jan. 18, businessmen will visit Federal Mogul at 9:20 a.m. and 6 p.m. The F. C. Mason Co. will be visited at 9:30 a.m. Jan. 19, and the St. Johns Cooperative Co. will be opened to businessmen at 2 p.m. Sealed Power visits are planned for 9:20 a.m. and 10 p.m. Jan. 20.

Radiological monitoring course set

A radiological monitor training course will begin in St. Johns Jan. 12 and will continue for five consecutive Wednesday nights.

It will cover 16 hours of instruction on radiological monitoring, including reporting procedures. Don Ewing, County Road Commission clerk, will be the principal instructor, and others will be Clyde Shoeh and Civil Defense Director Charles Frost.

THE CLASSES will be held at 7:15 p.m. each Wednesday at the County Road Commission garage on West State Street. Capitol City Airport personnel will constitute most of the enrollment, but Frost said there is room for area people interested in the course. Another course will be scheduled later.

Used in the course will be 30 millicurie radiological source material, a by-product material of cobalt 60. Clinton County is licensed to use such source material; Frost said it was hoped the county would have their own source material by the time the course starts, but if not, state police will provide it.

THE COURSE is being sponsored here as an extension program of Michigan Technological University at Houghton. Frost will take enrollments for the course.

Baptist Temple has Christmas supper

The St. Johns Baptist Temple's Christmas supper was held Friday night with about 34 persons present. After the supper hour a reading of "This Is the Time of the Christ Child" was read by Mrs Martin Richmond, made up of Christmas song titles and verses.



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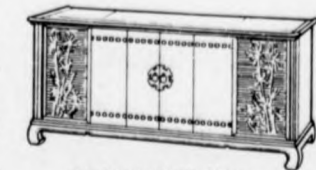
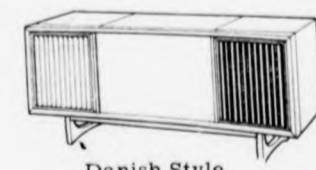


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Lutherans elect Tiedt

A voter's meeting on Friday evening, Dec. 17, elected the following officers of St. John's Lutheran Church:

Lorenz Tiedt, president; Donald Boettger, vice president; LeRoy Hansen, recording secretary; Howard Jacobus, treasurer; and Ray Ebert, financial secretary.

Also elected at the meeting were the following for the office of Elder: Messrs. Keith Bishop, Carl Boak, John Flak, Jake Radke, Orville Sillman and Tom Strgar. They, along with the hold-over elders, Joe Plaza and Morton Halsey, Trustees Messrs. Wilbur Flowers, William Mayers; John Watts and Lorenz Zell will be installed at the New Year's Eve worship of St. John's, Dec. 31 at 7:30 p.m.

Among retiring officers who have given much labor in the past year are William Luecht, presi-



LORENZ TIEDT

dent; Lloyd Ernst, secretary and Nelson Cowan, treasurer.

At this same meeting the results of the congregation's stewardship program led to the adoption of a \$28,000 budget for 1966.

Senior citizens entertained by Yule program

Ninety-five Clinton County Senior Citizens attended the annual Christmas party at the VFW Hall Dec. 14. Mrs Ernest Root provided a cake for those having birthdays this month.

The audience was entertained with music furnished by a string ensemble composed of five 8th graders and three 7th graders under the direction of Robert Barnard. The program concluded with a violin solo, "White Christmas."

Following a short business meeting Mrs Elzie Exelby took charge of the program. Mrs Ethel Parmenter gave a reading, followed by a piano duet by Mrs James Sowle and Mrs Helen Howe. There were also readings by Mrs Earl Darnell, Mrs Elzie Exelby and Carmen Tranchell. The male chorus led in the singing of several Christmas carols. The program concluded with the exchange of gifts.

The remainder of the afternoon was spent in games.

The next regular meeting will be held at the VFW Hall Dec. 28.

Study group met Dec. 15

Community Meal Service was the lesson topic for the Friendly Neighbors Study Group when it met for its regular meeting Dec. 15 at the home of Mrs Earl Flegler.

Several suggestions were given by Mrs Maynard Marten and Mrs Lloyd Hopp as they presented the lesson on how to prepare and roast turkey for a group along with other shortcuts for serving community meals. Any meal served to more than a family is considered a community meal.

Mrs Glenn Hopp presided. Mrs Walter Marten reported on the county council meeting she attended.

A Christmas party with games and a gift exchange followed. Mrs Herman Hopp was a guest of the group.



Trailer Home Burns

Asst. Fire Chief Sonny Cornwell emerges from the smoking interior of a small housetrailer home owned by Vern Bond, which was destroyed by the fire Sunday afternoon. The small home is located just south of Taft Road on the west side of US-27. A passerby discovered the flames. No one was at home at the time.



MISS NORMA PLOWMAN

Mr and Mrs R. G. Plowman of 505 Giles Street, St. Johns, announce the engagement of their daughter, Norma Jean, to Dennis Lee Bauer. The future bridegroom is the son of Mr and Mrs Harold Bauer of 3008 N. Krepps Road, St. Johns. An April 16 wedding is being planned by the couple.



MISS SANDRA KILBORN

Mr and Mrs Joseph Kilborn of 120 S. State Street, Petoskey, announce the engagement of their daughter, Sandra Sue, to Thomas Gerald Newhouse. The future bridegroom is the son of Mr and Mrs G. J. Newhouse of Townsend Road, St. Johns. A Jan. 22 wedding date has been set by the couple.

Auxiliary has Christmas dinner

The Ladies Auxiliary of VFW Post 4113 held their Christmas dinner Thursday, Dec. 16, at the post home on N. US-27 with 23 members and three guests present.

The next regular business meeting will be Jan. 4 at 8 p.m.

Clinton Area Deaths

Anna R. Richards

LINDEN—Funeral services for Mrs Anna Rhea Richards, 60, of Linden were held Saturday at the Bowles Funeral Home in Linden with interment in Linden Cemetery.

Mrs Richards died Tuesday at the Hurley Hospital in Flint. She was the wife of Kermit Richards who was a coach at Elsie High School for 14 years, about 25 years ago.

They were married in Perrinton, April 28, 1927. They have lived the past 25 years in the Flint and Linden area.

Mrs Richards was born in Onaway, July 28, 1905, the daughter of C. S. and Olive Voorhees.

Surviving are her husband; two daughters, Mrs Nancy Bowers of Linden and Mrs Rita Loll of LaPeer; a sister, Mrs Catherine Sheridan of Midland and a brother, Harold Voorhees of Three Rivers; her mother, Mrs Olive Voorhees of Linden and seven grandchildren.

Cyrril Kristin

BANNISTER—Cyrill Kristin, 73, of rural Bannister passed away Thursday after several month's illness. Funeral services were held Saturday at the St. Cyril's Catholic Church with Rev Clarence Smolinski officiating. Burial was in Ford Cemetery.

Services were arranged by the Carter's Funeral Home.

Mrs Kristin was born July 5, 1892 in Czechoslovakia, the son of Joseph and Eva Kristin. He moved to Chicago in 1909 and married Anna Jurcak there in August 1911. They moved to Bannister in 1912.

He was a farmer and a member of St. Cyril's and Jednota.

Surviving are his wife, three daughters, Mrs Mary Lester of Almont, Mrs Margaret Nixon of Harrison and Mrs Betty Wilson of Corunna; five sons, Cyrill and Victor, both of Lansing, John of Elsie, Ben of Bannister and Robert (Pete) of Ithaca; 28 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; one sister, Mrs Betty Mullan of Cleveland, Ohio and two brothers in Europe.

Thomas Fink

FOWLER—Thomas Edward Fink, 10-year-old son of Mr and Mrs Edward Fink of 10740 E. Second Street, died of accidental strangulation Saturday afternoon at his home.

The boy's father found him dead in the bathroom, where he had accidentally hanged himself while

playing with a belt. The belt was looped around the boy's neck and over the door knob.

Coroner Van Hoag ruled that death was caused by accidental strangulation.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 10 a.m. at Holy Trinity Church, with Fr. Albert Schmitt officiating. Burial was in Holy Trinity Cemetery.

THOMAS WAS born July 10, 1955, in St. Johns, the son of Edward Ivan and Patricia Hafner Fink. He was in the fourth grade at Holy Trinity School at the time of his death.

Surviving are his parents; two sisters, Maryll and Susan; three brothers, Timothy, Jeffrey and Michael; and his grandparents, Mr and Mrs Edward P. Fink of R-2, Fowler, and Mr and Mrs Hillary Hafner of Fowler.

Pallbearers for the funeral were Larry Halfmann, Ricky Motz, Gerald Fedewa, John Simon, Bruce Simon, Michael Koenigsnecht, Thomas Koenigsnecht and Patrick Thelen.

Rev Prescott

ST. JOHNS—The Rev Ray W. Prescott, 72, former pastor of the First Methodist Church in St. Johns, died last Thursday in Grand Rapids. He was chairman of the Grand Rapids Area Council of Churches the past six years and was to have retired in February.

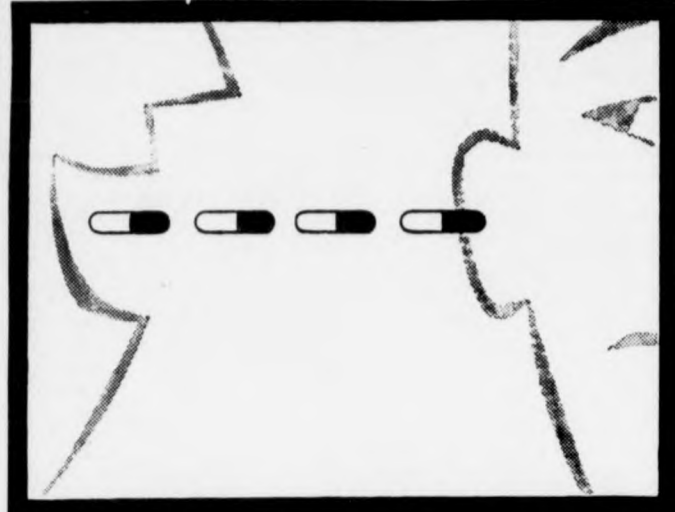
The Rev Mr Prescott served at St. Johns as pastor from 1931 to 1935. He came here from Mason, where he'd served five years. After leaving St. Johns he went to the Michigan Avenue Methodist Church in Lansing and then in 1945 to the Burton Heights Methodist Church in Grand Rapids.

He retired from active ministry in 1957.

Announcements

Lebanon Grange will hold their annual Christmas party Tuesday, Dec. 28 at 7 p.m. There will be a potluck supper followed with a gift exchange, 50¢ for adults and 25¢ for children 12 and under.

The regular meeting of the Clinton County Chapter #64 of Disabled American Veterans will be held Friday, Jan. 7 at 8:30 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial Building, Ovid.



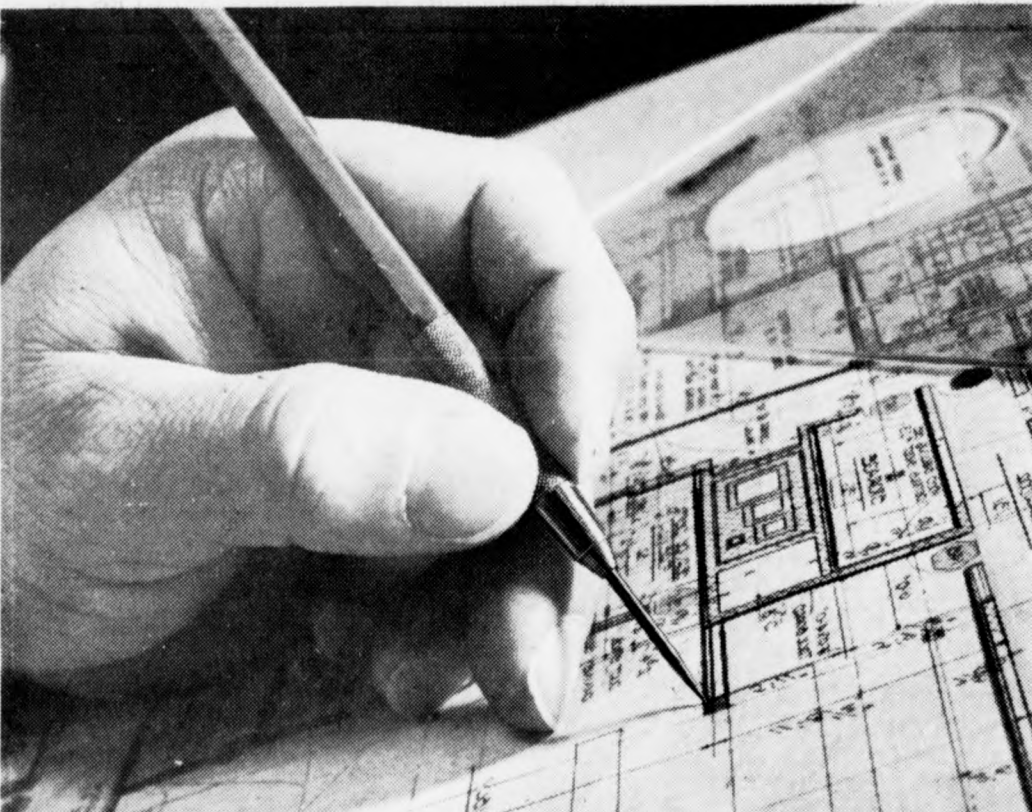
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**News About Clinton County
Service Personnel**



SGT. MELVIN WIEBER

Sgt. MELVIN L. WIEBER, son of Mr and Mrs Anthony W. Wieber of 1003 Church Street, St. Johns, recently completed six weeks of schooling at Lingrist, Germany, near the Austrian border. He took a 20-day leave and visited Turkey, Greece, Paris and Holland.

Sgt. Wieber is a communication and teletype operator and is stationed at Butzbach, Germany.

He is a Rodney B. Wilson High School graduate of 1963. He en-

tered the service in June 1963 and received basic training at Fort Knox, Ky.

Seaman Recruit MICHAEL J. FLEISCHER, USN, son of Mr and Mrs Fred Fleischer of 3441 S. Scott Road, St. Johns is undergoing two weeks of active duty training at the Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill.

Marine Private CHESTER L. LOCKWOOD, son of Mrs Eleanor G. Lockwood, R-1, Ashley, has graduated from Marine recruit training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot at San Diego, Calif. During his eight weeks of intensified recruit training under veteran noncommissioned officer Drill Instructors, he learned small arms marksmanship, bayonet fighting and methods of self-protection, as well as receiving instruction in military drill, history and traditions of the Marine Corps, and other academic subjects.

He has been assigned to Camp Pendleton, Calif. for four weeks of individual combat training and four weeks of basic specialist training in his military occupational field.

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Announcement



I would like to take this opportunity to wish you the best of everything over the coming Holidays and in the year to come.

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DAR holds observance

The birthday observance of the River Wabwaysin chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution was held at the home of Mr and Mrs Roland Sleight on Tuesday evening when the husbands of the members were guests.

Mrs Harold Millman, Regent, opened the meeting with the patriotic ritual and conducted the business meeting. It was voted to pay \$10 to the Michigan Advertiser in the National DAR magazine to which all chapters contribute. All dues are paid and sent. Several new members are finishing their membership papers.

MRS E. O. PRINCE read an article of the recent blackout of the northeastern United States offering remedial suggestions.

Mrs Manning Gross read a paper on Christmas Customs in the early Colonies, many of which are still observed. She told where each custom came from.

The hostess served refreshments following the meeting. The February meeting will be held at the home of Mrs Melvin Warren.

3 zoning appeals denied

The Clinton County Zoning Appeal Board Monday night denied three appeals. One was from Glenn T. Cheney, seeking to operate and maintain a sanitary landfill in Bath Township.

Also denied was an appeal of Gary D. Cline to erect a dwelling and garage closer to the road right-of-way than the minimum required by the zoning ordinance of the county. The property is in Watertown Township.

An appeal of the Wolverine Sign Works to raise a sign in a residential zone in Bingham closer to the road right-of-way than is required was likewise rejected.

Charge crash driver drunk

Arthur L. Kimball, 22, of Lansing was charged with driving under the influence of liquor following a one-car accident early Sunday morning on US-27 at Clark Road in DeWitt Township.

Kimball was driving south on US-27, according to Deputy Sheriff Ray Terpening. His car ran off the road, traveled 180 feet through a small plantation of pine trees, flew across Clark Road on the west side of US-27, and went about 129 feet more before stopping.

Kimball posted \$300 bond for appearance Feb. 10 before Judge Alba Wert on the drinking charge. He pled not guilty.



Candles in paper sacks light the walkway down Maple Avenue toward the Congregational Church in the right background Sunday night during the Festival of Lights, a joint effort of the Congregational and Methodist churches of the community.

A thousand candles give new glow to Maple Rapids

MAPLE RAPIDS - Maple Avenue in Maple Rapids was softly lit by nearly a thousand candles Sunday evening as the Congregational and Methodist churches put on their annual Festival of Lights, concluding with a Christmas pageant.

Six-inch candles were placed in five-pound brown paper sacks weighted down with sand and lined up along the west sidewalk

Musicale met Dec. 16

Mrs Manning Gross was the hostess for the traditional Christmas breakfast of the St. Johns Morning Musicale last Thursday morning. The first breakfast was held 25 year ago.

"Waltz of the Flowers" was played by Mrs Basil Delbert. "A Star was His Candle" was sung by Mrs Clifford Lambert accompanied by Mrs Duane Davis.

"The Other Wise Men" was read by Mrs Leo Makl. Mrs Robert Rice sang and was accompanied by Mrs W. H. Lundy.

The Morning Musicale Ensemble sang several numbers

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Tommy Davis will march in 'Roses Parade'

Tommy Davis, grandson of Mr and Mrs John Drew of 501 W. Park Avenue, St. Johns, will be among the 109 members of the Durand Area Marching Band. They will leave Monday for Pasadena, California.

They completed with over 100 other bands from 26 different states in winning the Nationwide Disneyland contest. They will escort Walt Disney's float in the Parade of Roses, New Year's Day.

The band will be guests of Walt Disney for six days. They will stay on the campus of UCLA.

Tommy plays the trombone. He is the son of Mr and Mrs Harley Davis of Bancroft.

Pleads guilty to leaving accident

Rex Sirrine, 71, of 710 N. Clinton Avenue, St. Johns, was fined a total of \$50 Monday for leaving the scene of a property damage accident Saturday about 8 p.m.

The complaint against Sirrine was signed by David Kuhns, 22, of 103 1/2 N. Oakland Street, driver of the other car involved.

THE ACCIDENT occurred at the corner of State and Spring streets. According to city police, Kuhns' car was hit in the left side by Sirrine's auto as Kuhns was making a left turn from State onto Spring.

Sirrine reportedly then left the accident scene and went home. He pleaded guilty to the charge Monday before Justice of the Peace Gordon Willyoung, who assessed the fine.

STORES TO CLOSE EARLY

St. Johns retail stores will close at 5:30 p.m. this Friday, Christmas Eve, according to the retail division of the Chamber of Commerce.

Calamity howlers very seldom have blisters on their hands.

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From all of us to all of you, we send our greetings and best wishes for a merry, old-fashioned holiday season.

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CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS
 Sunday evening, Dec. 19, the churches of Maple Rapids presented their Christmas programs. It was a very impressive sight to see the Luminaries lining the sidewalk from the Memorial in the Park, to the Main corners and then to the churches. Following singing of carols at the Nativity scene in the park, the singers walked to the Congregational Church, along the Luminaries, where the program was presented. Refreshments were served in both churches, with many out-of-town guests joining in the fellowship of the evening.

FLOWERS FOR CHRISTMAS
 Mrs Fannie Frisbie is the recipient of a box of beautiful fresh Hawaiian flowers, sent to her via air by her grandson, Neil Frisbie, who now resides in Hawaii. Included in the box were orchids, anthurium, croton, ti leaves and others. She will be pleased to have her friends drop in and enjoy them with her.

Mr and Mrs Earl Schulze and family entertained the Schulze family at Christmas dinner Sunday. All of the family were present except the boys in service.

Mr and Mrs Joe Drown and family arrived Sunday morning from their home in Largo, Fla., to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr and Mrs Perce Upton.

Mr and Mrs Lauren Rumsey and family of Clarkston spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs Marge Rumsey.

Mr and Mrs Harry Thede of Detroit spent Saturday with Mr and Mrs Wilbur Stewart and family.

Mrs Selina Bailey and Orrison Bailey called on Mr and Mrs Ivan Clark of Elsie Thursday afternoon.

Mr and Mrs Earnest Hall and daughters of Boyne Falls visited their son, Roger Hall and family, and her sisters and families, Mr and Mrs Carl Ball and Mr and Mrs Wilbur Bancroft, over the weekend.

Mr and Mrs A. J. Bailey of Lansing called on Mrs Selina Bailey and Mr and Mrs Orrison Bailey Friday evening.

Rev Richard Kidder of Constantine was a Friday overnight guest of his father, Thad Kidder and Mrs Kidder.

Rev Richard Kidder of Constantine and Mr and Mrs George Brown, Diane and Scott of Grand Rapids were Saturday dinner guests of Mrs Selina Bailey. Afternoon callers were Miss Carol Kidder of Grand Rapids and Jim MacInnes of Cedar Springs. They also called on other relatives while here.

Miss Kathy Ackerman arrived Sunday from Provo, Utah, to spend the holiday vacation with her mother, Mrs Ivalene Ackerman, who is a patient at Carson City Hospital.

Mr and Mrs A. J. Freed and family of Detroit spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs Nina Freed.

Mr and Mrs Rodney Schmidt and Rickie of Alma, for Christmas gift exchange.

Mrs Leslie Wesner and family of St. Johns had Sunday supper with their aunts, Mrs Nina Freed and Mrs Mina Dangel and attended the Christmas program.

The Amica Club held their Christmas party at the Municipal Building, Monday evening, Dec. 13. Mrs Victor Johnson and Mrs Lyle Chick were hostesses. A potluck supper was followed by singing of carols, and a gift exchange. The next meeting will be Jan. 5, with Mrs Jim Brunner. The Club will sponsor the Polka Dance on Jan. 15, with both round and square dancing.

Sunday, Dec. 26, the first Sunday of Christmas-tide, is Student Recognition Day in Methodist Churches everywhere. The Maple Rapids, Lowe, and Greenbush Churches will be observing this very special day with their college students having the major parts in the morning worship service.

Clinton County Pool League

SCHEDULE Dec. 29: H & H Lounge at Ovid, Elsie at Everett's Bar, Club Bar at Road House, DeWitt Bar at Knob Hill.

BOWLING

News from Around St. Johns Area Bowling Leagues

COMMERCIAL LEAGUE — League-leading Lance's Restaurant had a 1006 high game and Roadhouse bowled a 2808 high series last Tuesday. Charles Weber had a 239 game and 655 series. Other 200 games were by R. Cartwright 225, S. Wassa 201, R. Heathman 204, J. Nuser 212, L. Brunner 229 and 214, C. Weber 236 in addition to his 239, O. Tatroe 211, A. Brewbaker 205, N. Koenigsnecht 205, L. Minarik 216, M. Durbin 204, G. Tiedt 212, J. Eaton 200, L. Kuhns 200, D. Hardman 210, D. Lance 201, J. Lance 203, R. Kuhns 235, Keith Penix 200 and 213, R. Boettger 202 and 234, E. Sulka 203 and 212, L. Chick 208 and G. Dunkel 226 and 210. Lance's Restaurant leads the league by six games over Cain Buick.

pace for the men, while Lawrence Kuhns had a 590 high series. Shirley Bailey's 200 game was the high for the day, while Joan Hardman had a 491 high series for the women. Other 200 games were Frank Masarik 220, Dick Kuhns 223, Ed Kaminski 213, Lawrence Kuhns 209, Jim Martin 205 and Fred Rogers 201.

CAPITOL LEAGUE — Nehi Beverage leads Frechen's Tavern by one game in the race after Monday's bowling. Moor Mans Feed had a 907 game and 2596 series Monday, while Bob Pratt had the best individual efforts with a 244 game and 595 series. Other 200 games were by Bob Frechen 220, Louie Minarik 200, Al Dutcher 206, Tom Trefil 226, Joe Trefil 224, Ron Campbell 201, Doug Carpenter 210 and Terry Larner 208.

TEA TIME LEAGUE — Carol Kloekner had a 188 game and Rosie Nuser whipped up a 493 series to lead individual bowlers last week. Federal Mogul No. 2 had high team game of 775, while Central National Bank had a 2256 series. The Jet-A-Ways have an 8 1/2-game lead after last week's bowling. In onetwo-team contest, it was nip and tuck all the way, with split conversions coming almost as fast as strikes. Lillian Tiedt got the 3-7-10 split, Jean Heathman picked up the 5-8-10, Dina Silvestri got the 5-10, Jeanne Amos the 2-7-9 and Ann Walker the 5-7. In other split conversions, Margaret Hart got the 8-5-10, Joyce Woodhams the 3-7, Ruby Pearson the 5-10 and Oralee Ketchum the 5-10. Rose Ritter missed by one pin triPLICATE scores; she had 158-157-158.

TEN PIN KEGLERS LEAGUE — Parr's, Rhynard's and Clinton National Bank are all tied for second place, chasing league leader Julie K after last Wednesday's bowling. They're only two games back. Last week Rhynard's and Clinton National Bank each had 757 high games, but Peterson Shell took series honors with a 2172. Iva Kees had a 190 game and Jo Hardman bowled a 486 series. Split conversions came easy in this league, too, with these pickups: Ann Hatta 4-5-7, Dody Linman 5-6-10, Mil-

NIGHT HAWK LEAGUE — Beck's Farm Market is bowling out in front of the league by 10 1/2 games after last Tuesday's bowling. Third - place American Legion Club, which trails runner-up Neller's Service by only a half-game, had an 849 game and 2404 series. Ron Motz's 223 game was the high for the night, and Duane Bunce shot a 559 series, including a 206 game. Other 200 series were 202 by George Smith, 201 by Lyle Onstott and 200 by Richard Pease.

COFFEE CUP LEAGUE — The Bowlettes rolled a 617 game and 1747 series last Thursday and pulled to within a half-game of the league-leading Hillbilly 4. The Ridgerunners are also tied for second, with the Tigers only a half-game behind them and a game out of first place. Grace Masarik's 184 game and 516 series were high scores on an individual basis.

CITY CLASSIC LEAGUE — Lake's Jewelry leads Jim's Insurance by two games after last Thursday's bowling, but it was third place Dean's Hardware which provided the scoring fireworks for the night. They had a 1053 game and 2891 series, tops in both cases for the night. Dick Kuhns had the high individual scores of 270 for game (hard to beat) and 666 for series. Other high scores were: Mike Hatta 203 and 218, Nick Koenigsnecht 215, 204 and 204, Charlie Bensinger 201, Dick Kuhns 270 and 209, Ken Williams 221 and 200, Jerry Herblert 227, Jim Lance 209 and 234, Clark Shinabarger 216, Ray Johnson 215, Jim Lowe 229, Paul Heller 211, Bob Schmidt 204, F. D. Warren 201, Lyle Chick 205, Dick Bensinger 204, John Petro 201, Ross Myers 201, Merlin Durbin 211, Leo Brunner 200, Bud Michels 211, Keith Penix 208, Bob Boettger 240, R. G. Becker 211 and Bill Kosht 200. Other 600 series were by Ken Williams 602, Nick Koenigsnecht 623, Jim Lance 634 and Jim Lowe 608.

BLATZ INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE (Ovid) — Custer's leads Bashore's by one game after last Wednesday's bowling. A. Hatta had the high game of the day of 251 and also had a 202 game and the high series of 641. Custer's took team honors with a 939 game and 2656. Other 200 games were by P. Martis 234, B. Butler 221, Halfman 204, L. Newton 224, Ebert 205 and B. Lawrence 212.

RAINBOW - MAPLE MIXED LEAGUE — Chubs had a 597 game and 1703 series Sunday and lead the league now by eight games. J. Ellis was high for the men with a 203 game and 512 series, while J. Schultheis was high for the women with a 162 game and 443 series.

TWIN CITY LEAGUE — Dick Johnson fired a 247 high game last Wednesday, with Paul Pung providing a 624 high series. Strouse Oil's 904 game and 2572 series were high team scores. Mobil Gas leads Drewry's by one game and Strouse Oil by two games. Other 200 games were by Art LaBar 202, Ed Riley 201, Mel Sehlke 200 and 212, Jerry Becker 205, Frank Mallard 212 and Paul Pung 201 and 234.

KINGS AND QUEENS LEAGUE — P & C's and 4-D's are tied for the league lead after Sunday's bowling; each has a 34-26 record. P & C's were high last week with a 656 game and 1835 series. For the women Kay Penix had a 186 high game and 495 high series, while Keith Penix was high for the men with a 213 game and 549 series. Rudy Masarik III had a 205 game and Al Hayes rolled a 212.

INDUSTRIAL MIXED LEAGUE — The Cousins bowled a 720 game and 2009 series Friday night but still trail the WPAs by one game in the race for the league lead. Jack Irish's 231 game set the

bee Wassa 5-7, Anita Hebelor 5-7, Marlene Johnson 6-7-10, Barb Knous 2-7, Marie Bushman 5-10, Sandy Fongers 7-6, and Maude Walker 3-9-10.

Issue deer kill estimates

FIRST NIGHTERS — Woodbury's rolled a 771 game and 2191 series Monday night, but they're in third place four games behind league-leading Heathman's and 2 1/2 games behind runnerup Neller's. Joan Pardee had a 199 high individual game, while Norrine Penix had a 484 high series. Carol Mueller picked up the 3-6-7 split.

FACTORY LEAGUE — Hustlers remain in first place with a 41-15 record, while the Bombers are second at 39-17. Bombers had high game and series for the week with 510 for 1509. Mark Schrauben had high game and series with 200 for 564.

FWLER CLASSIC — Becker's Dry Goods still holds the league lead by a one-half game over Miller's Tavern. Miller's had high team series with 2733. Stub Graf led the individuals with 204, 242, 206 for 652 while Roger Hall had 240, 203 for 639, Don Thelen 203, 212 for 602, Keith Barrett 213, 224 for 600. Other 200 scores were Gary Hall 229, Hilary Schmitt, 215-205, Neil Snyder 215, John Schafer 202 and Keith Tiedt 201.

COMMERCIAL LEAGUE — Jaycees took over the league lead by taking three points from Pabst dropping them to second. Jaycees also had high team series with 2464. Don Thelen had high individual series with 202, 203 for 595. Edgar Thelen had 205 and Jerry Tehelen 201.

CITY LEAGUE — Drewry's still holds the league lead with a 33-23 record. Frechen's Market was high for the week with 2584. Don Thelen continued his fine bowling with 230 for 613. Bill Hufnagel had 222, Al Koenigsnecht 202.

WEST PHALIA WOMAN'S LEAGUE — Simon's Flower Shop rolled a 791 high game and Rose Johnson team rolled a 2319 series last Tuesday as the two teams continue to battle for the league lead. Simon's had a 1 1/2-game lead as of Dec. 14. Marlene Bauer had a 197 high individual game and Flo Lawrence rolled a 521 series.

NITE OWLS LEAGUE — H & H Lounge rolled a 910 game and 2523 series last Thursday and leads Jim's Insurance by one game in the league race. Jo Rogers had a 230 high game and a 524 series, with Doris Thurston taking series honors with a 525 series, which included a 213 game.

Michigan's 1965 firearm deer season, which from all signs fielded more hunters than ever before, produced an estimated total harvest of 108,350 whitetails, according to the Conservation Department.

The average annual bag over the past several years has been about 100,000.

THIS SEASON'S preliminary kill figure, still to be compared for accuracy against a later postcard survey of hunter success, is down about 32,000 animals from last year when the state's deer harvest was the second best on record.

On the basis of hunter numbers, the individual success rate took a sharper drop. With a good possibility that there were at least 600,000 hunters this fall—some 40,000 more than a year ago—about one of every six sportsmen got what he was aiming for. In 1964, about one of every four hunters was successful.

RESULTS OF the department's exhaustive traffic survey, exactly patterned after fact-finding work of other years as the basis for making kill estimates, point to a harvest this season of 62,700 bucks and 45,650 antlerless deer, including animals with sublegal spikes.

The buck total falls nearly 24,000 short of last year's take, which was the best since 1946, but it compares closely with the average for recent seasons. Antlerless kill took a smaller drop, slipping below the 1964 figure of 54,420.

Frosh trample Lakewood, 52-33

St. Johns freshmen basketballers toppled Lakewood 52-33 in a game played last Monday, Dec. 13. Thirteen players shared in the scoring.

St. Johns took a 15-9 first quarter lead, expanded it to 22-14 at the half and coasted on upward to the victory. Dick Henderson was the high scorer with 11 points, while John Yurek had 9, Kurt Hilldorf and Craig Bartholomew 6 each, Dick Rehmann 4, Chuck Romig Rick Moore, Rick Warren, Doug Barker, John Ballard, Dan French and Mike Lewis 2 each and Phil Knight 1.

Rehmann led the team in rebounding with 11, while Moore picked off 6 from the boards. The freshmen are 2-0 for the season.

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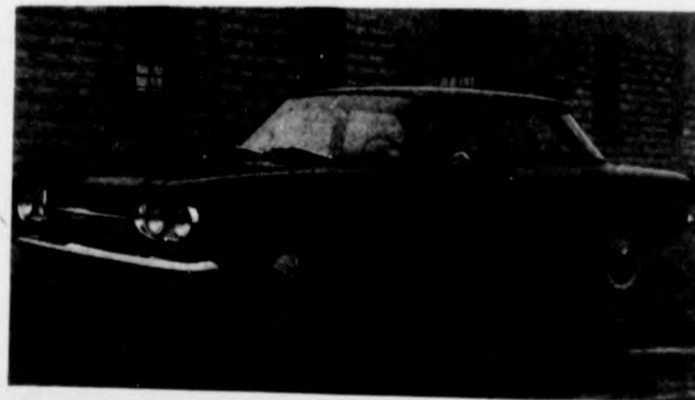
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Bath's Mike Tucker (23) looks like he's in fear of his life as he waits for three Pewamo-Westphalia players to come down (on top of him?) with a rebound during the first half of the game Friday night.

Pirates' big 3rd quarter bounces P-W past Bath

PEWAMO - WESTPHALIA - The Pewamo-Westphalia Pirates used a big third quarter to defeat the Bath Bees 59-54 in a scorching basketball duel Friday night.

The Pirates outscored Bath 19-12 in the third period and then hung on during a torrid fourth quarter played on practically even scoring terms.

THREE PIRATES hit in double figures as Coach Ron Sarcozy's boys recorded their second victory of the campaign. Ken Miller led P-W with 16 points, while Larry Vance and Bill Parker chipped in 14 each.

Bath had two high scorers, but after that there was quite a drop. Bruce Miller dropped in 20 points and Jim Sober scored 19 to lead

St. Patrick tourney next week

Portland St. Patrick will attempt to repeat as winners for the fourth straight year in the school's annual Christmas Invitational Basketball Tournament next week.

They'll be up against seven other teams, including Bath and Pewamo-Westphalia from Clinton County. The 14th annual tourney will be played Dec. 27, 28, 29 and 30 at Portland High School gym.

CARSON CITY will meet Potterville in the first game at 4:30 Monday afternoon, with Bath playing Dansville at 6, Vestaburg and Webberville tangling at 7:30 and Pewamo - Westphalia playing St. Patrick's at 9 p.m.

The winners of the first two games will meet at 7 p.m. Dec. 28, with the winners of the second two games playing at 8:30. On Dec. 29 the losers of the same games will play at 7 and 8:30, with the consolation finals on Dec. 30 at 7 p.m. The championship finals are at 8:30 p.m. Dec. 30.

Trophies will be awarded for championship, runner up and consolation.

PORTLAND ST. Patrick's has won the tournament six times out of the 14 years it has been played, including the last three and three out of the first four years. Ashley won it in 1953 and Westphalia St. Mary's had consecutive championships in 1956, 1957 and 1958.

Bath won the tournament in 1959 when their team was state Class D champs, and Dimondale was victorious in 1960 and 1961.

TOURNAMENT records include: team scoring, 97 points by Westphalia St. Mary's in 1956; individual scoring, 38 points by Tim Belen of Westphalia St. Mary's in 1960; and attendance, 3,511 in 1963.

JVs look sharp, win 2 games

Coach Doug Japinga's junior varsity Redwings improved considerably during the last week of play and turned in two impressive performances Friday and Saturday in winning two basketball games.

St. Johns defeated Alma 31-22 Friday night and downed Grand Ledge Saturday by a score of 73-64.

St. Johns trailed Alma 16-12 at the end of the first quarter but put on a 19-6 blitz in the second period and coasted on for an easy victory. John Berkhausen led the scoring with 15 points, while Don Palmer and John Salemi each had 10. Other scorers were Bob Cochran and Mike McKay 6 each, Terry Maier 4, Steve Gregory 3 and Robert Lundy 2.

THE JUNIOR Wings built up a solid first-half lead over Grand Ledge's JVs Saturday night and withstood a Comets rally. The Wings held scoring margins of 15-5 and 25-13 in the first two quarters. Grand Ledge came back to outscore St. Johns 20-17 and 26-16 in the last two periods.

Berkhausen pumped in 24 points against Grand Ledge, while Cochran had 15, Salemi 10, Gregory 8, McKay and Maier 6 each and Mike Green and Palmer 2 each.

Ladies' Classic entries open

Entries are now being accepted in the fifth annual St. Johns Ladies' Singles Classic bowling tournament, scheduled for the first three weekends of February at Redwing Lanes.

The tournament will be run Feb. 5-6, 12-13 and 19-20. Mrs. Elsie Dickinson of 510 S. Mead Street, who is accepting entries, said a \$100 estimated first prize, plus a trophy, will be given. There'll also be squad prizes. Last year the top 54 bowlers in the tournament—one out of every four entires—earned money in the tourney.

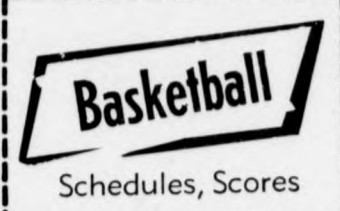
IN THE SINGLES classic, four games are bowled across eight lanes, with the best three games being used for tournament competition scores.

Entry fees and bowling fees are \$6 and the entries will close Jan. 21. All of the entry fee money (\$3) will be returned in prizes.



AL WERBISH

Al Werbish, St. Johns High School graduate of 1965, is one of Adrian College's prime substitutes on the basketball team. Werbish, 6-2, has scored well for Adrian so far this year and does well off the boards. He was an all-state Class B team player with St. Johns last year.



Last Week's Scores

TUESDAY, DEC. 14 Alma 64, Charlotte 60

FRIDAY, DEC. 17 St. Johns 74, Alma 66 Charlotte 72, Greenville 58 Lakewood 65, Grand Ledge 62 Hastings 65, Ionia 61 Perry 76, DeWitt 62 Portland 80, Laingsburg 56 Pewamo - Westphalia 59, Bath 54

Ovid 84, Elsie 42 Webberville 69, Fowler 66 (OT) Portland St. Patrick 83, Ashley 57 Potterville 69, Morrice 42 Saranac 68, Fulton 64 Blanchard 69, Carson City 54

SATURDAY, DEC. 18 Grand Ledge 71, St. Johns 59

JV SCORES

St. Johns 56, Alma 35 Portland 52, Laingsburg 46 Pewamo - Westphalia 55, Bath 40

Elsie 61, Ovid 47 Perry 59, DeWitt 38 St. Johns 73, Grand Ledge 64

City League Schedule

DEC. 22: Bee's vs Pewamo-Westphalia at 7:30, Sealed Power vs Federal Mogul at 8:45, Miller's vs Clinton Tractors at 10 p.m.

League play will be suspended during the holidays and will resume Jan. 5. Games are at the St. Johns High School gym.

Fowler loses in overtime

WEBBERVILLE - Fowler's bid to unseat defending champion Webberville fell just short Friday night as the Spartans defeated Fowler 69-66 in overtime.

The score was tied 57-57 at the end of regulation play. It was Fowler's first loss of the season. The Eagles took apparent command in the first half of the game, leading 11-8 at the end of the first quarter and 28-24 at the half time.

THEN WEBBERVILLE came back with a pressing defense, forcing Fowler errors and pulling themselves back into the game, tying the score at 45-45 at the end of the third period. Webberville went ahead finally late in regulation time but for Bob Pohl's jump shot that tied the game at the last second.

Luke Koenigsnecht led the Fowler scoring with 22 points, with Pohl close behind with 21. Other scorers were Brown 7, N. Thelen 6, B. Thelen 5, G. Spicer 4 and B. George 1.

Raiders smash Wolves, 80-56

LAINGSBURG - Portland's Red Raiders continued rolling over their regular season opponents, smashing Laingsburg 80-56 Friday night.

The Wolfpack held a 23-22 lead midway through the second period, but Portland rallied to lead 37-29 at the half and then outscored Laingsburg 20-5 in the third quarter by using a pressing defense.

Vieth had 22 points to lead Laingsburg in scoring, while Shaw had 13, Jorae 11, Steere 6, Field 2 and Beavers and Brink 1 each.

Good and bad, up and down, Wings split weekend games

The St. Johns Redwings played good and bad basketball Friday and Saturday night and won and lost, respectively, in West Central Conference games.

Friday the Redwings beat a good Alma team 74-66, but Saturday they were cold and fell to Grand Ledge 71-59. The loss dropped them out of a potential tie for the league lead going into the Christmas holidays.

THE REDWINGS are now 2-3 overall and 2-2 in the conference.

Against Alma the Redwings played a fine, alert game and refused to fold despite an Alma rally in the fourth quarter that saw the Panthers take the lead once. After a halftime tie of 36-36, the Wings went ahead by outscoring Alma 17-13 in the third period.

In the fourth quarter Alma came on strong and took the lead at one point, but the Wings kept pushing and eventually increased their lead by four more points until the final count was reached.

COACH BILL SWEARS got a good scoring effort from his squad. Senior Jim Leonard scored 30 points, including 8 in each of the first, second and fourth quarters. Bill DeGroot shot in 15 points and Dennis Springer got 14. Other scorers were Bob Ortwain with 8 points, Gene Rademacher with 4 and John Wilson with 3.

Paul Dean led Alma with 23 points, while Rich Croton had 16 and Don Curtiss had 14.

THE REDWINGS had a good shooting eye Friday night, hitting on 29 of 57 shots - slightly over 50 per cent - from the floor and 16 of 24 free throws.

Saturday night at Grand Ledge it was a different story. The Wings had 85 shots at the basket but could make only 23, the same number of shots Grand Ledge made with only 49 shots. The St. Johns percentage works out to about 27 per cent. From the free throw line they made only 13 of 27 shots - less than 50 per cent - while the Comets were making 25 of 34 free throw attempts to provide them with a comfortable winning margin.

"AND OUR DEFENSE was terrible," Coach Bill Swears admitted Monday. The only bright spot he noted was the work of Bill DeGroot on the backboards; he came down with 20 rebounds.

Only in the final quarter against Grand Ledge did the Wings put on any showing; they outscored Grand Ledge 21-18. But by then the host Comets had built too big a lead to overcome.

ST. JOHNS fell behind with the first quarter, trailing 22-14 after the eight-minute period. Grand Ledge stretched their lead somewhat to 38-28 at halftime and then bounced out to a 53-38 lead at the end of three quarters.

Leonard, shut off effectively with only three points in the first half, came back with four in the third period and 9 in the last quarter to emerge as high point man for the Wings with 16 points. DeGroot, who hit on 7 of 20 field goal attempts, got all but two of his 15 points in the first half in holding the Wings together.

OTHER SCORERS were Rademacher and Ortwain 8 each, Roger Leavitt and Dennis Springer 4 each and Randy Humphrey and Dave Hambleton 2 each. Dick McDaniels led Grand Ledge with 26 points while Ben Cadwell had 17.



St. Johns center Bill DeGroot (52) lets fly with a 15-foot jumper in the Alma game. No. 34 near the camera is Gene Rademacher, and No. 22 across the court is Jim Leonard. St. Johns won the game 74-66.

Happy Holiday 2629 NOV 65 M.P. 68. Our best wishes for a merry old fashioned Christmas go out to all our customers. May you enjoy all of the happiness that the season brings. WOHLFERT WELDING SHOP FOWLER, MICH.

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City league opens with 2 close games

Two close games marked play in the St. Johns City Basketball League last Wednesday as the city recreation department opened its 1965-66 season.

Sealed Power nipped Bee's 59-58 in the first game, Miller's beat Pewamo-Westphalia 72-65 in the second, and Clinton Tractors opened up to beat Federal Mogul 59-32.

BEE'S AND Sealed Power were neck and neck for the full 40 minutes of play in their opening game. Ron Dugas kept Bee's in the contest in the first half with 10 points, as Bee's trailed only 31-30 at the half. Both teams scored 28 points in the last half.

Ovid press flattens Elsie

OVID - The Ovid Romans threw up a pressing defense against Elsie Friday and subdued the Big Reds 84-42 in a Central Michigan C Conference game.

The press was especially effective in the second and fourth quarters, when Elsie scored only 6 points. Ovid snapped up an 18-16 first quarter lead and led 40-22 at the half. It was 61-36 at the end of three periods.

DENNIS LOVE of Ovid led all scorers with 24 points. For his teammates, Bob Gazda also scored 20, Tubbs 10, J. Gazda 1, Bancroft 4, Simpson 1, Saxton 2, Behrens 12, Tremblay 7 and Hall 1.

Guysky led Elsie with 9 points, while Wagner had 6, Thornton 8, Ackles 6, Herron 2, L. D. Jones 7, Schultz 2 and Seybert 2.

Panthers fall to Perry, 76-62

PERRY - Bill Watson scored 24 points for DeWitt, but the Panthers fell to Perry 76-62 Friday night in a Central Michigan C Conference game.

The Panthers' downfall was a bad third quarter when Perry outscored them 23-14. DeWitt had taken a 19-18 first quarter lead but fell behind 31-29 at the half.

Keck has 15, Foster 14, Fuller 2, and Hansen 7 in a balanced DeWitt effort. Bump Lardie scored 20 points and Jerry Poulmounter 17 to lead Perry.

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East Hubbardston

She is 103

Hale and hearty, in the New Horizons Nursing Home of Springfield, Ohio, Mrs. B. J. Timlin (103) sends all Christmas Greetings.

Three nieces represented her family at a birthday dinner Dec. 14. They were Mrs. Leo Schuck of Springfield, Mrs. Tom Coty of Rockford, Ill., and Mrs. James O'Connell of Hubbardston. Ice cream and cake squares, with a rose holding a candle was served to each one in the home.

Mrs. Timlin, born in Ohio, lived over 50 years in Hubbardston. Her husband died 24 years ago.

PRE-CHRISTMAS DINNER

Mrs. Edward Cusack entertained 40 members of her family to a pre-Christmas dinner, Sunday Dec. 19. She will leave Flint, Christmas Day for a vacation in Florida.

Her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lipe are taking her and will spend a short vacation there, before returning to Flint.

The family of Ellen Stevens had a pre-Christmas dinner in Lansing, Sunday, at the home of her youngest son, Mr. and

Mrs. Richard Stevens and family. Thirty were present; four sons and families; daughter, Margaret, her husband and two sons, a total of 14 grandchildren, Wainita Darling of Webberville and Carolyn McCrackin of Carson City.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Billings and daughter, Rose Mary, who is home from Ferris College, Big Rapids, were supper guests of Mrs. Iva Rogers, Sunday.

A baby boy born, in the Carson City Hospital Thursday, to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Maleck, was named Jeffery Charles.

Mrs. Julia Stoddard's Sunday company was Mrs. Steve Kimball and two boys, Mrs. Jerry Osborn, David, Cindy, Rose and Tom, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stoddard of St. Johns and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stoddard and families.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Andrews of Grand Rapids visited Mr. and Mrs. Owen Andrews, Sunday.

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Wacousta

By MRS. EDWARD KRAFT—627-2039

Wacousta Lodge seats Harlow

WACOUSTA — Wacousta Lodge #359 F & AM recently installed Bruce Harlow as Worshipful Master in ceremonies at the Wacousta Temple. Carl Miller, Frank Wright, Howard McDonough and Don Lowell were the installing officers.

Also taking office were Kenneth Mattson, Senior Warden; Tom Turpin, Junior Warden; David Schroeder, treasurer; A. Earle Rowland, secretary; Herman Openlander, chaplain; Lewis Babbitt, Senior Deacon; Charles Troop, Junior Deacon; Gary McDonough, Monte Ream; Larry Davis and Roger Brokob, Stewards; Vaughn Montgomery, Marshal and Cecil Stevens, Tyler. Refreshments were served by Junior past Master Paul Garlock.

The Wacousta Community Methodist Church had a live Nativity scene in front of the church Sunday eve before the Christmas program. It was put on by M.Y.F.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Fuday spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Veau Fuday and family in Grand Rapids.

Effe Bush is still in St. Lawrence Hospital undergoing treatment.

Mrs. Leland Wendel and family of Charlotte called on the Kraft Home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Waldo brought their son home from the hospital Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Jackson are the parents of a daughter, Tina Renea, Sunday. She weighed 8 pounds 5 ounces.

Carl Miller received word of the death of an old friend, Dan Watson of Portland. He passed away in Georgia on his way to Florida, Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Candler Jr. and family of Columbus, Ohio, spent last weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Candler Sr.

Walter Stackman of Chicago will spend Christmas with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Alton Stackman and family.

Mrs. Faye Walker of Sunfield will spend Christmas weekend at the Ed Kraft home.

Mrs. Louise Hemingway and Mr. and Mrs. Ross Tibbetts and Fred will spend Christmas with the Tom Hemingway family in Wayne.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Clement and daughter of Orleans were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clark Adams and family. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Craun and sons were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Herbert Ingalls and Charles of Howe Road.

James Fuday had minor surgery Tuesday in a Lansing hospital. Terry Chamberlin who is stationed with the Navy in California arrived home Sunday and will remain home until Dec. 29.

Shepardville

By Mrs. Ira Birmingham

Surprise party for 45th anniversary

SHEPARDVILLE — In honor of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Olson's 45th wedding anniversary, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mizga and Mr. and Mrs. James Olson, entertained at a surprise party.

The affair was held at the Mizga home, Saturday evening, Dec. 18. Mr. and Mrs. Olson received several nice gifts and cards.

After an evening of reminiscing, the guests departed wishing the Olsons many more anniversaries.

Bannister

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The Busy Green Clovers 4-H Club met on Thursday with their

leaders, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Stewart. President David Bernath called the meeting to order. Roll call revealed that all members were present. A brief business meeting was held. Discussion on ways to use the Club

money was tabled until next meeting. Following the meeting gifts were exchanged and refreshments were served.

Larry Krueger of Lake spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Krueger.



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Mr and Mrs Harvey Hoerner were Saturday afternoon and supper guests of Mr and Mrs Harold Hoerner.

Mr and Mrs E. J. Brace visited Mr and Mrs Tony Herber of Otisville Sunday.

Russ Sullivan is visiting his uncle and family, Mr and Mrs Robert Sullivan of Tampa, Fla. Mr and Mrs Otto Dickinson were Sunday guests of Mr and Mrs Kenneth Willis of Grand Ledge for an early Christmas celebration.

Mr and Mrs John DeVries of Pottersville visited Mr and Mrs Richard Grove and family on Sunday.

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Christmas party for 4-H club

ROCHESTER COLONY - Mr and Mrs Russell Libey, 4-H leaders of the Maple River Craftsmen and Knitting Clubs, entertained at a pre-Christmas party in their home on Maple River road, Dec. 13.

Robert Risley, Herman Baese, Altha Grubagh and Emerson Dunham, assistant 4-H leaders, and 17 members participated in an evening of games and a gift exchange after which refreshments were served.

Christmas supper held Saturday

ROCHESTER COLONY - The Duplain Methodist Church held its Family Church Christmas supper Saturday evening, Dec. 18.

Mrs Florence Ewer, Mrs Charles Lapham and Mrs Don Temple served the cooperative meal.

Included in the program was the film "Little Lost Angel," shown by Mrs Max Hott, followed by the distribution of gifts.

SHE WAS 16

Honoring their granddaughter, Diane, on her 16th birthday, Mr and Mrs Walter Hott, East M-21, served birthday cake and ice cream to Diane's parents, Mr and Mrs Max Hott, her sisters, Mary and Jan, Mr and Mrs Elwood Hott and son, Stanley, Monday evening, Dec. 20th.

Mr and Mrs Don Temple of N. Harmon Road entertained her mother, Mrs Florence Ewer of N. Watson Road and her sister and brother-in-law, the Don Ikes, formerly of this community now of Holland at dinner Sunday, Dec. 19.

Miss Gloria DeGeer, daughter of Mr and Mrs Emery Havens of N. Watson Road, underwent surgery at Clinton Memorial Hospital, Thursday, Dec. 16.

Gloria hopes to be home for Christmas but would enjoy hearing from her friends and schoolmates at Rodney B. Wilson High School.

Mr and Mrs Max Hott and daughter Jan attended the open house Sunday, Dec. 19 honoring Mr and Mrs Jeanne Burnham on their 50th wedding anniversary. It was held at the IOOF Hall in Pompeii.

North Bengal

By Mrs Wm. Ernst

A son was born to Mr and Mrs Ray Rowell, Saturday, Dec. 18, at the Carson City Hospital.

Mr and Mrs Edward Moritz and Mr and Mrs Louis Moritz and family were Sunday dinner guests of Mr and Mrs Floyd Foerch and daughter, Sandra and John Foerch.

Mrs Edmund Falk spent Wednesday afternoon with her niece, Mrs Melvin Argersinger and daughter, Tammy, of St. Johns.

Saturday Mr and Mrs Fred W. Pasch left for St. Paul, Minnesota where they will spend the holidays with her father, Emil Lauer.

Mr and Mrs William Ernst were Sunday afternoon visitors of Mr and Mrs Edwin Mohnke of South Bengal.

Mr and Mrs Edmund Falk spent Friday evening with Mr and Mrs Arthur Martens of St. Johns.

Mrs Edna Watamaker left Saturday to visit her children at Milford and Detroit during the holidays.

Shop in Clinton County.



Walkers Honored at Open House

County 4-H Agent Donald Walker and his wife Evelyn were guests of honor Sunday afternoon at an open house at Smith Hall. Walker is leaving the Extension Service office here to resume studies at MSU and will eventually be transferred to another Extension area. The Walkers pose behind a table of gifts presented to them by 4-H groups and youngsters.

North Victor

By Mrs Elzie Exelby

Christmas carol program given for Missionary Society

NORTH VICTOR - The December meeting of the Victor Missionary Society was held at the Swender home.

During the business meeting \$20 was voted to the benevolence fund, \$5 to ministerial relief and \$5 to the Retarded Children's School. It was voted to help pack two Christmas boxes for needy families and send gifts to several shut-ins.

A Christmas program, "Carols are Christmas" was given by Mrs Wilbur Warren and all joined in singing several carols as Mrs Warren gave the history of each. The program was closed by prayer and a gift exchange.

The Victor Civic Club met at the home of Mrs Elmo Giffels Thursday. Mrs Irene Upton was in charge of the Christmas program. Several readings were given, carols were sung and there was a Christmas gift exchange. Refreshments were served by the hostess and the hospitality committee.

Horton Grange members met with members of Stockman Grange Friday evening at the home of Mr and Mrs Lawrence Hart of Bath. A potluck supper was served before the meeting and all enjoyed a Christmas gift exchange. The January meeting will be held at the home of Mr and Mrs Floyd Upton.

Mr and Mrs Robert Scott and family of Washington are spending the Christmas season with their parents, Mr and Mrs Ray Scott and other relatives.

Mrs Tony Motta has sold her home in California and is now visiting her daughter, Mrs Jim Huyck and family. Mrs Motta expects to purchase a home here in the near future.

Mr and Mrs Roy Ormsby were

Maple Rapids

By Mrs John Schmidt

Sorosis Club held Yule party

MAPLE RAPIDS - The Sorosis Club met at the home of Arylene Carr for the Christmas meeting Dec. 14 with 21 members present.

Due to the absence of the president Kay Thompson vice president Maple Upton conducted a short business meeting. Federation stationery was sold to members. A Christmas greeting card was signed to be sent to Mrs Fred Larkin who now lives in Muskegon.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Anna Hicks Jan. 11.

Ruth Wright and Hazel Paine had charge of the program. Ruth conducted the games, Hazel read a story, "American Christmas Trees." Christmas carols were sung, led by Mary Allen.

Hazel had charge of the gift exchange.

Refreshments were served by the hostess and co-hostess Mrs A. Abshagen.

South Ovid

By Mrs George Young

Mrs Grace Young and Miss Lucille Loomis of East Laingsburg were Sunday visitors with Mrs Nancy Baker and Mrs Sarah Young.

Mrs Frances Coull of Lansing was a caller on her sister, Mrs Georgianna Underhill last week. Mr and Mrs Kenneth were in Greenville last Sunday visiting her mother, Mrs John Miller, who is planning to go to Florida soon.

Rusty Ziegler had a birthday Sunday. He is nine now. The Christmas program at the Calvary Baptist Church Sunday and Sunday evening was well attended.

Mrs Julia Binger and Mrs Sarah Young of this vicinity attended the Christmas Homemakers' Club at Mrs Laurie Mains last Thursday.

Mrs Roberta Young and children of Ovid was a caller in this area last Tuesday.

Mr Vern Binger is not very well at this writing.

Bridgeville

By Mrs Thelma Woodbury

Evan Jones returned to his home Sunday morning after spending the past week and a half as a patient in the Carson City Hospital.

A good crowd enjoyed the program at the County Line Church Sunday evening.

Your correspondent wishes everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

David VanHorn had his tonsils removed at Carson City Hospital Monday morning.

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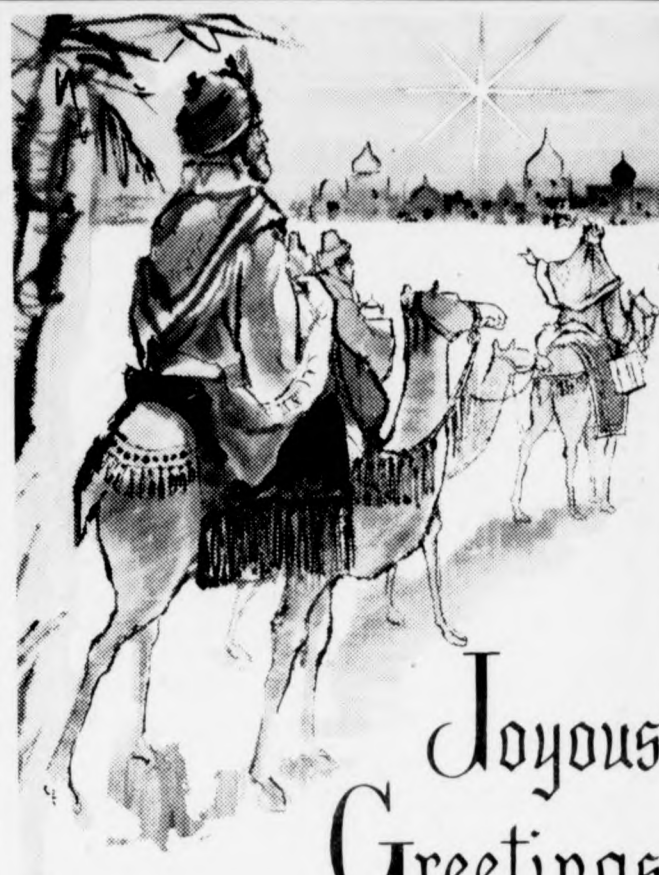
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As we worship in spirit at the blessed manger, we wish for all a truly joyous Christmas, rich in meaning, with faith ever deeper... with inspiration ever greater.

From your Clinton County News staff

Elsie

By MRS. NEVA KEYS, Correspondent

Literary Club's Christmas program attended by 40

ELSIE — "Keeping Christmas" was the program presented by Mrs. A. W. Cobb for the Woman's Literary Club at the home of Mrs. Robert Bloomer Tuesday evening.

There were 40 in attendance in addition to the youngsters who assisted in the entertainment. Several Christmas carols were sung by Kathryn Melvin and Dorothy Bloomer. "Christmas as Told in the Bible," was given by Kenney Baese. "The Pioneer Christmas" was read by Mrs. Everette Rule.

Mrs. Cobb told the legend of the Christmas Rose and Mrs. James Dorman gave a salute to Christmas and closed with a 400-year-old prayer.

A PIANO interlude of Christmas music was played by Jennifer Keys, who also served as accompanist for the other musical numbers.

The second part of the program was "Christmas Fun" with musical tales by Santa's elves played by Nancy Foran, Elaine Bloomer, Francie Marton, Kathy Smith and Susan Crosson. They were dressed in red costumes trimmed with white collars and tinkling bells and ski caps.

They also served as Santa's

Operation headstart explained to FTA

Steve Bakita and Mrs. Ethel Huot of St. Johns were guest speakers on the recent Christmas program given by the Future Teachers Club for their parents in the high school gymnasium.

Bakita, an educational consultant and Mrs. Huot, a coordinator of the Operation Headstart summer project in Clinton County were introduced by FTA president Barb Horak.

Bakita presented the necessary procedure in laying the groundwork for securing federal aid, and selection of those children to take part in the program.

He said there were about 16,000 pre-school children, in 80 percent of the counties participating, in last summer's 6 weeks training. There were 17 from the Elsie area.

HE ALSO TOLD of the personnel involved specialized teachers, student aides and volunteers. Bakita said that he anticipated a follow-up program if the pre-

program of Christmas carols with Jennifer Keys at the piano. An instrumental quartet composed of Cathy Robinson, Cindy Kelly, Jackie Moore and Janice Kelley furnished music during the serving of Christmas cookies, punch, and coffee.

Mrs. Steve Bakita Sr. presided at the coffee service while Joanne Geiger served the punch. Also assisting was Mrs. Thelma Rule, sponsor.

helpers in distributing the gifts which were Christmas wrapped "white elephants" exchanged by the members.

Christmas cookies and punch were served by Mrs. Lawrence Hess, Mrs. Harry Grenlund and Mrs. Henry Allen.

THE BLOOMER HOME was decorated inside and out for the holiday season with a huge Santa greeting the guests as they arrived.

Prior to the entertainment, Mrs. Paul Platner conducted the business meeting. Mrs. Loyal Hinkley presented two menus for consideration for the annual dinner party on Jan. 18 to be served by the Eastern Star ladies. She is also taking reservations for the occasion when husbands will be guests.

The news bulletin from the MSFWC president, Mrs. James Quinn was made available to the members with its vast amount of interesting reports and progress of projects.

Mrs. Platner reminded the members to pick up their Michigan stationary for sale. The next meeting will be Jan. 4 at the high school with Mrs. Leroy Vincent as speaker on the "Progress at Your Own Pace," the unrated school system.

sent proposal goes through. Mrs. Huot, principal and sixth grade teacher at the Swegles Street School in St. Johns told of her experiences as director of Headstart in Clinton County.

There were 231 youngsters participating with all but two present for every session.

She explained the daily schedule which included the use of crayons and scissors, how to use zippers and buttons and put on rubbers. There were also play, snack, and rest periods, MUSIC, SINGING and dramatization.

Field trips, medical and dental care if necessary, were also provided. The youngsters learned cleanliness, eating habits, and respect for one another and their possessions.

A BRIEF business meeting was conducted after which the group went to the Home Ec. room for the musical portion of the program and refreshments.

Randy Daley announced the

program of Christmas carols with Jennifer Keys at the piano. An instrumental quartet composed of Cathy Robinson, Cindy Kelly, Jackie Moore and Janice Kelley furnished music during the serving of Christmas cookies, punch, and coffee.

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Baptist pastor welcomed

ELSIE — Mr and Mrs Manley Engebretson and Miss Eileen Dodge invited their neighbors to a get-acquainted Christmas party, Thursday evening in their home on W. Main Street.

Rev and Mrs Peter Jansen were the honored guests, who were given a special welcome as they recently moved into the Baptist parsonage.

They came here from Charlotte, to fill the vacancy when Rev. Carl Finlay and his family moved to Ohio.

THE JANSEN'S have six children but they all live elsewhere now, so this is the first time they have been alone. Their entire family expects to spend Christmas with them.

The evening was spent visiting and becoming re-acquainted with one another in this busy time. The hosts served home-made cookies, candies and coffee.

Mr and Mrs Walter Engebretson of Janesville, Wisconsin were also guests for the holidays.

Esther Circle met Thursday

The Esther Circle of the Methodist WSCS met Thursday at the home of Mrs. Alton Fizzell with a dessert luncheon.

Mrs. Gordon Showers gave the Christmas reading "The Littlest Angel" to an accompaniment of recorded music.

During the business meeting, it was decided to serve an Irish stew noon luncheon to the public on Wednesday, Jan. 5 in Fellowship Hall.

MYF TO CAROL DEC. 22

The Junior Choir and both MYF groups of young people will go carolling Wednesday, Dec. 22 to Elsie homes. They will leave the church at 7 p.m. and sing at homes where the porch lights have been left on. Later they will return to the church for warm refreshments and a recreation period.

The recent weekend rummage sale sponsored by the Friends of the Library netted \$118.50 to be added to the building fund for a new library.

Karren Smith underwent an emergency appendectomy at the Clinton Memorial Hospital and returned to home this week.

Merrihew

By Mrs. Lloyd Reed—224-2951

Several from this community attended the Fricke-Gill rites at the First Methodist Church, St. Johns, Dec. 17.

Mr and Mrs Lloyd Reed were Sunday evening callers of their mother, Mrs. Frank Easton of DeWitt.

Mr and Mrs Joey Miller and family were Monday evening dinner guests of the Reeds. They celebrated Nancy Miller's birthday.

Some public movements could be classified as lost motion.

Bannister

By MRS. ROBERT VALENTINE — Phone 862-4342

Children give Yule program

BANNISTER — The Bannister Methodist Christmas program was held Sunday evening. The program opened with Elmer Leydorf lighting the advent wreath and explaining the meaning. This wreath has a special place in the hearts of everyone who came to know and love Kirsten Rademacher, a German exchange student who lived with Mr and Mrs Ray Peck. Kirsten told of the tradition of the advent wreath in her homeland and it is becoming a tradition here.

The Rhythm Band, composed of preschool and primary youngsters, played several selections. Mr and Mrs David Green and Rosemary Saxton are in charge of this group.

Linda Ensign's class of 4 and 5 year olds portrayed the Holy family with Carrie Miller as Mary, Russell Schlarf as Joseph, Brian Valentine as a shepherd and Brian Criner as an angel. A class of 3 year olds recited a poem. Their teachers are Mrs. Donald Hinley and Mrs. Nell Criner.

Other classes having skits were grades 1 and 2 with teacher, Mrs. John Schlarf, grades 4 and 5, Mrs. Raymond Stewart, teacher; the Starlighters, Mrs. Ray Peck, teacher; grades 7 and 8 with Don Hinkley and Mrs. Ray Canfield as teachers. Gene Pontious represented the high school class with a reading. Cathy Schlarf gave a recitation. The Cherub, Junior, and Senior Choirs were also on the program. The climax of the program was two-year old Sandy Schlarf as she sang "Jesus Loves

Me." The Benediction was given by Rev. John Burnham. Mrs. Ray Peck served as announcer for the evening. Boxes of candy were given out at the door.

A special Christmas program was performed by the Senior choir for the Bannister Women's Society of Christian Service at their recent meeting. The story of Christ's birth was presented in song and scripture reading. Elmer Leydorf served as narrator.

A special offering was taken for the Methodist Children's home. Husbands and friends were special guests for the evening.

The Junior Choir of the Bannister Methodist Church spent an enjoyable time carolling thru the streets of Bannister, Friday evening. Following the carolling, a party was held in Wesley Center. Games and refreshments were enjoyed. Mr and Mrs Ray Canfield sponsored the group. The Senior Choir went carolling Saturday evening and following Mr and Mrs Floyd Walters were hosts for the evening of fellowship in their new home.

Christmas was celebrated a week early at the home of Mr and Mrs Robert Valentine as they were hosts to her family Saturday evening. Guests were Mr and Mrs Bill Crowell and family of Lansing, Mr and Mrs Lon Crowell and family of St. Johns, Mr and Mrs Russell Pope and son of St. Johns, Mr and Mrs William Rando and son of Utica and Mrs. Irene Crowell and Dale of Shepardsville.

Mr and Mrs Ivan Scott and Minnie Scott of Pennsylvania are visiting friends and relatives in this area.

South Greenbush

By MRS. HAZEL BEEBE—Phone 224-7003

LUMINARIES VIEWED

Several from this area drove to Maple Rapids Sunday evening to view the luminaries and hear the Christmas carols at the park. After the carols were over, cookies and coffee were served at the First Methodist Church.

The lights were beautiful and represented much work. The project was shared by the two churches, Christian Congregational and the Methodist.

Next Sunday the service will be one entirely different from the regular service. It is for the young people of the church. Sunday School at 10:30 a.m. and preaching at 11:30.

The Frenches Corners 4-H Club will hold their Christmas party at the Roy Davis home Tuesday, Dec. 28, with a 50¢ gift exchange.

Mr and Mrs Orrin Blank are spending the holidays in Decatur, Georgia, with their daughter and family, Mr and Mrs Pat Owensby and sons.

Mr and Mrs George Hubbard attended the funeral of Mrs. Rebecca Mann in Lansing, Saturday.

Mr and Mrs Chester Blank and family of Laingsburg spent Sunday with their parents, Mr and Mrs Orrin Blank.

Nora and Hazel Beebe and Mrs. John Bishop attended the funeral of Ira Shaw in Holt last Monday.

83rd BIRTHDAY PARTY
Mr and Mrs Richard Kingsbury and family attended the 83rd

birthday dinner for B. K. Whitlock of St. Johns. Mr Whitlock is in excellent health. All his children and grandchildren were present with the exception of one grandson. Mr and Mrs Whitlock are former residents of Greenbush.

Mr and Mrs Russell Curtis of Portland were Sunday dinner guests of the latter's brother, Mr and Mrs Kenneth Grieve and son. In the afternoon they all attended the Christmas Party at the Rivard Nursing Home.

Mr and Mrs Rhinard Schulz visited the former's sister, Mrs. Helen Warren in Lansing Saturday afternoon.

Mr and Mrs Harold Stevens of Lansing and Mrs. Joan Dollard and girl friend of Flint, were Sunday visitors of Mr and Mrs Hiram Stevens and other relatives.

Mrs. Lucille Grieve called on her sister-in-law, Mrs. Russell Curtis of Portland Tuesday.

Mr and Mrs Lawrence Clark of Portland were Saturday evening visitors in the home of Mr and Mrs Herbert Stevens.

Mrs. Hazel Beebe visited her daughter and family of rural Portland Saturday, Mr and Mrs Paul Ladisky.

Mr and Mrs Eugene Havens entertained Saturday evening at a pre-Christmas family dinner. The following guests were present: Mr and Mrs Harry Rosekrans, Mr and Mrs E. G. Stockwell, Mr and Mrs Keith Rosekrans of St. Johns, Mr and Mrs Carl Rosekrans of Lansing, Mr and Mrs Gordon Howard and Mr and Mrs Frank Todociuk of rural Elsie.

Mr and Mrs Charles Rasdale entertained Mr and Mrs Dale Ellison of Fenton, Mrs. Myrtle Mills and Mrs. Leo Isham of Owosso and Mr and Mrs Max Wilcox of Clawson at a family Christmas dinner Sunday.

BIRTHDAY PARTY
An open house was held Sunday afternoon at the Municipal Building in St. Johns for Mrs. Tony Motz. All her children were with her for a dinner at a restaurant at noon. This was in honor of Mrs. Motz 80th birthday.

Mrs. Grace Stevens and daughter, Cathryn of St. Johns called on Mr and Mrs Howard Halterman of rural Elsie Sunday afternoon.

Mr and Mrs E. O. Whitlock and Mr and Mrs Stanley Whitlock entertained the following guests Sunday at a family Christmas dinner: Mr and Mrs Peter Daniels and family of Detroit, Mr and Mrs Earl J. Whitlock and family of rural Lansing and Mr and Mrs Willis Hettler Jr. and family of St. Johns.

Mr and Mrs Maurice Blank and Billie had an early Christmas dinner with the former's mother, Mrs. Charles Blank of St. Johns Sunday.

Eureka

By Mrs. Gordon Waggoner

Yule program held Saturday

EUREKA — The Christmas program was held Saturday evening at the Eureka Congregational Christian Church.

Twenty-four in the Chancel Choir with Barbara Waggoner at the organ and Reta Gower at the piano, began the program by singing "Silent Night."

Otto Gower was in charge of the program. Lela Clark offered prayer with Dorothy Henry leading in the reading of Scripture. Seventeen young folks recited their Christmas pieces. A song "Once In Royal David's City" was sung by the Cherub Choir.

"Come to the Stable" was sung by Barbara Waggoner. Jean and Rhonda Lewis sang a duet. They were accompanied by Reta Gower.

"King and Savior" was narrated by Henry Howard, and sung by the Chancel Choir.

Cherub and Sunday School choirs joined together and sang "No Room in the Inn." Then all three choirs sang "Hail Our Savior."

THE FAREWELL was given by little Ann Eakins. Closing prayer was given by Elaine Snyder.

The collection of the evening was sent to the Cleveland Christian Home for Children.

The tree in front of the church was decorated by Bill Blank.

YOUTH MEETS

The Youth Fellowship will meet Tuesday, Dec. 28 at 1 p.m. at the church and they will make hard tack. Everyone is asked to bring a pair of scissors.

There will be no choir practices at the Eureka Congregational Christian Church until Jan. 12.

Wednesday, the Bible Study group will meet at 10 a.m. and will pack boxes for shut-ins. If anyone wishes to contribute to this be sure to have it there by Wednesday morning. At 7:30 p.m. the Youth Fellowship will carol and deliver the boxes.

The Middletons Pastor, Betty David, Tim and Mark are coming home for Christmas. They will be staying in their former home at the parsonage, which is being prepared for them. Pastor Middleton will be preaching here Dec. 26 and Jan. 2. They are now from Danville, Ky.

The Rev. Vliet of Lansing was the guest speaker Sunday for the Worship Hour at the Eureka Congregational Christian Church.

Fowler

Mrs. Alfred Lounds
Phone 382-2490

Fowler Conservation Club will meet January 4 at 8 p.m. at the Fire Hall. All members are urged to attend as this is a very important meeting.

Fowler TOPS Club entertained their husbands at the Lebanon Grange hall at their annual Christmas dinner on Dec. 16. There was a gift exchange.

Mr and Mrs Robert Leyer of Lansing called on relatives in Fowler on Sunday.

Lion's Club held their annual Christmas party at the Fowler Hotel on Tuesday Dec. 21 at 6:30 p.m. with their wives as guests. Rev. Lawrence Parkhurst was the speaker. Gifts were exchanged.

Riley and Olive

By Mrs. Goldie Moore

Mr and Mrs Stanley Fedewa are at home to their friends, neighbors and relatives at their farm on N. Airport Road after spending their honeymoon in Florida.

Mr and Mrs Frank Plaza and family were Sunday supper guests of Mr and Mrs Valentine Stoy and family and also celebrated their annual Christmas get-together.

Mr and Mrs Ray Moore were among the dinner guests of Mr and Mrs Lester Carrington of Lake Lansing Sunday. This was the Christmas reunion of the Moore brothers and sisters.

Mr and Mrs Lloyd Ballard and family of DeWitt entertained the following for their annual family Christmas dinner Sunday: Mr and Mrs LeRoy Miller, Dianne and Dave Haggerty of Lansing, Mr and Mrs Douglas Miller and family, Mr and Mrs Gerald Diehm of St. Johns, Earl Miller and Mr and Mrs Raymond Thayer and family.

Mr and Mrs Lewis Silm of Riley were Sunday evening visitors of Mr and Mrs Ray Moore.

Miss Carole Stoy is spending two weeks with her family, Mr and Mrs Valentine Stoy, Bill and Sharon.

Mr and Mrs Dale Blizard were Sunday dinner guests of their parents, Mr and Mrs Fred Grove and family. It was also their family Christmas party.

South Watertown

By Mrs. Bruce Hodges

The Starr Aid Society met at Woodhaven Center Thursday evening for a ham supper. Pictures of Nova Scotia were shown by Herbert Calhoun of Grand Ledge. A box of gifts was sent to Traverse City State Hospital and two children were remembered at the Mt. Pleasant State Home and Training School. Many senior members and shut-ins will receive plants.

Mr and Mrs Charles Doheer and Mr and Mrs Lyman Morrison and family of Howell and Mr and Mrs Robert Fedewa were Sunday dinner guests of Mr and Mrs Lewis Lonier.

Mr and Mrs Mark Oliver were dinner guests of Mr and Mrs George Gilg of Springport on Thursday evening. Present were the two great-grandsons of the Olivers and their parents, Capt. and Mrs. John Gilg of Vance Air Force Base, Okla.

Mr and Mrs Lewis Lonier took a bus load of children from St. Therese School to Detroit Wednesday to attend "The Sound of Music."

Members of the Hobby Circle entertained their husbands at a Christmas party at Woodhaven Center Tuesday evening.

Mr and Mrs Lewis Lonier and daughter attended a birthday party Saturday evening at the home of Mr and Mrs Clarence Trierweiler of Howell.

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★ IN MEMORIAM

In memory of my George who passed away seven years ago December 24. Gone but not forgotten.—His wife, Mrs Sarah Young. 35-1p

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I wish to express my sincere thanks and appreciation for the many cards and gifts sent to me while I was in the hospital and since my return home. These many acts of kindness and thoughtfulness will always be remembered.—E. Bard Fish. 35-1p

I wish to thank Drs Grost and Stoller, the nurses, nurses' aids for the wonderful care while I was in Clinton Memorial hospital. Also to my relatives, friends and Rev Raymond and ladies of the Nazarene church for calls, cards and flowers.—Mrs Lotie Ordway. 35-1p

As I can't see I'm taking this way to express my thanks to all of those that have sent me cards and gifts and to thank all of those who have entertained me so royally on my 95th birthday and especially Mrs Buehler who opened her house and entertained my guests, and especially the Clinton County News for their service. It is all appreciated.—Huldah J. Rice. 35-1p

The family of Julius J. Koeningknecht wishes to express their sincere thanks and appreciation to the staffs of Lansing General and Henry Ford hospitals. We also wish to thank Mrs Albert Schmitt, Jerome Schmitt, Lawrence Parkhurst and the Dominican Nuns for their visits and services. The Goerge Funeral Home for their kindness and services, the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus, the Knights of Columbus Council 5027 of Fowler, the Holy Name Society, the Farmers' Co-Op Elevator and directors. A very special thanks to the administration and faculty of the Fowler Public and Parochial schools. Also to the school board members for their many visits while he was in the hospital. We also wish to thank all who sent spiritual offerings, floral tributes and cards. Many thanks to relatives, neighbors and friends for the food they sent and in any way assisted us before, during and after our recent bereavement. It was all deeply appreciated. 35-1p

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A Merry Christmas
May you enjoy warmth and cheer, friendships dear... and every joy of the holiday season!

IT'S Christmastime!
We add our voice to the chorus... wishing all our good friends a very Merry Christmas!



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I wish to thank relatives, friends, neighbors and Dr. Smith for their kindness, gifts and cards while being laid up with my broken leg.—Dorella Marten. 35-1p

I want to thank Dr. Henthorn, nurses and aids for their fine care at Clinton Memorial hospital. Also to Rev. Schiefer for his visits and to all friends and relatives who were so kind while I was in Veterans' hospital at Ann Arbor for about four months.—Commander Carl G. Light, Clinton County Disabled American Veterans. 35-1p

I wish to thank Dr. Jordan, the staff at Carson City hospital, the coach and assistant coach of the Fowler football team for their care. Also the faculty, students, relatives, friends and neighbors for their visits, gifts and cards sent me while I was in the hospital and since my return home.—David N. Koenigsnecht. 35-1p

I wish to thank Drs. Loughrin and George, the nuns and nursing staff at St. Lawrence hospital for their wonderful care. Mrs. Miller, Sulka and Dennis for their visits. Special thanks to my relatives, neighbors and friends for the visits, cards and the wonderful food sent to my family during my stay at St. Lawrence hospital.—Mrs. Agnes Arens. 35-1p

The family of William M. Schmitt wishes to express sincere thanks and appreciation to Dr. Cook, Frs Miller, Schmitt, Theis, Gutha, Sulka and the Geller Funeral Home for their services. Also the St. Joseph Society, pallbearers and all who sent spiritual offerings, floral tributes and cards. Special thanks to relatives, neighbors and friends who sent food and in any way assisted us during and after our recent bereavement. It was all deeply appreciated. 35-1p

★ CARDS OF THANKS

I wish to thank Dr. Russell, nurses and nurses' aids of Clinton Memorial hospital for their excellent care given me during my stay there. Also my Sunday School class, WSSC class, WSSW, my friends, neighbors, relatives for the flowers, cards, gifts and calls. Thanks to Jim Mohnke, Lyle Hallead and Bob Randolph for helping with chores and Rev. Crotsler for his frequent calls. They were all greatly appreciated.—Warren Coffman. 35-1p

★ LEGAL NOTICES

Sale Mohnke—Jan. 28
STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Clinton.
Estate of
HERMAN MOHNKE a/k/a
HERMAN ERNEST MOHNKE
Deceased

It is Ordered that on Friday, January 28, 1966, at 9:30 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom in the City of St. Johns, Michigan, a hearing be held on the petition of W. M. Luecht, administrator, for license to sell real estate of said deceased. Persons interested in said estate are directed to appear at said hearing to show cause why such license should not be granted.
Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.

TIMOTHY M. GREEN,
Judge of Probate.
Dated: December 17, 1965
Alba F. Wert of Wert & Wood
Attorney for Estate
115 E. Walker
St. Johns, Michigan 35-3

Ballinger—Jan. 19
STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Clinton.
Estate of
HARRY W. BALLINGER, Deceased

It is Ordered that on Wednesday, January 19, 1966, at 10:00 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom in St. Johns, Michigan, a hearing be held on the petition of Jean Harte for probate of a purported will, for granting of administration to the executor named, or some other estate person, and for a determination of heirs.
Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.

TIMOTHY M. GREEN,
Judge of Probate.
Dated: December 17, 1965
Walker & Moore
By: Jack Walker
Attorney for Petitioner
Clinton National Bank Bldg.
St. Johns, Michigan 35-3

Schafer—Mar. 2
STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Clinton.
Estate of
JOHN SCHAFER

It is Ordered that on Wednesday, March 2, 1966, at 9:30 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom in St. Johns, Michigan, a hearing 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 Pauline Schaefer, Fowler, Michigan prior to said hearing.
Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.

TIMOTHY M. GREEN,
Judge of Probate.
Dated: December 17, 1965
Walker & Moore
By: Jack Walker
Attorney for Petitioner
Clinton National Bank Bldg.
St. Johns, Michigan 35-3

Schavey—Jan. 19
STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Clinton.
Estate of
EDWARD SCHAVEY, Deceased

It is Ordered that on Wednesday, January 19, 1966, at 10:00 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom in St. Johns, Michigan, a hearing be held on the petition of Ford Schavey for appointment of an administrator, and for a determination of heirs.
Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.

TIMOTHY M. GREEN,
Judge of Probate.
Dated: December 17, 1965
Walker & Moore
By: Jack Walker
Attorney for Estate
Clinton National Bank Bldg.
St. Johns, Michigan 35-3

Eagle

Mrs Charles Higbee

IT'S A GIRL

A daughter was born to Mr and Mrs James Becker of Marquette Dec. 7. They have named her, Allison Dawn.

W.O.C. R. S. Herring arrived home Saturday night from Fort Wolters, Texas, to spend a few days with his family.

Mr and Mrs Dan Barnes and sons of Jones were overnight guests of Mrs Mildred Barnes recently.

Mike Winegar of Florida is spending a few days at the John Catlins home.

Mr and Mrs Claude Crandall and Carole of Charlotte were Sunday evening callers of Mr and Mrs Hazen Crandall.

Mrs Neal Kebler and sons of Charlotte were supper guests one night last week at the home of Mrs Alta Keblers.

Mr and Mrs Fred Biergens spent Sunday with Mr and Mrs Paul Winegar and family of Lansing.

East Victor

By Mrs Ray Ketchum

Mrs Herbert Bishop and her father Jesse Perkins called on Mr and Mrs Bert Angles of Owosso Thursday afternoon.

Mr and Mrs Harry Rosekrans of St. Johns spent Sunday with his sister Mr and Mrs Gerald Barrett.

Mr and Mrs Howard Dennis and Mr and Mrs Robert Dennis and family attended their family Christmas dinner Sunday at the home of the formers sister Mr and Mrs Edgar Dean of Saginaw.

Finnish Christmas described

Finnish exchange student Hannele Laurila of Muhos, Finland, provided St. Johns Rotarians with an insight into the Christmas traditions of her homeland when she spoke to the Rotary Club Tuesday noon.

Also on the program were the St. Johns High School Wilsonettes, a girl's vocal group, which presented three numbers. John Rumbaugh was program chairman for the day.

MISS LAURILA said that since Finland is so far north daylight is very limited during the winter months (only about six hours Tuesday), Christmas is looked forward to because it is a time of joy and light.

The Christmas holiday in Finland is about 2 1/2 days long, and on Christmas Eve Day, stores and businesses close at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. On Christmas Eve the tradition is to take flowers and plants to friends, and then for the men to cut the Christmas tree, which is a spruce, rather than a pine such as Americans seem to lean to.

A CHRISTMAS Eve sauna is a tradition, too, and then families in the communities carry candles to the village cemetery where they are all placed on the graves there. Miss Laurila described the sight as beautiful with thousands of candles burning in the dark against a snowy background.

Church services on Christmas Day begin at 5 a.m. and many follow the old traditions of going to church in a horse-drawn sleigh.

Westphalia

Mrs Daniel Spitzley
Box 66, Westphalia—587-4554

Christmas party attended by 80

WESTPHALIA — Eighty members of the Daughters of Isabella attended their Christmas Party Thursday evening in St. Mary's Hall. Two Christmas skits were presented. "The Blue Shawl" was acted out by Germaine Miller, Aggie Stump, and Jeanne Cook. Audrey Riley and Rita Witgen appeared in "Santa Stuck in the Chimney." A lunch was served by Ester Thelen, Clara Knoop, Mary Ann Fedewa, Rita Witgen, Theresa Thelen and Cele Platte. The toys collected by those attending will be sent to the Spanish-speaking in Lansing.

Christmas concert held Sunday

WESTPHALIA — The Music Department of Pewamo - Westphalia High School presented their Christmas Concert on Sunday afternoon at the school. The audience participated in caroling during the "Christmas Story." The Hallelujah Chorus was sung by the Glee Club, Chorus, German Glee Club and community signers accompanied by the bands at the finale.

Bowlers at the K of C Lanes in Westphalia will be treated this week to a lunch served after each shift has completed their matches. Henry Thelen, Willie Hanses, John A. Thelen and Harold Fedewa, lunch committee members of the Building Corp. are responsible for this yearly event.

A daughter, Patricia Ann, was born to Mr and Mrs Albert Arens Dec. 16 at Clinton Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 pounds, 6 ounces. Mrs Arens is the former Maureen Bertram.

A daughter, Arleen Kay, was born to Mr and Mrs Alvin Smith Dec. 14 at St. Lawrence Hospital, weighing 6 pounds, 15 ounces.

A daughter, Beth Ann, was born to Mr and Mrs Jerry Miller Dec. 2, weighing 5 pounds and 12 ounces.

A son was born to Mr and Mrs Ray Rowell Dec. 18, at Carson City Hospital weighing 7 pounds, 12 ounces. Mrs Rowell is the former Catherine Knoop.

A son, Nick, was born to Mr and Mrs Gene Geller at St. Mary's Hospital in Grand Rapids Dec. 19, weighing 8 pounds and 11 ounces.

The Mary Simon family, Mary Bengel, and Dorothy Platte were entertained at a Christmas party and dinner at the Arnold Armbrushmacher home in Fowler Sunday.

Fr. Martin Miller is visiting his brother, Fr. Miller following a business trip to Rome.

Mr and Mrs Donald Miller and Mrs John Miller attended an NFO convention at St. Louis, Mo. last week. They visited a niece, Sister Albertis at a convent there. Sister Albertis is the former Rosalyn Schueller.



FRANKLIN REMUS



KATHERINE REMUS

Mr and Mrs Franklin Remus are now home on leave prior to an early January departure for Nigeria where they will serve in the United States Peace Corps. Mr Remus is the son of Mr and Mrs Rex Remus of R-5, St. Johns, and Mrs Remus is the daughter of Mr and Mrs Frederick Nass of Albion. The Remuses have completed 13 weeks of special training at Michigan State University and will be teaching in secondary schools in Nigeria, replacing volunteers who will soon be completing their two-year terms of service. During their training, the Remuses studied Igbo, Yoruba or Hausa, the three major languages of Nigeria, as well as educational theory and methods as they apply to teaching in Nigeria, West African history and culture, United States history, and world affairs; health and physical conditioning rounded out the training program.

Pewamo

By MRS. IRENE FOX, Correspondent—Phone 824-2021

Yule potluck for Blue Star Moms

PEWAMO — A Christmas potluck with 16 members of the Blue Star Mothers was held Monday evening Dec. 13. Following the meal there was an exchange of gifts. The room was decorated with a Christmas tree and many gifts around it.

The evening was spent playing Pedro, Mrs Ernest Schafer was the high scorer, Mrs Freda Davarn received consolation prize and Mrs Irene Fox the mystery package. Mrs Regina Kramer was the hostess and was assisted by Mrs James Cotter Sr. and Mrs Katherine Geller. The hostess for Jan. 19 will be Mrs Joseph J. Fox.

KLEIN FUNERAL SERVICE
Funeral services were held Monday Dec. 20 at 9 a.m. at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Ionia, for Mrs Clara Klein, 72, who passes away at her home Friday night. Mrs Klein is survived by her husband, William, two daughters and one sister. Mrs Klein was the daughter of the late Mr and Mrs William Whittaker of Pewamo. Interment was in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Pewamo. The body reposed at Myers Funeral Home in Ionia.

HE IS 80
Mr and Mrs Phil Waigle and Mr and Mrs Joseph Haskins came to help Floyd Bissell celebrate his 80th birthday. The birthday date was Dec. 9.

Mr and Mrs Howard Cook and family were Sunday dinner guests of their mother Mrs Isadore Cook.

Mrs Joseph Klein Sr. had her family and grandchildren home during the Christmas weekend. James Long and Harold Cook spent Thursday in Lansing on business.

Mr and Mrs Larry Swanson and son of Dearborn spent the weekend with their aunt and uncle Josephine and Alex Martin.

Matt Miller spent a few days with his son, Mr and Mrs Jay Miller and family of Portland during the past week.

IT'S A GIRL

Mrs Velma Gillespie of Pewamo became a great grandmother Dec. 15, when Sherrie Lynn Langseth arrived. She was born on Dec. 15 to Mr and Mrs Bryon Langseth of La Mirada, California, and weighed 8 pounds. Mrs Langseth is the former Linette Winkler.

FAMILY GATHERING
The Schafer family of the late Mr and Mrs Henry Schafer, had a family get together at the home of Mrs Mary Young of Portland Sunday Dec. 19. A potluck meal was served and an exchange of gifts was held. Those present were Mrs Rose Stump, Mr and Mrs Charles Cook of Pewamo, Mrs Aurelia Anderson of Lansing, Mr and Mrs Joseph Hauck of Mount Pleasant, Mr and Mrs Ed Schafer of Clare, Mr and Mrs Louie Schafer, Mr and Mrs Otto Schafer of Westphalia, Mrs Hilda Schafer and Mrs Laurine Schafer of Pewamo.

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Krepps District

By Mrs Lucille Heibeck

Miss Eileen Thelen entertained a group of her friends at a Christmas party at the home of her parents, Mr and Mrs Carl Thelen, Sunday afternoon.

Ronald Smith returned home from Hesston College, Hesston, Kan., Saturday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr and Mrs George E. Smith.

Mr and Mrs Ronald Cuthbert attended the Fricke-Gill wedding and reception at the St. Johns Methodist Church Friday evening.

Ronald, Donald, Jack and Dick Cuthbert visited the planetarium at MSU Friday evening with the Country Klub 4-H group.

Mr and Mrs Jack Jason of Lansing spent Saturday evening with Mr and Mrs Ronald Cuthbert and sons.

Mr and Mrs Ronald Cuthbert and sons entertained Mr and Mrs Tom Faivor and family, Mr and Mrs Charles Faivor and family, Mr and Mrs Leon Miller and family and Mr and Mrs Joey Miller and family at a pre-Christmas dinner and gift exchange, Sunday.

Mr and Mrs Edwin Heibeck attended the Fricke-Gill wedding and reception at the St. Johns Methodist Church Friday evening.

Mr and Mrs Richard Cramer and Crystine attended a Christmas party at the home of Mr and Mrs James Cramer of Bath, Sunday evening.

Max Leonard entered Clinton Memorial Hospital for observation, Sunday.

Eureka

By MRS. GORDON WAGGONER, Correspondent

Mrs Peck was guest speaker for Study Clubs

EUREKA — The Eureka Child Study Club met with the St. Johns Child Study Club Group at the home of Mrs Lawrence Heibeck of Lambert Drive last Wednesday, Dec. 15. There were 11 from Eureka and 11 of the St. Johns Clubs present.

The meeting was conducted by the president of the St. Johns Club and then Mrs Ray Peck of the Eureka Club was presented. She had the program for the evening, Mrs Peck talked on "International Opportunities."

The Peck family has had several foreign students as guests in their farm home east of Eureka.

4-H MEETS AT SNYDERS

The annual monthly meeting of the 4-H general meeting was held on Tuesday evening, Dec. 14 in the recreation basement room of the Guy Snyder home on North US-27. The 7:30 meeting was held and then games were played. A foreign student from Mexico, who spent some time with the McQueen family was also a guest. The evening committee was, Bishop, Bunce and Jorae.

DeWitt

Mrs Leo Hanson
Telephone 669-9384

The Thursday Afternoon Club met at the home of Myrtle Gelbeck Dec. 16. Mrs Ruth Gross was the co-hostess. Five dollars was sent to Starr Commonwealth. The mystery prize was won by Mrs Belbeck. High score at euchre went to Mrs John Seegar and low to Shirley Andreas.

The next meeting will be Jan. 27 at the home of Betty Leak with a potluck dinner at 12:30 p.m. and election of officers.

Mr and Mrs Don Martemucci and family left Friday for a two-week vacation in Florida.

The DeWitt Job's Daughters initiated Paultette Mulford, Kathy Perry and Mary Lou Cutsinger into this order Thursday evening before a large crowd. The Daughters made special formations honoring Eastern Star and Master Mason members present.

Ian Christie, a student at MSU from Glasgow, Scotland spent the weekend at the Leo Hanson home. Saturday afternoon he and Mrs Hanson visited the Franciscan Retreat Home and Sunday afternoon Mr Christie, Mrs Hanson and Crystal visited in the home of Mr and Mrs Colin McGregor in Mason. The McGregors were former DeWitt residents and originally came from Glasgow.

Mrs Elsie Woodruff left this week by plane for Florida, where she will spend the holidays with her daughter, Mrs Clarice Elbert and family.

There was a coffee hour following services at DeWitt Community Church Sunday honoring Cayle Beagle, who has served as one of the organists of the church for the past year and is leaving this position at this time. There will be a candlelight and carol service at the church on Christmas Eve, followed by an open house hosted by Rev and Mrs Daniel Klein at the parsonage.

Mr and Mrs Leo Hanson attended the funeral of Mr Hanson's grand-nieces, Julie and Judy Hendrickson in Harrison Tuesday. The two little girls were and four, respectively, were drowned in Budd Lake when the sled on which they were sliding crashed through the ice.

Markets

St. Johns

DECEMBER 23, 1965

Corn, Shelled	\$1.20
New White Wheat	1.56
Oats (36 lbs.)	.70
Navy Beans	8.40
Dark Red Kidneys	8.25
Soybeans	2.44

Egg Market

Large White	\$.40
Small	.23
Medium	.32

FWOLER

Corn	\$1.21
Oats (36 lbs.)	.70
New Soybeans	2.44
Beans	8.40
Wheat	1.56

NFO hears of convention

NFO members meeting at Westphalia Dec. 11 heard a report of the national convention and reports from three committee chairmen.

Don Miller gave the convention report, noting that members of NFO have shipped 500,000 hogs to one point in Indiana. They have set up 125 plants or collection points. On a humorous note, he recalled a Minnesota man saying he had read in a newspaper where there was "a shortage of surplus milk."

REG STEVENS, county grain chairman, asked all members with soybeans and edible beans to attend a grain meeting at Rankin, Mich. Elmo Giffels, area meat chairman, reported that non-members may also sell through marketing arrangements and thereby save marketing expenses.

Harold Bracey, dairy chairman, reported that dairy farmers will enjoy a price rise like the ones enjoyed by the meat growers.

ELECTION OF officers will be held at the January meeting, which will be held at the St. Johns Municipal Building. A potluck supper will be served and will be open to the public.

Poster aids parents during baby mishaps

If your child accidentally swallows a foreign object, drinks some boiling water, tips over a pan of boiling water, or is injured in any way, you may save his life or at least be able to help him at once if you have the information that's quickly available on a baby emergencies poster now being distributed free by the Michigan Health Council.

The poster, which can be attached to the telephone book, medicine cabinet or any readily accessible place, graphically points out the important immediate action a parent or baby sitter can take in relieving suffering from bites, burns, convulsions, wounds, fractures, dental injuries, poisoning and foreign objects lodged in the nose, throat or ear. In addition, the poster illustrates the steps necessary in mouth-to-mouth resuscitation and artificial respiration.

Copies of the poster, which has the enthusiastic support of the Michigan State Medical Society, are being distributed free of charge as a public service of the Michigan Health Council. Copies can be obtained by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to John A. Doherty, executive director, Michigan Health Council, P.O. Box 431, East Lansing, Mich.

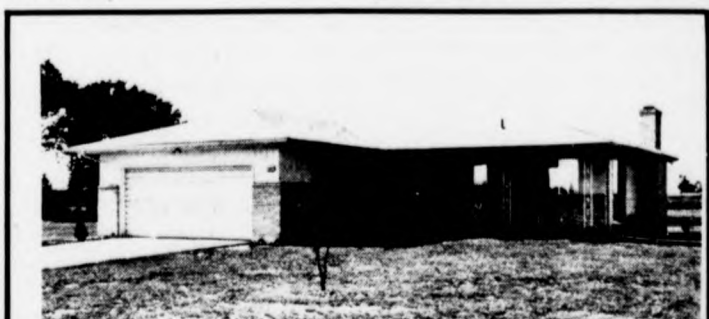


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Mobile home court planners seek zoning

A zoning hearing will be held today (Thursday) on a petition by Capitol Underwriters of Lansing regarding rezoning of property west of the City of DeWitt to allow construction of a mobile home park.

The request came after recent denial by the City of DeWitt of a petition to annex property the corporation owns at the west edge of the city.

THE DEWITT City Council turned the annexation request down on the recommendation of the city planning commission. The planners, in their written report to the council, made these points in recommending the denial:

Trailer parks and mobile home parks will depreciate residential property in any area, especially property near or adjacent to the park. The installation of privately owned public water systems, sewer systems and private streets within the corporate limits of any city or village is "the worst type of municipal development."

age in the land under lease (only a portion of the property being leased is planned for mobile homes, the company said). If the city adopts a policy or provides municipal sewer service to mobile home parks, the trend would be to encourage additional parks. A large mobile home court as proposed would soon necessitate widening and major improvements on West Main Street. The trailer residents would pay only a fraction of the taxes that other residents would pay.

The rezoning request to the county is for a change from Class B residential to Class D agricultural.

City Brevities

Mrs. Lula Boak of Jackson Nursing Home spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Benjamin and family of near Fowler. Thirty-five were present at the pre-Christmas dinner. In the afternoon Kelvin Boak and family telephoned from Cosa Mesa, California.

Many people have the ability to make use of others' talents.

None are so blind that they can't see the faults of others.

NO COMMITMENTS have been made as to what use would be made of the remaining acre-



Goldie Brooks; Richard Schmidt, public health consultant; Gladys Rydeen, health educator; Dr. Mildred Nicholas of the State Health Department, Mrs. Van Hoag; Mrs. Albert Fruchtl, chairman; and Robert Waite of the Michigan Division of the American Cancer Society discuss plans to get the cancer screening program underway.

Cancer screening drive to begin February 15

F. W. Smith, M.D., president of the Clinton County Medical Society is urging all women over 21 to make an appointment with their doctor for a physical examination as part of the cervical cancer screening program being sponsored by the County Health Unit, the local physicians, the local chapter of the American Cancer Society and the Michigan Department of Health.

"Cervical cancer is one of the most easily cured forms of the disease when discovered early," Dr. Smith said. "But if it is not detected until such signs as pain and bleeding occur, the chances of successful treatment are decreased."

According to figures compiled by the Michigan Department of

Health, 314 women died from cervical cancer in 1964.

"These were all needless deaths," said Dr. John Cowan of the Michigan Department of Health, "because there is a technique known as the Papanicolaou test which can detect the presence of cancer of the cervix in the early stages before any outward or visible signs are evident. If these women had been having a regular health checkup, including a "Pap" test, most of them would probably be alive today."

In the "Pap" test, the doctor obtains a specimen of secretions from the cervix and sends it to a laboratory where it is examined under a microscope for the presence of cancerous cells.

During the cervical cancer screening program which will run from Feb. 15 to April 30, 1966, the Michigan Department of Health will pay for the laboratory examination, while the individual will be expected to pay for her office call. This is for residents of Clinton County only.

The initial planning session was held Monday at the Congregational Church with 41 present. Mrs. Albert Fruchtl presided. The main speakers came from the Michigan State Department of Health.

The Department will supply two films, "Time and Two Women" and "Breast Self-Examination," which will be available to women's organizations throughout Clinton County.

Blue Star Moms hold Yule party

The Blue Star Mothers of St. Johns met at the Senior Citizens Center on Dec. 14 for a 6:30 p.m. potluck supper with 30 members present.

Following the supper a short business meeting was held with President Mary Masarik in charge.

Mrs. Alberta Brock won the mystery prize.

Installation of the newly-elected officers will take place at the next meeting, Jan. 11.

Mrs. Mable Maier took charge of the Christmas program which consisted of readings by Mrs. Grace Shipley, Mrs. Eunice Rice and Mrs. Maier.

The group enjoyed a Christmas song program in which all the mothers took part, with Mrs. Mildred Countryman accompanist. Mrs. Countryman was a special invited guest to assist in the singing.

The distribution of gifts was handled by Mrs. Grace Shipley and Eunice Rice who acted as Santa Claus. Mrs. Maier matched the numbers for the gifts.

Swagart-Redman rites held Dec. 18

First Methodist Church was the setting for the Saturday evening marriage of Miss Linda Lou Swagart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Swagart of St. Johns, and Porter W. Redman. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Merle Redman, St. Johns.

The bride's white dress was appliqued with lace and featured a bell shaped skirt and a chapel train. For something old she carried a handkerchief made by her maternal grandmother in 1896. A Swedish crown held her elbow length veil in place. She carried a bouquet of red and white roses.

Miss Judy Sacia, of East Lansing served as maid of honor. She wore a gown of Christmas green velvet. Dressed in red gowns were Miss Cheryl Swagart, sister of the bride, Miss Linda Redman and Miss Lols Redman, sisters of the bridegroom, all bridesmaids.

EUGENE LIVINGSTON served as best man while Gary Swagart, brother of the bride, Harold Rouget of Bronson and Allan Boron ushered.

For her daughter's wedding, Mrs. Swagart wore a pink wool ensemble with matching accessories. Mrs. Redman was attired in a two-piece blue brocade suit with blue accessories.

Hosting the reception for 150 guests held in the church basement were Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hagler. Assisting at the reception were Miss Joyce Lennehan, Mrs. D. C. Phelps, Mrs. Richard Swagart, Mrs. Gary Schultz, Mrs. Wayne Fligg and Mrs. Ronald Cobb.

East Victor

By Mrs. Ray Ketchum

I wish every one a Merry Christmas.

The Ketchum family had their Christmas dinner at the Victor town hall. Guests were from Swartz Creek, Owosso and Laingsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald and sons and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ketchum spent Saturday evening with the former's parents Mr. and Mrs. Paul Strouse of Mason.

County Line News

By Mrs. Doris Fisher

The Christmas Story as taken from the second Chapter of Luke was the scripture and sermon topic at Salem EUB Church Sunday morning. An infant dedication service followed. Brian Mark Phillips, Michael Leroy Conine, Jeffery Lynn, Yovanne Ann and Connie Marie Pattison were brought forward for dedication to God.

Rev. Lawrence Taylor, district superintendent for Salem EUB Church will be holding Local Conference at Salem EUB Church Jan. 5 at 8 p.m.

There will be a Congregational meeting at Salem EUB Church Jan. 8 pertaining to the building of a parsonage.

Dorrence Patterson of St. Johns and N. C. Patterson of Bannister called Sunday on their parents Mr. and Mrs. Harry Patterson and attended open house honoring the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Jeane Burnham of Pompeii Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Dorothy Moon, Mrs. Doris Fisher, Mrs. Pat Pattison and Mrs. Sharon Vincent spent Tuesday with Mrs. Donna Harnick in Flint.

Alward-Plowman District

By Bernice Wohlert

Mr. and Mrs. John Greenfield received word from their son, Lyle Greenfield, that he was all right after the accident on the USS Kitty Hawk.

Mrs. Jack Wohlert called on Mrs. Walt Frey at St. Lawrence Hospital.

Callers of Mrs. Gust Martzke during the week and Sunday afternoon were Mrs. Albert Yanz, Mrs. Lawrence Mergnac, Mrs. Riney Henning and Mrs. Mabel Westmorland.

Kenneth Wohlert is home from MSU for the Christmas holidays. Miss Carol Greenfield is spending the Christmas holidays at her home.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Wohlert and family from South Haven spent the weekend at his parents home, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wohlert. The Wohlerts had their family Christmas dinner on Sunday. Guests were the Leon Wohlerts, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Wohlert and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Voisinet and family and Ken and Betty Wohlert.

The Leon Wohlerts were Saturday evening supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Edwards at St. Johns. They called on Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wood and family of St. Johns.

Worry is the interest people pay for their past mistakes.

Silver wedding fete set



Mr. and Mrs. Rex D. Phillips of R-5, St. Johns, will be honored on their silver wedding anniversary with an open house at the Birmingham Grange Sunday, Jan. 2. Hosts for the party, scheduled from 2 to 5 p.m., will be the couple's children.

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'Frosty' and Friends

Any doubt about what Christmas song these Merle Beach School youngsters were singing Thursday? "Frosty, the Snowman" was the song, and Mark Wawsczyk was Frosty, feeling rather melted by the time the picture was taken. The singers are, left to right, LeRoy Dunsmore, Michelle Wawsczyk, Janice Jaquish, Frosty, Steven Holbrook, Linda Sperry, Vanessa Jaquish and Kery Tipton. The Merle Beach Christmas program was to be presented Wednesday night at the St. Johns High School auditorium.



'Legend of Christmas Candle'

"The Legend of the Christmas Candle" was the topic of the Merle Beach School Christmas program scheduled for Wednesday night at the St. Johns High School auditorium. The participants in the play are: left to right, John Geller, Pat Iszler, Marvin Sperry, Grant Hilts, Charles Geller, Sandra Iszler, Pamela Wawsczyk, Linda Stevens, Debra Jaquish, Mark Wawsczyk and Paul Reiber. Mrs Janice Ninan is teacher at Merle Beach School, located at the corner of Jason and DeWitt roads.

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Christmas Songs for Brown School Parents

Part of the Brown School's Christmas program held Monday night was the singing of Christmas songs by the older children attending the school. The children are shown practicing last Thursday under the direction of Mrs Edna Brookover, music instructor. Left to right are Ricky Doak, Sharon Wood, Debbie Price, David Price, Colleen Wood, Kay Rodman, Diane Sibley, Larry Johnson and Connie Thayer. Mrs Lucille Eggleston is the children's teacher. The program presented by the youngsters of Brown School Monday night was typical of those put on by all rural schools in the St. Johns system.




'Snowman's Christmas Party'

This is the cast of "The Snowman's Christmas Party," an operetta that was presented Monday night by children of the Brown School at Chadwick and DeWitt Roads. Left to right are, front row, Brian Seyfried, Kevin Thayer, Roxann Doak, Kimberly Smith, Debbie Maurer, Mary Lee Zeis and Jeffrey Dieter; back row, Suzanne Schneeberger, Jerry Price, Kitty Rodman, Steven Schneeberger, Sherolyn Smith and Jeannine Wood. Music instructor Mrs Edna Brookover wrote the operetta, which children in other rural schools will also be presenting. Mrs Lucille Eggleston is the teacher at Brown School.

Merry Christmas

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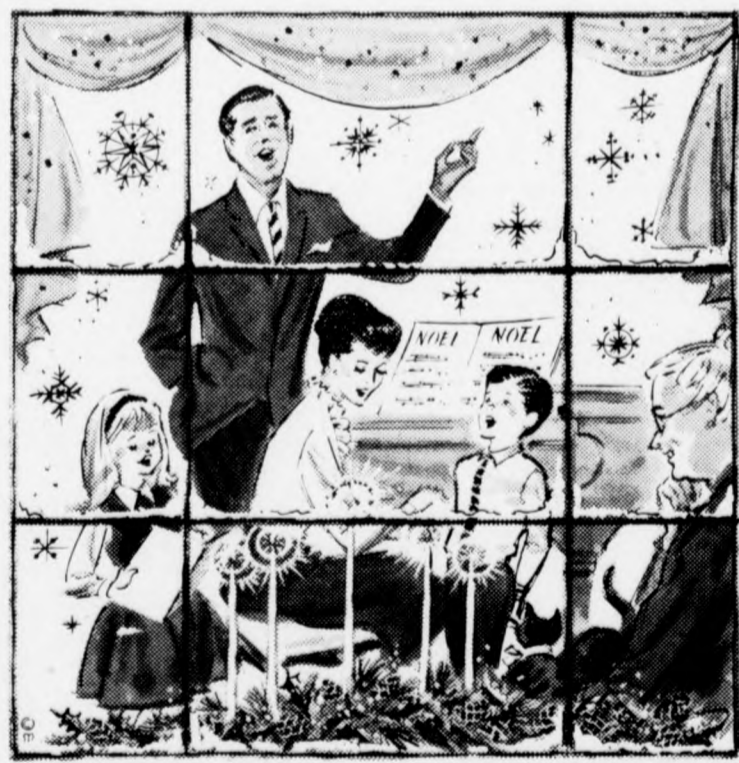


Christmas Wishes

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EDITORIAL PAGE

Angelic announcement of the birth of Christ

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be enrolled. This was the first enrollment, when Quirinius was governor of Syria. And all went to be enrolled, each to his own city.

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child.

AND WHILE THEY were there, the time came for her to be delivered. And she gave birth to her first born son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

And in that region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with fear. And the angel said to them, "Be not afraid, for behold, I bring you good news of a great joy which will come to all the people; for to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a babe wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger."

AND SUDDENLY THERE was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace among men with whom he is pleased!"

When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us."

And they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they saw it they made known the saying which had been told them concerning this child; and all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them. But Mary kept all these things, pondering them in her heart.

And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

-Luke 2:1-20 (RSV)

Gobbledegook grammar confuses even government

"Per cent of Total Family Personal Income Held by Fourth Highest Fifth of the Families and the Highest Fifth Less the Top Five Per Cent of the Families."

This isn't a joke. This statement isn't even a planned riddle. It just happens to be the title of a report submitted by some "expert" in the Department of Labor.

THE TAXPAYER certainly doesn't know what it means. The report certainly confused Lawrence B. Klein, the man responsible for editing the report for the Monthly Labor Review for the Department of Labor. He's confused because he says so.

Klein made his statement in trying to point out that official Washington is approaching a state of crisis in written communication.

He points out that bureaucrats hide behind grammatical gobbledegook for several reasons.

- FEAR OF commitment, of saying what is really meant.
- Showing off of specialized knowledge.
- Just plain laziness and not taking the time to organize, polish.
Clarity in action and in words seem to be something that government eggheads avoid at all possible cost.

A Path to Follow



Back Thru the Years

Interesting Items from the Files of the Clinton County News

10 YEARS AGO From the Files of Dec. 22, 1955

Condemnation jury trial of a case in which the Michigan Aeronautics Commission will seek to extend a runway of the Capital City Airport was set for February 8 by Judge Paul R. Cash in the Circuit Court, Tuesday.

Exclusive privilege for sale of all souvenirs, food and drinks on the streets and in other public places was granted to the St. Johns Centennial, Inc., for the city's celebration of the city's birthday next July 18-22 inclusive, by the City Commission, Tuesday night.

City Commission members instructed City Manager Everett Thompson, Tuesday night, to check up immediately on the engineering plans for the sewer and sewage treatment construction, already delayed nearly two months beyond the last promised completion date.

25 YEARS AGO From the Files of Dec. 26, 1940

Michigan State College, oldest and quite possibly the largest agricultural education institution in the United States, is to have a new president July 1, 1941, in the person of John A. Hannah, 38-year-old secretary of the State Board of Agriculture. Hannah will succeed his father-in-law, Dr Robert S. Shaw, 69, who will retire at the close of the present year after serving as president since May, 1938.

Sixteen Clinton County men, all of them single, and ranging in age from 21 to 33 years, have passed their physical examinations, been placed in Class 1 and are awaiting their call for service in the nation's new draft army on Jan. 1, 1941.

50 YEARS AGO From the Files of Dec. 23, 1915

After completing her Saturday night and Christmas trading Mrs A. E. Murphy living south of Lansing, returned to find her horse and buggy gone from the place where it had been tied. Sunday morning the thieves sold the horse and outfit to Guy Parsons, hotel keeper in DeWitt for \$20. In the afternoon he traded the horse to Ralph Cressman of Riley. This was the story Sheriff Cramer learned when he located the horse in Riley. Mr Cressman returned the horse to Mr Parsons who in turn returned it to its owner. The officials of Ingham have not yet located the thieves.

Clinton County has a fine lot of students attending the M. A. C. They are now home on vacation. The list is as follows: Lee Brewbaker, William H. Curtis, Jesse C. Green, Aletha Keiser, Clarence Hiller, Theron Ingersoll, Maurice Jewett, Hessel Anderson, Herold Putnam, Glenn Osgood, Van Matthews, St. Johns, Clarence Tubbs, Ovid. Prosecuting Attorney E. H. Fehling will address the Congregational Men's club next Sunday.

Christmas!

By W. E. DOBSON

What is the essence of Christmas? Wherein lies its magic to men? Why do we welcome its coming, Over and over again? Where do we search for the secret? How measure the uplift and joy, That fill every day with new meaning, For the young and old, girl and boy?

Christmas is giving, not getting, Though tax-gatherers often hold sway, Their's is no part of the story. The Wise Men relate of that day; Who finds the true spirit of Christmas, Finds ways to make answer to needs— Christmas is giving, not getting, Fulfilling the word with new deeds.



RAMBLIN' with Rink

By LOWELL G. RINKER

We're told that in days gone by, the coming of Christmas had a much different meaning than it has today. It meant the family gathering at grandmother's on Christmas Eve, and in the merriest of fashions putting up the Christmas tree — freshly cut from the woods by the men.

It meant the youngsters slyly nibbling at popcorn as they gayly put it on the strings to wrap around the tree. The ladies would put the tinsel and jolts on and everyone would join in dangleing icicles from the very tips of the limbs. Oh, what fun when the whole family met for Christmas.

SLOWLY THE house would grow quiet, and the crackling logs in the fireplace would dim to glowing embers. Even the children, so boisterous earlier, were now quiet — scarcely breathing lest they nothear Santa Claus arrive. But sleep always came on the falling snow, and always before Santa did.

Christmas morning always started early, even before that tasty breakfast of pancakes, bacon and eggs. The house was a shambles of torn and scattered wrapping paper. No one could help but laugh and begay — the family was together at Christmas.

BY THE TIME everybody started home late Christmas Day, the spirit of that day and its joys and meaning were locked in the heart of each person.

But times change, and people drift apart. There are three cars per family now, and everybody takes off in a different direction. When a few do gather in one spot for a "traditional" Christmas, the early Eve is spent in front of the TV, dimly backlit by Christmas decorations that have been up for weeks.

About 9 p.m., perhaps, the gifts are opened. Some families, however, do yet wait for Christmas morning to open theirs. Whatever the case, the Christmas morning after the late movie the night before is usually late in starting. The family eats breakfasts in shifts and the men resume their positions in front of the TV to watch the Christmas Day pro football games.

BY THE TIME the gathering breaks up, spent flash-bulbs reveal the only way this Christmas will be remembered. Everybody leaves for home, happy in their own way. Let it always be this way, even though it's not the same happiness felt in the days gone by. It is a superficial happiness of the Superficial Sixties, but it provides us with a respite from life's drag.

Let's grab this chance and accept the Christmas spirit, not for what it is in our commercialized environment, but for what it could be and for what it has been in the past.

Have a merry Christmas. - rink

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COUNTRY FLAVOR

Candles in the windows can clear away confusion



HAYDEN PEARSON

On a cloudless night stars blaze in the heavens and twinkle to man-made lights below. Daylight fades suddenly and stars break through the dark velvet curtain while the Big Dipper hangs low. The December landscape may be serene

and brown, or it may be that snow has blanketed the meadows and hillsides.

When time is fulfilled and the Holy Season approaches, candles again shine in the windows. Long centuries ago Wise Men followed a star and came to Him who brought a message of peace and goodwill. Through the years man has known the lesson, but has not taken it to heart.

new story of the Wise Men who brought gifts to the Babe in the manger.

For a brief period some of mankind's greed, ruthlessness and self-seeking seem to lesson. One wonders why, when the path is so clear, that men and nations do not follow it. It is a long trail to the Grail; man insists on tangling his life in mino-taurian mazes.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

AN ANSWER TO MRS. V.E. ROBBINS' LETTER:

St. Johns has only a 2.2 per cent dropout rate compared to the national average of 30 per cent. I say the record speaks for itself.

I have three graduates and one senior ready to graduate from St. Johns High School. They say they haven't heard of any practice of mistreating students in the office, and if this kid got it he surely must have needed it.

A little more fear from home would make occasions like this unnecessary. Thanks to our school officials who can see the need for control and take a hand.

A Merry Christmas to our school faculty, MRS JOE KUBICA 716 S. Lansing Street St. Johns

Let's penalize the criminal

Guest Editorial from BRIGHTON ARGUS

Out of Texas has come what may be the most concise legislative proposal ever submitted to the US Congress. It's also the most effective idea ever presented to discourage the use of firearms in crime! Bill No. H.R. 5642, by Rep. Bob Casey reads:

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled. That whoever, during the commission of any robbery, assault, murder, rape, burglary, kidnaping, or homicide (other than involuntary manslaughter), uses any firearm which has been transported across the boundary of a state, the District of Columbia, or a territory or possession of the United States shall be imprisoned for twenty-five years."

Marvelous, isn't it? Brief and to the point, with no room for misunderstandings, yet it solves the problem in a way most thoughtful Americans would like to see it solved.

Let's all write to our Congressman now, telling them we far prefer Bob Casey's bill, H.R. 5642 — which would penalize criminals — to all the other anti-gun bills, which would penalize law-abiding citizens.

MEN AND BOYS climb pasture hillsides to a woodland and choose a tree to place in their homes with a White Star at the top. Color ed candles gleam against green branches and paint pictures behind the candles that shine in the windows. Children listen again to the old but ever-

from the HOPPER



By STEVE HOPKO

Not what we give, but what we share, For the gift without the giver is bare.

THESE WORDS BY James Russel Lowell pretty well sum up the Christmas spirit.

For Christmas, the birth anniversary of the Babe of Bethlehem, is that wonderful time of the year when our cares give way to joy, our anxious fears are forgotten in happy realities, and striving to possess is replaced with a determination to give.

IT IS THAT time of year when a man who says, "I just can't get into the Christmas spirit," isn't noticing the world in which he lives. For the Christmas spirit is not something which we can pick up or cast off alone.

It comes with the mingling and association with others, for it is in the way people say hello or Merry Christmas, with joy in their voices, or in the way a man will clasp your hand in a handshake.

FOR THE CHRISTMAS spirit is infectious and if you will relax you can feel it, for it grows stronger as Christmas grows nearer.

Christmas parties have been in progress, most of these are quiet and orderly while others will throw restraint to the winds. All of these will reach a crescendo this week as Christmas Day nears.

IN ALL THIS hustle and bustle of partying and shopping there is another side to this Christmas spirit that is often forgotten in our plans for celebration.

And that spirit is the greatest one of all.

IT IS THE SPIRIT that was given us nearly 2,000 years ago in a manger in Bethlehem when the Christ Child was born. For Christmas is one of our greatest religious holidays.

Many people throughout the land will observe Christmas as it should be . . . in the churches of their choice where in prayer and song they will pay tribute as it should be paid to Christ whose birth anniversary it is.

FOR THIS IS the real spirit of Christmas.

As I bring this to a close I would like to add my greeting to all of you, hoping that you and yours will have a very Merry and Joyous Christmas.

A Look Into The Past . . .



St. Johns Football Team — 1919

Football season is past, and the football season of 1919 is WAY past. But interest in the team still lives on, and Mrs Joe Seyrak of R-1, Elsie, showed her interest by bringing in this team picture of the St. Johns squad of 1919. Only last names were available. Left are, front row, Hazel, Atkinson, Holbrook, Fitzpatrick, Kelly and Weller; second row, Hulbert, Tiford, Brenner, Capt. Gower, Zabelka, Frank, Shaver and Patterson; and back row, Faranlis (mgr.), Weller, Jackson, Fitzpatrick, Hart, Post and Coach Miller.

Readers are invited to submit old pictures and pictures of old buildings, along with brief, pertinent information, for use in this series.

MICHIGAN MIRROR

Higher pay for higher state posts wins votes

Increased salary rates for state agency heads probably gained a few legislative votes recently when Gus Harrison resigned as director to take a lower, civil service post within the corrections department.

The Legislature has been asked more than once by Gov Romney to raise the pay levels of the top state administrators. Each request has been turned down.

Romney contends it is inconsistent with good business practice to have a situation where the head of a department is out-ranked in salary by one or more of the employees under him.

IN THE CORRECTIONS instance, Harrison as director was paid \$20,000 a year. He now will take a civil service classified position as deputy director for field services which will pay him more than \$20,000 including the fringe benefits and security of the merit rating classification.

Harrison's new position is not the only one in the department which pays at this level. Also to be considered is the fact that civil service rates will be boosted in July while the director's salary is fixed from year to year by legislative dictate.

As director Harrison and other department heads were subject to "the pleasure of the governor" or a board or commission empowered to hire and fire unclassified administrators.

IT WAS POINTED out in the pleas for administrative pay hikes that the corrections case is not an isolated one. The same thing is true in several other departments, particularly where professionals are needed below the No. 1 spot.

Legislators have tended to

take a rather selfish attitude on the matter. Their primary concern seems to be with their own financial rank; that if they who write the laws administered by department heads are not worth more than the present pay, then the department chiefs must certainly be well enough paid now.

Loss of Harrison, and perhaps others who have left these positions without specifically citing this reason, might bring legislators to the realization that competent professional administrators demand and probably deserve higher salaries than the people they supervise.

INTERESTING results are likely to be seen in 1966 on another aspect of the question of pay rates for public servants.

This would be the individual responses, as well as the collective attitude of legislators regarding their own worth.

A study is in process by a special 12-member commission appointed on a 50-50 basis by the governor and the State Senate. It has been asked to determine what Michigan legislators should be paid.

LEGISLATORS ARE prohibited from raising their own salary during a term. Since Senate terms become four years long in 1967, any pay change must be passed next year or wait until 1971 to be effective.

Likely the survey being taken by the special commission will provide only anonymous results but it would probably be very interesting to see how specific individuals consider themselves in monetary value.

NO DOUBT THERE will be legislators, who spend a minimum of time and effort on official business, who think they should be

paid twice the present \$12,500. On the other side there would be a number of very conscientious men who spend long hours on the job, consider themselves public servants and are happy with the going rate. There are still others who work hard and feel they deserve more money.

The numerical strength of these two extremes and the variations between will give the commission much of the information on which it bases its recommendations to the 1966 legislature.

PRE-HOLIDAY warm spells should have provided a special warning to Michigan residents about the traditional winter recreation activities.

Normally by this time of year ice skating and fishing would be in full swing, but this year is considerably different except in the northernmost sections where the cold hit hard, early and remained.

The long-awaited treat of ice on lakes and streams can be a very serious treat to the lives of over-anxious youngsters caught up in the holiday-vacation season.

STATE POLICE WARN that ice may look thick and safe enough to walk and slide on even when it may actually be too thin to hold even a small child's weight.

Parents must teach winter safety as importantly as traffic awareness. A child must be cautioned against venturing on ice before determining if it is thick enough.

Ice on deep water should be several inches thick, preferably about four. Awareness of rescue devices and methods in the event of a breakthrough must also be taught. Even with thick ice, breaks may be caused by underwater currents.

LONG BRANCHES, poles, ropes or a ladder should be handy in case the unexpected occurs. This advice from state police holds true for adults as well as children.

Winter drownings are not limited to adventuresome children but frequently also include hunters, fishermen and other adult outdoor fans who travel over frozen lakes or streams.



"I hate to tell my friends the reason we split up - your car broke down - and you're too lazy to walk two blocks!"



The "Low Down"

From the Congressional Record

By Joe Crump



Dentists might learn lesson from medicare

Rep. Thomas B. Curtis (Mo.) . . . "Increased dental insurance provided by the private sector of the economy and through professional associations demands immediate consideration and action.

Here is a Congressman who sees the "handwriting on the wall."

If the dentists do not come up with a sound program of their own, some official reformer-minded Congressman will. —J.C.

Bement Library Book Shelf

By Hila Bross

This time of year, with its universal message of good will, seems to inspire publishers to offer hands across the sea. Recently, the library mail has been liberally seasoned with advertising brochures from other countries. Five such communications arrived at one time last week.

For the most part, they are catalog listings of scientific publications, such as medical books published in England. One brochure from Madrid, Spain, described the ENCICLOPEDIA DE ORIENTACION BIBLIOGRAFICA. This monumental work consists of nothing but lists (thousands of lists) and brief reviews of books on various "sciences." (Among the sciences are religion, philosophy, economics, law, education, art, music, cinema, sports, etc.) To us this seems a very broad use of the word "science."

THIS GIGANTIC listing, compiled during five years by 650 scholars from 29 countries, covers books in English, French, German, Italian, Latin, Portuguese and Spanish. The brochure says this work is "indispensable for every library in good standing." Undoubtedly, it would be used at a library like the one at Michigan State University, but we think Bement Public Library can get along without it, especially at the price of "84\$ U.S.A."

A scholarly looking brochure See BOOK SHELF page 4-B



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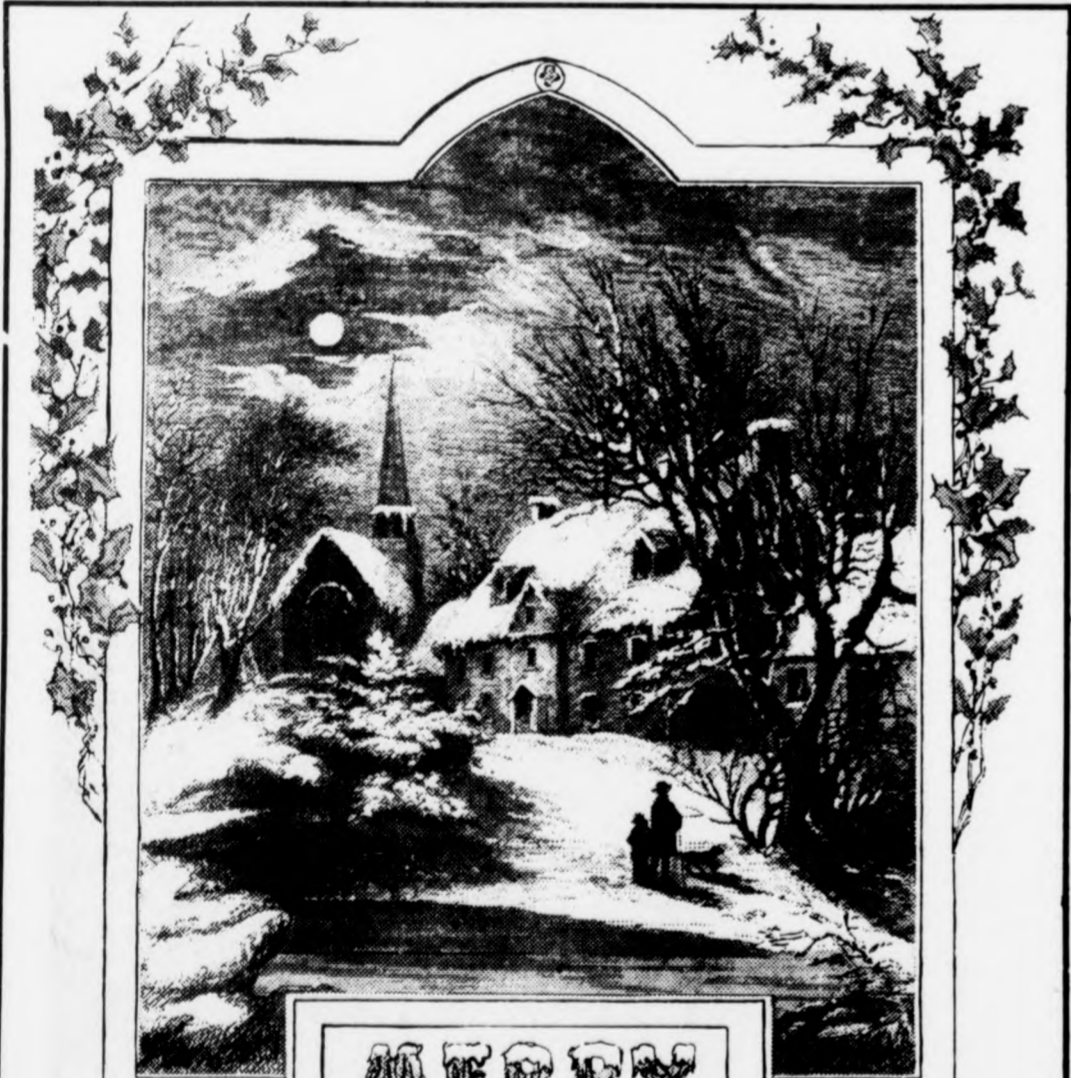
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"It would be advantageous for the American Dental Assn. to hold meetings in all 50 states before January, as well as regional meetings for the Northeast, Midwest, South, and Western areas, so that the best thinking of the dental profession and their associates could be brought to bear on these problems.

"We must make progress promptly in developing a sound dental care insurance program and unless this is done professionally there will be a vacuum that the federal government will try to fill."

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Tourism

By BETTY JANE MINSKY
Manager

For this, my first column, let's talk about tourism. I've chosen this subject for a number of reasons, the first of which is that St. Johns is not and has not been a tourist town. So, this leaves the field wide open with nowhere to go in the future but ahead.

Although much can be written on tourism, I want to emphasize primarily today some remarks made at the recent annual meeting of the East Michigan Tourist Assn. of which the St. Johns Chamber of Commerce is now a member.

IN AN address titled "Where To, East Michigan?" Ben G. Wright, who is now president and chairman of the board of "THIS WEEK MAGAZINE," made some interesting remarks. (Wright at one time was publicity director for the East Michigan Tourist Assn. so he knows this subject and area well.)

I quote:

"So, where are we today? A trip to Rome or Paris differs very little from the point of view of the customer from a vacation at Indian River, Onaway, Mio or West Branch. When you get back, friends ask: 1) Where did you go? 2) What did you see? 3) How did you like it?"

"It seems to me that these are the key considerations which evaluate a vacation today . . ."

HE THEN went on to say, emphatically, "GET THEM HERE, TREAT THEM RIGHT, AND SEND THEM HOME HAPPY."

In explaining how to do these things, he advised:

"First, there's the question of

getting them here. Competition for the tourist was never greater. Every state advertises and just about every town in every state advertises. And if that weren't enough, every nation, every airline and every steamship and bus line advertises.

"Everybody wants the tourist dollar. It has become a factor in national balance of payments. And to offset the imbalance, LBJ has urged us to stay home. Tourism is the nation's third largest industry and soon may be second."

(WRITER'S COMMENT: Tourism is Michigan's second largest industry and with St. Johns located only 18 miles north of Michigan's greatest tourist attraction, our state capitol, we are certainly remiss if we do not gear ourselves toward tourism in the days ahead.)

"In Florida it's the largest industry, as it is in many of our communities in Michigan. With competition as keen as it is, no geographic area (village, city, county, region) can long survive if it does not advertise and promote its attractions to the fullest."

"YOU MUST NOT for one moment relax in your effort to call attention to the vast beauty and resources that are yours. Otherwise, the business may go elsewhere."

"It is important to create a favorable image of your town, your resort, your hotel or your restaurant, an image that will send Mr and Mrs Tourist away happy and bring them back year after year and generation after generation."

" . . . Then we come to the second point, after having lured the visitor by well-planned advertising and publicity, having him in town, so to speak, what do we do to entertain him?"

"I'M NOT GOING to give you that old lecture on adequate facilities. Either you have them or you don't and if you don't, the visitor soon finds out and passes you by."

"So, assuming the facilities are adequate and that the tourist is happy in your town, what are you going to do to make his stay more pleasant? Here it seems to me, the key words are ENTERTAINMENT and COURTESY. They go hand in hand."

" . . . This nation is in the midst of the greatest period of prosperity and spending in our history. The work week is shrinking, making available more and more time for personal and family leisure."

"BECAUSE AMERICA is a travel and vacation conscious nation, this means more and more people will take longer and more frequent vacations."

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Bement Library Book Shelf

By Hila Bross

Continued from page 3-B written in both English and French, describes a reprint of "a rare book of the University Library of Geneva, Switzerland, first published in England in 1545, with new copper engravings of the 400-year-old anatomical plates." This publishing event is a salute to the 400th anniversary of the death of the author, Andreas Vesalius, a great medical scholar. The illustrations of the human body would do justice to Michelangelo, and are probably more valuable now from an artistic viewpoint than from a medical one.

AT THE PRICE of 900 Swiss francs (\$210 per copy, this little treasure comes strictly under the heading of "gifts for the man who has everything."

This reminds us of a Bible advertised by Bergdorf Goodman in a recent New York Times. Described as a "superb reproduction" of an illuminated manuscript executed in Ferrara, Italy, in 1455-1461, this Bible comes with a hand-carved oak stand and is suggested as a "marvelous" Christmas gift for \$1,800 with the stand, and \$1,500 without it.

SPEAKING OF Bibles, William Caxton didn't print the first English Bible till 1475, so the Swiss medical book described above would have been done during the infancy of the English printing industry.

More next week about international relations in the popular national pastime of standing-over-the-waste-basket-while - opening-the-mail.

Berries Brighten

The bright red berries of the Christmasberry, an evergreen shrub native to California, are widely used as Christmas decorations.

This shrub, with its thick, dark green leaves, can grow to a height of 15 feet. The Encyclopedia Americana says:

Its flowers are white, its berries yellow or bright red. The Christmasberry is often known as the toyon.

FROM QUEBEC?

"Angels We Have Heard on High" is a French carol, although some sources say that it originated not in France but in Quebec, Canada.

YOUR ATTRACTIONS AND FACILITIES AS NEVER BEFORE.

(More on tourism and what it can mean to the local community's economy next week.)



It's the spirited season . . .

. . . of sleigh bells over the river and through the woods as families everywhere gather in close harmony to enjoy another warm and wonderful Yuletide season. We extend to all our neighbors and members our fond wishes for a happy holiday and a plentiful, prosperous New Year.

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Clinton's Civic Calendar

Officers of these organizations are advised to notify The Clinton County News at least one week in advance of the date of publication of the issue in which any change in the regular schedule should appear.

St. Johns

American Legion—1st and 3rd Thursdays, 8:30 p.m., Legion Hall
 American Legion Auxiliary—3rd Tuesday, 8 p.m., Legion Hall
 Banner Rebekah Lodge—1st and 3rd Mondays, 8 p.m., IOOF Hall
 Blue Star Mothers—2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 8 p.m., Senior Citizens Drop-in Center
 Child Study Club—3rd Wednesday 8 p.m., in homes of members
 Clinton Memorial Hospital Auxiliary—Board meets the 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., in the Nurses' Home
 DAK—2nd Tuesday, in homes of members
 8 et 40—4th Tuesday, in homes of members
 Exchange Club—2nd and 4th Thursdays, noon, Walker's Cafe
 Grission Club—1st and 3rd Tuesday, 2 p.m., Municipal Building
 40 et 8—1st Monday, 8:30 p.m., St. Johns and Breckinridge Legion Halls, alternate months
 IOOF—Every Wednesday, 8 p.m., IOOF Hall
 Junior Chamber of Commerce—2nd Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., L & L Restaurant
 Knights of Columbus—1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 8 p.m.—K of C hall
 Knights Templar—1st Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Temple
 Lions Club—2nd and 4th Wednesday 8:30 p.m., IOOF Hall
 Masonic Lodge—1st Monday, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Temple
 Morning Musicals—2nd and 4th Thursday 8:45 a.m., in homes of members
 Order of Eastern Star—1st Wednesday, 8 p.m., Masonic Temple
 Rotary Club—Every Tuesday, noon Walker's Cafe
 Royal Arch Masons—2nd Tuesday, 8 p.m., Masonic Temple
 Royal Neighbors of America—1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 8 p.m., in homes of members
 Senior Citizens—2nd and 4th Tuesday, every month, VFW Hall
 St. Johns Woman's Club—1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 2 p.m., in homes of members
 St. Johns Honor Guard—2nd and 4th Wednesday, 1:30 p.m., VFW hall
 Taps Club—Every Thursday, 7:45 p.m., Senior Citizens' Drop-in Center
 VFW Auxiliary—1st and 3rd Thursdays, 8 p.m., VFW Hall
 VFW—2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 8 p.m., VFW Hall
 WCTU Mary Smith Union—Third Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in the homes of members

Bath

American Legion—2nd and 4th Thursdays, Memorial Hall
 American Legion Auxiliary—2nd Tuesday and 4th Thursday, Memorial Hall
 Bath Shootin' Stars Square Dance Club—Club dances the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m. during regular dancing season at the James Couzens Gym
 Cub Scout Committee—1st Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., at James Couzens Building
 Cub Scout Pack—4th Thursday, 6:30 p.m. school
 Firemen's Auxiliary—1st Tuesday, 8 p.m., home members
 Ink Lake Improvement League—4th Wednesday, 8 p.m., Improvement League Hall
 1st Grand Club—4th Thursday, homes of members
 IA—2nd Thursday, 8 p.m., Junior High gym
 PA Executive Board—Monday before Thursday PTA meeting, 8 to 9 p.m. t school
 Subeann Rebekah Lodge—1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 8:30 p.m., community hall
 Volunteer Firemen—2nd Monday, 8 p.m., fire hall
 WSC—General meeting 4th Tuesday, 8 p.m., Methodist church

DeWitt

Blue Star Mothers—2nd Thursday afternoon, Memorial building and homes of members
 Boy Scouts—Every Monday, 7 p.m., Memorial building
 Brownies—Every Wednesday, 3:30 p.m., Memorial building
 Brown Bie Study Group—3rd Tuesday evening in homes of members
 Child Study Club—4th Monday evening, homes of members
 Circle Eight—1st and 3rd Saturdays, DeWitt high school
 Cub Scouts—3rd Thursday, 5 p.m., Memorial building

DeWitt Grange—2nd and 4th Fridays
 Girl Scouts—Every Thursday 3:30 p.m., Memorial building
 DeWittlers Tops Club—1st three Thursdays at DeWitt high school, 4th and 5th at Memorial Building at 8 p.m.
 Job's Daughters—1st and 3rd Thursday evenings, Masonic Temple
 Lions Club—3rd Tuesday evening, Memorial building
 Masonic Lodge—1st Wednesday evening, Masonic Temple
 Order of Eastern Star—1st Friday evening, Masonic Temple
 PTA—3rd Wednesday, at high school, 8 p.m.
 Royal Neighbors—1st and 3rd Fridays, 1 p.m., Memorial building
 St. Francis Club—1st Monday, 8:30 p.m., Memorial building
 Thursday Afternoon Club—Last Thursday in homes of members
 Veterans' Club—2nd Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Memorial building
 Volunteer Firemen—2nd Tuesday evening, fire hall
 Woman's Society of Christian Service—1st Wednesday, 8 p.m.
 Priscilla Circle—2nd Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.
 Mary-Martha Circle—3rd Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.
 Ruth Circle—3rd Thursday, 1:30 p.m.
 Goodwill Circle—2nd Tuesday, 1:30 p.m., in the homes of members

Eagle

Helping Hand Club—4th Tuesday evening, in the homes of members
 St. Johns Cemetery Society—2nd Thursday, in homes of members
 North Eagle Cemetery Society—Last Thursday, 3 p.m., Town hall
 WSCS—1st Wednesday, Ladies' Rooms Methodist church

Elsie

American Legion—Alternate Thursdays, 8 p.m., Legion hall
 American Legion Auxiliary—Alternate Thursdays, 8 p.m., Legion hall
 Band Boosters—1st Monday 7:30 p.m. alternate months, Band room
 B.W.C.S.—2nd Tuesday, 3:30 p.m., in homes of members
 Lions Club—1st and 3rd Mondays, 7:00 p.m., Legion hall
 Masonic Lodge—2nd Tuesday, 8:00 p.m., Masonic hall
 WSCS—1st Wednesday 8:00 p.m., homes of members
 Order of Eastern Star—3rd Wednesday, 8:00 p.m., Masonic hall
 PTA—1st Monday, 7:30 p.m., school gym
 Woman's Literary Club—Alternate Tuesdays, 8 p.m., homes of members

Fowler

Boy Scouts—Every Wednesday, 7 p.m., Holy Trinity gym
 Catholic Order of Foresters—3rd Tuesday, 8:30 p.m., Holy Trinity Hall
 Confraternity of Christian Mothers—4th Tuesday, 8 p.m., Most Holy Trinity church
 Daughters of Isabella—2nd Wednesday, 8 p.m., Most Holy Trinity church
 Fowler Conservation Club—1st Tuesday, 8 p.m., Fire Hall
 Jaycees—3rd Thursday, 8 p.m., Fire hall
 Knights of Columbus—Monday after the 2nd Sunday, 8 p.m., K of C hall
 Lions Club—3rd Monday, 6:30 p.m., Fowler Hotel
 VFW—4th Thursday, 8 p.m., VFW hall
 VFW Auxiliary—Last Wednesday 8 p.m., VFW hall

Maple Rapids

Amica Club—1st Wednesday, 8 p.m., homes of members
 Band Parents—2nd Wednesday, 8 p.m., students Commons
 Baseball Boosters—3rd Wednesday 8 p.m., at the school
 Blue Star Mothers—1st and 3rd Wednesday, 2 p.m., homes of members
 Duo Decum Club—1st Saturday, 8 p.m., homes of members
 High School PTA—1st Monday, 8 p.m., students commons
 IOOF—Every Thursday 8 p.m., IOOF hall
 Maple Rapids Improvement Association—4th Monday, 8 p.m. in Municipal building
 Maple Twirlers—2nd and 4th Fridays at 8:30 to 11:30 p.m. Potluck following, Maple Rapids school gym
 Masonic Lodge—2nd Monday, 8 p.m., Masonic Temple
 Order of Eastern Star—3rd Monday, 8 p.m., Masonic Temple

PTA—3rd Tuesday, school gym
 Rebekah Lodge—Every Saturday, 8 p.m., at IOOF hall
 Sorosis Club—2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 1:30 p.m., homes of members
 St. Martin DePorre Altar Society—1st Thursday, 8 p.m., homes of members
 Council Meeting—1st and 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.
 Women's Fellowship—Last Friday of month, 1:30 p.m., church dining room
 WSCS—1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 2 p.m., homes of members

Ovid

Acme Society—3rd Thursday, 8 p.m., in homes of members
 American Legion—3rd Wednesday, 8:30 p.m., Memorial building
 Businessmen's Association—2nd Tuesday, time and place varies
 Crescent Club—1st and 3rd Mondays, 8 p.m., in homes of members
 Disabled Veterans—1st and 3rd Fridays, 8:30 p.m., Memorial building
 Homemakers—2nd and 4th Thursdays, 8 p.m., in homes of members
 IOOF—Every Tuesday, 8 p.m., IOOF hall
 Job's Daughters—2nd and 4th Mondays, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Temple
 Lions Club—2nd and 4th Mondays, 8:30 p.m., Main Street church of United Church
 La-La-Lot Club—1st and 3rd Thursdays, 2 p.m., in homes of members
 Lencor-Dennis WCTU—2nd Tuesday in homes of members
 Masonic Lodge—1st Monday, 8 p.m., Masonic Temple
 Order of Eastern Star—2nd Tuesday, 8 p.m., Masonic Temple
 Ovid-Duplain Library Club—1st Friday, 12:30 p.m. in homes of members
 Past Grand Club—4th Tuesday, in homes of members
 Rebekah Lodge—1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 8 p.m., IOOF hall
 Royal Arch Masons—1st Wednesday, 8 p.m., Masonic Temple
 Roman Football Boosters—Meet every Tuesday at 8 p.m., at the high school
 Social Evening—Veterans Memorial Building, 8 p.m., every Wednesday, sponsored by Ovid veteran's group
 Town and Country Extension—4th Wednesday, in homes of members
 VFW—2nd and 4th Tuesday, 8 p.m., Memorial building
 VFW Auxiliary—1st Tuesday 8 p.m., in Memorial building
 Volunteer Firemen—First Thursday, 7:30 at Fire hall
 World War I Veterans—1st Thursday p.m., Memorial building

Pewamo

Altar Society—4th Tuesday, 8 p.m., Parish hall
 Band Boosters—3rd Tuesday, 8 p.m., high school
 Blue Star Mothers—3rd Wednesday, 8 p.m., elementary school
 Lions Club—3rd Tuesday, elementary school
 Masonic Lodge—3rd Tuesday, 8 p.m., Masonic hall
 Order of Eastern Star—1st Wednesday 8 p.m., Masonic hall
 21 Club—2nd Monday, 8 p.m., club house
 WSCS—3rd Thursday 2 p.m., home of members

Wacousta

Breakfast Club—Last Thursday, 9 a.m., in homes of members
 Child Study Club—2nd Tuesday, evening in homes of members
 Masonic Order No. 359—Regular meetings first Thursday of the month at 8:00 p.m., at Temple
 Methodist Men's Club—First Wednesday of each month, potluck at 6:30 p.m., Wacousta Methodist church
 Neighborhood Society—3rd Thursday, in homes of members
 Order of Eastern Star—1st Tuesday evening, Masonic Temple

Westphalia

Catholic Order of Foresters—2nd Tuesday, 8 p.m., St. Mary's parish hall
 Daughters of Isabella—3rd Thursday, 8 p.m., St. Mary's parish hall
 Knights of Columbus—1st Tuesday, 8 p.m., K of C rooms
 Young Ladies Sodality—3rd Sunday afternoon, every 2 months, St. Mary's parish hall
 Men who live double lives find neither is to be commended.
 Figures never lie—they just get snarled up in statistics.



The carolers, with voices raised in joyful song, express our sincere good wishes for all our friends and patrons. You have made our year a happy one, and it is our hope that we've enriched yours.

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Grain quarantine off until spring

Rye, wheat, oats, and barley may now be shipped without regard to the cereal leaf beetle quarantine, according to the Michigan Department of Agriculture. Unrestricted movement of these small grains will be allowed until June 1, 1966.

Quarantine provisions still apply to corn, which is generally harvested later and may still harbor the damaging plant pest.

THE CEREAL leaf beetle is a threat to the nation's grain crop. Michigan's worst infestations have occurred in southwestern counties. Quarantines have been established to restrict shipment of beetle-carrying crops.

By December, beetles in rye, wheat, oats, and barley have either dried up or starved; thus the quarantine on these crops is lifted. Control of the cereal leaf beetle in Michigan is the responsibility of the Michigan Department of Agriculture's Plant Industry Division, in cooperation with the US Department of Agriculture.

Sod business is for pros

The sod business has become a highly specialized and sophisticated enterprise. Plots of high-quality nursery turf bear little resemblance to the old piece of bluegrass pasture that was formally cut and sold for sod.

Today, a field of high-quality, cultivated sod is a pampered parcel, a plot on which the grower has expended many times the increments of capital and the hours of labor that would have been necessary to produce a field crop like corn.

THE NEATLY MOWED grass, with the distinctive dark-green hue of the carefully fed plant, has been sown with precision, irrigated whenever thirsty, fertilized without stint and groomed with the utmost care by men who are experts.

The commercial sod grower can depend upon a crop from the same piece of ground about every two years. Large amounts of fertilizer are used on the crop. This, together with the mass of roots and rhizomes which are left in the stripped plot, helps to maintain the condition of the soil. So with proper management, crop after crop of sod can be cut from the same field indefinitely.

MARKETING THE crop is the hurdle that has topped many a tyro in the sod business. The bulk and weight of the crop makes it costly to move very far and limits the marketing radius of the producing farm to about 60 or 70 miles. There are no formal marketing channels for sod as in livestock, grains, or truck crops. With no daily price quotations to turn to, no brokers or middlemen to help move the crop, marketing becomes the big challenge.



Baird New SCD Director

Stanley Baird (right) has been appointed by the Clinton County Soil Conservation District directors to serve out the term of Loren VanOstran, who has resigned. He is the son of George Baird (left), who served on the first SCD board as director from 1954 through 1957. Here they examine their cover crop of rye grass on their farm in Section 2 of DeWitt Township. Bromegrass was seeded at last cultivation of corn. A cover crop holds snow for needed ground moisture recharging, the SCD pointed out, and also ties up plant food to keep it from leeching into the ground water or running off the field in winter rains. Winter cover crops are an important conservation practice of Clinton SCD landowners.

Says 'socialist' label on farmers ill-advised

"It is indeed unfortunate that Charles Schuman, president of the American Farm Bureau, was so ill-advised to call all farmers who participate in federal farm programs 'socialists,'" Dean Quirin, executive director of the Michigan Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, said last week.

Shuman made the following statement at the recent Michigan Farm Bureau Convention. "There is no middle ground." He labeled as "socialist" anyone who favors any federal contact with agriculture.

"THIS ACCUSATION by Mr Schuman classifies over 50,000 Michigan farmers as socialists," Quirin said.

In 1965 over 44,000 Michigan farmers signed up in the national feed grain program; over 48,000 Michigan farmers participated in the wheat program; over 30,000 had contracts with the Agricultural Conservation Program.

There is every indication that in 1966 more farmers than ever before in history will participate in the well accepted new Agricultural Act of 1965.

QUIRIN stated, "The new 1965

SANTA'S ELVES

The little elves who help Santa in his workshop probably came from the Scandinavian countries. In Norway, Denmark and Sweden, children are told of the "Tomtar," little gray-bearded, elf-like men who hide presents for boys and girls on Christmas Eve.

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Early folk tales described a huge tree in the midst of a forest. The tree held many candles, some straight, some upside down. At the top was an infant with a halo around his head.

It was believed that the tree represented humanity. The candles, up and down, symbolized people, good and bad. The infant was the Christ Child.

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Claims new 4-year farm program opens new opportunities in state

ASC committeemen and specialists from 21 Midwestern and northeastern states met in Cleveland recently to discuss the Food and Agriculture Act of 1965 and how to implement the new four-year farm programs which begin with the 1966-crop year.

Edwin A. Jaenke, ASCS associate administrator, headed a team of administrative and program specialists from Washington, D. C., on hand to provide background and to help explore local and regional problems that are likely to arise in connection with the new programs.

CHAIRMAN FRANK Light said

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wheat and feed grain stocks have dropped to manageable levels through application of new principles. At the same time, farm income has been maintained.

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THIS SYSTEM keeps domestic grains and fibers competitive in the world market because the support price will be set at or near the world market price. Domestic consumption can then be supported at a higher rate — not through price support, but through direct payments, or certificate payments — on a portion of the domestic food and fiber production.

The chairman noted that this is the first time a four-year program has been authorized by law for wheat, feed grains, and cotton.

"I think it opens up new opportunities for our farmers in Michigan," he said.

AGRICULTURE in ACTION

by M. L. Woell
MICHIGAN FARM BUREAU

At times the rambling farm home near Climax in Kalamazoo County, seems ready to burst from music that fills it and escapes through windows and doors. The music rises and swells, trembling in the air, stirring visions of carnivals, churches, parades and Christmas Eve.

Inside at the complex console of a big electric organ sits Mrs. Jesse (Louise) Smith, as much at home playing a Bach fugue as she is caring for chickens or tending garden. She is one of a growing list of farm women who use the new leisure found when their families are grown to develop themselves and their talent.

SURROUNDING HER are microphones and professional recording devices. Men wearing earphones and detached expressions as they watch needles and dials report all is well on the swift-moving tapes, used later on a network of a half-hundred Michigan radio stations.

A few weeks ago, Mrs. Smith played a concert before a dinner crowd of more than 1,500 people in the Lansing Civic Center. Earlier she provided convention music from the state of the big auditorium at Michigan State University for the annual meeting of the Michigan Farm Bureau.

PIANO LESSONS many years ago started it all and the confidence of self-discipline brought with it the challenge of the big organ. Finally the day came when it arrived to dominate an open area between two large rooms big enough not to be overwhelmed by its strident tones.

"I've been known to leave the dishes when the urge to play strikes," the self-taught organist confesses. Through the window one can see a herd of sleek beef cattle who have long ago stopped wondering about the strange sounds that come from the nearby house.

MRS. SMITH frankly admits that the organ has filled a need for self-expression which for many generations farm women had to stifle because their work left little opportunity or energy for anything else.

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Women replacing men in auto driver's seat

Women drivers will outnumber men drivers within a few years, according to a report published by Michigan State University.

Dr. Daniel D. Gage of Sacramento State College and Dr. Anne C. Garrison of MSU note that the "coming predominance of women at the wheel will influence car makers to stress safety, dependability and ease of handling. Women are more practical-minded about cars, drive less aggressively than men and have an overall better accident record."

The report was published by MSU's Bureau of Business and Economic Research.

The total length of the oil pipelines in the United States—estimated at over 213,000 miles—could encircle the earth more than eight times.



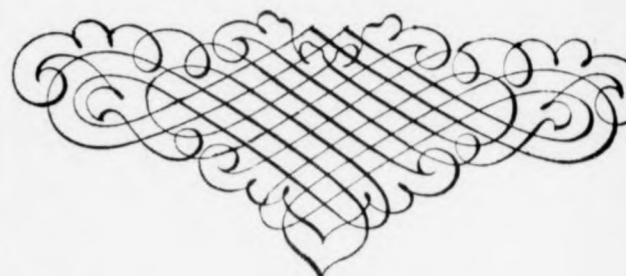
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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Greetings



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ASC PROGRAM

Cropland adjustment program begins Jan. 10



W. M. SMITH
County ASC Manager

We have received word that the sign-up for the new Cropland Adjustment Program will begin Jan. 10.

This program gives farmers with wheat allotment and feed grain base an opportunity to retire either one or both for a period of 5 to 10 years with an annual rental payment of 40 percent of the county support loan rate for the crop, multiplied by the farm projected yield. The rate established for non-allotment acreage for our county is \$5.50 per acre.

Acreage classified as tame hay

acreeage will also be eligible for the rental rate of \$5.50 per acre.

Conserving base acreage will not be eligible for any rental payment. However, you can harvest hay or pasture the conserving base acreage. You can see that the program is designed to take cropland out of production that is producing surplus crops.

THE TERM non-allotment acres is the acreage of cropland remaining after the wheat allotment, feed grain base, and conserving acreage have been subtracted from the total cropland for the farm.

The term tame hay is a stand of grasses or legumes on cropland seeded within the last five years which does not require annual tillage and from which a hay crop other than hayseed was mechanically harvested in each of the last three years. The conserving base will be reduced by the number of acres of tame hay.

WE HOPE TO have detailed information for the 1966 feed grain program by Jan. 10; we can then explain both programs to interested producers, eliminating making two trips to our office.

I urge all interested farmers

to wait until Jan. 10 before coming to our office to have the program explained as we are not allowed to accept applications before that date. However, interested persons should come in as soon as possible after that date as applications will be accepted for agreements on a first-come basis this year. We will be mailing program information to all farmers in the county before the sign-up date of Jan. 10.

We expect feed grain sign-up to start about Jan. 31. We will have information on that program a little later.

The Drake Well Memorial Museum and Library, located at the site of the nation's first commercially successful oil well near Titusville, Pa., is now housed in a new \$800,000 building. Located in a 229-acre park, the museum has a world-famous collection of historic records and relics of the petroleum industry and a full-scale replica of the original drilling rig and engine-house.

Elsie honor roll students named

ELSIE — The honor roll for the second marking period at Elsie High School and junior high was announced this week. On the honor roll are:

12th GRADE — Kathleen Acre, Dennis Baese, Tom Bakita, Kay Boog, Celeste Buck, Regina Crossen, Barbara Doubrava, Linda Ensign, Diane Foreit, Barbara Hess, R. J. Jones, Lucinda Kelley, Terry Loznak, Nancy Luznak, Sharry Moore, Dean Schulz, Laurel Schulz, Ronald Stammersky, Kathy Tomasik, Barbara Warner and Kenneth Sperl.

11th GRADE — Tom Ackles, Jose Rios, Dorothy Bloomer, Donna Chapko, Betty Farr, Kay Finecut, William Heinze, Lela Holton, George Keck, Pamela Loznak, Carol Martinka, Kathy Melvin, Crystal Mitchell, Jack

le Moore, Mary Palus, Lynn Pilot, Carol Porubsky, Mike Seybert, David Showers, Sharon Stewart, Linda Sturgis, Rita Washburn and Janice Zvonek.

10th GRADE — David Bernath, Dennis Darling, Sharon Dunham, Thelma Dunham, Richard Easlick, David Ensign, Susan Farr, L. D. Jones, Carol Kusnier, David Latz, Calvin Moore, Larry Randolph, Jim Richard, Linda Tomasek, Joe Vostrizansky, David Williams and Don Wilson.

9th GRADE — Dennis Barrett, Carol Buck, Jean Brewbaker, Vicki Cerny, Colleen Daley, Kelvin Flzell, Mary Foran, Peter Glowney, Sandra Grubaugh, Louise Heinze, Beth Holton, Keith Keck, Kay Ladiski, Becky Latz, Carolyn Lindauer, Karla Mead, Patricia O'Donnell, Paula Onstott, Patricia Skriba, Phyllis Stewart, Janet Strachota, Judy A. Thornton and Kathleen Thornton.

8th GRADE — Richard Acre, Sharon Ashmead, Ruth Ann Baker, Linda Bancroft, Londa Bradish, Marsha Buck, Wayne Brady, Lon Buchele, Mike Chapko, Debora Clark, Pam Coon, Gregory Finch, Debra Forrester, Bryan Green, Gary Heath, Sharon Hines, Walter Kusnier, Vickie Palus, Carter Moore, Donella Powelson, Rosemary Remenar, Corrine Schultz, Harold Smith, Ricky Stammersky and Ann Vleck.

7th GRADE — Susan Albaugh, Gerald Baese, Terry Bernath, Brenda Clark, Elaine Chapko, Elizabeth Ensign, Ronald Galko, Cheryl Holton, Dennis Hoshield, Kurt Kristin, Dana Lannen, Jane Latz, Cheryl Porubsky, Tom Pumford, Keith Reha, Thomas Roof, Terry Smalec, Danny Somers, Mary Temple, Vickie Valentine, David Vostrizansky, Kam Washburn and Calvin Woodard.

Service squad girl, honor patrol boy selected at Central

Central School announces the Service Squad girl and the Honor Patrol boy for the month of November. Janie Thrush, the daughter of Mr and Mrs John Thrush of 810 Church Street, St. Johns, and Gregory Ebright, the son of Mrs Donna Braley of R-1, DeWitt, were selected.

Road Commission Weekly Report

The Board of Clinton County Road Commissioners held a regular meeting on Monday, Dec. 20. The board discussed group insurance plans for 1966. The commission discussed construction plans and an industrial development in Watertown township.

Last week's taste of winter maintenance brought out the salt spreaders Thursday night and Friday. Salt supplies were lowered until 120 tons were ordered to refill the storage bins to capacity.

WINTER maintenance brings many hazards to the motorist and also brings danger to children playing on roadsides. We have had several close calls on children digging tunnels in snowbanks along the road. In past years we have nearly buried some youngsters with snow plows.

If deep snow comes to our

county this winter please warn your children not to play on roadsides and not to stand close to passing snow plows. It's fun to have snow flying all around you but there could be a big piece of ice or a rock in that flying snow.

HOLIDAY season brings heavy traffic, many pedestrians and sometimes slippery roads. Our holidays will be much happier without traffic accidents. So we wish for you Happy Holidays and safe driving for this season.

The Road Commission employees will have Friday, Dec. 24 off in place of the Saturday Holiday.

DON EWING
Road Clerk

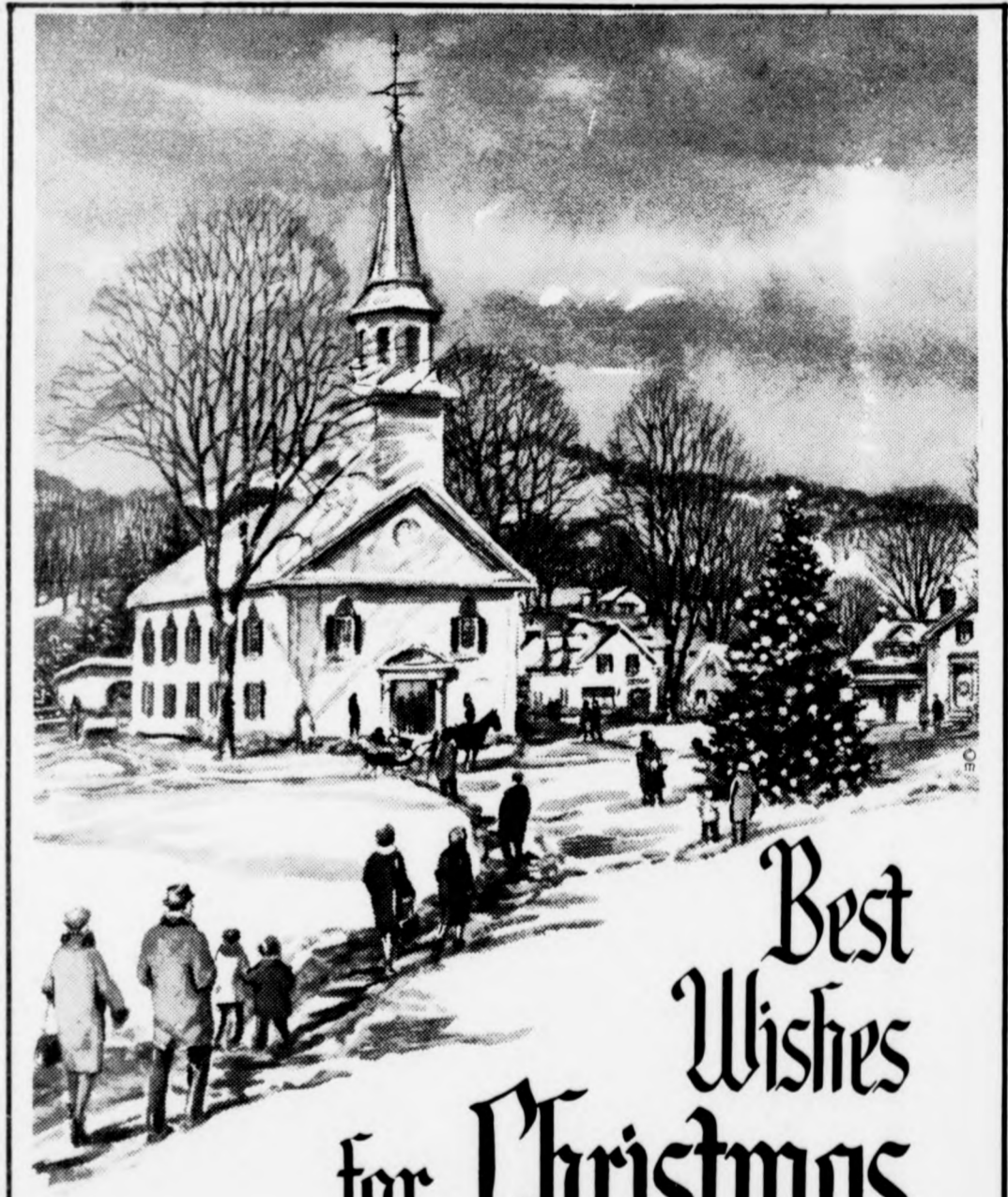
Pleads not guilty

David C. Seibert, 28, of 1007 Church Street, St. Johns, pled not guilty to a charge of driving under the influence of liquor last Friday and was released on \$300 bond. He was arrested by city police early Friday morning. Trial has been scheduled before Municipal Judge Alba Wert for Jan. 20.



SEASON'S GREETINGS

With all the tranquility of a snow-covered landscape, the spirit of Christmas comes to bless and brighten every heart and home. It is our wish that you may enjoy thrice fold this Yule all the wonderful things that go into making the Christmas season such a special time: the joyful hours, the happy memories, the cheerful gatherings with family and friends. And may we, too, continue in your friendship, serving the needs of you and your family, always in a better way. We know how much it means to have the trust and good will of folks like you, and we are truly grateful.



Best Wishes for Christmas

As we celebrate this joyous occasion of the birth of the Christ Child, let us remember especially the hope that was born anew and the love that filled the world on that first Christmas. May their light shine today, so that peace and understanding will prevail among men.

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Next Sunday In Clinton County Churches

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

St. Johns Area

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Keith A. Bovee, Pastor
Rev. John C. Huhtala, Assoc. Pastor
Student Day
The entire service will be carried out by ten college students.
9:30 a.m.—Morning Worship
9:30 a.m.—Church School
11 a.m.—Morning Worship, Sermonettes: "What the Church Means to Me." Elleen Joyce, Ann Wilbur and Scott Munger.

PRICE METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. John C. Huhtala
10 a.m.—Church School
11 a.m.—Morning Worship

SHEPARDVILLE METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. John C. Huhtala
9:30 a.m.—Morning Worship
11 a.m.—Church School

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Gerald Churchill, Minister
Wednesday, December 22
7:30 p.m.—Senior Choir rehearsal. Choir party following at the home of Miss Cynthia Jones.

Thursday, December 23
3:45 p.m.—Youth Choir rehearsal
Friday, December 24
7:30 p.m.—Annual Christmas Eve Service
Sunday, December 26
9:45 a.m.—Church School. Mr. Churchill will show his Alaska pictures. Everyone is invited.
11 a.m.—Morning Worship. Sermon: "The Gifts of the Magi."
2 p.m. to 5 p.m.—The Churchills invite members of the parish to an "Open House" at manse.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Roger Harrison, Pastor
512 S. Whittemore St. (South US-27)
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School, Williams Dodway Supt.
11:00 a.m.—The Morning Worship Service
11:00 a.m.—Junior Church
7:30 p.m.—The Evening Worship Service
Nursery for babies; playroom for toddlers during Sunday School, morning and evening worship services.
6:15 p.m.—Junior Youth Fellowship. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Phillips, Directors
6:15 p.m.—Senior Youth Fellowship
7:30 p.m.—Midweek Prayer Hour (Wednesdays)
The First Monday—Monthly Deacons meeting
The First Tuesday—Ladies' Missionary Society—Teaching God. Standing uncompromisingly for the Faith once delivered!"

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH
Pastor: Joseph Green, J.C.D.
D. D. Pastor
Father Edwin Schottle, and Father John E. Young—Assistant Pastors
Rectory: 109 Leland St.
Phone: 224-3313
Mass Schedule—Weekday Mornings: 7:30 and 8:15. Holy Communion at 7:15. Weekday Evenings—Monday, Wednesday and Saturday: 7:15. Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 5:30. Sunday—8:00, 9:00, 10:00, 11:00, 12:00 noon. Holy Days—7:00 and 8:00 a.m.; 3:30 and 7:30 p.m. Sacrament of Penance—Saturdays: 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. and 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. 5:00 to 5:20 p.m. on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. After Novena on Tuesday.

First Fridays—Sacrament of Penance: Thursday from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m.; 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. Friday: During all Masses.
Holy Communion—6:00 and 7:15 a.m.; 7:30 p.m. Devotions.
Masses—7:30 and 8:15 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament—Beginning with Holy Hour at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday until 7:30 p.m. Devotions first Friday night.
Devotions—Prayers of Perpetual Help Novena—Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.
Rosary and night prayers at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, Thursday and Friday.
Religion Instruction Classes—Adult Instruction and Inquiry Class: 8:00 p.m. June through August; Monday and Wednesday, September through May; Monday and Thursday, High School Students; Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. Public Church school children: Saturday at 10:00 a.m.
Baptisms—Each Sunday at 1:30 p.m. by appointment.

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Corner of East Walker and Mead Sts.
Rev. Hugh E. Banning, Pastor
Rectory: 224-2609 Office: 224-2885
1st Sunday of Month—8 a.m. Holy Communion; 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion and Sermon
Other Sundays—8 a.m. Holy Communion; 10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer and Sermon
Full Schedule
10:30 a.m.—Nursery School
11 a.m.—Church School, kindergarten to 6th grade

ST. JOHN'S BAPTIST TEMPLE
400 E. State Street
Rev. Roy Green, Pastor
10 a.m.—Sunday School
11 a.m.—Morning Service
7 p.m.—Evening Service
Sunday, Dec. 19—Christmas program 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Children's program, Mrs. Roy LaDuke in charge. Rev. Roy LaDuke will narrate the Christmas story. Morning Christmas message at the 11 a.m. service by pastor, Rev. Roy Green. At 8 p.m. adult Bible class with the pastor; young peoples class with Rev. and Mrs. Roy LaDuke; Jets cadets, Mrs. Martin Richmond in charge. 7 p.m., evangelistic service and message.
Dec. 17 at 6 p.m.—Christmas supper and get-together, and special Christmas message. Bring a dish to pass.
Wednesday, Dec. 22—Regular prayer and study hour.

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
US-27 at Sturgis Street
Rev. Theodore C. Moeller, Jr., Pastor
9 a.m.—Sunday School and Adult Bible Class. H.S. Bible Class at parsonage
10:15 a.m.—Divine Worship, Holy Communion First Sunday of the month; Church nursery
8 p.m.—Ladies' Guild, first Thursday of each month
7:30 p.m.—Lutheran Women's Missionary League, third Wednesday of each month
7:30 p.m.—Midweek Advent services, every Wednesday before Christmas
Adult information courses held at the convenience of interested parties. Phone 224-7400 for specific information. Church office hours: Tuesday through Friday, 9-12. Telephone 224-3544.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTISTS
686 North Lansing Street
Elder, B. K. Mills, Pastor
Services held on Saturday
9:15 a.m.—Church Service
10:30 a.m.—Sabbath School Service

FREE METHODIST CHURCH

305 Church Street
E. E. Courser, Minister
11:00 a.m.—Sunday School
11:30 a.m.—Morning Worship
7:45 p.m.—Evening Worship
Thursday, 7:45 p.m.—Prayer service
8:00 p.m.—(2nd and 4th Thursdays)
Free Methodist Youth meeting

ASSEMBLY OF GOD
S. US-27 & E. Baldwin
Joseph F. Eger, Jr., Pastor
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
6:30 p.m.—Youth Service
7:30 p.m.—Sunday Evening
7 p.m.—Wednesday, second and fourth, WMC
7:30 p.m.—Thursday evening service

CHURCH OF GOD
Whittemore and Railroad on US-27
Rev. Duane Brewbaker, Pastor
10:00 a.m.—Church School
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
6:30 p.m.—Youth Fellowship
7:00 p.m.—Adult Prayer group
7:30 p.m.—Prayer meeting
7:30 p.m.—Prayer meeting
7:30 p.m.—Prayer meeting

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
515 North Lansing Street
Rev. Eldon Raymond, Minister
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
6:15 p.m.—Young People's Service
7:00 p.m.—Evening Worship
Wednesday, 7 p.m.—Prayer meeting

EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN CHURCHES
Bingham—Bengal
Rev. Norman Croser, Pastor
Bengal
9:30 a.m.—Morning Worship
10:30 a.m.—Church School
7:30 p.m.—Senior YF

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES
Kingdom Hall
1983 N. Lansing Street
Sunday, 3:00 p.m.—Public Talk
4:15 p.m.—Watchtower Study
Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.—Area Bible Study
Thursday, 7:30 p.m.—Theocratic Ministry School

DEWITT AREA
DEWITT COMMUNITY CHURCH
(Inter-denominational)
Rev. Daniel Kellin, Pastor
9:45—Sunday School Teaching God, Christ and the Church—Mrs. Ardis Sibley, Supt.
11:00 a.m.—Divine Worship

DEWITT METHODIST CHURCH
North Bridge Street
Rev. Wm. Ernest Tomblak, Pastor
9:45 a.m.—Sunday School
11:00 a.m.—Worship Service
6:45 p.m.—Methodist Youth Fellowship
Nursery for pre-school children during morning worship hour

EMMANUEL METHODIST CHURCH
Corner Clark and Schuyler Roads
Rev. William C. Cassina, Pastor
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School, adults and children
11:00 a.m.—Worship Service
Newcomers and old friends are always welcome

ST. ANNE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Corner US-27 and Webb Road
Rev. Hugh E. Banning, Vicar
Rectory: 224-2609 Office: 224-2885
1st Sunday of month—9:00 a.m. Holy Communion and sermon. (No Church School)
Other Sundays—9:00 a.m. Morning prayer and sermon. 9:30 a.m. Church School

EAST DEWITT BIBLE CHURCH
(Non Denominational)
Round Lake, one mile
East of US-27
Walter W. Sluys, Pastor
Sunday, 10:00 a.m.—Bible School
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ST. THERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH
Fr. Wm. Koennigschock, Pastor
Fr. James Murray and Fr. Max Fisher
Rectory: 102 W. Randolph, Lansing
Phone IV 9-2515
Mass Schedule—Sundays: 6:30, 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 and 12
Weekdays: 6:30, 8 and 7:30 p.m.
Confessions—Saturdays: 3:30-5 and 7:30-9 p.m.
Eves of Holy Days and First Friday: 3:30-5 and 7:30-9 p.m.
Holy Day Masses—7, 8 and 10 a.m., 3:30 and 7:30 p.m.
First Friday Masses—6:30, 8 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

VALLEY FARMS BAPTIST CHURCH
211 E. State Road
Rev. LaVerne Bretz, Pastor
10:00 a.m.—Morning Worship, Junior Church for children through 6th grade
11:15 a.m.—Church School
There is a class for everyone from the youngest to the oldest. The Bible is our textbook
6:30 p.m.—BYF for both Juniors and Seniors
7:00 p.m.—Evangelistic Service
8:00 p.m.—Morning Choir practices
Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.—Midweek Prayer Service; 8:00 p.m.—Morning Prayer Service; 8:00 p.m.—Morning Prayer Service
Saturday 10:00 a.m.—Jr. Choir practice
1st Thursday 7:30 p.m.—Woman's Mission Society
2nd Saturday 2:00 p.m.—Ann Judson Guild for Jr. H. Girls
3rd Tuesday 6:30 p.m.—Men's Fellowship

Fowler Area
MOST HOLY TRINITY CHURCH
Rev. Fr. Albert J. Schmitt, Pastor
Rev. Lawrence Parkhurst, Asst. Pastor
Sunday Masses—6:30, 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.
Weekdays—During school year, 7 a.m. and 8:15
Holy Days—5:30, 7:30 a.m. and 8 p.m.
Sorrowful Mother Novena—Friday, 7:30 p.m.
Saturdays—7:30 a.m.

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH
Fowler, Michigan
Rev. Herbert Schmidt, Pastor
9:30 a.m.—Worship Service
10:30 a.m.—Sunday School

Riley Township
ST. PETER LUTHERAN CHURCH
MISSOURI SYNOD
1/2 miles west of St. Johns on M-21
3 1/2 miles south on Francis road
2 miles west on Church road
Elmer B. Schiefer, Pastor
8:00 a.m.—Worship Service
9:15 a.m.—Sunday School and Bible Class
10:30 a.m.—Worship Service
Holy Communion is celebrated on the first Sunday of each month in the early service, and on the third Sunday of each month in the late service. Adult Information Classes, which also prepare for membership in the church, are held as much as possible at the convenience of the inquirer. Phone 224-3178 for information.

Gunnisonville Area

GUNNISONVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH
Clark and Wood Roads
Rev. William C. Cassina, Pastor
9 a.m.—Sunday School
10:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
A friendly church where all are welcome

Maple Rapids Area

LOWE METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Rudy A. Wittenbach, Minister
9:00 a.m.—Church School
10:15 a.m.—Morning Worship

MAPLE RAPIDS METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Rudy A. Wittenbach, Minister
9:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
10:15 a.m.—Church School

GREENBUSH METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Rudy A. Wittenbach, Minister
11:30 a.m.—Church School
11:30 a.m.—Morning Worship

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Maple Rapids, Michigan
Rev. Donald Voss, Pastor
10:00 a.m.—Worship Service
11:15 a.m.—Sunday School
7:00 p.m.—U.C.Y.M. meets on alternate Sundays
8:00 p.m.—Thursday Chapel choir practice
10:30 a.m.—Saturday, Cherub choir practice
8:30 p.m.—Service meeting

Matheron Area
UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH
Matheron, Michigan
Rev. N. J. Whert, Pastor
9:45 a.m.—Worship Service
10:45 a.m.—Sunday School
8:00 p.m.—Wednesday, Midweek prayer meeting
We welcome you to the fellowship of our services. Our desire is that you may find the warmth of welcome and the assistance in your worship of Christ.
First and third Sundays Matheron Church, second and fourth at Fenwick Church

MATHERON COMMUNITY CHURCH
2:00 p.m.—Sunday School
3:00 p.m.—Worship service

Fulton Area

FULTON FULL GOSPEL CHURCH
1/2 mile east of Perrinton on M-57, 1/2 mile south
Rev. Fred Wing, Pastor
9:45 a.m.—Sunday School
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
7:00 p.m.—Youth Service
7:45 p.m.—Evening Service
8:00 p.m.—Thursday, Prayer and praise service

SALEM EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH
Rev. Ralph Conine
10 a.m.—Sunday School
11 a.m.—Morning Worship
7:30 p.m.—Midweek Services

ST. MARTIN DEPORCE MISSION
Father Charles L. Ganley, Pastor
Sunday Mass—9:15 a.m.
No Weekday mass

Eureka Area

CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Eureka, Michigan
Dr. Harold Watson
10 a.m.—Sunday School
11 a.m.—Morning Worship

Bath Area

BATH METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Reginald B. Becker, Minister
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
11:00 a.m.—Church School
7:00 p.m.—Jr. MYF at the church
8:00 p.m.—Sr. MYF at the church

BATH BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. James L. Burleigh, Pastor
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School
6:30 p.m.—Youth Fellowship
7:30 p.m.—Evening Service
Midweek service on Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

ROSE LAKE CHURCH
Reorganized L.D.S.
Elder Jack Hodge, Pastor
Corner of Upton and Stoll Roads
10:00 a.m.—Church School
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
7:00 p.m.—Evening Worship
7:30 p.m.—Wednesday, evening service

Elsie Area

ELSIE METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Gordon Showers, Minister
9:30 a.m.—Morning Worship
10:30 a.m.—Sunday School, Supt. Mrs. Stanley Kajjar

DUPLAIN METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Gordon Showers, Minister
10 a.m.—Sunday School, Supt. Kenneth Kiger
11 a.m.—Worship service

DUPLAIN CHURCH OF CHRIST
Rev. Ralph Woodard, Pastor
10:00 a.m.—Bible School
Jack Schwark, Jr., S. S. Supt.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship

ST. CYRIL CATHOLIC CHURCH
Rev. Fr. C. D. Smolinski, Pastor
Rectory: Bannister, Phone 882-3270
Sunday Masses—8:00 a.m.
Daily Mass—7:30 a.m., First Fridays 8 p.m.
Holy Days, Mass—7 a.m. and 8 p.m.
Confessions—7 to 8 and 7:30 to 8, every Saturday except First Fridays before Mass.

Westphalia Area

ST. MARY'S CHURCH
Rev. Fr. Roy O. Schoendorff
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
7:00 p.m.—Evening Service
Holy Days—Friday, 7:30 p.m.

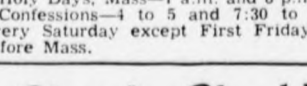
Lighting Up...

Since the Star shone on Bethlehem, lights have been a part of Christmas celebrations. Today, candlelight services are traditionally held by many churches at Christmas. Something unique in the way of Christmas lights are the "luminarias" used to decorate the city of Albuquerque, N.M., at Christmastime.

Outlining the borders of streets, sidewalks, yards and even the roofs of homes, the luminarias shine everywhere. Made of paper bags, weighted down with sand and lighted from within by a candle, thousands of luminarias all over the city offer a soft light.

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"Hope you don't mind—I have to rush right from here to our annual Sunday School Christmas Party!"

ELSIE BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Peter Jansen, Pastor
10:00 a.m.—Worship service
11:00 a.m.—Sunday School, Paul Brown, Supt.
6:30 p.m.—Jr. and Sr. BYF
7:15 p.m.—Evening Service
Wednesday, 4:00 p.m.—Jr. Choir practice; 7:00 p.m.—Sr. Choir practice; 8:00 p.m.—Prayer Service and Bible Study. The Bible is our Text-book and Jesus saves

Eagle Area

EAGLE METHODIST CHURCH
Gerald L. Hedlund, Pastor
1424 Michigan Avenue
Telephone 627-6333
10:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
11:10 a.m.—Church School
7:30 p.m.—Evening Service
7:30 p.m.—Senior MYF Sunday
7:00 p.m.—Junior MYF Wednesday

EAGLE FOUR SQUARE CHURCH
Rev. and Mrs. Royal Burnett, Pastor
9 a.m.—Sunday School
10:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
7:30 p.m.—Wednesday Prayer meeting

Ovid Area

OID FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
South Main Street
Rev. Wallace E. Lewien, Pastor
Myron Woodruff, Church School Supt.
Ida Beardlee, organist
9:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
11:00 a.m.—Church School
7:00 p.m.—Wednesday, Senior Choir
8:00 p.m.—Bible Study and Prayer service

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
Ovid, Michigan
Corner M-21 and Elsie Road
George Rogers, Pastor
10 a.m.—Sunday School
11 a.m.—Morning worship hour
6 p.m.—Youth training hour
7 p.m.—Evening gospel hour
Wednesday, 4 p.m.—Youth choir practice
Wednesday, 7 p.m.—Bible study and prayer service

CHURCH OF GOD
Ovid, Michigan
Rev. L. Sanders, Pastor
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
6:00 p.m.—Youth Fellowship
7:00 p.m.—Evening Service
7:30 p.m.—Wednesday, Bible Study; 8:45 p.m.—Choir practice

OID UNITED CHURCH
Rev. Gordon Spalenka, Minister
Mrs. Duane LaRue, church school superintendent
9:30 a.m.—Church School
11 a.m.—Morning Worship
5 p.m.—Junior High Youth Fellowship
7 p.m.—Senior High Youth Fellowship
Wednesday, 4 p.m.—Junior choir rehearsal; 7:30 a.m.—Chancel choir rehearsal
Thursday, 3:45 p.m.—Children's choir rehearsal
2nd Tuesday each month, 8 p.m.—Official board meeting
1st Wednesday each month—Women's Fellowship executive board meeting
2nd Wednesday each month—Women's Fellowship general meeting
3rd Wednesday each month—Women's Fellowship circle meeting
3rd Monday each month, 6:30 p.m.—Men's club meeting

Victor Township

GROVE BIBLE CHURCH
Rev. Robert Prange, Pastor
Practices: Sherwood roads
10:00 a.m.—Sunday school. Classes for all ages
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
6:30 p.m.—Young People
7:30 p.m.—Evening Service
7:30 p.m.—Wednesday, prayer meeting
Ladies Missionary circle meets 4th Thursday
Couples Club meets 4th Saturday in month

Wacousta Area

WACOUSTA METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Thomas Peters, Pastor
10:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
11:30 a.m.—Sunday School
6:30 p.m.—Methodist Youth Fellowship (both Senior High and Junior High)
Wednesday, 3:30 p.m.—Children's choir practice
7:30 p.m.—Thursday, Senior Adult choir practice
4th Monday each month, 8 p.m. Official board meeting
Methodist Men's club meets at 6:30 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month, at Wacousta Community Methodist church

ST. JOHN'S BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Roy Green, Pastor
10:30 a.m.—Sunday School
11 a.m.—Morning Service
7 p.m.—Evening Service

Westphalia Area

ST. MARY'S CHURCH
Rev. Fr. Roy O. Schoendorff
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
7:00 p.m.—Evening Service
Holy Days—Friday, 7:30 p.m.

Lighting Up...

Since the Star shone on Bethlehem, lights have been a part of Christmas celebrations. Today, candlelight services are traditionally held by many churches at Christmas. Something unique in the way of Christmas lights are the "luminarias" used to decorate the city of Albuquerque, N.M., at Christmastime.

Outlining the borders of streets, sidewalks, yards and even the roofs of homes, the luminarias shine everywhere. Made of paper bags, weighted down with sand and lighted from within by a candle, thousands of luminarias all over the city offer a soft light.

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'Twas the Night before Christmas...

... And all through the house, not a creature was stirring... except these two little rascals! Christmas is their day... dreams of toys, and sweets, and games, and lots of wonderful things!

Christmas is for children, yes. But, Christmas is for grownups, too. It's a time to give, a time to receive. But, sometimes the spiritual side is overlooked; not deliberately, of course, but lost in the delightful chaos of cheer and joy and fun.

Then remind yourself, to go to church—your choice! Pause there to pray, to give thanks for all you have received; especially, that wonderful gift, the gift of God Himself, in His infant Son. Christmas is Christ's day, His birthday!

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Extension Home Economist

The shortest distance between two points is the time from now until Christmas Eve.

Moms find that they have too many things to do, last minute gifts to wrap and all those final food fixings for the big Christmas Dinner.

spiritual significance.

Think back to your own childhood memories of Christmas. It's safe to bet that you recall happy experiences more vividly than you remember what you received; the programs at the church, the pleasures Mother and Dad experienced as they opened the gifts which you made for them.

Right about now is the time that an assist from the kids and dad would be welcome. Did someone say, "Play it cool Mom, we'll help?" Think you are dreaming? Well, why not let the family help you? And if no help is forth coming, then you offer them the privilege of participating with the final preparations for the family Christmas.

Christmas, which began with a family, is truly a family holiday. The essence of Christmas is family unity and sharing, not only in the observance of the days and weeks of preparation.

THE JOY OF the Christmas season has found expression in many ways, for Christmas means different things to different people. For all of us it is a mixture of the memories, experiences and impressions which we have accumulated since early childhood. Homemakers, possibly more than anyone else, help build the associations which make Christmas dear to everyone.

Christmas is more than gift-giving, card sending and rushing from one event to another. We are so involved in the material aspects of the season that we are forgetting, in many cases, the

Thousands of children actually get to see Santa at work every year. And they don't even have to travel to the North Pole!

The lucky youngsters are visitors to two "outposts" of Santa's workshop, located in Wilmington, N. Y., and Torrington, Conn. In either location, visitors may view Santa and his helpers as they make toys and other gifts.

"Santa's Workshop" or "North Pole," on the side of Whiteface Mountain at Wilmington, opens in June and continues operations until November. Eight reindeer are among the live animals present in the village.

Connecticut's "Christmas Village" is open for two weeks before Christmas. Here, elves help Santa, and reindeer-replicas include the red-nosed Rudolph.

MAPLE RAPIDS — Tired of the same old style tree for Christmas? Mrs. Lester Dean of 232 E. Union Street, Maple Rapids, made her own this year.

She didn't use anything that one might normally think could be used to make such a tree. The five-foot-tall tree is made out of white turkey feathers. Every one of the approximately 2,400 feathers had to be individually glued on to the styrofoam form.

Mrs. Dean had an operation on her back a few weeks ago and said that she had to have something to do with her hands while she was recovering from the surgery. She has made everything from feather-covered fly swatters to poddly dogs since that time.

IT WAS THEN she said that she had the idea to make her "different" Christmas tree.

"My doctor said that making

these things was as good for me as any prescription he could have given me," she said.

Mrs. Dean has never been one to just sit around. She operated a beauty shop in her Maple Rapids home for many years. She and her husband have bowled for many years and have a wall full of trophies to prove it.

Kisses Are Numbered By Mistletoe Berries

Mistletoe figures in many legends from pre-Christian times. Druid tree-worshippers believed it had magical powers of healing. Romans thought that enemies who met beneath the mistletoe must kiss and declare a day's truce.

Today, kissing beneath the mistletoe remains a happy holiday custom. Correct procedure is that a berry must be removed for every kiss taken, and when all the berries are gone, there are no more kisses available.



Greetings

Like jolly old Santa himself, we've a pack of good wishes for a holiday season that will long be remembered for its good cheer, and its enduring happiness.

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Christmas here is similar to home, Czech woman says



EUREKA — There is very little difference in the way that Christmas is celebrated in Czechoslovakia now and here said Josephine Havrankova, 30. She is visiting with her uncle and his wife, Mr and Mrs Paul Mikulka, near Eureka.

They have a Santa Claus called "Mikulaus." He is dressed in a red outfit and the children see him at the department stores.

They put their Christmas trees up quite early. Presents are put under the tree after Dec. 6. But they are not opened until Christmas.

When the children see "Mikulaus" in the stores, he tells them that he put the presents under the tree.

"IT HELPS THE children to keep their belief in him," she said.

On Christmas Eve they have a small family dinner with the main dish being fish. Christmas day is spent visiting other friends and relatives. They have either turkey, chicken or roast pork for dinner Dec. 25.

They brought the dish from Czechoslovakia



Ivetta shows her mother the coloring book

"We go to church on Christmas Eve. A lot of people do because the people are mainly Catholic or Lutheran," she said.

When asked about Christmas decorations in the streets she said that they were very similar to those in her own country.

She and her daughter, Ivetta, will stay here until New Year's Day. They arrived here Nov. 13. It took them 14 hours to get from Prague to New York City.

THE THING that bothered her most about her stay in the United States was not that she doesn't speak a word of English but rather hitting the air pockets while enroute here.

In addition to her daughter, Ivetta, 5, with her here, she has two sons Miland, 6, and Bahous, 11. They are at home with their father. They are both in school so they were not able to come to the United States with their mother.

Ivetta will enter school next year when she is 6. At the present time she attends nursery school.

Josephine Havrankova (the ova means Mrs) works in a motorcycle factory and her husband works for a foundry.

They live in a town with the population of about 550 near Prague called Tynec nad Sazavau.

She and her aunt Mrs Mikulka have a problem with communication because neither of them speaks the other's language.

"WE POINT AT things and get along as best we can," Mrs Mikulka said.

She isn't happy being away from her family at Christmas. She had originally planned to make the trip in October but her daughter got sick so she had to postpone the trip.

Speed studies on main rural roads made by the US Bureau of Public Roads showed a slight drop in the average speeds of motor vehicles—55.6 miles an hour this past year compared with 55.8 mph the year before. Passenger cars averaged 56.9 mph, trucks 50.9 mph.



at Christmastime

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Ivetta enjoys coloring books

Omens Dim Yule Spirit

"Merry" Christmas? Not always, according to some ancient beliefs once associated with the day.

Take, for instance, the old belief that cattle and other stable animals were given the power of speech on Christmas Eve.

Any person who heard the animals speak would die within a year, so superstition said. Somber omens of death were read into still other Yuletide legends. When the Yule log burned, bystanders were told to watch the shadows on the walls. If the shadows of any persons appeared to be headless, this supposedly meant death for those persons, again within a year.

Salt was also said to have the power of forecasting life or death, when used in connection with Christmas. The test could be made by leaving a small mound of salt on the table on Christmas Eve. If the salt melted during the night, that, too, meant death within 12 months.

If the salt remained unmelted, the forecast was for a long and healthy life.

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Christmastime Greetings

Out of the East the Wise Men came to seek and find a Holy Child.

In the same spirit of reverence and wonder, joy and gratitude, mankind turns each year to the Christmas story, to seek and find new inspiration and guidance. Let us, this Christmastime, rededicate ourselves to the meaning and message of His birth, that we may achieve "Peace on Earth, Good Will to All Men."

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How much can dairy farmers invest?

Investment per cow on Michigan dairy farms ranges from \$1,300 to \$4,600 according to Michigan State University Tel-Farm records. Dr Ray Hoglund, MSU agricultural economist, says the average is about \$2,000.

The farm management authority believes an efficient dairy set-up can be put together for about that price. Each \$100 extra investment adds about \$15 to the annual cost per cow. If a dairyman invests \$400 extra per cow,

\$60 extra per cow must come from savings of feed, labor and from increased production.

MANY NEW LABOR-**SAVING** ideas are beneficial, Hoglund admits. But a liquid manure disposal system adds about \$60 to \$80 per cow in investment. These added costs must be offset by an increased value of the manure savings in labor or some other savings if the investment is to be profitable.

Hoglund believes one of the best paying new improvements a dairy farmer can make is a free-stall housing system. These cost only about \$10 more per animal per year and are more than offset by savings in bedding.

ANOTHER modest investment is a better set of overall farm records, such as TelFarm, to provide information to help farmers make management decisions.

Farmers making plans for investments should keep these points in mind, Hoglund believes:

- 1) Spend some time figuring before you buy equipment or construct buildings. It is far less expensive to "erase" paper mistakes than to "move buildings or silos."
- 2) Plan a complete system for the whole farm for the present and possible future changes. (a) "Haphazard" buying can result in costly and inefficient operation; (b) Know the facts about new equipment storage facilities and buildings. You can then deal with arguments put forth by salesmen; (c) When you consider the entire farm in your investing plans, you will need to place a priority of the order in which you make investments.

Stray calf home, thanks to ear tag

The mystery of the stray calf in Willis Simcox's pasture has been solved, using a tiny metal ear tag as a clue. Simcox found the stray with his herd in Gratiot County, near Ashley. But he had no idea where it came from and reported it to a deputy sheriff.

Now, thanks to a rapid identification through the vaccination records of the Michigan Department of Agriculture's Livestock Disease Control Division, the lonely stray is back where it belongs, at the Martyn farm six miles away.

THE CALF owes its return to the fact that it had been vaccinated last year and its ear tag number was on file in Lansing, along with records of more than a million cattle. Individual animal identification is the key to successful disease eradication.

The Michigan Department of Agriculture cooperates with the U.S. Department of Agriculture in livestock disease control. Results have spectacularly cut the incidence of livestock disease.

Cords or ricks in buying wood?

Be sure you realize what you're buying when you get a cord of wood to burn in your fireplace. That's the advice of forestry specialists at Michigan State University.

Some dealers sell wood in stacks called standard cords. Each measures 4 feet high, 4 feet wide, and 8 feet long. Others sell short cords, also called ricks, which are 4 feet high and 8 feet long but vary in width depending on the length of a stick. For example, an 18-inch rick would measure 4 feet by 8 feet by 18 inches, and a 24-inch rick would be 4 feet by 8 feet by 2 feet.

PRICES OF firewood vary widely. Cost is influenced by the distance to be delivered. Stacking will also usually mean an extra charge.

You usually can get more fuel for your money by purchasing hardwoods such as oak, hickory, or sugar maple. These woods all will burn longer.

An experimental paper house which could be assembled without tools or need of a foundation, and which was guaranteed to stand a year in any climate, reports the American Paper Institute. It stood for seven years.

Little Towns Of Bethlehem Celebrate

Several states, all over the United States, can boast of having their very own little town of Bethlehem.

In New England, for example, there's a place named Bethlehem in New Hampshire, and another in Connecticut.

Moving across country, Bethlehems are found in Pennsylvania, Maryland, Kentucky, Mississippi, Georgia, Indiana and Iowa.

People from nearby communities and neighboring states flock to Bethlehem, Conn., every Christmas to have their greeting card envelopes imprinted with a special seasonal message, then mailed from the town post office.

Last year, due to the demand, there were ten different greeting designs available for Christmas card senders.

Creche Is Constructed

Also contributing to the holiday atmosphere in Connecticut's semi-official Christmas town, is the creche constructed by nuns at a nearby Benedictine monastery.

In the creche, which emphasizes the primitive simplicity of the Nativity, are life-sized figures of the Virgin and Joseph, dressed in peasant garb, and a crib with the Christ Child, covered by a bright patchwork quilt.

At Christmas, the nuns also make, and offer for sale, liturgically-inspired tree ornaments.

Each Christmas, Bethlehem, Pa., is the scene of an impressive candlelight carol and communion service.

Celebrated, complete with organ and orchestral music, in the Central Moravian Church, it has been a tradition since 1741, when Count Nicholas von Zinzendorf, holding a lighted candle, led his people into a cabin and named their settlement Bethlehem in honor of the Christ Child.

Decorated trees also play an important part during Bethlehem's nationally famous Christmas festival on the Hill-to-Hill bridge connecting various parts of the city.

Every Christmas since 1951, a 60-foot star erected by townspeople has guided visitors to Bethlehem, Georgia.

On Christmas night, a carol service is held beneath the star.

Candlemas Eve Is Favored As Time To Remove Green

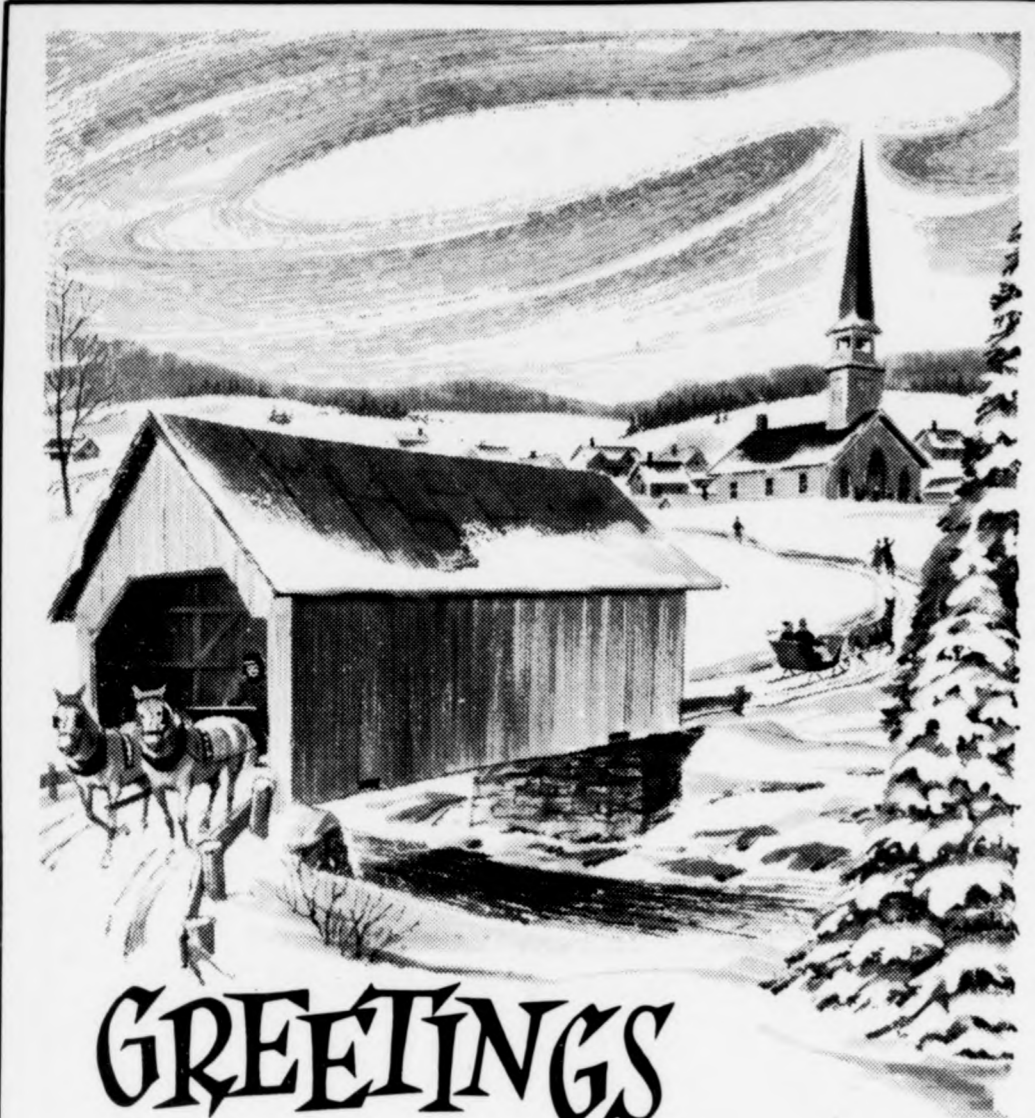
When is the right time to take down the Christmas greens? Before they become a fire hazard, is the modern belief, and that usually means soon after Christmas Day.

In earlier times, however, the question was not so easily answered.

Some people believed that Epiphany, or Twelfth Day, January 6, was the proper time for removing all Christmas decorations. Others firmly contended that the greens should remain until Candlemas, February 2.

One of those favoring the later date was, apparently, the poet Robert Herrick, who lived from 1591 to 1634. He wrote of taking down the greens in his poem, "Ceremonies for Candlemas Eve," but warned that the greens must be completely removed.

"For look how many leaves there be
 Neglected there (maids, trust to me)
 So many goblins you shall see."



GREETINGS

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O, Holy Night

May all the happiness and joy of this wondrous time come to you and yours, lighting your days with peace and contentment. And may each Christmas bring a new and glorious morn of enduring love and hope to everyone, everywhere.

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New Ovid Water Plant, DPW Building in Use

This is the exterior view of the new Ovid public works building and water treatment plant, both now operational across the street west of the Ovid water tower. The Grand Trunk Railroad tracks are between the building and the house in left background. The water treatment plant occupies the near, lower end of the building, and the DPW storage building is farthest from the camera. The entire complex cost \$77,300.

Local man heads Ionia Guard company

Capt. Douglas W. Cook of R-1, St. Johns has assumed command of the Ionia National Guard, Co. B, 1st Bn., 126th Inf.

He has replaced Capt. Gerald F. Sadowski of Grand Rapids. The changeover was effected Nov. 15.

Capt. Cook was a member of the Ionia company from March 1954 to June 1965 when he was transferred to division special staff as assistant information officer. He received his promotion to captain on Oct. 18 this year.

ON NOV. 15 when Capt. Cook assumed command of the Ionia National Guard company, the Ionia company was selected to provide the weapons platoon of Co. A, 1st Bn., 125th Inf. of the new Selected Reserve Force with a certain number of men and officers. The order removed 39 men from the Ionia company, and Capt. Cook took command of the remaining 43 who were left without any officers.

He was authorized to increase the company to 93 men and recently swore in 13 new members to start the buildup. Cook said 37 men are still needed and some are already being processed. He said the build-up should be completed by Feb. 1.

DURING HIS 12 years with the Ionia company, Capt. Cook has served with four commanders. In civilian life he is assistant to the managers of Smith - Douglass plants in both Saginaw and Holland. His duties are to extend management into the field on fertilizer problems.

Capt. Cook lives on North Lowell Road. He is the son of Mr and Mrs Wayne B. Cook of 5500 Lowe Road and is married to the former Eloise Bruursema of Grand Rapids.

Shepardsville
 By Mrs Ira Birmingham

(Omitted last week)

Mr and Mrs Elmer Cutler were at Lyons Thursday to attend the funeral of Fred Maus. Mr Maus was noted as a chef for frying fish at suppers put on by various organizations.

Mr and Mrs Allen Hayes of St. Johns, were dinner guests Sunday of Mr and Mrs Paul Hills.

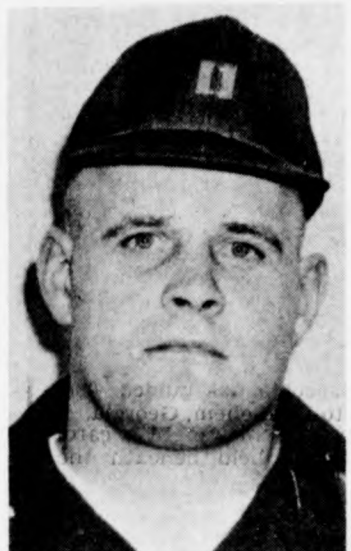
Mrs Elmer Cutler talked with her granddaughter, Miss Lyn Cutler in Dearborn, Sunday morning, who works in the American Embassy, at Leopoldville, Congo. Miss Cutler left there Thursday night and arrived home Sunday night. She will return there after the New Year, following a Holiday vacation in the States.

Mr and Mrs Ed. Tomesek and children spent Sunday with her parents, Mr and Mrs Harley Hefty at Townline Lake near Harrison.

Mrs Richard Hebelier returned home Saturday night after spending the week in Saginaw at her mother's home. Her mother is very ill in the hospital.

Sell 9 Angus

Bruce and Douglas Angell of Bath recently sold nine registered Angus cows to Donald Strouse of Laingsburg.



CAPT. DOUGLAS COOK
 men from the Ionia company, and Capt. Cook took command of the remaining 43 who were left without any officers.



Christmas Greetings

To you and yours, we wish a very blessed Christmas, and may the miracles of this wondrous season fill every heart with happiness and contentment.

DARLINGS

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Merry Christmas

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Clinton Merchants Wish You a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Joy at CHRISTMAS



As you and your loved ones gather together to share the blessings of this great holiday season, we extend, to you and yours, our warmest wishes for a bright and happy future.

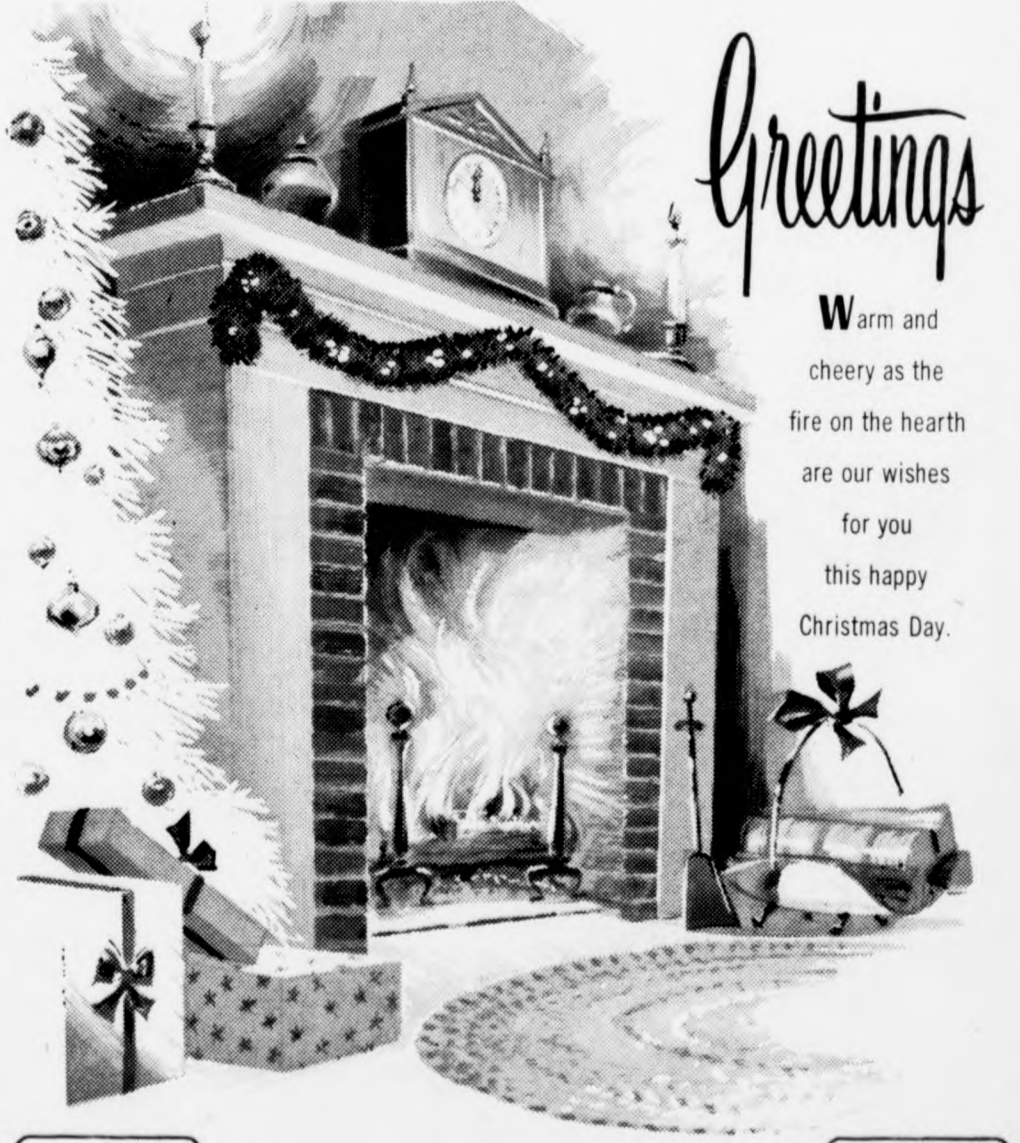
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GREETINGS

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Understanding your **HEALTH**

By Albert E. Heustis, M.D. Director Michigan Department of Public Health



Food is especially topical at this time of year because Thanksgiving was only a short while ago, and the Christmas holidays will be here before we know it.

I think most of us are prone to use the holiday season as an excuse to overeat, and perhaps, imbibe a little too much. Thanksgiving seems to trigger a gastronomic overindulgence in which every American seems to rekindle his love for those rich and fattening holiday foods and drinks. And this fervent love affair with our palates doesn't seem to end until after the first of the year.

SINCE FOOD takes on this grand aura at this joyous time of the year, it seems appropriate to talk about it now. I might say before proceeding that I am an advocate of proper diet and weight control, and a strong adherent of sensible eating habits. This does not mean only around the Christmas holidays either, but all the year through.

Food and Christmas go together — part of heritage established by our parents and their parents before them. After all, what is Christmas? Well, if we just bother to push back the veneer of crass commercialism which has more and more beclouded the real meaning of the day, we discover that it's a birthday party — a very important birthday party. And, what happens at birthday parties? Well, we enjoy ourselves by eating and celebrating.

The number one thing to remember when eating that big holiday meal is to eat less of it. Eat everything, but eat smaller portions — maybe eating more of those nutritious vegetables such as squash, broccoli, asparagus, and cutting back on the intake of potatoes and gravy and dressing.

WE KNOW that Mom fixes the greatest pie in the world, and custard and wonderfully smooth and delicious eggnog. But take smaller portions of pie, cut down on the custard, and maybe try some of those tasty frozen juices as a substitute for too much of that calorie-packed eggnog. Mothers, you can help by cutting the portions too—and don't push those seconds too hard. Dad and the kids can help by using restraint and not asking for that third piece of pie.

I'd like to recommend a few other ways of cutting down the holiday intake. Keep your candy out of sight and substitute some of that fruit in season, nuts are also nutritious and high in food value.

MAKE THOSE Christmas cookies, but make them a little smaller. Instead of putting out another, big meal in the evening after the main meal in the afternoon, why not try serving low-calorie gelatin and fruit salad.

As I have said, the best way to cut down on Christmas calories is by eating moderately. You'll feel better doing it and we guarantee you'll feel a whole lot better afterwards. So on behalf of the state health department, may I wish you and yours a blessed and happy holiday season. Eat and celebrate—but do it sensibly—in moderation.

Driving records popular subject

We hear a great deal about driver records . . . but who is really interested in them? The answer is virtually everybody.

This year the Michigan Department of State will receive nearly million inquiries for file records on persons who have driver licenses. This is a tremendous increase from the 700,000 which were handled only five years ago.

ACCORDING TO Secretary of State James M. Hare, these are asked for by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, traffic and other courts, employers, the armed forces, insurance companies, police and enforcement agencies, attorneys involved in court actions, and in many instances, wives, other relatives, and sometimes neighbors.

Why do they ask for these records? Sometimes it is to obtain a correct address; sometimes to place a person in a job; sometimes to find a social security cheater; sometimes by a court before passing judgment.

IN GENERAL, says Hare, a driver record is the best single document upon which to make a judgment of a person's character and provide an insight into his personality.

Tinsel

Tinsel on the Christmas tree began, so legend says, when spiders covered with webs a tree that had been decorated by a mother for her many children.

To reward the woman for her goodness to her children, the Christ Child changed the spider webs to gleaming silver.



OLD-FASHIONED Christmas Wishes

With thanks for your many favors and friendship, we extend our heartfelt wishes that your holidays may be rich in the joys of a real old-fashioned Christmas.

JOE KUBICA
PLUMBING and HEATING

716 S. Lansing ST. JOHNS Phone 224-4465

Announce Central honor roll list

Central School announces the honor roll for the marking period ending Dec. 3. It includes the following names:

SEVENTH GRADE - ACADEMIC: Kenneth Bentley, Barbara Cartwright, Charles Cheeney, Debra Cochrun, Gregory Crawley, John Estes, Pamela Hambleton, Erna Hiltz, Eugene Howe, Chris Idzkowski, Karen Kohls, Dean Lerg, David Maki, Eileen McClintock, Martha Mihalyi, Doug Parks, Jean Peterson, Timothy Price, Patricia Richards, Lynn Riley, Suzanne Shane, Kelly Spicer, Rosanne Szarka, Jocelyn Walton, Lois Williams, Lenore Wood and Rhonda Woodbury.

SEVENTH GRADE - CITIZENSHIP: Larry Burk, Donald Calder, Barbara Carwright, Charles Cheeney, Debra Cochrun, John Estes, Catherine Ettinger, Pamela Hambleton, Janice Heuer, Erna Hiltz, Eugene Howe, Dean Lerg, Vicki Lucas, David Maki, Martha Mihalyi, David Oatley, Timothy Price, Cheryl Romig, Patrice Shinabery, Roger Snider, Kelly Spicer, Sandra Spousta, Rosanne Szarka, Alice Villarreale, Lenore Wood, Rhonda Woodbury and Debra Woodhams.

EIGHTH GRADE - ACADEMIC: Jane Allaby, Mary Austin, Scott Bennett, Mark Barber, Jamie Bargar, Diane Barnes, Greg Blanchard, Richard Boak, Sandra Bovee, Harold Conklin, Cathy Cronkhitte, Melody Davidson, Kathy Davis, Dolores Evitts, Tom Fowler, Kathy Halsey, Debbie Huss, David Hyler, Edward Johnson, Vicki Johnston, Lawrence Kruger, Debbie Locher, Martha J. Locher, Richard Moldenhauer, Kathy Nichols, Douglas Nickelson, Linda Olson, Jon Pierson, Craig Puetz, Colleen Robinson, Susan Sibley, Nancy Silvers, Tama Simunek, Marcia Serrine, Kendra Stephenson, Vickie VanAmburg and Jim Ward.

EIGHTH GRADE - CITIZENSHIP: James Adamski, Mary Austin, Jamie Bargar, Diane Barnes, Scott Bennett, Greg Blanchard, Sandra Bovee, Sandra Bowling, Harold Conklin, Cathy Cronkhitte, Donald Crosby, Melody Davidson, Kathy Da-

vis, Dolores Evitts, Edna Feighner, Gwendolyn Glen, Jane Glowacki, Kathy Halsey, Danny Haviland, Faith Hopkins, Judy Humagel, Debbie Huss, David Hyler, Lawrence Kruger, Sherry Inman, Honey Jane Karber, Edward Johnson, Vickie Johnston, Betsy Lanterman, Debbie Locher, Martha Locher, Dan Matice, Gary Moon, Kathy Nichols, Linda Olson, Steve Parker, Jon Pierson, Craig Puetz, Colleen Robinson, Sue Sibley, Nancy Silvers, Tama Simunek, Verna Slagell, Marcia Serrine, Kendra Stephenson, William Stoy, Malcolm Struble and Vickie VanAmburg.

YULE SERENADE

Serenading their neighbors with carols is a community enterprise in St. Louis, Mo. More than 50,000 carolers participate, under the guidance of the St. Louis Christmas Carols association, established half a century ago. Voluntary contributions to the carolers are used to help handicapped and underprivileged children.



MERRY Christmas

May your day be bright with the joys of Christmas.

Fox Implement

FOWLER

TRANSMISSION SERVICE
ADJUSTMENTS — LEAKS CORRECTED
MAJOR REPAIR

Stenberg Automotive

US-27 at East DeWitt Blinker Light Phone 669-9840



Happy Christmas

The tree is trimmed, ornaments are glimmering, Santa's arrived and everybody's happy! To all you wonderful people, we send wishes for all the best of Christmas. We are happy to know and to serve you.

to Everyone

HAROLD R. GREEN

Phone 224-7160
200 W. State St. at Brush
St. Johns, Michigan

Harold R. Green

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SEASON'S GREETINGS



In the spirit of this gladsome season, and with pride in the friendship of our customers, we offer our sincere best wishes and warm thanks.

Bee's Chevrolet & Oldsmobile, Inc.

Firestone Tires

SHOWROOM: ST. JOHNS USED CAR LOT:
110 W. Higham—Phone 224-2345 1002 E. State—Phone 224-3325

Business and Professional Announcements, Legal News

COURTHOUSE NEWS

New Suits Started

PAUL WAKEFIELD
County Clerk

C. W. Roberts and Auto Owners Insurance Co. vs New York Central Railroad.

Pacific Finance Loans vs John H. Sisco.

Marriage Licenses

Jerone D. Smith, 20, R-1, Per-rinton and Janet M. Ernst, 20, St. Johns.

Lyle M. Snyder Sr., 55, Maple Rapids and Ruth E. Jones, 53, R-1, St. Johns.

Raymond E. Smith, 27, Ovid and Gayle E. Johnson, 20, Ovid.

Glenn E. Kloha, 20, Freeland and Judith A. Flak, 19, St. Johns.

Dean A. Gill, 23, R-2, St. Johns and Gayla L. Fricke, 22, R-5, St. Johns.

Lee R. Danher, 18, Ovid and Susan I. Luchi, 19, St. Johns.

William K. Ackles, 18, Bath and Susan Marie Decker, 17, Bath.

Porter W. Redman, 24, R-1, St. Johns and Linda Lou Swagart, 20, R-1, St. Johns.

Terry Lee Wagner, 27, St. Johns and Mary Kathryn Evans, 23, Cadillac.

Divorces Started

Diane E. Sharpe vs Lyle Andrew Sharpe.

William H. Burke vs Bodil Burke.

Probate Court

HON. TIMOTHY M. GREEN
Judge of Probate

HELENA M. BURK
Register of Probate

FRIDAY, JANUARY 7, 1966

Floyd Haynes, claims.

Myrtle Breedlove, license to sell.

Hattie Vandeuken, license to sell.

Mahala Jipson, license to sell.

John B. Painter, claims.

Dale Moore, claims.

Rollie Ray West, final account.

Esse C. Williams, appoint administrator.

Aura Andrews, claims.

John Patten, claims.

Maytie F. Rose, appoint administrator.

Alfred Ide, claims.

County Building Permits

Dec. 13: Carl Ashley, DeWitt twp., dwelling and garage.

Dec. 13: Granger Construction, Oak Street, Bath twp., church.

Dec. 13: Woodrow Womack, Alvin Place, DeWitt twp., dwelling and garage.

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Dec. 13: Bob Herrguth, Bath twp., addition to dwelling.

Real Estate Transfers

(From records in office of Register of Deeds)

Albert G. and Eunice C. Stanke to Clifford and Smith Construction Company, property in Chapel Hills Subdivision, Bath twp.

Hommer and Bette Winegardner to Stanley B. Koks, property in Olive twp.

Mary E. Gleason to Nicholaas and Paula Oomen, property in Olive twp.

Stanley J. and Lucille M. Schneider to John R. and Joann M. Lehman, property in the Village of Westphalia.

Elmer and Joyce Jennison to Donald and Madeline Linder, property in Greenbush twp.

Norman D. and Janet L. Woodbury to Argentina Mazzolini, property in the City of St. Johns.

Elfrieda Seeger, James and Marie Guigelaar to Furman-day Investment Company, property in DeWitt twp.

Furman-Day Investment Company to Fred A. and Lois E. Kent, property in DeWitt twp.

American Central Corporation to Carl J. and Germaine P. May, property in Westchester Heights, Victor twp.

Donald L. and Helen E. Braham to Arthur F. and Margaret A. Ballard, property in Bath twp.

Leslie G. and Jessie Brown to Richard and Lois Woodbury, property in Greenbush twp.

Richard S. and Barbara J. Dougherty to Darrel E. and Emma M. Jones, property in Golden Acres Subdivision, City of St. Johns.

Stanley J. and Lucille M. Schneider to Fedewa Builders, Inc., property in the Village of Westphalia.

A. Earle and Mable P. Rowland to Weldon G. and Jean A. Faull, property in Elmhurst Estates, Watertown twp.

Milton C. and Thelma C. Lamb to L. G. and Margaret A. Vosburg, property in Victor twp.

L. G. and Margaret A. Vosburg to Donald R. and Frances C. Wikins, property in Oakdale Park Subdivision, Victor twp.

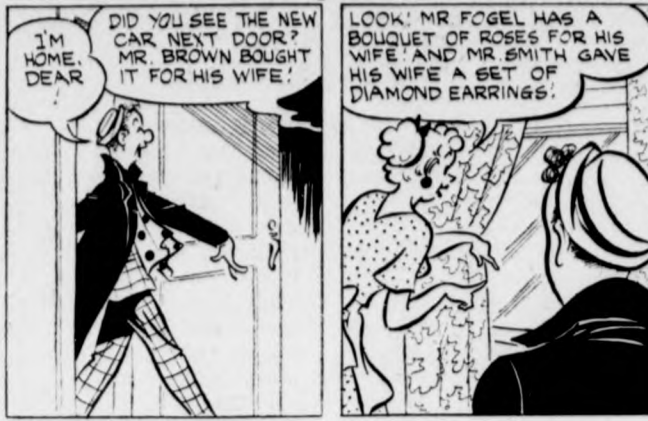
Lewis H. Platner to Ira C. and Nancy Jane Bashore, property the Village of Elsie.

Violet P. Phillips to Joseph and Helen R. Covello, property in DeWitt twp.

Edmund M. and Lucile Nase-man to Edward P. Nase-man, property in Westphalia twp.

Hilda C. Swihart to Marian G. Walter, property in Victor twp.

Life With The Rimples



Darrell E. and Emma M. Jones to Leon E. and Patricia A. Nevins, property in the City of St. Johns.

Dowries Filled Early Stockings

St. Nicholas, the early bishop who was the first Santa Claus, is also credited with originating the custom of hanging up Christmas stockings.

According to legend, he wished to provide dowries for the three daughters of a bankrupt merchant. Since he wanted the gifts to be anonymous, he tossed bags of gold down the merchant's chimney. Accidentally, the gold fell into stockings the girls had hung by the fireplace to dry.

Factual handicap is that, though St. Nicholas lived in the fourth century, stockings weren't made with feet until the 11th century — but the Christmas stocking story is still a happy legend.

By Les Carroll



Darrell E. and Emma M. Jones to Leon E. and Patricia A. Nevins, property in the City of St. Johns.

Dolls Play Dual Role



Used Today as Christmas Toys And for Figures in Creche

On Christmas morning, little girls throughout the land will lovingly cuddle new dolls and declare to one and all how wonderful a gift they have received. At the same time, beautiful creche dolls will be displayed in churches and homes as part of the Christmas setting.

This dual role — as toy and as religious symbol—is a function that dolls have filled for centuries, according to Encyclopedia Americana. And it is generally believed that the first use of dolls was religious, rather than for entertainment.

Historians report the doll originally was used as a representation of human figures in religious sanctuaries. The word "doll" itself, in fact, is derived from the Greek word "eidolon," meaning "idol."

Archaeologists have unearthed dolls in the ruins of tombs thousands of years old. And their presence in the tombs is assumed by some historians to mean the objects were included as idols.

Among some ancient societies, dolls were thought to possess mystical powers. Many primitive tribes included such figures in burials as a spirit to keep the deceased company in another world. Today, in addition to the creche dolls of Christendom, dolls hold a religious importance in the Orient, where annual doll festivals are held to celebrate the birthday of Buddha.

As toys, dolls have existed for centuries. The earliest toy dolls known were discovered in the Near East and Greece. These primitive dolls were made of clay, stone or bone.



DHIA Report for November, 1965

Owner	No. of Cows	Lbs. Milk	Lbs. B'Fat	% Cows Test
Charles Bracey	26	1633	61	97
Ervin Martin	36	1532	57	94
Ermaline Schafer	11	1464	57	100
Rostan Mehney & Son	30	1490	55	98
William Mayers	39	1402	51	90
Oscar Simon	31	1377	51	91
Hollis Gehringer	26	1373	51	91
Harold Bracey	30	1312	49	94
Dennis Thelen	51	1274	49	97
Robert Wilcox	23	1222	47	93
Robert Nurenberg	29	1298	47	93
Alex Vitek & Sons	47	1289	47	99
Robert Borton	50	1266	47	87
William Knight	35	1218	46	84
D. & V. Green	907	1242	45	93
Mark Pung	27	1197	45	89
Francis Motz	32	1159	45	84
Ed DeLamater	28	949	45	93
Wyrick Bros.	33	1174	44	89
Russell Ormsby	37	1181	43	84
Lawrence Becker	51	1165	43	84
Mervin Chamberlain	32	1164	43	84
S & H Farms	97	1162	43	87
Dale Anderson	48	785	43	97
Ernest Jackson	57	1206	42	81
Darwin Smith & Sons	25	1153	42	103
George Hazle	6	1102	42	97
Don Lewis	30	1132	41	95
Robert Reese & Son	77	1073	41	85
George Smith	36	826	41	89
Dunkel Bros.	28	1103	40	82
Lavern Lerg	54	1105	39	89
Zeb Bros. & Bob	97	1046	39	83
Ron Spitzley	49	1126	38	99
MSU Dairy Dept.	55	1096	38	87
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Norman Spitzley	28	1019	38	97
Nobis Bros.	67	1005	37	81
R. & L. Fickies	23	775	37	103
Raymond Thornton	75	1021	36	88
Frank Prochazka	24	962	36	96
A. W. Cobb & Son	38	921	36	84
MSU Dairy Dept.	28	612	36	74
Frank Rivest	45	998	35	79
Leon Miller	33	978	35	79
L. & D. Thelen	49	933	35	82
Leo Hanson	48	928	35	84
Fred Mayers	36	1169	34	91
Don Swagart	25	951	34	102
Elmer Smith	33	935	34	81
Richard Walker	41	868	34	89
Stanley Thelen	23	870	33	90
Wesley Erickson	53	835	33	76
MSU Dairy Dept.	12	784	33	100
Mark Eaton	31	861	31	74
Ray Mayers	28	829	31	78
Harry Sanborn	30	835	30	68
Peter Kurnez	86	820	30	85
Floyd Koerner, Jr.	74	762	30	88
J. Catlin & Son	43	796	29	81
F. Livingston	31	452	26	78

High 305-Day Lactation Records

Owner	Breed	Milk	B'Fat
William Knight	Holstein	18301	825
Mervin Chamberlain	Holstein	19372	771
Rostan Mehney & Son	Holstein	21196	742
Charles Bracey	Holstein	16774	708
Francis Motz	Holstein	17984	707
Robert Borton	Holstein	19963	705
George Smith	Guernsey	14623	703
D. & V. Green	Holstein	19773	700
Robert Reese & Son	Holstein	17173	699
Zeb Bros. & Bob	Holstein	19561	697
Francis Motz	Holstein	17942	692
Harold Bracey	Holstein	19215	688
Frank Prochazka	Holstein	17013	678
Leon Miller	Holstein	17213	676
Leon Miller	Holstein	21027	673
Russell Ormsby	Holstein	17530	671
George Smith	Guernsey	13911	670
Leon Hanson	Holstein	13619	659
Robert Borton	Holstein	20007	658

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Clinton.

Estate of **JAMES L. SHINABERY, Deceased**

It is Ordered that on March 2, 1966, at 10:00 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom in St. Johns, Michigan a hearing be held at which all creditors of said deceased are required to prove their claims, and creditors must file sworn claims with the Court and serve a copy on Ruthann Shinabery, Route 1, St. Johns, Michigan, Administrator, prior to said hearing.

Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.

TIMOTHY M. GREEN,
Judge of Probate.

Dated: December 14, 1965

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Clinton.

Estate of **JOHN W. HEY, Deceased**

It is Ordered that on the 2nd day of March, 1966, at 10:30 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom in the City of St. Johns, Michigan a hearing 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 of same on Wayne R. Robinson, Administrator of said estate, of Route 2, Grand Ledge, Michigan, prior to said hearing.

Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.

TIMOTHY M. GREEN,
Judge of Probate.

Dated: December 16, 1965

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serve a copy on Isabel A. Smith, Executrix of said Estate, prior to said hearing.

Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.

TIMOTHY M. GREEN,
Judge of Probate.

Dated: December 8, 1965

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Clinton.

Estate of **JEANNETTE A. WAGNER, a/k/a JEANNETTE A. WAGNER, a/k/a JEANNETTE A. WAGNER, VERHOEVEN, Deceased**

It is Ordered that on February 23, 1966, at 9:30 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom in St. Johns, Michigan a hearing 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 Leroy Marvin Wagner, 227 Beal, East Lansing, Michigan prior to said hearing. The heirs of said deceased will also be determined at that time.

Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.

TIMOTHY M. GREEN,
Judge of Probate.

Dated: December 8, 1965

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Clinton.

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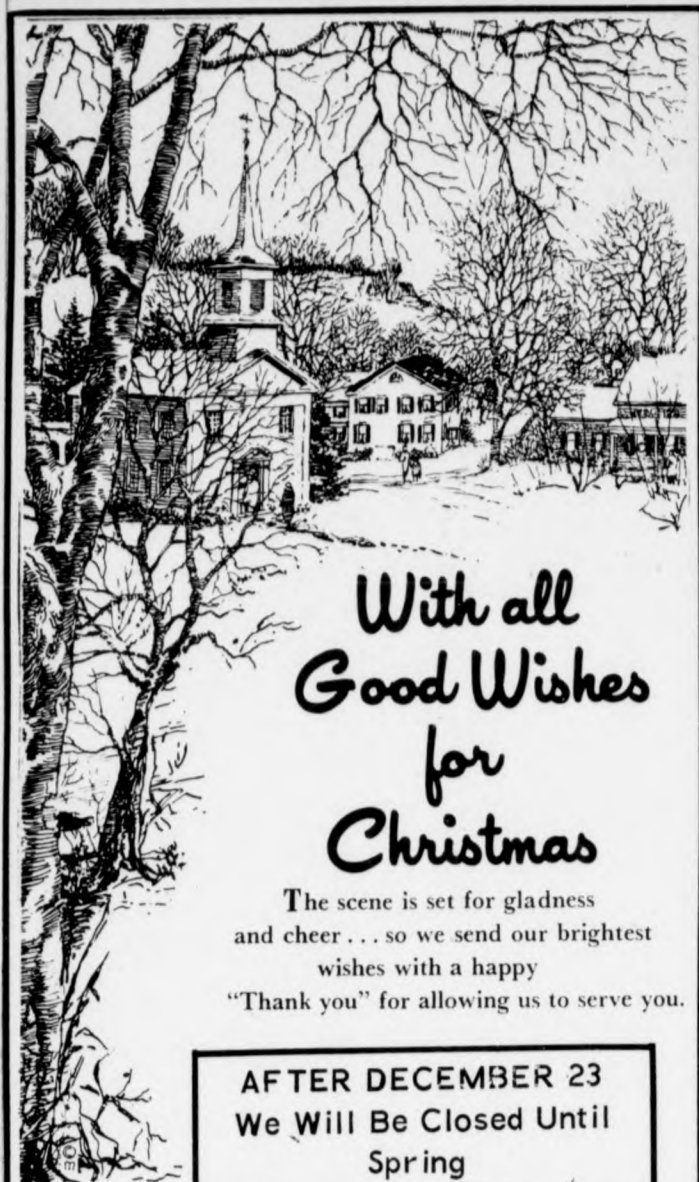
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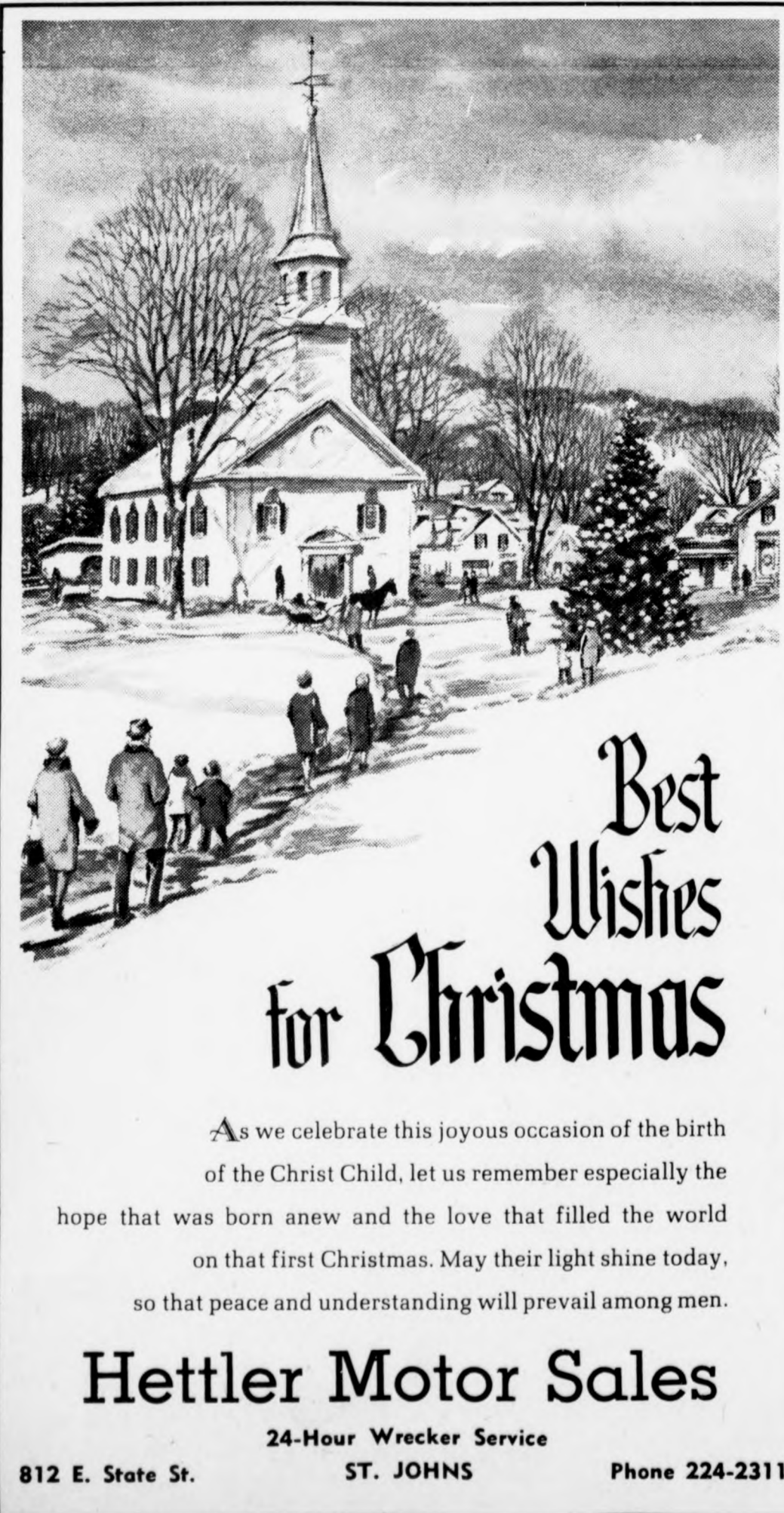
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Shepardsville
By MRS. IRA BIRMINGHAM, Correspondent

There will be no MYF meeting Sunday, Dec. 26, because of the Christmas Holiday.

The Shepardsville MYF of 10 young people with Mrs Chandler Gleason as counselor and Dale Suters, father of some of the young ladies as driver, caroled for 10 shut-ins, elderly and others Sunday evening. Among the honored were the Ira Birmingham.

The bake sale sponsored by the Shepardsville MYF in Ovid Saturday, added \$40 to their youth fund.

On Dec. 18, eight members of the Wayfarers' Club of Bethel Mennonite Church in Washington Township with their sponsor, Miss Miriam Stolzofus of the St. Johns High School faculty and Miss Janet Longenecker, also a teacher in the music department of the St. Johns school system, came and sang Christmas Carols and performed a skit called "They Searched and Found," for the Ira Birmingham.

Mr and Mrs August Witt and Miss Audrey, were among the 48 present for the Nickels family annual Christmas party Saturday evening at the Veteran's Hall, DeWitt.

Mr and Mrs Charles Palen Jr. and sons were in Lansing as dinner guests Sunday of Mr and Mrs Day Cheney, in observance of Mr Cheney's birthday.

Mr and Mrs Howard Robbins of Lansing were Sunday morning visitors of Mr and Mrs Charles Robbins.

Arthur Altvator of Chelsea spent Saturday night and Sunday with his mother, Mrs Herman Altvator.

Sunday afternoon guests of Mr and Mrs Glen Wisner were Mr and Mrs Clem Bashlier of Chapin.

Mr Richard Hebelier spent Sunday in Saginaw with her mother, Mrs J. C. Bastien.

Mr and Mrs Willard McMaster were guests Sunday of Mr and Mrs Harvey Dykegroos and family at Zeeland.

Mr and Mrs Elmer Cutler were Sunday afternoon visitors at Portland of Mr and Mrs Alfred Whitlock. Mr Whitlock will celebrate his 92nd birthday in a short time.

Supper guests of Mr and Mrs Sam Sherwood and twins Sunday were Mr and Mrs Kenneth Sperry of Lansing.

Miss Carolyn DeLong of St. Johns is a houseguest of Mrs Oral Elliott.

Miss Janet Walker of St. Johns is assisting Mrs Elliott in the nursing home.

Mr and Mrs Robert Watson and family and Mr and Mrs Victor Higgins and girls, Sunday attended the Sloat family annual Christmas gathering at the home of Mr and Mrs Victor Sloat and sons.

Mr and Mrs Alfred Cramer were Sunday morning visitors of Mr and Mrs Sam VanEtten and family at Eureka.

Supper guests of Mr and Mrs Alfred Cramer were Mr and Mrs Harold Cramer and children of Ovid.

Mrs Walter Kaufman Sr. of Rochester Colony, Mrs Jack Kesby, Paul Minnich, Mrs Sam Sher-

County ahead of Yule seal donation pace

Christmas Seal contributions from Clinton County are helping to boost the 1965 fund-raising campaign to a new state record. Contributions have reached \$3,487, compared with \$3,058, at this time last year.

While it is too early to predict the exact outcome of the 1965 Christmas Seal campaign, it is already apparent that the statewide campaign will see a sizable increase, reports the Michigan Tuberculosis and Respiratory Disease Assn.

RETURNS FROM throughout the state are substantially ahead of last year; however, late contributions are needed to help the campaign reach its goal of \$1,400,000, the association reports.

Sue Hasse, state honorary Christmas Seal campaign chairman and a recovered TB patient, knows full well the important work of Christmas Seals in fighting TB as well as other respiratory diseases and urges Clinton County residents who have not mailed in their contributions to do so as soon as possible.

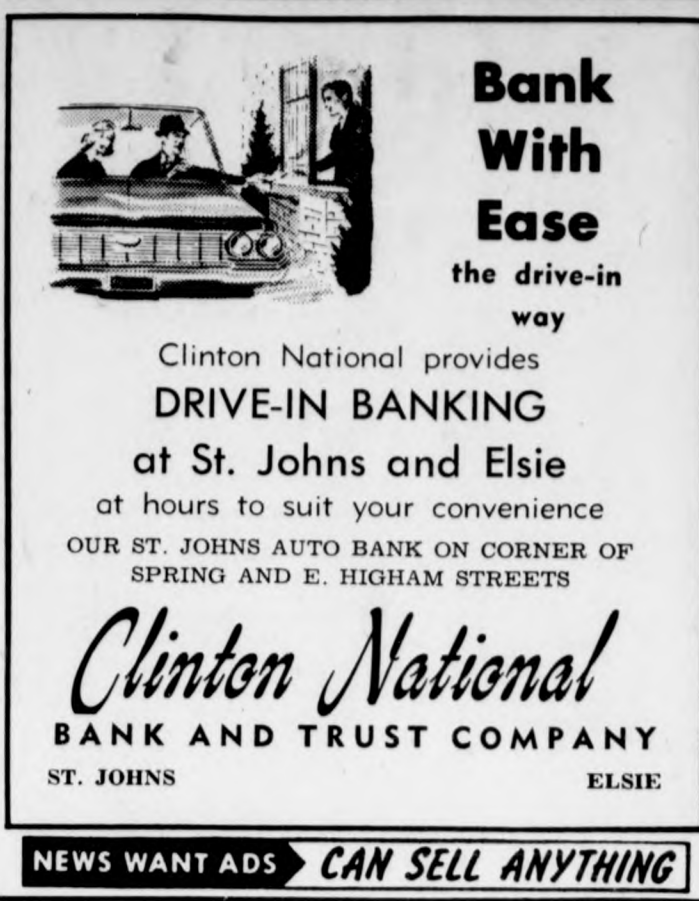
A Michigan State University soil scientist says 8 to 11 million acres of land in Michigan can use more lime. Art Wolcott notes many farmers make the mistake of not using lime when they stop growing alfalfa. It is normal for these soils to become more acid with use, he says.

Mrs George Parmenter, Mr and Mrs Steven Komives and Mrs Hubert Hilton were among the recent visitors of Mr and Mrs Ira Birmingham.

Mr and Mrs Arthur Kelly Jr., Mr and Mrs Arthur E. Kelly and Mr and Mrs Dan Magsig were guests Friday evening of Mr and Mrs Leigh Darling at Carland honoring the birthday of Kelly Jr. Dec. 17 and Arthur E. Kelly's birthday on the 22nd at a dinner party.

Mrs Lester Hughson and houseguest, Miss Carol McAvoy of Owosso Sunday afternoon attended a surprise birthday party honoring Carol at her parent's home, the James McAvoy's.

Merry Christmas to everyone!



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