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Suspect arson

Hotel fire investigation continues



Det Sgt Wilbur Massey of the State Police Fire Marshall division sifts through rubble left by Steel Hotel fire. He has said arson is suspected.

By Jim Edwards
County News Editor

ST JOHNS -- The St. Johns Police Dept has been told by the Fire Marshall's Division of the Michigan State Police that arson is the suspected cause of the March 28 fire at the Steel Hotel, now known as the Clinton Arms. Detective Sergeant Wilbur Massey of the Fire Marshall's Division reported to Lyle French, St. Johns police chief, that evidence would indicate arson in the basement of the hotel. Fire inspectors are concluded with their investigation at the scene, but are continuing their field and laboratory investigations. Following the report of suspected arson, it was reported that owners of the hotel Wayne

(Buck) and Mary Haney had said they would take polygraph tests.

Sgt Massey also met Monday with Jon Newman, Clinton County prosecuting, to advise him of the continuing status of the investigation.

It was later reported in the Lansing State Journal, however, that Mrs Haney has stated she would not take a polygraph.

Chief French, Monday afternoon, said that, as of 4 pm, Monday, he had not been notified of any statement about Mrs Haney taking a polygraph test other than what was earlier reported by Mrs Haney to the Lansing State Journal.

However, Monday Mrs Haney told Deborah LaParl, County News staff writer, that both she and her husband would take a polygraph test.

Charge 2 men with Fowler armed robbery

ST JOHNS -- A 17-year-old Grand Ledge man and a 22-year-old Portland man have been arrested by the Clinton County Sheriff's Dept and charged with the March 31 robbery of Finkbeiner's Pharmacy in Fowler.

Arrested were Anthony Edward Swint, 17, Grand Ledge, and James Lee Fox, 22, Pryor Rd, Portland.

Swint was arrested the evening of the robbery when he was found hiding in a ditch about a mile north of Fowler on Wright Rd. Fox was arrested the following day at 1:20 pm at his home.

Judge Frederick Lewis set a \$20,000 bond on each, which had not been posted.

Swint, according to the Sheriff's Dept, is currently out of bond on 2 felony charges in Eaton County.

When Swint was arrested Monday night, found at the scene of the arrest were a shotgun, drugs and money.

Officials found drugs, believed to be stolen, in Fox's bedroom.

The robbery was reported to the Sheriff's Dept last Monday night at 8:28 pm. Rod Finkbeiner, owner of the store, said 2 men entered the store, 1 armed with a shotgun.

Employees and customers were ordered

to the rear of the store and Finkbeiner was ordered to open the safe where drugs are stored.

Then, reportedly, the subjects left the store—one by the front exit and the other by the rear exit.

Swint was believed to be the man who left by the front exit and subsequently ordered Geraldine Swanson back into her antique store.

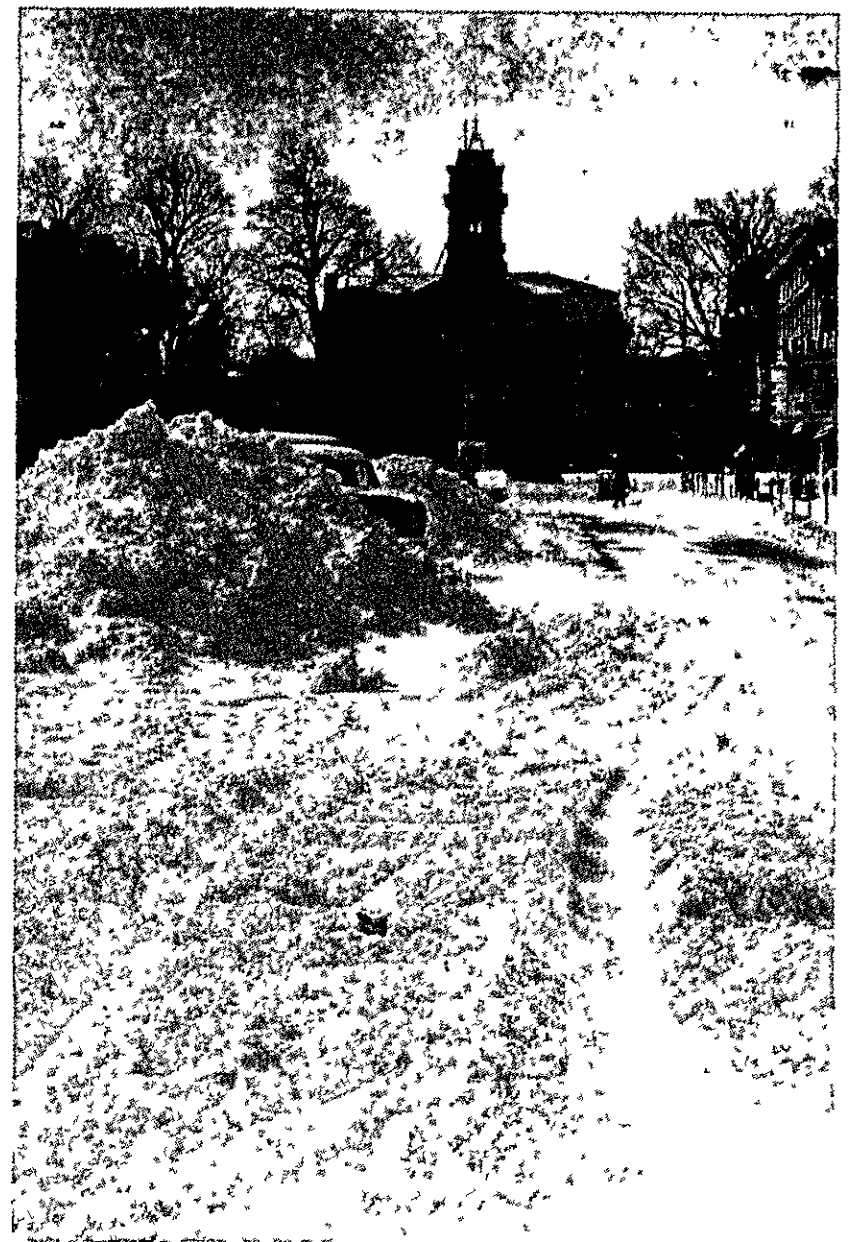
She refused and also refused to drive him away in her car when he allegedly grabbed her car keys and fled.

Later, Mark Witgen, who lives, about 1 mile north of Fowler, reported a suspicious person, covered with mud, had used the telephone in Witgen's home.

After authorities visited Witgen's home, the subject was arrested about a block from the house where he was hiding in a ditch.

In addition to drugs, about \$400 was taken in the robbery and was reported recovered by the Clinton County Sheriff's Dept.

Assisting the Sheriff's Dept in the investigation and subsequent arrests were the Lansing City Police Dept and their helicopter, St. Johns Police Dept, Ionia County Sheriff's Dept and State Police from East Lansing, Ionia and Ithaca.



This was the scene Thursday morning as up to 13 inches was dumped on the Clinton County area, clogging streets and driveways. Clinton County residents, as well as much of Michigan, spent Thursday and Friday digging out of the April 3 snow storm.

DeWitt teacher faces attempted murder charges

John Avery Slagel, 38, 7509 1/2 S. Woodbury Rd, Laingsburg, a teacher in the DeWitt School System is currently lodged in the Ingham County Jail facing 2 counts of attempted murder.

The charges followed an investigation early last Thursday morning at the scene of a shooting at 6218 Brookline Court in Ingham County's Meridian Township.

Slagel was charged with the shooting of

David Bone, 23, Lansing and Penny Strange of the Meridian Twp address.

Bone was reported shot in the chest and Ms Strange was shot in the hip.

Bone told Sheriff's deputies he was able to wrestle the gun away from Slagel after being wounded.

All 3 were admitted to a Lansing hospital. Bond for Slagel was set at \$25,000 and was not posted.

He has demanded examination.

Heather Pipers present Tartan Ball

ST JOHNS -- The Heather Pipers of St Johns are once again sponsoring their popular Tartan Ball, Saturday, April 12, at the St Joseph gym from 8:30 pm until 1 am.

Music offered will feature both the big band sound of music and the sight and sound of Scottish pipers and drummers in colorful regalia.

Peter Vanderwaal's Orchestra, a 10-piece group will perform for dancing.

The Flint Scottish, Caledonia Killies and Heather Pipers will be the featured pipe bands who will play during the intermission. There will also be Irish and Scottish singers and dancers.

Judge Frederick Lewis is Pipe Major of the Heather Pipers, who tartan is MacLeod of Lewis.

Gerald Savage, formerly of Belfast and Isaac Wilkie, formerly of Glasgow, are the featured singers.



Judge Frederick Lewis displays his prowess on the pipes—you can see it in person at the Tartan Ball.

Arrest local school teacher on marijuana charges

ST JOHNS -- Phillip Earl Greer, 32-year-old St Johns school teacher, was arrested the night of April 2 and has been charged with 3 marijuana violations.

He has been charged with possession of marijuana with intent to deliver, maintaining a house for delivery of marijuana and delivery of marijuana to a minor.

The arrest followed a 10 pm raid at Greer's residence by the Tri-County Metro Narcotics Unit, Clinton County Sheriff's Dept and the St Johns Police Dept.

Greer was lodged in the county jail and

was later released on \$3500 bond. Examination date has been set for April 25. Seized in the raid was a quantity of marijuana and paraphernalia.

Others in the house were interviewed and released.

Detective Sergeant Richard May of the County Sheriff's Dept said the arrest followed a 4-month investigation. Detective Sergeant Arthur Hopp stated "Information gathered during the investigation led to the execution of the search warrant."

Dewitt residents protest sewer, road projects

By Deborah LaParl
County News Writer

DEWITT -- It was standing room only at the DeWitt City Council meeting Monday night and several people did just that.

Most of the citizens, numbering over 35, were Lake Geneva property owners there to speak their minds about the proposed sewer and roads for that area or to see what action the council was going to take.

What the council did do was honor the request of Tom Warth, recent elected president of the Lake Geneva Property Owners' Association.

He asked the council to delay action on the road proposal for 2 weeks and a 4-week delay on the sewer proposal.

Slating the association and the residents of Lake Geneva needed more time to study the proposals Warth said: "The council has looked at this sewer-road issue for years, but we have only seen it since Wednesday night."

Warth added that the association was not totally up to date on all that had taken place concerning the proposals and wanted to find answers for people finding fault with them.

Four men who found much fault voiced their complaints at the meeting and produced 2 petitions filled with the names of Lake Geneva property owners against the sewer proposal.

Tony Shano, Lake Geneva resident, produced a petition with 37 signatures which he said was 6 names short of 51% of the Lake Geneva population.

He said all the property owners had not been contacted and he was sure he could get 60% of the signatures eventually.

Shano and neighbor William Gorman expressed the fear that the city was taxing them out of their homes.

"It's going to cost us \$2500 per lot for the streets and the sewer, but it won't stop there," Shano said.

"There is a \$400 hook-up fee, \$5 a foot to install the sewer, \$150 to pump the septic

tank and fill it with sand, \$10 a month to use the sewer and that's an extra \$45 to \$60 a month," Shano explained.

Both Shano and Gorman questioned what the city did for them in return for the 15 mills they pay the city.

Shano felt the city should provide roads for Lake Geneva and said he understood that there was an agreement made by a past mayor who promised road upkeep.

The council members did not recall such an agreement.

Warth said the matter would be looked into by committee of the Lake Geneva Property Owners' Association.

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Medicaid children screened for diseases

ST JOHNS -- A large percentage of eligible children screened under the Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment Program are referred for treatment.

Joe Latoff of the Mid Michigan District Health Department told the Clinton County Board of Commissioners that out of 1696 children screened for disease in Clinton, Gratiot and Montcalm counties in 1974, a total of 1094 were referred for treatment.

The program allows children eligible for medicare benefits to be examined by physicians for the early detection of disease. If treatment is needed an appointment is made for the child.

It's time for Crafts Fair

The Crafts Fair sponsored by the Friends of the Bement Public Library will take place April 15 during National Library Week April 13 to 19.

The fair will be open to public viewing from 1 to 9 pm at the auditorium of the Municipal Building. There is no admission charge.

Awards will be presented at 7 pm April 15.

Entered crafts may be taken to the Municipal Auditorium Monday April 14 from 1 to 8 pm or Tuesday morning April 15 from 9 to 11 am. Late registration of entries will be accepted on Monday April 14.

All craft articles may be picked up as soon as the show is over.

For further information and entry blanks contact the Bement Public Library.



Glenn Pang, St. Johns Jaycee Jelly Week chairman, views the posters drawn by students at the Walter Keys School publicizing the April 6-19 sale. Door-to-door sales will be April 13. Proceeds for the annual sale go to the Walter Keys trainable school at the Intermediate School District.

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Spreading the word about the April 12 Eureka School carnival are these folks from the Eureka School area. Displaying the quilt is Hazel Garrett, who made the quilt to be awarded as a prize the night of the carnival. Displaying their prize winning posters are [front, from left] Scott Whitcomb, 1st grade and Kathy Kirby, 2d grade and [rear 2d from right] Jimmy Korienek and Joey Mesh who tied for top 3d grade honors. Ronald Patrick, kindergarten, earned an honorable mention. Also shown on the table are 2 stuffed dolls to be presented in the penny drawing. Carnival goers can also win 1 of 2 quarters of beef as prizes.

Collections is theme for St Johns Womans Club

"Collections" was the theme of the program for the April 2nd meeting. The meeting was held in Wilcox Hall in the First Congregational Church. The treasures were spread on tables and each member told something of the history of her hobby.

These "Collections" included many pieces of fine china, silver, and fine linen. One beautiful handmade cloth made in Czechoslovakia was exhibited by Mrs Spousta.

Cut glass salt dishes in vogue in the early 1900's made an interesting display as well as an antique silver service.

Postal card collectors are known as Deltiologists and Mrs Maridel Nelson qualifies as one as she says she has 90,000 of these dating back to the past century. These cards are sorted and mounted in albums and are a part of America's history.

Mrs Rumbaugh exhibited memorabilia from the Columbian Exposition of 1893. Two 1890 costumes were exhibited, one of which was modeled by Mrs Harold Millman.

The St Johns Club will be the hostess for the County Federation meeting to be held here on April 24th. Plans were announced and chairman named by the County President, Mrs Roy Davis.

April 16 will be the last meeting of the Club year. It will be held in the Undercroft of the St Johns Episcopal Church. Reports from officers and department heads will be given and a planning session for next year's program will be held.



Bernita Halfman relaxes in the chair given her at the Sunday open house in her honor and displays the silver tray honoring her for her 53 years of service to the Parish and community. She is joined in the photo by family and friends.

Years of service honored in Fowler

FOWLER - The Fowler area community turned out enmasse Sunday afternoon to honor 53 years of service as organist to the Parish and community by Bernita Halfman.

A mass of thanksgiving was said at 10:30 am by Father Albert Schmitt and, in the afternoon, an open house was held at Holy Trinity Parish Hall.

The choir sang songs, followed by an address by Robert Berry, director of the choir. Father Schmitt and the choir members presented her with gifts during the program.

Former choir members, now living in Detroit, Owosso, St Johns and Fowler were also present at the open house.

Ladies of the Parish prepared the open house lunch.

Spring: Bad for the memory?

DEWITT TWP - The giant snow storm which surprised everyone Wednesday and Thursday was the indirect cause of 16 accidents in DeWitt Twp, Police chief William C. Nash said.

The accidents, occurring between Wednesday and Saturday, left 1 person hospitalized and many with minor injuries.

A brief spell of good weather seems to be bad for the memory.

"I think in that short bit of spring weather everyone forgot how to drive on treacherous roads," Nash said.

Knights Templar installs officers

ST JOHNS - St Johns Commandry No 24, Knights Templar installed officers of the Masonic Temple Saturday, April 5.

John Spousta was installed as commander by the Grand Installing Officer S.K. Richard M. Strass, E.G. Generalissimo of the Grand Commandry of the Knights Templar of the state of Michigan.

Officers installed were Whit Gannaway, generalissimo; Lyle J. Bradley, captain general; Mark A. Eaton, senior warden; George F. Frost, prelate; Robert H. Owen, treasurer; Fred M. Lewis, recorder; Albert S. Totten Sr, standard bearer; Raymond S. Eick, sword bearer; Daniel Bross, warden; Willis Hettler, sentinel.

Appointed officers installed were Robert C. Shaub, first guard; Russell Welsh, second guard and Richard Jacoby, third guard.

A dinner for 100 guests preceded the installation at 6:30 and was prepared by Worthy Matron Jean DeVore and her committee of Radiant Chapter 79.



Mrs H.F. Millman models dress of early America while displaying silver serving set at the recent St Johns Womans Club "Collections" program.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thanks, firemen

The action of the St Johns Fire Dept and those departments assisting during the March 28 Steel Hotel fire is to be commended.

A fire of such proportion serves to demonstrate vividly

the dedication and efforts of our volunteer firemen.

It also serves to remind us that the service of the volunteer department is too often taken for granted.

Throughout the year, volunteer firemen sacrifice personal and business hours to undergo hours of training as well as answer the many calls to fight fires.

Such sacrifice and dedication by the firemen and their families deserves the thanks of their unselfish and dedicated public service.

Paul McNamara
President
St Johns Area Chamber of Commerce

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CITY OF ST. JOHNS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the St. Johns City Commission will hold a public hearing April 28, 1975 at 7:45 p.m. to be held in the Commission Chambers, 121 E. Walker Street, St. Johns, Michigan for the purpose of hearing those interested in proposed Ordinance No. 274. An Ordinance to amend the Zoning Ordinance to various regulated uses.

F. Bruce Wood
City Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that nominating petitions for the office of City Commissioners may be obtained at the office of the City Clerk, 121 E. Walker Street, St. Johns, Michigan, on April 18, 1975, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

There will be two (2) vacancies.

If necessary, an August Primary Election will be held to determine nominees.

Nominees will be placed on the ballot at the November 4, 1975 municipal election.

Deadline for filing nominating petitions is 4:00 p.m. on June 17, 1975.

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CNB&T names vice-president and senior loan officer

A former consumer loan officer of Manufacturers National Bank of Detroit has been named vice president and senior loan officer at Clinton



V. Michael Marotich

National Bank and Trust Company of St. Johns.

V. Michael Marotich joined Clinton National on April 1 after 15 years experience in various lending capacities with Michigan Bank, N.A. and Bank of the Commonwealth in addition to manufacturers. His assignment at CNB&T as vice president will include responsibility for the bank's entire lending function.

In announcing Marotich's appointment, President Brandon C. White cited recent growth at Clinton National and the resultant loan demand for

necessitating a person with broad banking experience. "Mike has had the background and exposure we feel is vital to effect a positive direction of our bank-wide loan function. Along with this experience, we have found him to be most personable and knowledgeable. We are pleased that he chose to join our bank."

Marotich holds a B.S. in business administration from Wayne State University and an associated degree in commerce from Henry Ford Community College. He is currently enrolled at the University of Detroit completing the requirements for a masters degree in business administration and majoring in finance. In addition, he has completed study courses offered through the American Institute of Banking.

Marotich's bank lending career began in 1960 when he joined Michigan Bank, N.A. where he worked in the consumer loan department. In 1967, he joined Bank of the Commonwealth where he was employed as a commercial loan officer and for the past 2½ years has served as an officer in the consumer loan department of Manufacturers National Bank. In his capacity with CNB&T, he will be assigned to the St. Johns Office.

Mrs. Marotich, the former Nada Hrnkas of Detroit, is a graduate of Mercy College and holds a teaching certificate. The couple has two children and will be moving to the St. Johns area in the near future.

American Legion Auxiliary plans April activities

American Legion Auxiliary met recently at the American Legion Hall.

President Jean Bartholomew reported the magazine drive "was doing very well". The monies from this drive are used to purchase sick room equipment for the community.

Majorie Pardee, rehabilitation chairman is in charge of purchasing, hand-

kerchiefs and cards to be sent to the Veterans Hospital, for the Veterans to give their mothers on Mother's Day.

April is Foreign Relation month. Chairman Millie Wassa is in charge of the program. There will be an initiation of new members and any members who have missed initiation before are asked to contact Jean Bartholomew or Ann Walker.

Announce immunization clinic

ST. JOHNS - The next Michigan Health Dept free immunization clinic will be held April 10 in the basement of the St. Johns Congregational Church.

The church is on the corner of Maple St and M-21 in St. Johns. Those using the clinic services

are asked to use the M-21 entrance.

The following immunizations will be given from 8:30-11 am: DPT, DT, typhoid, oral polio, red measles, Rubella (3-day) or the combination measles shot, mumps (1 through 4 years) and the TB skin test.

All immunizations are free.



Winners of the St. Johns City League Basketball championship were these members of the Dry Dock'd Lounge. They are [front, from left] Terry Haruska, Greg Kirby, Terry Dean, Mike Brown, [rear, from left] John Berkhausen, Larry Slade, Mayor Roy Ebert presenting trophies, Bob Andrews, John Haruska and Jim Cleaver who supervised the city league cage season.



Champion of the St. Johns City League volleyball season is the Dry Dock'd Lounge. Members of the team are [front, from left] Roger Durbin, Richard Wood, Doug Messer, [rear, from left] David Darnell who conducted the volleyball program, Dale Feldpausch, Neil Thelen, John Thelen, George Mehny and former St. Johns Mayor Robert Wood presenting the trophy.



Runners-up in the St. Johns City League Basketball competition was the Briggs Real Estate Team. Members of the team are [front, from left] Charlie Thelen, LeRoy Martens, Gene Lamb, [rear, from left] Jack Anderson, Al Anderson, Ranny Briggs. Not shown are Doug Woodhams, Ron Simmons and Chuck Johnson.



Runners-up in the recent St. Johns City League volleyball competition include [front, from left] Doug Nobach, Mike Nobach, Dave Redman, [rear, from left] Dick Plowman, Mike Stoddard, Al Rappuhn, former Mayor Robert Wood presenting trophy and David Darnell, director of the volleyball program.

Cadette Bake-off set for April 12

The Michigan Capitol Girl Scout Council will be sponsoring a Bake-Off for 75 girls from Ingham, Eaton and Clinton counties.

Cadette Girl Scouts, ages 11-14, will be displaying their culinary talents April 12 at 1 pm at Kinawa Middle School in Okemos.

These girls have been practicing their favorite "scratch" recipes since the October area preliminaries in preparation for the final event. The categories which the girls have entered one or more favorite winning recipes are: drop cookies, bar cookies, rolled

and shaped cookies, yeast breads and rolls, sweet yeast rolls and coffee cakes, quick breads, muffins, biscuits, quick bread coffee cakes, cakes, pies and miscellaneous desserts. These will be judged by local

home economists for appearance, flavor, texture, tenderness and taste. Girls will be awarded 1st, 2nd and 3rd place ribbons and certificates. The public is welcome to attend.

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Doreen Schneider now Mrs Michael Schafer

WESTPHALIA -- Doreen Agatha Schneider became the bride of Michael Frederick Schafer in a double ring ceremony April 5.

The 1 pm service was performed at St Mary's Church by the Father James Schmitt.

The bride is the daughter of Mr and Mrs Melvin Schneider of Price Rd, Pewamo, and the groom is the son of Mr and Mrs Louis Schafer of Rt 2, Fowler.

Cheryl Fedewa sang as Eunice Wirth accompanied her at the organ during the ceremony.

The bride was escorted down the aisle by her father, who gave his daughter in marriage. She wore a white satin organza gown with venise lace. The V-shaped bodice had a yoke of soft pin tucks edged with floral appliques of venise lace daisies.

The full bishop sleeves were trimmed with lace. A pleated organza ruffle graced the hem of the gown. The chapel length train contained a deep flounce at the hem and was accented with venise lace daisies.

A tiara of venise lace daisies attached the illusion lace veil. The bride carried a bouquet of yellow and orange rosebuds, white carnations and baby's breath.

Virgene Thelen, friend of the

bride, attended as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Linda Pline, friend of the bride; Carol Rademacher, cousin of the bride; Bernadette Thelen, sister of the groom; and Jane Schneider, sister of the bride.

They wore green floral print halter gowns with matching capes and carried a single yellow rose. Small star flowers were worn in their hair.

The mothers of the bride and groom wore floor-length green gowns with matching corsages.

Pat Schafer, brother of the groom attended as best man. Alan Schneider, Steven Schneider, Bruce Arens, friend of the groom, and Peter Schafer, Jr, nephew of the groom, were the groomsmen.

Ushers were Roy Schneider and Luke Schafer.

A reception for 450 guests was held at St. Mary's Hall at 5:30 pm. Sue Hattis and Debbie Hanses cut and served the cake and Zita Schneider, Gladys Fedewa and Mary Lou Schafer attended the bridal table.

After a wedding trip to Niagara Falls, the couple will reside in Westphalia.

The bride and groom are 1974 and 1971 graduates of Pewamo-Westphalia High School, respectively.

Engagements

Flak-Kennedy

Albert and Neva Flak of 8917 W Centerline Rd, St Johns, announce the engagement of their daughter, Charlene Ann, to Dennis Duane Kennedy. He is the son of Jay and Ida Kennedy of 9746 E. Clark rd, Laingsburg.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Rodney B. Wilson High School and is employed by the Michigan State Police.

The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Bath High School and is currently stationed in West Germany with the US Army. An April 25 wedding is planned.

Schultz-Burl

Mr and Mrs Allen Schultz of 4352 S. Lowell Rd, St Johns, announce the engagement of their daughter, Beth Jean, to Duane J. Burl, son of Mr and Mrs Maurice Burl of 5812 S. Grove Rd, St Johns.

The bride-elect is a senior at

Alma College majoring in elementary education.

The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of St Johns High



BETH JEAN SCHULTZ School and is employed by Quality Farm and Fleet Inc, of Lansing. No wedding date has been set by the couple.

Wohlscheid-Koenigskecht

Mr and Mrs Isidore J. Wohlscheid, 55 Leona Drive, Pewamo, announce the engagement of their daughter, Susan Kay, to Luke M. Koenigskecht of St Johns. He is the son of Mr and Mrs George J. Koenigskecht, Rt 2, Bauer Road, St Johns, Michigan.

The bride-elect is a 1973 graduate of Pewamo-Westphalia High School and is employed by the State of Michigan, Department of Licensing and Regulation, Lansing.

The prospective bridegroom is a 1972 graduate of Fowler High School. He is employed by D. and L. Manufacturing, Inc of Ionia.

An August 2, 1975 wedding date has been set.

Cindy Pingston and Dale Young are wed



MRS. DALE LEE YOUNG

DEWITT -- Cindy Lu Pingston and Dale Lee Young exchanged wedding vows in a candlelight ceremony April 5 at DeWitt Redeemer United Methodist Church.

The 7:30 pm double ring ceremony was performed by the Rev Richard Clark before an altar dressed with white gladiolas and carnations.

Mrs Rollin Beardlee of DeWitt provided the wedding music and accompanied Rev Clark as he sang "Oh Perfect Love", and "The Lord's Prayer."

The bride is the daughter of Mr and Mrs Robert Pingston of 13955 Ducharme Dr, DeWitt and the groom is the son of Mr and Mrs Willard Young of 247 Round Lake Rd, DeWitt.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a long formal white gown with a chapel length train. The soft crepe knit gown featured a shaped, gathered bodice.

The empire waist was trimmed with flowered lace. The bride carried a cascading

bouquet of roses, carnations and baby's breath.

Yvonne Pingston of DeWitt attended the bride as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Debra Young, Mary Pierce and Sue Young, all of DeWitt.

The maid of honor wore a white and blue dotted swiss gown featuring puffed sleeves, a low neckline, and a full skirt.

The attendants wore light blue gowns matching the style of the one worn by the maid of honor. They carried nosegays of carnations and wore white hats, shoes and ribbons.

The mother of the bride watched her daughter be wed wearing a long formal, mint green knit, lace gown with a matching jacket.

The mother of the groom chose a medium green, long-sleeved formal knit gown. Both mothers were presented with corsages of roses and carnations.

Darwin Brewster of DeWitt served as best man. Jerry Marriott, Larry Young and Mike Pingston, all of DeWitt, served as groomsmen.

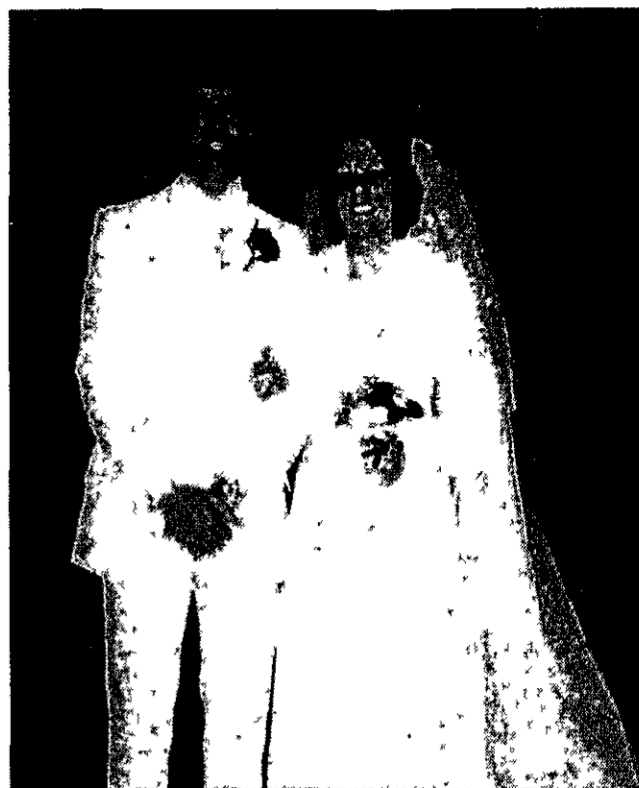
Connie Meredith of Lansing and Nancy Welsh of DeWitt greeted the 200 guests at the DeWitt Memorial Bldg where a buffet supper and reception was held.

Julie DeBow and Debbie Hayner served punch and coffee and Karen Decatur of DeWitt attended the guest book. Mrs Melvin Gilbertson, aunt of the bride, from Dexter, made the wedding cake and served it.

The couple left for a honeymoon in Florida with the bride wearing a blue crepe knit dress with short puffed sleeves.

The couple will reside at 4465 County Farm Rd, St Johns. The bride and the groom are 1974 and 1973 graduates of DeWitt High School, respectively.

Linda Myers and Robert Moinet exchange vows



MR. & MRS. ROBERT MOINET

ST JOHNS -- On Feb 28 at the First Baptist Church, Linda Mardale Myers, daughter of Mr and Mrs Darwin Myers, became the bride of Robert Lyle Moinet, son of Mr and Mrs Norman Moinet, Sr.

The 6:30 pm double ring ceremony was performed by Jerry Wiedenbenner of St Johns in a church decorated with baskets of red carnations and white gladiolas.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She was escorted down the aisle wearing a lace trimmed empire waist gown of double knit fabric.

A 3 tier full length veil was attached to a lace trimmed head piece. She carried a small bouquet of red and white carnations with baby's breath.

Claudette Tropey of St Johns attended Linda as the maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Lisa Stachel, friend of the bride, Kathy James, cousin of the bride, Karen Myers, sister of the bride, and Lisa Kuhns, friend of the bride.

The attendants wore identical gowns of berry red polyester knit featuring a high cowl neckline and a soft draped bodice.

They carried white fur muffs with red carnations and baby's breath attached.

Holly Myers, cousin of the bride, attended as flower girl. She wore a white floor length gown trimmed around the neck and sleeves with berry red fabric and white knit lace.

She carried a basket filled with miniature red and white carnations.

Randy Devereaux attended the groom as best man. Groomsmen were Ted Loznak, Ed Moinet, Jim Moinet and Mike Moinet, all of St Johns.

The groom was dressed in white and the attendants wore grey tuxedos. They each wore a red carnation boutonniere.

Teddy Bedell, nephew of the groom, was the ring bearer. His white tuxedo matched the one worn by the groom and his shirt was trimmed with the same knit lace as worn by the flower girl.

The ushers were Mark Green, Mark Myers, both of St Johns, and Kevin Kelsey of Gaines. They wore black tuxedos with white boutonnières.

The mother of the bride wore a floor length lime green gown with feathers trimming the sleeves.

The mother of the groom wore a beige floor length gown trimmed with beige lace. Both wore red and white carnation corsages.

Mr and Mrs Keith Kelsey, aunt and uncle of the bride, were host and hostess at the reception which was held at the

VFW Hall in St Johns. A buffet supper was provided for 250 guests. The Music Makers provided music after the dinner for dancing.

Serving at the reception were Mrs Kay Myers, Mrs Janet Lowell, Barbara Idzkowski, and Jim Bartended.

Karen Bedell, sister of the groom, attended the guest book. Mrs Harriet Smith, aunt of the bride, cut and served the cake which was made and decorated by Sharon Ruby.

Helen Edwards, great grandmother of the bride, was a special guest attending the celebration.

After a honeymoon in the South, the couple will reside in Wiesbaden, Germany where the groom has a 24 month tour of duty with the US Air Force.

County Federation of Womans Clubs to meet



MRS. HILA BROSS

Registration begins at 11:30 am with luncheon at noon. Mrs Manning Bross will be the main speaker and her topic will be the history of Clinton County.

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MR. ASA BLUNT

Asa Blunt will be honored on his 90th birthday with an open house, held April 13 from 2-5 pm at the Community Room of the Central National Bank, 201 E. Walker Rd.

The event will be hosted by his daughters and sons-in-law, Florence Burk, Mr and Mrs Virgil Stevens and Mr and Mrs Clare Dilts. The family requests that no gifts be brought.

Marriage licenses

Patrick Floyd McNeal, 21, 109 South Traver, St Johns; Linda Lorraine Leatherman, 18, 3054 West Halbert Road; Battle Creek.

Vedell J. Isham Jr, 20, 2073 W Clark Rd, Dewitt; Connie J. Thayer, 20, 9140 N DeWitt Rd, DeWitt.

James Roy Caldwell, 32, 6966 W Grand River, Lansing; Judith Kay VanSickle, 33, 6966 W Grand River, Lansing.

Joseph W. Thompson, 52, 11429 Upton Rd, Bath; Suzette R. Thompson, 27, 11429 Upton Rd, Bath.

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Middlebury

The Middlebury United Methodist Women met recently in the dining room of the church for a cooperative dinner with 17 members and 7 guests present. Hostesses were Mildred Brookins and Betty George. President, Thora Austin opened the meeting with a poem. Leola Gardner reported on attending church board meeting and her concern regarding recent action by the College Trustees on allowing alcoholic beverages to be on Methodist College campuses. The Board favored writing letters expressing our disapproval of this action. A letter was written by Mrs Gardner and signed by the congregation. Members are urged to write individually also. Routine reports were read and approved. Father-Son Banquet date was changed to April 11 and the following committee's are working: Kitchen, Thora Austin, Gladys Warren, Dorothy Jordan, Margaret

Potter and Elizabeth Putnam; Dining Room, Loreta Warren and Virginia Mulder; Program, Betty George; Tickets and Publicity, Rita Whitmyer. Tickets are adults - \$2.00; 5 thru 12 - \$1.00 and pre-school - free. Committee in charge of the Senior Citizens Dinner on May 6 is Leola Gardner and Grace Putnam. Graduates are to be honored on June 1 at 8:00 pm. Dorothy Jordan had the Worship Service and the program chairman was absent so there was no program. Rev Kundinger dismissed us with a circle prayer.

Mr and Mrs Don Warren and Susan spent from Friday till Monday visiting their son Richard L. Warren and family at Indianhead, Maryland. Mr and Mrs Robert Mulder and Mr and Mrs Earl Tubbs have returned to their homes after spending some time in Florida.

TCRPC named waste treatment planning agency

Governor William G. Milliken announced the designation of the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission (TCRPC) as the areawide waste treatment planning agency for Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham counties. Along with TCRPC, the three counties were officially designated as a water quality planning area under Section 208 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972.

water quality problems by 1985. Section 208 is geared to meet an interim 1983 goal to achieve nationwide water quality which is safe for recreation and protects fish and wildlife. The intent of Section 208 is to provide funds for areawide management planning in urban-industrial areas which have substantial water quality problems. In making the March 28 designation, Governor Milliken stressed that the services of existing waste treatment planning and operating agencies, their staffs and consultants should be used where appropriate in the planning process.

Congress has given the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) the responsibility to address and solve the nation's

First on TCRPC's agenda is development of a water quality work program which must be approved by the State Department of Natural Resources and EPA by June 30 in order to obtain 100 percent federal planning funds.

Throughout the program, TCRPC will supply the technical planning information, but the policies will be set by local governments. Also integral to the success of the project will be the involvement and participation of citizens on a continual basis.

March 10, 1975
The meeting was called to order by Mayor Ebert at 7:30 pm.

Comm Present: Ebert, Wilcox, Hannah, Arehart, Roesner.

Comm Absent: None.
Staff Present: Manager Humphrey, Attorney Maples, Acting Clerk Wood.

Motion by Comm. Arehart, supported by Comm. Hannah to approve the minutes of February 24, 1975, as amended. YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Hannah, Arehart, Roesner. NAY: None. Motion carried.

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

Mayor Ebert asked for additions or deletions to the agenda.

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

Mr Stevens, from Federal Mogul, accepted a proclamation from the City of St Johns to Samual MacArthur, retiring Chairman of the Board of Federal Mogul.

A letter from the Disabled American Veterans was read.

Motion by Comm Hannah, supported by Comm Wilcox to allow the Disabled American Veterans to park their service van on State Street, on Friday, April 25, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Hannah, Arehart, Roesner. NAY: None. Motion carried.

The City Manager read a letter from the Clinton County Board of Commissioners regarding "Clinton County Human Services Information Day" at Smith Hall.

A revised site plan from Fedewa Builders, Inc. for their proposed Senior Citizens Project was presented. A short discussion followed.

Motion by Comm Arehart, supported by Comm Hannah to accept the revised "site plan" as presented by Fedewa Builders, Inc. YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Hannah, Arehart,

Mr and Mrs Henry Schmid Sr and Mr and Mrs Henry Schmid Jr returned home Friday, March 28th after spending 2 weeks in Fla.

Mr and Mrs Parmer Phillips returned home Sunday, March 23 after spending a month in Fla.

Mr and Mrs Bruce Hulbert and family, Mr and Mrs Douglas Hulbert and family and Mr and Mrs Paul Loomis and son were Easter dinner guests of Mr and Mrs John Woodbury.

Kimberly and Kelly VanHorn spent the Easter weekend with Mr and Mrs David VanHorn of Riverdale.

Roesner. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Comm Hannah, supported by Comm Wilcox to authorize the City Clerk and Mayor to sign the agreement between Fedewa Builders, Inc and the City of St Johns. YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Hannah, Arehart, Roesner. NAY: None. Motion carried.

The City Manager presented a change order from Williams & Works.

Motion by Comm Wilcox, supported by Comm Roesner to approve change order No. 1 of Contract No. 2. YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Hannah, Arehart, Roesner. NAY: None. Motion carried.

A letter from the Michigan Department of State Highways and Transportation was presented regarding the Grand Trunk Western Railroad crossing Clinton Street, RR 6586 in City of St Johns. A short discussion followed.

Motion by Comm Arehart, supported by Comm Wilcox to authorize the City Manager to prepare preliminary plans and specifications for Clinton Street Railroad Crossing. YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Hannah, Arehart, Roesner. NAY: None. Motion carried.

The City Manager explained that the preapplication for Community Development Funds for restroom facilities in the park had been approved by Tri-County Regional Planning Commission and had been

forwarded to the HUD Regional office in Detroit.

Douglas Austin, Attorney for Williams Searles, made several requests in behalf of his client. A lengthy discussion ensued.

Motion by Commissioner Wilcox, supported by Comm Arehart to amend the Public Works Contract to extend the paving only portion from four months to six months. YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Hannah, Arehart, Roesner. NAY: None. Motion carried.

The City Clerk read an excerpt from the Planning Commission and a letter from the City Attorney was also presented stating that our Zoning Ordinance does not cover fold down campers, camping trailers under thirty-five (35) feet, or pick-up campers. A short discussion followed.

Motion by Comm Arehart, supported by Comm Wilcox that City Commission accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and that the Zoning Ordinance be left as is. YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Hannah, Roesner. NAY: None. Motion carried.

A resolution of de-annexation from the Bingham Township Board was presented to the City Commission.

Motion by Comm Hannah, supported by Comm Roesner to table the Briggs Annexation until the next regular meeting of the City Commission. YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Hannah,

Arehart, Roesner. NAY: None. Motion carried.

The City Attorney stated that he recommended that the City Commission enter into a contract with Mr Louie Andrews to furnish the Codification Supplement service.

Motion by Comm Roesner, supported by Comm Arehart to subscribe to the Municipal Codification Supplementation Service and to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign the agreement. YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Hannah, Arehart, Roesner. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Ebert appointed the following committee to review all information possible on Cable TV Ordinances and what effect it would have on our community. Ben Munger; Roger Glumm; Dave Humenik; John Sirrine; Robert Spencer; Mrs Janice Warren; Mrs Jeanne Rand; Donald Roesner-Commissioner, appointed Chairman.

A letter from Mr John R. Aylsworth of the Cooperative Extension Service was read concerning Clinton County Youth Groups using the landfill. A short discussion followed.

Motion by Comm Wilcox, supported by Comm Arehart to approve the Youth Group request but that wherever possible landfills other than St Johns be used. YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Hannah, Arehart, Roesner. NAY: None. Motion carried.

The Fraser payment request was presented.

Motion by Comm Wilcox, supported by Comm Arehart to approve the Fraser payment request in the amount of \$23,386.50 on Voucher #124, on Construction Account. YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Arehart, Hannah, Roesner. NAY: None. Motion carried.

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The Williams & Works monthly report was presented and was reviewed and discussed by the City Commission.

The monthly report from Fishbeck, Thompson and Carr, regarding the Searles Estates Construction inspection was presented, reviewed and discussed by the City Commission at length.

Comm Arehart brought up the Job-Of-Youth.

Motion by Comm Arehart, supported by Comm Wilcox for the City Manager to check on the possibility of jobs for youths. YEA: Ebert, Wilcox, Hannah, Arehart, Roesner. NAY: None. Motion carried.

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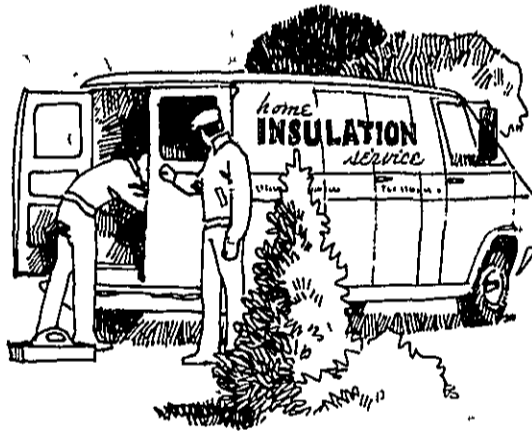
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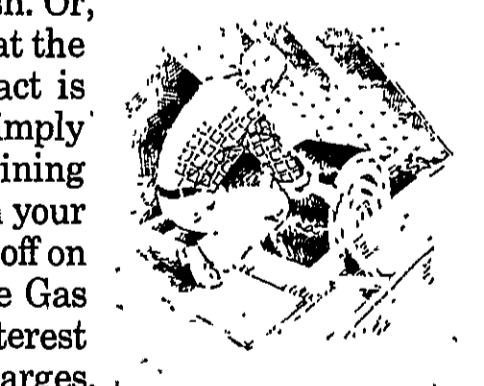
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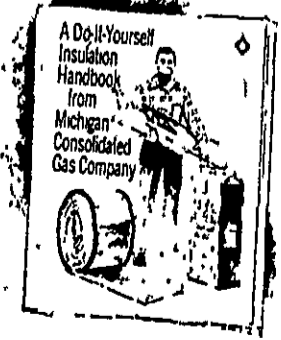
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Part of the open house will be a tour of the 18th century-styled campus with its Old English buildings, bell tower and guest inn. A multi-media color presentation, exhibits, luncheons and programs are also planned for the two-day event.

The college is known for its unique educational programs, as well as its non-traditional campus design. A Christian liberal arts college, John Wesley College provides students with an opportunity to help develop their own educational "contracts" or schedules. Each year the entire student body travels to Europe to designated locations

throughout the United States as part of the school's Travel-Study program.

Open house guests may stay overnight in the Wesley Center and Inn, the college's Old English Inn which is located in Owosso, a mid-Michigan city of 18,500 people. The Inn's London Room features exquisite fine food dining, and a special program of entertainment has been planned at the inn for the weekend.

On Saturday, the program will begin at 10 am and conclude at 6 pm. The Sunday schedule will be 1 to 6 pm.

John Wesley College is located at the corner of Gule and Washington Streets in Owosso. The city is easily accessible by M-52 or M-21.

The public is cordially invited. For more information contact 517-723-8226.

O-E Band Boosters plan fund raisers

The Ovid-Elsie Band Boosters are planning a "Spring Swing" dance fund raising project for new band uniforms.

The dance will be held at the American Legion Hall, Elsie, Saturday, April 26. Dancing will be from 8:30 pm to 1 am, at \$8 a couple.

Light refreshments will be served.

Live music of the 40's & 50's will be played by Roger Weyersberg and friends.

Tickets are on sale at Gene's IGA and Smith's Party Store in Elsie, Ray's Gulf Service, and Bancroft's Clothing in Ovid, and from band director, Roger Weyersberg and band members.

A rummage and bake sale is set for May 17, from 9 am to 4 pm at the Ovid-Elsie High School parking lot. In case of rain, the sale will be in the bus garage. Items may be left at Richard Torrey's, 510 East St., Ovid, 834-2888, and Dean Robert's, 116 S. First St., Elsie, 862-5595.

Ovid — Elsie Area News

Elsie

The Gulf Hills Inn and Golf Club was again chosen by the Elsie Area golfers for their recent annual fun-filled vacation and golfer's holiday located on 1000 acres of the natural Gulf Coast beauty.

The Championship 18 hole golf course winds through towering pines, magnificent live oaks, beautiful magnolias edged in hibiscus, camillias and azaleas and is a most exciting and challenging resort golf, according to the golfers from here.

Its location is across the bay from Biloxi, Mississippi, just a half-mile north of Highway 90

where it passes through Ocean Springs, Miss.

Many of the golfers are veterans of this annual trek to the South — the past decade. Travelling by car and plane were: Mr and Mrs Bernard Conklin and Mr and Mrs Harold Chadwick of Elsie, who were spending the winter months in Florida; Mr and Mrs Max Capen and son, Tim of Wheeler; Mr and Mrs Herb Betts of Ithaca; Mr and Mrs Ed Pfau and Mrs Helen Kohler of Lansing; Mr and Mrs A.C. Linman, Eulah Falor, Orville Sillman of St Johns; Mr and

ways, bridges and beaches and marvel at the many changes made.

Managers Henry Rusin and Dean Spencer and owner, Lee LaRue were at hand to welcome the Elsie folks again. The "pro" Ben Potts still directs the improvement of the golf course.

The new Gulf Hills Inn constructed of weathered cypress, which replaced the one destroyed by the 1971 Christmas fire, with the many charming guest rooms in addition to the Villas made living there a pleasure.

Then, there was the fine food with Wesley "Rev" Youngs, chef for 25 years and famed for his culinary delights and described as "country gourmet". It was served ranch-type styles in the huge dining rooms lighted by large crystal chandeliers and use of full glass doors and windows which emphasized the beauty of the lodge.

The building's facilities were enhanced by the 19th Hole Lounge and own dance floor and Pro Shop, the beautiful new lobby with its ornamental spiral staircase, television room and circular fireplace, a popular meeting place for social evenings of cards and visiting.

There were also tennis courts, heated swimming pool, shuffleboard, volleyball, badminton, horseback riding and fishing trips available.

The week previous to the Michigan contingent's arrival at Gulf Hills, there was a Senior Golfer's Tournament with 250 present from the state of Mississippi and adjoining areas. They enjoyed an Awards Banquet on their last night at the Inn.

Plans for the 1976 Golf Tournament are well underway by the Elsie folks.

Mr Gene Wild of Laingsburg; Mrs Poperin and son, Lee Poperin of Grand Rapids; and Gus Patrick, Joe Bartek, Dr E.M. Slagh, Mr and Mrs Durward Conklin, Mr and Mrs Kelley Carter, Mr and Mrs Homer Hoshield and Mr and Mrs Sidney J. Keys, all of Elsie.

Among this group were four men who were in the original group that began the annual trips to Gulf Hills over a decade ago and have made the trip each year since. They were Gus Patrick, Ben Conklin, Sid Keys and also Herb Betts who missed only one year.

The golfers reported the course in great shape and near perfect weather on their return. Trophies were awarded to Bernard Conklin and Harold Chadwick as the winning team in the tournament of the Elsie Golf League while A.C. Linman of St Johns was top in the Best Ball tournament. Several others received golf balls as awards.

The women golfers did not organize their own league this year but just played for pleasure.

There were many sight-seeing trips made by individual carloads to such points of interest as Edgewater Shopping Plaza, 1848 Biloxi Lighthouse, Keeler A.F.B., Jefferson Davis historic last home, Beauvoir, U.S. Alabama at Mobile, Ala., and New Orleans, with its Latin Quarter.

No one can travel Route 90 along the Mississippi Gulf Coast without remembering the 1969 Hurricane Camille when people were killed and millions of dollars lost in property damage. They still see many visible signs of remaining damages.

Each year, the Elsie group has viewed with much interest the continuing restoration of the Mississippi Coast homes, public buildings, hotels, new high-

UMW meets in Elsie

The regular March meeting of the United Methodist Women was recently held at the church with Mrs Beatrice Kelley as program chairman.

A playlet "The Lord's Prayer" was narrated by Mrs Merle Baese and was mainly instructive about its meaning.

The problems, presented by the characters as they talked to God, were read by four ladies. The first Debbie was read by Cindy Hehrer as a reflection of the thoughts of the teenagers — just beginning to realize the difference between what they have been taught and what life is really like. Debbie is highly idealistic, a deep thinker, and scared of a world she did not create.

The second speaker was Janet, read by Mrs Chas Holcomb, a reflection of the thoughts of the young mother. The "happily ever after" dream turns into a nightmare of diapers and bottles and a busy, ambitious husband, Janet is bored by her life as she sees it and frightened and guilty because of her feelings.

Barbara, read by Mrs Beatrice Kelley, is a reflection of the young grandmother. Barbara is "finished" raising her family. She suddenly finds life has no meaning for her. She is still young and physically

active but has nothing to occupy her mind or her hands. She feels unneeded, unwanted and is deep in self pity.

The final speaker was Evelyn, read by Mrs Merle Green and is a reflection of the thoughts of retirees. Evelyn feels the inequity between her husband, who is bored and sits home all day, and herself who continues to have her housework to do and is hampered by him. Evelyn's world, as she has always known it, is crumbling because of the many changes brought on by advance in medicine, electronics, and communications. She is bothered by doubts fostered by the "new theology" and feels guilty about her doubts.

The business meeting was presided over by vice-president Mrs Holcomb, in the absence of president. The routine reports were given and several invitations read. The Mother-Daughter Banquet will be held Saturday, April 19. Please contact Mrs Gary Smith, committee chairman if you have scraps of lace and small artificial flowers you cannot use. They will be given to the decoration committee for the banquet. Refreshments were served by Mrs Ernie Wickes, Mrs Merle Baese, Mrs William Baker and Mrs Blaine Lentz.

Report from Eastern Star

Elsie Chapter Order of Eastern Star was called to order by the Worthy Matron Alvera Ade and Worthy Patron Archie Moore presiding in the East at the regular April meeting Wednesday evening.

Following the flag presentation and the pledge, the altar was draped for Past Grand Patron John Bader and a tribute was read in his memory.

Roll call of officers found only 7 officers present. Mrs Archie Moore substituted for Associate Matron, Associate Conductress and chaplain. The reason for so many absentees was the heavy spring snowstorm.

Routine reports were given by the secretary and treasurer and the investigating committee reported that Mrs Reatha Capen will be transferred from the Chesaning OES to the Elsie Chapter and also that Karlene and Norman Snyder will receive the initiatory degrees which will be conferred upon them May 8th at the Elsie Chapter.

The Sunshine Committee reported that Mrs Leslie Sturgis and Mrs Al Mitchell were in the hospital and sent remembrances from the local chapter.

Mrs Sharon Schultz reported to the Worthy Matron the prices of coffee-makers and it was voted to purchase from Darling's Store, Elsie. Some members will be solicited for cookies and quick breads for the Clinton County Association OES to be held at the Elsie Chapter Wednesday, May 14. A morning coffee will be held at 9:00 am and the opening session will begin at 10:00 am. Mrs Ade appointed Mrs Donald Temple, Mrs C.H. Sills, Mrs Leroy Vincent and Erna Vincent to see that the Chapter's silverware will be cleaned before Friends Night.

Communications were read from Grand Chapter as follows: message from the Worthy Grand Matron; copies of the itinerary; message and material from the Eastern Committee; illness Past Grand Matrons Margaret Jones, Greta Masten, Evangeline Wecker and Past Grand Patron Fred Young; invitation to Bethel #36 Ovid to reception honoring Patricia Chamberlain, Cindy Hehrer and LuAnn Rummell on Sunday, April 6; Abigail Chapter of Owosso a dinner and reception Saturday, June 7, honoring PGM and PGP of

Michigan and the Barton-Hayes Grand Family; GOEX by PGM and PGP's dinner with reservations for dinner to be made by May 31.

Also there were: Friend's Night, April 28, fun night, at 7:30 pm honoring Stars and Masons by Jobs Daughters Amber Parks Honored Queen at Ovid Masonic Hall; invitation to the 40th wedding anniversary of Mr and Mrs Russell Gilbert, April 20, at Elsie United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall from 2-5 pm; Friends Night at Elsie Chapter, fun night April 17; Chesaning Friends Night, April 23 at 8:00 pm; and thank-you notes from Maude Craven and Mrs June Gross.

The Elsie Chapter will be hostess to the Clinton County Annual Eastern Star meeting on Sunday afternoon at 4 pm May 4 when the six Chapters join for the program. Members are requested to be present, and visitors are welcome.

The following committee was appointed for the Elsie Friends Night, April 17: Mr and Mrs Leroy Vincent, Mr and Mrs Kelley Carter, Mr and Mrs Blaine Lentz and Miss Erna Vincent. The May meeting will be Guy Mitchell, Dale Levey, James Litomisky and O.H. Sills, as committee.

The Masons extended an invitation to the Eastern Stars for April 27 at 11 am as a caravan will be going to Alma to visit the Masonic Home.

After the close of business refreshments were served in the dining room by Mrs Archie Moore and Mrs Leila Wilson.

HOME FROM HOSPITAL

Mrs Howard Peltier who has been under treatment at the Clinton Memorial Hospital the past 2 weeks returned home this weekend and is much improved.

Mrs Margaret Edwards has returned to her home in St Johns from several weeks in Clinton Memorial Hospital where she underwent major surgery.

WOMAN'S CLUBS TO CONVENE

Since the Woman's Literary Club has postponed its April meeting until June, the members are reminded that the Clinton County Federation of Women's Clubs will be held at the St Johns United Methodist Church for their 71st annual convention, April 24, with registration at 11:30 am. Reservations are to be made by May 18.

Visit "Children's Village"

ELSIE — John McLoughlin of Ithaca, Probate Judge of Gratiot County and Sidney J. Keys visited the Oakland County Children's Village at Pontiac, at the invitation of Judge Norman R. Barnard.

They were taken on a tour by head supervisor George Halk, of the new facilities for the Children's Village which is owned and maintained by the County of Oakland as part of the juvenile division of the Probate Court.

It houses boys and girls between the ages of one week and 19 years, who have become known to Juvenile Court either for delinquent behavior or parental neglect.

The county provides a staff of trained and dedicated men and women to carry out the programs that are designed to meet the needs of the children.

The Reception Center has two wings to house boys and girls for the purpose of detention prior to a court hearing and those waiting transfer to other facilities. The Center has a capacity of 60 boys and 45 girls.

There are also Shelter Care Cottages to house neglected children; special services building where boys and girls who have been screened at the Reception Center and found they need special and individualized services; the rehabilitation units for girls and boys being prepared for the return of the community; and a volunteer program that is set up and maintained with the assistance and understanding of an interested public. The Children's Village has been fortunate due to the support of many organizations throughout the county.

Shepardsville

Mrs Eva Baker has returned home after spending a few days recently with her son, Lynn, and family of Rogers City.

CHURCH NOTES

Special music was furnished by Jean Wilson for the Easter program at the Shepardsville Church. She is the daughter of the Wilson's who operated an implement store in Shepardsville for several years. She now resides in East Lansing. Joining the fellowship of the church were Mr and Mrs Robert Parker and George, Audrey and Michele Haynes. The Easter service consisted of a series of three sketches that told the story of the Crucifixion, the visit to the tomb by the women and the visit of Christ to the Upper Room after the Resurrection.

Morning Star Chapter No 279 OES of Ovid is sponsoring a card party on April 15 starting at 8 pm. It will be Arts and Crafts Night and the articles shown will be for sale.



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The 1975 program will offer both annual and long-term conservation agreements with farmers. It will share with farmers from 50 to 75 percent of the cost of carrying out approved soil, water and woodland conservation practices.

Under long-term agreements cost-sharing will be scheduled over a period of from 3 to 10 years. The agreements will be based on conservation farm plans approved by the Clinton County Soil Conservation District.

Goes to jail for larceny

Wayne Mills, 23, received a 3 day sentence in the county jail and a \$54 fine, following his arrest for simple larceny from Hancock Industries.

A former foreman at Hancock, he was charged with taking tools from the factory.

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Residents protest

(From Front Page)

In defense of the city, Mayor Muri Eastman said, "You are saying we haven't done anything, but the DPW has dumped more cold pitch in Lake Geneva than in the entire city."

Although lake property owners brought up other complaints, cost was the major factor. Gorman said "I just bought my house 4 months ago. If I have to pay an extra \$5000 for these additions (sewer and roads) I'm going to have to sell my house."

Ken McCallum, another Lake Geneva property owner, presented the council with a petition having 36 signatures against the sewage proposal.

Another citizen questioned the timing of the project. Citing that hard times have hit everyone, he suggested the council wait until more prosperous times to make the improvements.

It is these objections and many more like

them that Warth hopes to clear up in the time allotted by the council.

Meanwhile the council will notify Lake Geneva property owners of the estimated cost for the 2 projects and will hold a hearing on the matter May 15.

In other business, the council adopted the capital connections benefit charge which designates specific amounts for sewer hook-up.

A 1-family dwelling will be charged \$400; a multiple dwelling of 2 or more families will cost \$270 per unit and a dwelling exclusively inhabited by senior citizens aging 50 or older will cost \$140 per unit.

The council provided that all other types of hook-up fees will be established by the council upon their application.

They further provided that the fees must be paid before a sewer permit is given.

Car pool program stalls - program funds returned

Local apathy has stalled a regional car pooling program so the money has been routed back to the Federal Highway Administration.

Chances of a grant being returned to the funding source are rare in any economic climate. However, after evaluating a survey of public interest in a regional car pooling program, planners, recommended that the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission (TCRPC) halt the project and return the money for use in areas demanding immediate attention.

At the height of the energy crisis in late 1973 and 1974, special funds to conserve energy through car pooling were promoted at both federal and state levels. TCRPC applied and received the final approval on their car pooling program in January, 1975.

After exploring local interest in using car pools to get to work, two ponderous points were revealed. First, congestion, competition for parking spaces, and other hindrances indicative of the one person per auto age could be alleviated by car pools. Nevertheless, the money and energy saving incentives of car

pooling are not appealing enough for people to give up the personal freedom of solo driving habits. Where car pooling can be conveniently used and is a dollar saving necessity, people have formed their own car pools.

Probable success of a regional car pooling project was determined by a survey questionnaire designed to find out if employers felt car pooling could be achieved in their organization. Deciding criteria included employee schedules, number of full and part-time employees, miles traveled to work, and employer interest in assisting car pooling through incentives and promotional activities.

The experience of other car pool sponsoring agencies also played an important role in RCRPC's assessment of the acceptability of a regional car pooling project. Among the agencies contacted were three

regional planning councils, Michigan State University, Oldsmobile Division of GMC, and the State of Michigan.

"When the cost of gasoline significantly rises or severe fuel shortages occur, peoples' attitude toward car pooling will change, said Paul Freel TCRPC's car pooling project coordinator. The Federal Highway Administration assured us that car pooling funds would be provided in the future if energy conservation or economic conditions demand it, added Freel. Further, the returned funds will remain in the region because they were allocated out of the region's \$3.7 million in Federal Aid Urban Systems funds for fiscal years 1973-1976.

These federal funds are administered through the Michigan Department of State Highways and Transportation, but specific regional projects are developed by local governments and agencies within the Tri-County area."

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A thing of beauty...

Edward Nelson Osenga stands with his painting "Midnight" which he will enter in the Central Michigan Youth Talent and Science Fair to be held in the Lansing Civic Center April 6-12. He will be among many students competing for the \$500 first prize bond.

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Bath School announces kindergarten registration

BATH - The annual Bath spring registration for pupils who will be entering kindergarten in the fall of 1975 will be held at the Bath Elementary School Monday, April 21.

Those whose last names begin with the letters "A" through "L" are asked to come at 9 am and those whose names begin with "M" through "Z" should come at 1 pm.

There will be a brief assembly of parents both morning and afternoon for the purpose of introducing personnel and answering questions regarding enrollment requirements. Registration will follow immediately.

Maximum participation of parents is urged in order that satisfactory plans may be made for the opening of school in September.

Kindergarten classes will be held on round-up day as usual.



Eagle woman participates in "Crusade Kick-Off"

Mrs Robert Nourse of Eagle met with Tommy Leonetti and Gale Gordon at the Crusade Kick-off of the American Cancer Society in Lansing last Saturday. This statewide Kick-off signaled the beginning of the Cancer Crusade for funds to educate the public about cancer and to provide for research.

J.P. McCarthy, host of WJR Radio's "Morning Music Hall" and mid-day "focus" shows, was master of ceremonies at the star-studded statewide Cancer Crusade Kick-off. He noted the three million dollar goal of the Michigan Division, ASC Volunteer effort will help reach the ultimate goal, "We Want To Wipe Out Cancer In Your Lifetime." Thirty percent of the funds raised in the past budget year went to research seeking the answer to cancer. Gale Gordon was most recently in the "Here's Lucy

Show." Before that he was in the "Lucy Show," on television for 6 years where he played the irascible banker, Mr Mooney.

He was the explosive neighbor, Mr Wilson, on "Dennis the Menace" and the pompous principal, Osgood Conklin, with "Our Miss Brooks." Lately, Gordon has been touring for the American Cancer Society. He was most recently at the Florida Division Crusade Kick-off last month.

Tommy Leonetti had his personal bout with cancer when he had surgery for a cancerous kidney. That was 5 years ago and he has since spent his free time touring to tell the people that there is hope for cancer patients. He has spent much time professionally in Australia.

He had his own "Tommy Leonetti" show Down Under in addition to composing and

arranging for movie and television productions. A multi-talented showman, Leonetti is a frequent guest on Johnny Carson, Mike Douglas, and Merv Griffin talk shows. Early in his career he starred on the "Hit Parade" television program.

Mrs Robert Nourse, Chairman of the Standing Crusade Committee for the Clinton County Unit, American Cancer Society made the journey to Lansing with 58 other volunteers to learn more about their job.

Mrs Nourse noted that Clinton County Unit goal of \$23,700.00 seems much more realistic after meeting and being inspired by the 300 American Cancer Society Volunteers at the beautiful new Long's Banquet and Convention Center.

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USED CARS

<p>1967 Chevelle Malibu 2-door hardtop, V-8, 4-speed, radio.</p> <p>1974 Ford one-ton pickup, V-8 automatic, power steering and brakes, radio.</p> <p>1972 Chevrolet Blazer 4-wheel drive, V-8, automatic, power steering, radio.</p>	<p>1969 Pontiac 2-door hardtop, V-8, automatic, power steering and brakes, radio.</p> <p>1971 Chevrolet 1/2 ton pickup, V-8, automatic, AM-FM.</p> <p>1970 Chevrolet 1/2 ton pickup, 6-cylinder, standard transmission.</p> <p>1968 Dodge 3/4 ton pickup, V-8, 4-speed.</p> <p>1966 Ree tandem tilt cab with sleeper.</p>
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April 10: County and Out-of-County Dairy Tour - Begins at Bob Grams at 9:15 am. Refreshments by County Holstein Association.

April 10: Family Living Council - Central National Bank, St. Johns - 9:30 am.

April 11: 4-H leader-spouse dance - Smith Hall, St. Johns - 8:30 pm.

April 12: State Holstein Sale - Hastings - 11:00 am.

April 15: County 4-H leader meeting - 8 pm - Smith Hall, St. Johns.

April 16-17: Motivation for Profit Workshop (A workshop for supervisors of people).

April 17: 4-H Photography Workshop - 7-9 pm - Smith Hall, St. Johns.

April 18: Bull Proving Ring meeting - 1:30 pm - Central National Bank.

April 19: 4-H & Youth Group Roadside Cleanup Project.

April 22: Family Living Area Day - Smith Hall, St. Johns - 9:30 am - 2:30 pm.

April 25-27: County 4-H Award Trip to Yankee Springs.

May 2: 4-H Talent Contest - St. Johns High School - 7:30 pm.

May 5: Family Living Christmas Workshop Committee - Central National Bank, St. Johns - 9:00 am.

May 13: Family Living Council, Central National Bank, St. Johns - 9:30 am.

May 13: Family Living Program - "Meet the Metric System" - Central National Bank, St. Johns - 1:00 pm.

May 18-24: Michigan Week.

July 17: District Holstein Show at Corunna.

July 25: State Holstein Show at Midland.

Farmers action halts farm tax

State Senator Dick Allen, in a recent news release, said "It appears that Michigan farmers have successfully plowed under a proposed sales tax on their farm implements."

Hundreds of farmers went to Lansing to testify against the bill at a public hearing. Farmers from Central Michigan took (with permission from the local government arranged through the Senator's office) a variety of major farm implements into the Capitol to dramatize the enormous impact such a tax would have on financially-pressed farmers.

"All observers seem to agree that the Taxation Committee was persuaded that the measure would be unwise by the farmers' testimony and their very effective display of the massive, enormously expensive farm machinery," Allen said. "The larger combines and tractor-plow machines cost \$40,000 to \$45,000. A 4% sales tax on such items falls in the \$1,600 to \$1,800 range. That's a pretty hefty tax bite, especially when the farmer has to borrow to finance the purchase, and ends up paying heavy interest on both the machine and the tax."

Legislators interested in preventing imposition of the special farm tax will continue to monitor the bill Allen promised. "Even though it appears the proposal will not be acted upon, it could be revived in the future and brought up for a vote," he said. "We'll be alert for it."

"However, I've discussed the issue with a number of my colleagues. All have said that the committee was stunned by the turn-out of farmers, and very much impressed with their presentation. Other Senators are offering comments like 'not a chance,' 'dead and buried' and 'no way'."

"It looks like the farmers have succeeded on this one," Allen ended.



4-H Chatter

County roadside clean-up project

By JOHN AYLSWORTH



"Keep It Green" is the theme of the 1975 Roadside Cleanup Project this spring on Saturday, April 19th. Presently, 33 4-H clubs and 15 scout groups have volunteered to work to help beautify the county roadside of the trash and litter thrown out this past year by thoughtless people.

Cooperation by many different organizations is great in getting this project completed. The St. Johns, Duplain and Greenbush Townships have volunteered their landfills for disposing of the litter picked up that day, as well as the Granger landfill on old 16 in Watertown Township. The Clinton County Road Commission will set trucks out in designated areas, so groups don't have to drive far with their trash. The National Guard out of Lansing have provided trucks to set at Bath and DeWitt for groups working in those areas.

When driving through the county the past several weeks, one wonders if it is a losing battle with all the trash laying along the roadside since many of the roads were cleaned last year. The county Road Commission does not have money in their budget for road cleanups, so it is up to other groups to get the job done. One comment was it's bad now, but if no one did anything, it would be really bad.

Any group, whether youth or adult, is welcome to join us on this cleanup project. Last year 30 4-H clubs and 15 scout groups were involved in cleaning up 296 miles of county roadsides. There were 768 youth and 171 adults who worked 3,724 hours in picking up approximately 141 pickup loads of trash. Groups are urged to bring the glass bottles to the fairgrounds for the recycling project. The Ovid 5th

Grade class will be working that day in crushing the glass as it comes in. The Ovid 5th Grade will have the glass collection project on Saturday, May 3rd. Their goal is 50,000 pounds of glass, hoping to raise \$500.00 for purchasing needed equipment at their school.

Any group interested in helping with this roadside cleanup project should contact the County Extension office for an area to clean and other details with the program. (Telephone 224-3288).

Leaders meeting

The 4-H leaders meeting will be held Tuesday, April 15th, 8 pm at Smith Hall in St. Johns. This meeting is for both Winter and Summer program leaders. Items to be covered include 4-H Exploration Days, Bicycle Programs, new program ideas, Evaluation of Spring Achievement and other topics. 4-H certificates, pins, trip awards and honor clubs will be presented to clubs. Every club should be represented at this meeting.

Skating time

4-H clubs planning to go roller skating at the Ranch Roller Rink in St. Johns on Thursday, April 17 are: Riley Ramblers, Fowler Fireballs, Dallas Dusters, Wonder Workers, Olive 4-H Projects, Bengal Community, Westphalia 4-H #2 and Needles and Pans. Thursday, May 15th is the final 4-H Roller Skating Activity for the season. Any 4-H club wishing to go roller skating should contact the County Extension Office for reservations.

Horticultural meeting changed

The heavy snow caused the 4-H horticultural meeting on Thursday, April 3, to be postponed until Thursday, April 24th from 7-9 pm at Smith Hall in St. Johns.

Mammoth pumpkin seeds, giant sunflower seeds and new Spartan Sleeper Onion seeds will be passed out then. Also, we'll plan to have some jiffy seven peat pots available for sale at cost. Now is the time to plan your garden, secure your seed and be ready to plant when the ground is ready for cold season crops.

Photo workshop

A 4-H Photography Workshop will be held on Thursday, April 17th, 7-9 pm at Smith Hall in St. Johns for any youth and adult interested in learning more about photography. The participants will learn about a pinhole camera, review photo rejects as to what was wrong, take pictures with different lighting background, discuss different cameras and type of film. Participants are urged to bring their camera, and book to take notes.

Olive reports

The Olive 4-H Project club members have enrolled for the summer program. They will go roller skating on Thursday, April 17, at the Ranch Roller Rink and help with the roadside cleanup project on Saturday, April 19th. New officers elected were as follows: Kathy Valentine, President; Duane Haviland, Vice President; Sally Howe, Secretary; Dean Paseka, Treasurer; Kim Howe, Newsreporter and Cindy Wohlfert, Sub-Officer. The club plans to have several 4-H softball teams this summer.

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Bill's Column Getting seed down

By WILLIAM LASHER
Extension Agriculture Agent

Scarcity of many grain seeds and the need for good crop production to meet domestic and world market demand are incentives for good seeding practices this spring.

Proper seed spacing in the row is necessary to obtain the best yield possible according to the plant type grown. Factors affecting spacing include crop use, row width, crop type and soil condition.

Planting seeds too close together results in excessive plant competition for water and nutrients. It can cause barrenness in corn and lodging in soybeans.

But too wide a spacing results in incomplete use of water and nutrients. There may be more suckers on corn plants and often lower yields of corn, soybeans and field beans.

It has been customary to express planting rates for field seeds in pounds or bushels per acre. But with the large number of varieties with considerable variation in seed size, other terms to describe the seeding rate appear more appropriate.

Seeds per foot of row might be a better designation for soybeans, field beans and grain sorghum. It is now common to use "inches between seeds" for hybrid corn.

Using these designations, the same seed planting rate may be used for each variety regardless of seed size or how the lot is screened or graded. To calculate total seed requirements for a field, you need to know number of seeds per pound.

To be accurate, determine the number of seeds in the lot to be planted. Weigh out an ounce of seed and count the number of seeds. Multiply this number by 16 to determine the number of seeds per pound.

Another method is to weigh out a quarter pound of seed, count the seeds, then multiply by 4 to get the seeds per pounds. Seeds per bushel can be obtained by multiplying the seeds per pound by the number of pounds in a bushel for the crop being planted.

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"If It Fitz . . ."

Phooney on Mickey Mouse

Editor, Lapeer County Press

by Jim Fitzgerald



I never feel more un-American than when in the presence of Mickey Mouse. The family that reveres Walt Disney together is the family that stays together, plays together, and flees together from an "R" rated world. Everyone knows that. But I never saw a Walt Disney film I didn't hate. I wouldn't insult my family by asking them to laugh at talking cars and Fred MacMurray bounding over buildings.

FACT IS, I like to take my teenagers to "adult" movies that would soil their minds if they weren't accompanied by a parent with a damp sponge. This is a satisfying way to thumb my nose at censorship, just as the censor thumbs his nose at freedom. Also, the kids might learn something worthwhile from these forbidden movies. One sex scene in technicolor is worth 1,000 words from a dumb father who learned it all from the rack boy at Curley Peloso's poolroom. By the time he is 18, I want my son to know the streets of Los Angeles are not paved with flubber.

So you get the picture. The CIA has probably been reading my mail for years. Any man who sneers at Donald Duck must have subversive connections. I tell you all this only because I recently spent some time in Orlando, Florida, and my wife said it would be a sin to leave without visiting Disney World. We'd been on the road several days, and I'd already used up all the sins allotted me for March, so . . . The Disney people grab you while you are still on the highway. They come on your car radio and suck you through the gate. The 12,000-car parking lot is divided into sections named after dwarfs and the attendants warn you to remember the name of your section or spend the rest of your life on foot. "We're in Dopey," my wife said. "Certainly," I said.

AFTER PUTTING down \$13, we entered the world's largest combination gift shop and hot dog

stand. Everywhere I looked, someone wanted to sell me something to eat or something to take home to prove to my neighbors I'd been gyped.

The \$13 bought us admission to 8 of the "special attractions," all of which were easy to find. Each one was at the Florida end of a line of people stretching to Utah. I wouldn't stand in a line that long if it led to Sophia Loren playing Snow White as a nymphomaniac attacking everyone parked in Dopey's section. We did sneak into the theatre where life-size replicas of Cinderella, Mickey and the gang sang songs and told jokes. It's amazing how those inanimate dolls talk and move and appear just as human as the people in the audience (especially the zonked-out father with 3 little kids who has been looking for his car for 3 weeks).

It must cost a million dollars to make a 6-foot doll that can tap dance and sing "Some Day My Prince Will Come." Only a jerk would point out that a real live girl would be a lot cheaper and more entertaining. "You're a jerk," my wife said.

I CAME AWAY from magic land with tremendous respect for the precision and efficiency of the Disney people. They handle gigantic crowds without wasting a movement or a minute. Endless railings keep you in line (Please don't sit on the rails; they are for herding, not comfort). Recorded voices continually tell you to face right, turn right, and leave by the exits on the right. I wouldn't turn left for fear a giant neon sign would flash "TILT" and I would be banished from the kingdom forever for plugging Mickey Mouse's digestive tract.

As we drove out of Dopey's section, the same sonorous voice was on the radio, still urging us to come to Disney World and telling us how to park. Disney won't be programmed to say goodbye until Mickey Mouse figures a way to freeze farewells on a stick and sell them for 50 cents a lick.

Malpractice situation could reduce availability of doctors in small communities

"Most smaller communities in Michigan like St Johns need more doctors, but the current professional liability insurance situation will reduce the number of doctors unless the legislature acts soon."

That statement is made by Brooker L. Masters, MD, president of the Michigan State Medical Society. Doctor Masters himself is a family physician at Fremont, a small town north of Grand Rapids. Three factors -- the unavailability of insurance, the skyrocketing costs of insurance and a poor medical-legal climate combine to create the tragic problem, he reports. "Michigan needs an estimated 2,000 more doctors of medicine today but we could have 1,100 fewer doctors by the end of the year unless the malpractice situation is resolved," Doctor Masters adds.

The 500 new doctors of medicine who normally begin practice in Michigan each year cannot get any insurance today and Michigan will lose them all unless the problem is resolved fast, the Medical Society declares. "Traditionally many young doctors who serve their residencies in Michigan hospital and university training

programs stay in the area and begin their practice here in Michigan. They are familiar with the community and its needs. But establishing a new practice with a minimum of capital and no professional liability insurance is something a new doctor does not want to contemplate, particularly when other states would be happy to win his or her services," explains Doctor Masters.

Michigan also may lose the doctors who come from military hospitals after completing service. Many young doctors are pondering the alternatives such as public health, teaching or research, where malpractice insurance is unnecessary.

This is just one facet of the medical insurance crunch that has been gathering momentum for the past few years. Malpractice suits have increased, and the large sums of

money awarded the litigants are spurring others on. The Michigan State Medical Society points out that many of the suits are initiated because of unrealistic expectations rather than from actual medical malpractice.

Working to improve the crisis, the Michigan State Medical Society group is advocating revised contingency fees paid to lawyers, a statute of limitations to regulate length of time in which suits could be filed and additional funding for the Michigan Medical Practice Board. Other bills also are being supported.

"This is a people problem," emphasizes MSMS President Masters, "and public understanding and support is essential to continued good health care in Michigan. The people will lose unless the legislature takes responsible, prompt action."

Announce Legal Services grant

Gov William G. Milliken has announced approval of a Community Services Administration grant of \$67,652 to the Greater Lansing Legal Aid Bureau, Inc, for continuation of a Legal Services program to run through Sept 30, 1975.

Indigent residents of Eaton, Ingham, Clinton and Shiawassee Counties are eligible for legal advice, representation in civil cases in court, counselling and legal education.

The Bureau will continue the use of legal processes in protecting and enforcing tenant, consumer, debtor and welfare rights of poor people.

Special emphasis will be placed on the areas of housing, health services, consumer protection and the problems of the elderly. Qualified attorneys will serve individuals and organizations comprised of the indigent. The program will also seek to bring about appropriate law reform.

Back Through the Years



From the Clinton County News Files of 1974, 1965, & 1950

25 YEARS AGO

April 6, 1950
In an effort to solve the parking problem in the business district of St Johns, the city commission Tuesday night established a two-hour parking limit on Clinton Avenue and adjoining side streets. Enforcement of the parking limit will begin May 1.

Andrew Cobb, well-known Duplain township farmer, announced his candidacy this week for State Representative from Clinton County to succeed the late John P. Espie, of Eagle. Cobb will run in the September Republican primary.

More than 30 enumerators and two crew leaders began taking census for the US Government on Saturday, April 1. The census is taken every ten years and forms the bases for determining representatives in Congress and apportionment of various funds to local units.

Approximately 200 Ovid area residents paid tribute to W.J. (Jay) Martin who retired after 48 years as editor-publisher of the Ovid Register Union, at an honor banquet held in the Congregational Church basement last Thursday evening.

Patrolman Robert (Bobbie) Belen, 23, who was seriously wounded in a gun battle at Lansing on Friday evening, is the son of Mr and Mrs Robert Belen Sr of Westphalia. patrolman Belen and two other officers were wounded when they were called to the scene of a hold-up at the Market Basket at 1400 East Michigan Avenue, at about 10 pm Friday.

In spite of bad roads the kick-off dinner for the Cancer Drive was well attended last Thursday evening. Eighty-five were present and nearly every township was represented.

10 YEARS AGO

April 8, 1965
Spring break-up damage to county and local roads has been estimated at \$47,000 already, and the severity of the breakup may shorten the County Road Commission's construction plans for this summer.

St Johns' current water improvement program is going to cost \$206,000 more than

originally estimated, but city officials point out the result will be a better water system than originally intended.

Five more rural school districts have again changed the map of the St Johns Public School District by approving annexation at elections last week. The same question will be up for a vote in four more area districts this Saturday.

Burglars averaged only ten cents per burglary in two reported break-ins during the last week. All of the loot was taken from the D and C Dime Store sometime during last Wednesday night.

The Clinton County Medical Society will commemorate its 75th anniversary with a dinner for members, wives and guests tonight (Thursday) at Walkers Cafe in St Johns.

ONE YEAR AGO

April 11, 1974
Over 300 persons heard Gov William Milliken say Thursday that the GOP is stronger than many believe and that candidates who make Watergate an issue in Michigan are "in for a surprise".

A move has been made by the St Johns City Commission to change Zoning Board of Appeals meetings from 2:30 to evening but, if they do it, there may not be a board to meet, at least not consisting of existing members. That was the tone set by Wally Pierce, of the Board of Appeals who said present members had told him they would resign if meetings were changed to the evening hour.

The Oliver Montague business in St Johns went out in style Saturday with an all-day auction that drew over 600 people. Montague operated the farm implements and hardware business at 508 N Clinton for 46 years carrying on the work his father William began in Ovid 61 years ago.

Sheriff Anthony A. Hufnagel of Clinton County is presently participating in the 4th National Sheriff's Institute as one of the 46 sheriffs selected from all over the United States to study latest management techniques at the University of Southern California.

Play it safe with kites

LANSING -- A child's fate may be hanging by a string when flying a kite near an overhead electric line.

Paul Gardner, Consumers Power Company's urban manager, cautions youngsters that unsafe kite flying practices could result in an unfortunate accident.

"Each year accidents occur when youngsters forget safety rules," Gardner said. Children are injured when trying to free kites that have become entangled in trees and wires.

Accidents also occur when youngsters fly their kites in the rain or use metallic string.

"Wet string or any metallic wire that crosses a power line can become a conductor of electricity. This can result in a high voltage shock that can seriously burn or even kill a youngster," Gardner said. To promote kite flying safety,

the company's general safety department annually sponsors a poster contest in elementary schools to encourage children to observe the basic safety rules.

Gardner listed these basic rules which will help kite flyers have fun and avoid trouble:

1. Use dry string -- not wire or anything metallic.
2. Use wood and paper in your kite construction -- not wire or metal.
3. Fly your kite on days when there is no rain.
4. Avoid busy streets and highways while flying your kite.
5. Fly your kite far away from television and radio aerials.
6. Keep away from overhead electric lines.
7. If an electric line falls, stay away from it.
8. Call your power company if your kite gets snagged in a line -- do not pull the string or climb the pole.



A PERSONAL LOOK AT THE NEWS

Between the lines

with Jim Edwards

THOUGHTS THROUGH A TYPEWRITER

Nothing's worse than a reformed smoker who runs around lecturing us bad guys. Bruce Wood quit and is telling the world about it. His wife hasn't, but has made a vow to follow his example. However, she ran out during the storm and pleaded with him to buy her some cigarettes. He told her it was a fine time to quit, but she held to her May 1 deadline. This is the 2d in a series of non-smoking progress reports, a series which will run periodically and will conclude the week before last.

Good going Tigers. Jim Campbell is thinking about buying former Yankee pitcher Mel Stottlemyre, 34. Mel's a fine fellow and was quite a pitcher, but he's had a sore arm for a year. It sounds like maybe the Tigers better get league permission to have the Iron Mike pitching machine take the mound duties this year.

Thanks, whoever you are. Just want to let you know I received the strange package with the Easter bunny on it. Aw, come on, why not let me know who was the bearer of the gift?

You heard it here first -- Ted Kennedy says he's not running for the top spot in 1976.

Prediction -- he'll accept the Democratic draft.

PUNS ARE FUN -- The gentlemen had a girlfriend. Her name was Kate. But, as things happen some times, he started calling on a young lady named Edith. Wouldn't you know -- they both told him to get lost. They told him -- "You can't have your Kate and Edith too."

It's been said before, but it's still the truth. If you want an economy car these days, you have to pay for it.

The County News still has some Michigan road maps available. They're free -- you don't find a deal like that every day.

At least he's consistent. When St Johns City Commissioner John Hannah believes in something he sticks to his guns. For the 3d year he's claimed Mayor's Exchange Day with another community comparable to St Johns is a waste of time. He again made his move to eliminate the day. For the 3d time, his motion was defeated. Hang in there, John.

Speaking of Mayor's Exchange, this is just a rumor, but did one of the commissioners say he voted in favor of the day because he thought the exchange was permanent?

B and E's work of same men

DEWITT TWP -- DeWitt Twp Police Chief William C. Nash has announced that the recent breaking and enterings of 2 separate homes appear to be the work of the same men.

"The method of operation was the same and the same items were taken," Nash said. "It looks as though someone was just cruising the area knocking on doors."

Jeff Hunter, 3901 E. Stoll Rd, reported to police that sometime between 6 pm and 11 pm on the evening of April 1, his home was broken into and a color television, a Kodak movie camera, and about \$4 worth of change was taken. Alton Cairns, 1025 Craig St, reported to police that

sometime during those same hours his home was entered and a color television, and a box containing about \$10 worth of change was taken.

Nash said the estimated total loss is \$1050. No one was home in either address when the breaking and enterings occurred.

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(2) Revenue Sharing Funds Received from July 1, 1973 through June 30, 1974: \$ 4,100
(3) Interest Earned: \$ 131
(4) Total Funds Available: \$ 9,334
(5) Total Amount Expended: \$ 5,964
(6) Balance as of June 30, 1974: \$ 3,370

W/10 TRUST FUND REPORT
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St Johns police report

ST JOHNS - The St Johns police report that the following incidents have occurred in the area since March 24.

A juvenile was arrested March 24 in connection with the shoplifting of \$2.98 worth of merchandise from the Kroger Store. He was released to his parents and will be petitioned to Probate Court.

Francis Junior Pritchard, 45, 609 N. Morton, was arrested March 28 on the corner of Higham and Clinton Streets and charged with being drunk and disorderly. He was booked and lodged in Clinton County Jail.

Roy Edwin Quick, Quinton Ave, was arrested March 28 on Floral St and was issued a ticket for careless driving.

Van Patrick Cowan, 26, 1738 Silvers, was arrested on the 100 block of W. Higham March 28, on a drunk and disorderly charge. He was booked and lodged in Clinton County Jail.

Earl Douglas Dennis, 48, 703 N. Whittemore, was arrested on the corner of Clinton and Higham Streets March 29 and charged with being drunk and disorderly and having intoxicants in a vehicle. He was booked and lodged in Clinton County Jail.

Gary Myers, 514 S. Lansing, reported to police that his home

was broken into and 2 portable televisions, a stereo, and 3 guns, an estimated total value of \$1325, was taken.

Harley Roland Peoples, 108 N. Spring St, was arrested on Spring St March 30 and charged with being drunk and disorderly. He was booked and lodged in Clinton County Jail. He stood mute at his arraignment. The pre-trial is set for April 10.

Randy Bissonette, 510 W. Gibbs, reported to police that a Roto Tiller, valued at \$160, was stolen from his backyard April 1.

Herbery Wesley Osborne, 41, 603 N. Ottawa, was arrested on Ottawa and Steel Streets April 4 and charged with driving while under the influence of alcohol. He was booked and lodged in Clinton County Jail.

A juvenile was arrested April 5 in D and C Store in connection with the shoplifting of \$3 worth of merchandise. He was released to his parents and will be petitioned to Probate Court.

Mrs Ethel Huot, principal of the Swegles Street School reported to police that sometime during the weekend of April 5-6 the school was broken into. Missing is \$16.80 belonging to the school, a radio and a stop watch.

Riley and Olive

By Mrs Goldie Moore

The Naomi Circle met at the home of Mrs Arnold Blizzard on Wednesday, April 2nd, for their regular monthly meeting. There were 17 ladies present, who discussed and made plans for their Mother-Daughter Banquet to be held in May.

Mr and Mrs Ray Moore, Mr and Mrs Jim Becker and daughters; Mr and Mrs Lynn Smith and Brandy; Mr and Mrs Eugene Livingston; Bill Stoy were Sunday supper guests of Mr and Mrs Valentine Stoy.

Mr and Mrs Ray Moore called on Mr and Mrs Roy Gibson recently.

Mr and Mrs Clair Wilson, Mike and Marla returned home on Saturday after spending two weeks in Florida. Several attended the funeral of Winnie Phillips in St Johns on Monday afternoon. Mr Phillips was born and lived most of his life in this community.

Mr and Mrs Arnold Blizzard entertained their family for Easter dinner on Sunday which included: Mr and Mrs Bruce Blizzard and family; Mr and Mrs Dale Blizzard and family; Mr and Mrs Larry Blizzard and daughter.

Mrs Mildred Stoy visited her

sister, Mrs Verna Peck at Carson City Hospital on Tuesday.

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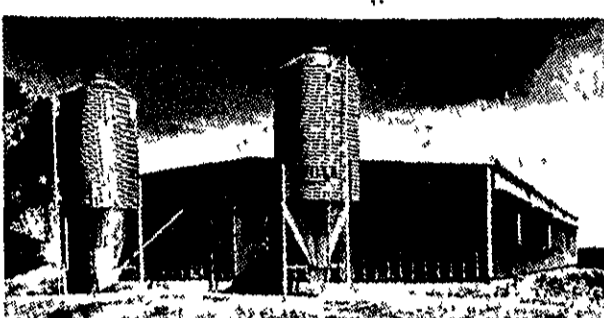
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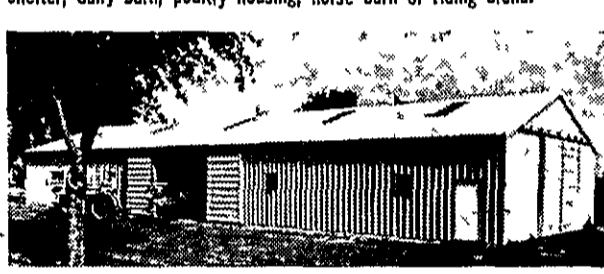
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APRIL 11 - The Wacousta Lodge #359 F&M is having a fish supper from 4:30 pm to 8:00 pm. Family style, all you can eat. Take out dinners are available.

APRIL 10 - The Mid-Michigan Parent Group for Children with Heart Disease will hold its monthly meeting in the Staff Dining Room of Ingham Medical Center, 401 West Greenlawn, Lansing, Michigan at 7:30 pm. The topic for the evening will concern "Catheterization" & tour of catheterization labs with Dr. Truman. Refreshments will be served. The public is invited. This is a community service project of the Tri-County Heart Unit of the Michigan Heart Association.

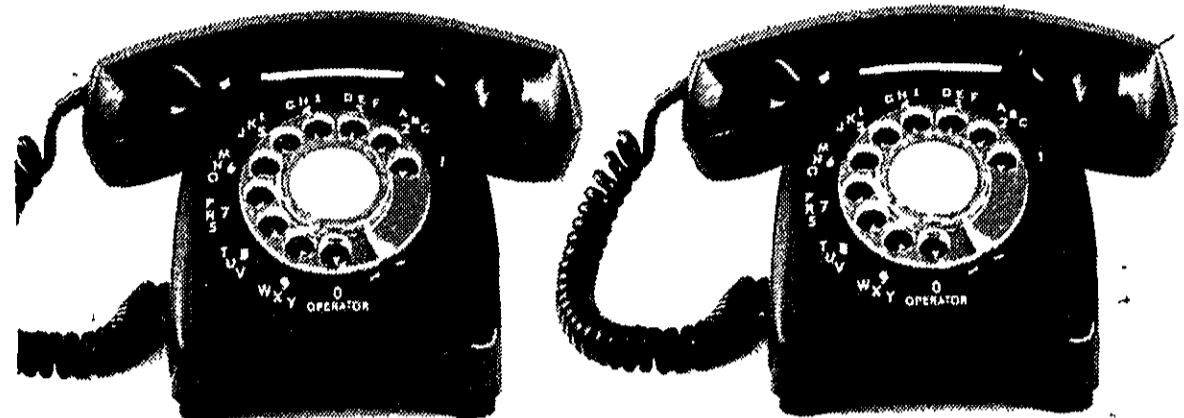
APR 13 - MAY 25 - VFW Post 671 of DeWitt will sponsor a pancake breakfast from 8 am to 4 pm every Sunday starting April 13 - May 25 at 126 N. Bridge St.

DeWitt. Tickets are \$2 for adults and \$1.25 for children under 12 - for all the pancakes, sausage and eggs you can eat.

APRIL 16 - 8 pm the Hospital Aux Board will meet in the hospital dining room.

MAY 14 - 7:30 Style Show and card party in the high school cafeteria sponsored by the Hospital Aux. Tickets \$1.50 each and may be purchased from any Aux member.

APRIL 12 - The Heather Pipers of St Johns, are holding their annual Tartan Ball on Saturday evening, from 8:30 to 1:00, at the St Joseph Gym. Dancing will be to Peter VanderWaal's Orchestra. Intermission entertainment will be bagpipe bands, as well as Irish and Scottish singers and dancers. Tickets are \$10.00 a couple and may be purchased at the door. For further details call 224-3456.



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All Churches in Clinton County are invited to send their weekly announcements to The Clinton County News. They must reach us by 10 a.m. Monday to insure publication in the current week's issue.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
1000 Avenue A, State Street
Averill M. Carson, Minister

Thursday, April 10
7:30 pm - Church Board
8:30 pm - Church Council
Saturday, April 12
12:30 pm - Junior Choir rehearsal
1:00 pm - Children's Choir rehearsal
Sunday, April 13
9:45 am - Church School
11:00 am - Morning Worship, coffee hour
1:30 pm - Elizabeth Winslow Division
8:00 pm - Pearl Caldwell Vesper
Wednesday, April 16
6:45 pm - Congregators
Tuesday, April 15
12:30 pm - Priscilla Alden Division
1:30 pm - Elizabeth Winslow Division
8:00 pm - Pearl Caldwell Vesper
Wednesday, April 16
6:45 pm - Boy Scout Troop #1
8:00 pm - Chancel Choir rehearsal

Church Office Hours:
Monday thru Friday
9:30 am to noon
Tel: 224-2625

BANISTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Pastor: Rev Miriam DeMint

Sunday Worship Service 9:30 am
(Church School 10:30 am)

ASSEMBLY OF GOD
SUS-27 & E. Baldwin
Joseph F. Eger, Jr. Pastor

10:00 am - Sunday School
11:00 am - Morning Worship
9:30 am - Youth Service
7:30 pm - Sunday Evening
7:00 pm - Wednesday, second and fourth
7:30 pm - Wednesday evening service

PHILE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Pastor: David D. Boyd, Pastor
445 Division St. E. Lansing

9:45 - Church School
11:00 am - Worship Service
Women's Society - last Wednesday of each month. Dinner at 12:30 pm. Business meeting at 1:30 pm.
LIVE E messages each Sunday at 7 pm.
Council of Ministries - last Monday of each month at 8 pm.
Administrative Board - first Sunday of each month following a co-operative noon dinner.
Senior choir rehearsal - each Wednesday at 7:30 pm

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES
Kingdom Hall
1983 North Lansing St

Tuesday, 7:30 pm - Congregation Book Studies, Text Studies "The Nations Shall Know That I Am Jehovah" - How.
Thursday, 7:30 pm - "Theocratic Ministry School" - "Picks 'n' Pads" "Bible" and "Aid to Bible Understanding" 8:30 pm Service
Wednesday, 9:30 am - Public Lecture - given by qualified representative of the Watchtower, Bible and Tract Society, sponsored by the Jr. Hi UMYF
Sunday, April 20 - Children's Baptism during the 11 am Service.
April 22 - Elizabeth Circle - 1:30 pm
Ruth Circle - 1:30 pm

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11 am Worship Service
11 am Children's Churches
5 pm Youth Hour
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ST. JOHNS EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Pastor: Rev. James G. Walker
100 E. State Street
St. Johns, Mich. 48859
Phone 224-2900
Office 224-2885

1973 Schedule
Every Sunday 8 am Holy Communion
10 am Sunday School
10:30 am Morning Prayer and Sermon
Other Sundays 10 am Morning Prayer and Sermon
Nursery & church school 10 am for nursery through 4th
Every Monday eve 7 pm - Spiritual Healing Service
1st & 3rd Sundays 7 pm Senior Citizens
2nd & 4th Tuesdays - Noon - Senior Citizens
Every Tuesday morning and evening 8:30 am
2nd Wednesday 1:30 pm Family Planning Clinic
1st & 3rd Wed evening OEO Nutrition Class
Every other Wed evening 7:30 Cadet Girl Scouts
Every 4th Thursday Jaycees 8 pm
Every Thursday 10 am Al Anon
Every Friday 1:15 pm Brownies

CHURCH OF CHRIST OF ST. JOHNS
400 E. State
John Phillips, Minister

9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Morning Worship
9:30 am Youth Fellowship
7:00 pm Evening Service
Wed 7:00 pm Prayer Meeting
Call 224-6421 for more information

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH
Rev. William H. Harkard, Pastor
Rev. Raymond Goehring, Associate Pastor
101 W. 1st
100 E. State St. St. Johns, Mich. 48859
Phone 224-2313
Fax 224-2789
School 301 E. Cass Ph 224-2421

Mass Schedule
Saturday Evening 7 pm
Sunday 7:30, 9, 10:30, 12
Holy Days see bulletin
Weekdays - 8:30 am and 7 pm
Sacrament of Penance - Saturdays, 7:30 am and after 7 pm Mass until 9:30 am
Weekday evening Mass - a few minutes before evening Mass
First Fridays - Sacrament of Penance 10:00 am from 1:30 pm and after the evening Mass until 9:30 am
Prayers of Adoration at 7 pm Holy Communion on Friday at 6 and 7:15 am
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Thursday 7 am on First Friday after evening Mass
Devotions - Our Mother of Perpetual Help Novena - after 7:15 pm Mass each Tuesday
Religious Instruction Classes - Adult Inquiries Class, Tuesday at 8 pm High School (C.D. Wednesday at 7:30 pm Public Grade School (C.D. Tuesdays from 4 until 5 pm)
Baptisms - Each Sunday at 1:30 pm by appointment. Other arrangements by appointment.

ST. JOHNS LUTHERAN CHURCH
(Missouri Synod)
Rev. Michael R. Ruhl, Pastor
10:15 am Divine Service
8:00 am Matins Service, 2nd Sunday each month
9:00 am Sunday School and Bible Classes
Holy Communion 1st and 3rd Sunday each month at 10:15 am
Church Office Hours - 9:00-12:00 Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings.
Adult Instruction - 7 pm Mondays.

Weekday School and Confirmation Classes
7:30 - Wednesdays, 3:30-6:00 pm
Ladies Guild - L.M.S.L. - 2nd Wednesday - each month at 7:30 pm
Elders - Tuesdays at 7:00 pm
Evangelists - Thursdays at 6:30 pm
Youth - 2nd & 4th Sundays at 4:30 pm
Council & Committees - 1st Tuesday each month at 7:00 pm
Women's Bible Study - Tuesdays at 9:30 am, St. Johns Lutheran Church
Golden Age Fellowship Group - 2nd Thursday each month at 1:00 pm.
Office Telephone: 224-3544
Parsonage Telephone: 224-7400
Educational Wing Telephone: 224-8154

REORGANIZED CHURCH OF JERUSALEM (LATTER DAY SAINTS)
307 E. Gibbs

Church School 10 o'clock
Worship Service 11 o'clock

WESLEYAN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
108 N. Bridge St.
Richard L. Clark, Pastor

9:30 am - Worship (nursery provided)
10:30 am - Coffee Fellowship
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COMMUNITY OF ST. JUDE
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Father Jerome Schmidt, Pastor
801 N. Bridge

Daily Mass: Mon and Thurs - 7:30 pm.
Tues, Wed, and Fri - 7:30 am
Sunday Mass: 9:00 and 11:15 am
Services at Middle School, DeWitt

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Glen J. Farnham, Pastor

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11 am - Worship Service

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108 W. Herkimer Rd.
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Worship 10:30 am

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Corner US-27 and Webb Road
Rev. Glenn V. Cathey, Jr., Vicar
Residence 469-3067
Church 469-3967

First & Third Sundays
Morning Prayer 9 am
2nd & Fourth Sundays
Holy Communion 9 am

VALLEY FARMS BAPTIST CHURCH
214 E. State Rd.
Lansing

9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Morning Worship Service
5:30 pm Youth Groups beginning with the 4th Grade
7:00 pm Evening Service WEDNESDAY
7:00 pm Prayer Service

SOUTH DOWITT CHURCH OF CHRIST
2911 Herkimer Road DeWitt High School
Minister: Dr. James Girwood
Tel: 669-5000 or 626 6006

9:30 am Bible School
10:30 am Morning Worship
Communion Weekly
6:30 pm Youth Groups
7:30 pm Evening Worship
Wednesday 7:30 pm
7:30 pm Hour of Power: Prayer and Bible Study
Thursday
7:30 pm Cullin Program

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF DEWITT, MICH.
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1108 DEWITT RD.
St. Johns, Mich. 48859

Sunday School 9:45 am
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9:30 am - Sunday School
11:00 am - Morning Worship
7:30 pm - Sunday evening Evangelistic
Wednesday 7:30 pm Youth Service
Thursday 7:30 pm Bible Study
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ST. SYRIL CATHOLIC CHURCH
Pastor: Francis Murray
Rev. Jerry Cole, Pastor
1108 DEWITT RD.
St. Johns, Mich. 48859

Mass Schedule - Saturday: 7 pm
Sunday: 6, 8, 10, 12
Holydays: Eve before at 7:30 pm and 7 & 9 am and 5:30 & 7:30 pm
Penance: 4:5 & 8:30 pm
Baptism: Sunday at 1 pm. Please call in advance.

7:30 pm Evening Worship
9:30 am Ladies Bible Study every Tuesday
7:30 pm Wednesday evening Prayer Service
8:00 pm Teen's Softball every Friday

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH
110 Rabbit Road, DeWitt
Father Joseph Aubin

11:00 am Mass on Sunday
7:00 am Evening Mass on Wednesday
Confessions 10:30 to 10:45 am Sunday

CANTARY BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Wayne Glasman
M-21 at Erie Rd

9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Morning Worship
7:00 pm Evening Worship
7:00 pm Wednesday Prayer meeting

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH
Fowler

11 E. Hessel, Pastor
9:00 am Worship
10:00 am Sunday School

WEST HOLY TRINITY CHURCH
Rev. Fr. Albert J. Schmitt, Pastor

Saturday Evening Mass - 4:30, 7:00 o'clock
Sunday Masses 6:30, 8:30, 10:30 am
Holy Days - Holy Day Eve, 4:30 pm; 7:00 o'clock pm; Holy Day - 6:30 & 8:30 am
Sorrowful Mother Novena - During church year 7:30 pm, summer months 8:00 o'clock pm
Sacrament of Penance - Saturdays 3:30 to 4:00 o'clock pm and after 7:00 o'clock pm
1st Fridays - Thursday from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm, 1:30 to 4:30 pm & 7:30 pm until all are heard
Baptism Sundays at 12:30 pm by appointment. Other arrangements by appointment.

ELISE AREA
ELISE METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. David Litchfield, Minister

9:30 am - Morning Worship
10:30 am - Sunday School, Supt. Merle Base

HUPLAIN METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. David Litchfield, Minister

10 am - Sunday School, Supt. Kenneth Kier
11 am - Worship Service

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

10 am Sunday School Rev. Cowley, Supt
11 am Worship Service
8:30 pm Junior & Senior B.Y.F.
7:00 pm Evening Service
7:00 pm Wednesday, Junior and Senior Choir Practice
7:30 pm Wednesday, Prayer and Bible Study

DUPAIN CHURCH OF CHRIST
3 miles west of DeWitt High School
1585 E. Colony Road
Justin Shepard, Minister
Bill Nicholson, Youth Minister

9:45 am - Sunday School
11 am - Church
8 pm - Youth fellowship and adult Bible Study
7 pm - Evening Service
7 pm Wednesday - Prayer Meeting

ST. CYRIL CATHOLIC CHURCH
Rev. Thomas M. Kowalczyk, Pastor
PO Box 97, 517 E. Main St.
Bannister 48807
Phone: 862-8270

Sunday Liturgies: Saturday - 7:00 pm
Sunday - 8:30 and 10:30 am
Holy Day Liturgies: 7:30 am and 8:00 pm
Confessions: One half hour before all Sunday Liturgies.

EAGLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Ray McBratnie, Pastor
Telephone 627-6533 or 489-3807

9:30 am - Morning Worship
10:30 am - Church School
7:30 pm - Wednesday, Bible Study and prayer meeting

EAGLE SQUARE CHURCH
Rev. and Mrs. Royal Burnett, Pastor

10:00 am - Sunday School
11:15 am - Morning Worship
7:30 pm - Wednesday Prayer meeting

GUNNISONVILLE AREA
GUNNISONVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Clark and Wood Roads
Rev. Paul Schleber, Minister

9:30 am Church Service
10:45 am Sunday School

Westphalia Area
ST. MARY'S CHURCH
Westphalia
Rev. Father James Schmitt
Rev. James J. Schmitt, Administrator
Phone 587-4201

Saturday Night Masses: 4:30 & 7:00 pm
Sunday Morning 6:00, 8:00, 10:00
Weekdays Monday & Friday 7:15 & 11:20 am
Tues & Thurs 7:15 & 8:30 am
Wednesday 7:15 & 7:30 pm
Holy Days 5:30, 7:15 & 11:20 am 7:30 pm
Wednesday Evening Mass 7:30 pm

Maple Rapids Area
THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Maple Rapids
Pastor Rev. J. Thomas Churn
Parsonage - Middleton
Phone 236-7742

Sunday
9:30 am Worship Service
10:30 am Sunday School

GREENSBURG UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Scott and Marshall Roads
Pastor - Norman Wood

Sunday
10:30 am Church School
11:30 am Church Services
WCSJ 3rd Wednesday at 8 pm

LOWE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Lowe and North Lowe Road
Minister Rev. Harold McGuire

Sunday School 9:40 am
Church School 10:15-11:15
Choir 8:30 pm Thursday
CMAW 7:30 2nd Wednesday of every month
Prayer Study Group 10-11

CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH
4105 Maple Ave., Maple Rapids
Rev. Hector Gissel - Pastor
Phone 624-4105

10 am Worship Service
11 am Church School
7 pm Song Festival (Everyone welcome)
Wed Night 8:30 & 7:30 choir practices
Thurs Night 8 pm Fellowship Service

Eureka Area
CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH
208 E. Maple Rapids Rd.
Rev. Paul H. Jones, Pastor
Phone 224-7709

10 am - Bible School for everyone
11 am - Morning Worship
7:30 pm - Adult Bible discussions.
Nursery provided during services
6:30 pm - Church Meetings
6:45 pm - Wednesday, Jr. Choir; Chancel Choir; 7:30 pm

Matherton Area
MATHERSON COMMUNITY CHURCH

2:00 pm - Sunday School
3:00 pm - Worship Service

Wacousta Area
WACOUSTA COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Edward P. Oita, pastor
Phone 626-6623

Morning Worship: 10 am
Church School Classes 11:15 am
Jr and Sr Hi Y.F. 6:00 pm
Youth Choir, Wednesday 3:45 pm
Youth Choir, Thursday 6:45 pm
Chancel Choir, Thursday 7:30 pm
WCSJ Noon Meetings every 2nd Wednesday
WYXV Noon Meeting every 1st Wednesday
Council on Ministries every 2nd Wednesday at 7:30
Administrative Board, 4th Monday of every 1st month.

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BATH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH II
Rev. Clarence Keith

9:45 am Church School
11:00 am - Morning Worship
7:30 pm Bible Study

BATH BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Richard Cole, Pastor

11:00 am Morning Worship
6:30 pm Youth Fellowship
7:30 pm Evening Service
Midweek Service on Wednesday 7:30 pm

Victor Township
GHOVE BIBLE CHURCH
Rev. Robert Prange, Pastor
Price and Shepardville Roads

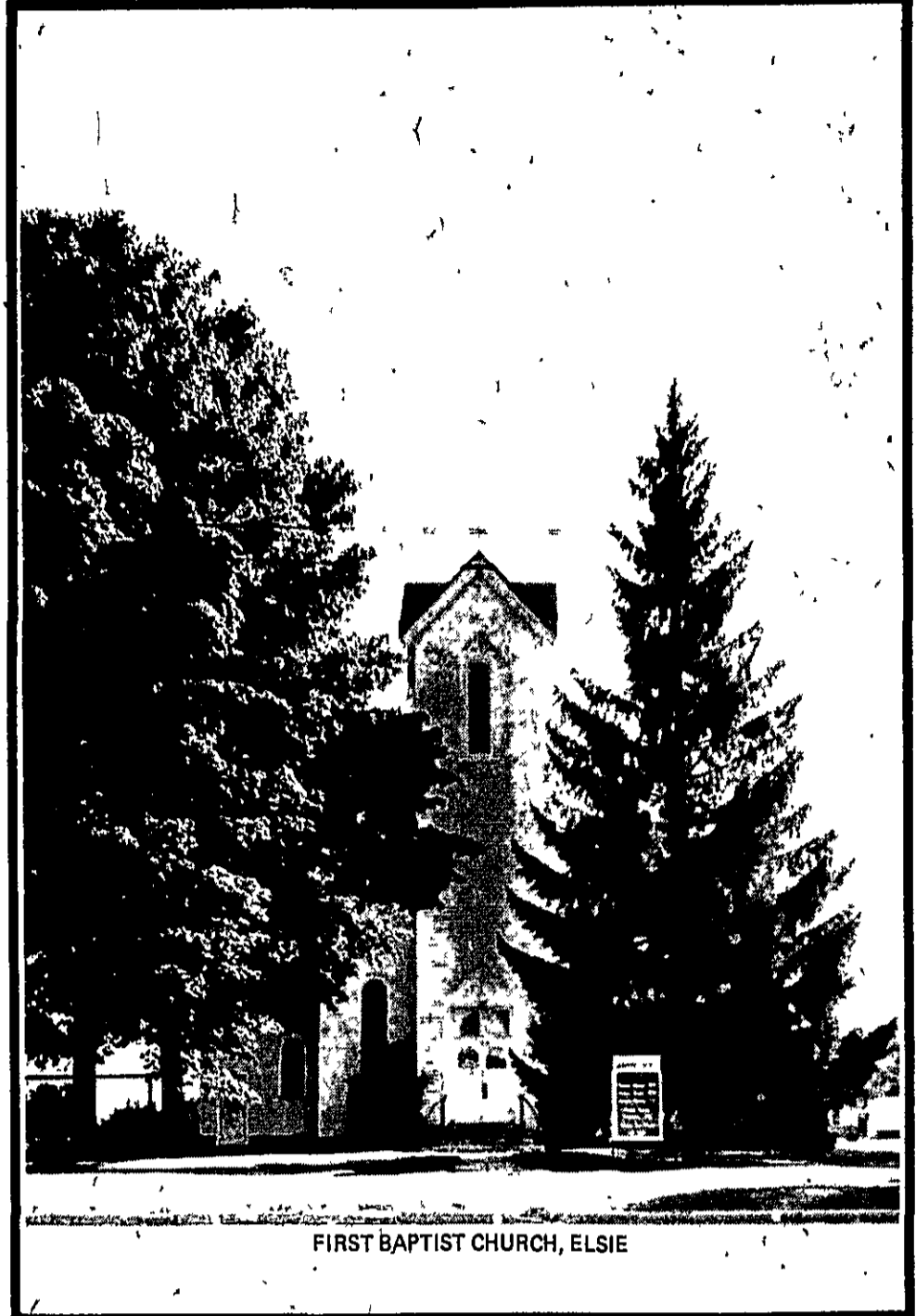
10:00 am - Sunday School, Classes for all ages
11:00 am - Morning Worship
4:30 pm - Evening Service
7:30 pm - Wednesday, prayer meeting
Ladies Missionary Circle meets 4th Thursday Couples Club meets 4th Saturday in month

Fulton Area
FULTON FULL GOSPEL CHURCH
1/2 mile east of Perrinton on M-57,
1 1/2 mile south
Rev. Lynn Shank, Pastor

9:45 am - Sunday School
11:00 am - Morning Worship
7:30 pm - Youth Service
7:45 pm - Evening Service
7:45 pm - Thursday, Prayer and praise service

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Real Estate 4

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For Rent 6

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Trailers & Campers 9

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Mobile Homes 10

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Automotive 11

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Motorcycles 12

FOR SALE — 1969 Honda 350 Good condition. \$295, Ph 834-2788. 49-2-p-12

Farm Machinery 18

FOR SALE — 75 bales of Clover Hay, 36 ft. Elevator, Surge Milk Machine. 4 miles east on M-21 to Watson Rd. 1/2 mile east on Watson Rd. 1/4 mile east on E. Townsend. 834-2747. 50-3-p-18

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Farm Produce 19

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WANTED TO BUY — Feeder pigs. Ph. 337-7010 after 4:30. 48-3-p-20

Cattle 21

HOLSTEIN HEIFERS, due in August. Call after 5 pm. 587-6651. 50-3-p-21

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Poultry 22

"JUMBO" WHITE ROCK and **HOT SHOT RED BABY CHIX** every Tuesday at Rainbow Trail Hatchery in St. Johns. Ph. 681-2495. 45-4-f-22

Pets 23

FOR SALE — Doberman Pincher puppies, AKC registered. Red & Tan and Black & Tan. Financing available. \$200. Owosso, 725-7594. 50-3-p-23

FOR SALE — Pigeons, Homers, Rollers, Tumblers, Madenas and others. Reasonable price. Call 593-2449. 50-3-p-23

FOR SALE — AKC Registered male silver toy poodle. Ph. 224-7818. 50-3-p-23

Horses 24

HORSES BOARDED, Indoor arena. Lessons and box stalls available. 224-2933. 47-4-f-24

Miscellaneous 27

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Wanted Miscellaneous 28

TIMBER WANTED — Logs and standing timber. Logs delivered to our yard. DEVEREAUX SAWMILL, INC., 2872 N. Hubbardston Rd., Pewamo, Mich. Phone 593-2424 and/or 593-2552. 40-4-f-28

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RILEY TOWNSHIP — The regular board meeting will be held April 14 at the Township Hall at 8 pm. Victor C. Hopp - Clerk. 50-1-p-29

REWARD — A substantial reward will be paid to anyone providing information for valuables lost from a building in the vicinity of DeWitt & Stoll Rds. on Sunday, March 30. Your name will be kept confidential. Call 372-3582. 50-3-p-29

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SPECIAL FEEDER CATTLE SALE Friday May 2nd, 1:30 pm. Michigan Livestock Exchange, St. Louis, Michigan, 681-2191. 50-4-p-29

LADIES TUESDAY morning and night leagues will have an annual meeting April 29, 7 pm at Twin Oaks Club House. All those interested come to meeting or call 224-7342 to indicate interest. 50-3-p-29

CRAFTS FAIR-MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM Tuesday, April 15, 1-9. Public invited. 49-2-p-29

Card of Thanks 30

STEVENS — The family of Maxine Stevens wish to express their thanks to Dr. Steigerwald, Carson City Hospital staff for their care of our loved one. And our thanks to our many relatives, friends and neighbors for their many acts of kindness. Also to Pastor Wood for the comforting words and prayers, the W.S.C.S for their lovely dinner. Mildred, Bert and Mary Hiller 50-1-p-30

THELEN — The family of Anna Thelen wishes to express appreciation to friends, neighbors and relatives for the many acts of kindness shown during the illness and loss of their mother and grandmother. A special thanks to Fr. Harker, Fr. Schmitt, Fr. Beahan, Dr. Grost, Mrs. Pagel, Clinton Memorial Hospital Staff, Federal Mogul Employees, Osgood Funeral Home and all those who helped in any way with the dinner. 50-1-p-30

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Leona Snyder 50-1-p-30

Legal news

Probate Court
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Robert D. Martin — Claims & Heirs
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Real Estate Transfers
(From records in office of Register of Deeds)

Mar 25: Clayton Corporation to L. Barry Garlock, Janeen M. Reeg property in Sec 17 DeWitt.
Mar 25: Santana, Daniel L. and Theora to Pedro and Mary Colon Lot 24 Royal Shores.
Mar 25: Hidecker, Lila M. to Loren A. and Muriel A. Matthews Lot 90, 100 Northdale Farms.
Mar 25: Roberts, Michael G. and Nanette M. to Keith A. and Sharon K. Chalmers Lot 8, Bk 115, Walker and Steel.
Mar 25: Micka, Tony J. and Ellie R. to Merle Duane and Grace Ann Green; Charles Velmar and Margaret Ann Green property in Sec 12 Duplain.
Mar 26: Langeland, William J. and Agnes R. to BF Chamberlain Management Co Lot 34 Prince Estate No 2.
Mar 27: Pung, Linda L. to Ernest R. and Vicki L. Van Alstine Lot 14 Ballantine's Van Farms.
Mar 27: Micka, Joseph and

CLINTON COUNTY NEWS, ST. JOHNS, MICHIGAN

PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF HEARING
State of Michigan, The Probate Court for the County of CLINTON.
Estate of Alexander Lang, Deceased.
TAKE NOTICE: On May 28, 1975, at 9:30 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom, Courthouse, St. Johns, Michigan, before the Hon. TIMOTHY M. GREEN, Judge of Probate, a hearing will be held on the Petition of Ethel M. Lang that the administration of said estate will be granted to Ethel M. Lang; the heirs-at-law of said deceased represented as Ethel M. Lang, Clara Dotshuk, Elizabeth Feldpausch, Florence Huntoon, George Feldpausch, Evelyn Burelson, Anna Proctor, Pearl Longanbach, Pauline Lycos, Dorothy Eskilsen and Janet Wainwright will be determined by an Order of the Court and that a License to Sell Real Estate be granted to the administratrix and that the Court will fix the amount of the bond and that the bond set by the Court be nominal, and that an Order be granted for Widow's Allowance.
Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the Estate must be presented to Ethel M. Lang, Administratrix, 9684 Wacousia Rd., DeWitt, Michigan 48820, and proof thereof with copies of claims filed with the Court on or before July 2, 1975. Notice is further given that the Estate will be thereupon assigned to persons appearing of record entitled thereto.
Dated: March 31, 1975.
Ethel M. Lang
Petitioner
By: /s/Jesse D. Parks, her Attorney
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LEGAL NOTICE

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NOTICE OF FILING A PETITION FOR CONDEMNATION
Notice is hereby given that the Charter Township of Bath, a municipal corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Michigan, performing the duties and functions and exercising the powers conferred upon it by law, seek to acquire by condemnation proceedings in the above-entitled cause, the fee-simple title to certain real property located in Clinton County, State of Michigan, more particularly described as follows:
Lot 4, Block 7, Bath Village Plat, Michigan.
The Charter Township of Bath requires the immediate possession and use of said property for public purposes and uses, to wit: a township park and place of recreation.
This Notice shall constitute constructive notice of the filing of the Petition in the above-entitled cause, in Circuit Court for the County of Clinton, to a purchaser of the aforementioned real estate.
Thrun, Maatsch and Nordberg, Attorneys for Plaintiff-Petitioner.

By S/Patrick J. Berardo
900 Stoddard Building
Lansing, Michigan 48933
Dated March 28, 1975 50-3

Gayle L. Desprez
Executive Vice President and
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To Whom It May Concern:
Clinton National Bank & Trust Company, 200 North Clinton Avenue, St. Johns, Michigan has on April 1, 1975 filed with the office of The Comptroller of the Currency for a branch application at 2201 E. Grand River Avenue, Lansing Township, Ingham County, Michigan.
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1. To show cause, if any, the parties having an interest in the lands sought to be taken have why the prayer in said Petition should not be granted;
2. To fix the date on which the Petitioner may enter the property and take physical possession thereof;
3. To set a date certain for the impounding of a jury and trial.
Leo W. Corkin, Circuit Judge for the County of Clinton. 50-3

PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF HEARING
State of Michigan, The Probate Court for the County of CLINTON.
Estate of MERLE M. BURNS, formerly Merle M. Walker, File No. 18622.
TAKE NOTICE: On April 30, 1975, at 9:30 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom, Courthouse, St. Johns, Michigan, before the Hon. Timothy M. Green, Judge of Probate, a hearing will be held on the petition of Helen L. Kraas, Executrix, for allowance of her Final Account, and for assignment of residue.
Dated: April 4, 1975.
Richard D. Wells
Attorney for Petitioner
103 East State Street
St Johns, Michigan 48879 50-1

not known whether or not said Defendants are living or dead, or where any of them may reside if living, and, if dead, whether they have personal representatives or heirs living or where they or some of them may reside, and further that the present whereabouts of said Defendants are unknown, and that the names of the persons who are included therein without being named, but who are impressed therein under the title of unknown heirs and assigns, cannot be ascertained after diligent search and inquiry.
On motion of Carroll R. Taber, attorney for Plaintiffs, IT IS ORDERED that said Defendants and their unknown heirs and assigns, cause their appearance to be entered in this cause within three (3) months of the date of this Order, and in default thereof that said Complaint be taken as confessed by the said Defendants their unknown heirs and assigns.
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within forty (40) days Plaintiffs cause a copy of this Order to be published in the Clinton County News, a newspaper printed, published and circulated in said county, such publication to be continued therein once each week for six weeks in succession.
Leo W. Corkin
Circuit Judge
Countersigned:
Vergeme Kriebel
Deputy Clerk
TAKE NOTICE that this suit in which the foregoing Order was duly made, involves and is brought to quiet title to the following described land:
Lots 129 and 130 of Loving's West side Plat No. 1, Bath Township, Clinton County, Michigan.
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by /s/Carroll R. Taber
Carroll R. Taber (P 21237)
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Pewamo

Mr and Mrs James Frey of Roseville returned home after visiting a few days at the home of Ruth Swindt.

Mrs Martha Simon was a guest at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr and Mrs John Simon of Ionia, on Easter Sunday.

Spending Easter Sunday with her daughter and husband, Mr and Mrs Charles Wirth and family at Eagle, was Mrs Anna Cook.

Mrs Barbara Alexander spent Easter weekend with her daughter and husband, Mr and Mrs Owen Feldpausch, of St Johns.

Mrs Vera Cook and Mrs Joan Daniels were dinner guests of Mr and Mrs Marvin Thelen of Fowler, Easter Sunday. In the evening they were supper guests of Mr and Mrs Leon Thelen and family.

Mrs Laurine Schafer spent Easter Sunday with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr and Mrs Norman Schafer and family. Easter Sunday guests at the home of Mrs Irene Fox were her son and daughter-in-law, Mr and Mrs Norbert Fox, Steven, Alan, Amy and Russell Fox of Lansing.

Mr and Mrs David Cummins of Pittsburg, Penn. arrived late Friday night at the home of Mr and Mrs Dennis Imhoff to spend Easter with relatives.

Mrs Donald Walter was discharged from the Ionia County Memorial Hospital as a surgical patient, Friday, March 28.

Mrs Irene Fedewa and Ed Fedewa were Easter Sunday dinner and afternoon guests of Mr and Mrs Cecil Smith and family of St Johns.

Ruth Swindt entertained the pedro club at her home Tuesday afternoon, April 1.

Mrs Dorothy Parks spent Easter weekend with Mr and Mrs Jack Parks of Ionia and attended Easter services at the Shilo Community Church.

Mrs Hilda Schafer spent Easter Sunday with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr and Mrs Francis Feldpausch and family of rural Fowler.

James Cotter III was one of the group of 24 from Lansing Community College ball team who played in Florida. They were gone 10 days.

Gail Cotter of Walled Lake

spent Easter vacation with her parents, Mr and Mrs John Cotter.

Mike Cotter and Doug Walter are home for the spring break at college.

Thursday, March 27, Mrs Dorothy Parks went shopping in Grand Rapids with Mr and Mrs Jack Parks of Ionia.

After eating out, Mrs Hilda Schafer entertained her card club at her home Monday afternoon, March 31.

Colleen Cotter was home for Easter from college.

North Bengal

Mr and Mrs Richard Rossow and children of Flint spent Thursday night and Friday forenoon with his parents, Rev and Mrs H.E. Rossow, brother David, and grandmother, Mrs Herman Rossow. They were enroute to Moline, Illinois where they spent Easter with her parents.

Mrs William Ernst and Maxine Ernst were Easter dinner guests of Mr and Mrs William S. Ernst and family of Battle Creek. They all attended church services at St Paul Lutheran Church at Battle Creek.

Floyd Foerch entered Carson City Hospital on Thursday, March 27 as a medical patient. Mrs Foerch is staying with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr and Mrs Steve Thelen and children of rural Muir.

On Tuesday, March 25, Mrs Waller Nobis Sr, Mrs Walter G. Nobis of Lebanon, Mrs William Ernst and Maxine Ernst visited Mrs Eugene Wright at the Martin Luther Nursing Home at Holt.

Mrs Clarence Damon of St Johns was a guest on Easter of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr and Mrs Louis Moritz and Ann. Mrs Clare Swanson called on Mr and Mrs Fred W. Pasch on Easter Sunday.

Mr and Mrs Fred W. Pasch were supper guests of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr and Mrs J.D. Bancroft and children of S.W. Dallas on Tuesday, March 25.

Chloe's Column

Cutting cleaning costs

Chloe Padgett
Clinton County Home Economist



Are you over cleaning your house and your clothes? Look at your grocery bill and see how much money is spent on items other than food. You might discover you are spending a lot for cleaning and laundry products you don't really need.

If you have the time and a few basic supplies on hand (detergent, ammonia, vinegar, baking soda, washing soda, etc.) you may save some money by making your own cleaning products.

Try one of the following solutions for cleaning windows and mirrors:

-- Add four tablespoons ammonia to one quart of warm water (for heavy, greasy soil).

-- Add two tablespoons vinegar to one quart of warm water (for hard water spots).

-- Use one tablespoon washing soda to one quart of warm water.

If the porcelain enamel on your sinks, bathtubs and toilets are in good condition, clean with

powdered detergent on a damp sponge. If porcelain is worn, you may have to use scouring powder or try one tablespoon trisodium phosphate dissolved in a gallon of warm water.

For sluggish drain pipes, flush with one-fourth pound washing soda dissolved in three quarts boiling water.

Keep furniture clean with dustless cloths which gather dust instead of scattering it. To make your own treated cloth, put a few drops of cleaning wax in a jar, coating the sides. Place a soft cloth inside the jar, cap tightly and leave overnight.

For cleaning ovens, place a small glass dish filled with ammonia in a cool oven and leave several hours to loosen grease film. Later, wipe clean. Scrub remaining burned-on spots with steel wool pad.

To clean surfaces of appliances (ranges, refrigerators, etc) use detergent and water or ammonia and water or baking soda. Then rinse. Don't use

scouring powder for appliance surfaces. It will mar the finish.

Decide if you are over cleaning. If the floor gets dirty, it may just need a damp mopping with cool water. A coat of wax will preserve the floor's surface, but don't remove the wax every time you clean.

Clean floor with soap and water occasionally (rather than scrubbing with harsh cleaners which remove wax). Wax only when needed to save money, time and energy.

How much time and money are you spending doing laundry? An MSU study of four-person urban families showed some washed twice as many laundry loads a week as other families the same size.

Wait to wash clothes until you have a full load -- but don't overload the machine. The average washer uses 48 gallons of water for a cycle. Be sure you're not wasting costly hot water and soap by doing only half a load.

Don't wash clothes until they really need it. Maybe there are only a few spots on the article. Remove these spots in the sink.

Are you using too much soap? Do you really need all those additives? Maybe this load doesn't need fabric softener.

Are you using the least expensive form of bleach? Remember, little things add up.

Area schools receive checks for state aid

The State Department of Education has furnished State Representative Stanley M. Powell of Ionia with a list of state aid payments which are scheduled to be distributed on April 1 to the 30 school districts which serve citizens of the 88th Legislative District. This is 1 of 6 payments which are sent to the local districts from Lansing in the course of a year.

The figures also give the total remitted to these districts since the last report under Titles 1 and 3 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 and the Vocational Education Act of 1963 (VE-1963). The figures for the districts of most interest to the readers of this paper are as follows:

School District	State Aid	Title I	VE-1963
DeWitt Public Schools	201,660		
Fowler Public Schools	104,320		
Bath Community Schools	165,210	285	
Ovid-Elsie Area Schools	240,640	188	
Pewamo-Westphalia Comm S D	88,980		
St Johns Public Schools	448,660	9,987	360

William Penix to tour with international orchestra

Gretchen Stansell, Director of the International Program at Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp, has just returned from a six week European trip, the purpose of which was to confirm the three itineraries for Blue Lake's 1975 International Band, Choir, and Youth Symphony for this summer.

William Penix, son of Mr and Mrs Donald Penix, 2417 Route #6, Avery Road in St Johns, will be going on tour with the 1975 International Orchestra. He plays string bass.

Ms Stansell has met with all European chairman who will be hosting the groups this summer, given them a "Hosting Handbook", and finalized plans. She has also begun forming contacts

for the 1976 tour, which will include--Germany, Holland, Luxembourg, Austria, and Switzerland. The possibility that fifteen European groups will be coming to visit Michigan in 1976 has also been established.

One hundred and eighty-four students are chosen for membership in Blue Lake's International Program on the basis of character, citizenship, and musicianship. They are all past campers who have been carefully selected to participate in the concert tour and cultural exchange program, which will include visits to Belgium, Denmark, Norway, Luxembourg, Sweden, the Netherlands, and Germany.



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Close the book in SE Asia

Dear Sir,

When is this country ever going to extricate itself from the SE Asia situation? Since when have the American people volunteered to be the Guardian, Financier, policeman and Mother Hen to the world? It's been a foregone conclusion that we would be all things to all nations, but why us? Our so-called Allies sit back and chuckle at our stupidity and get very disgruntled when we don't come across with hand-outs and give-aways. So the Vietnamese are displeased with us, to the point of rioting because we're holding back on a lost cause?

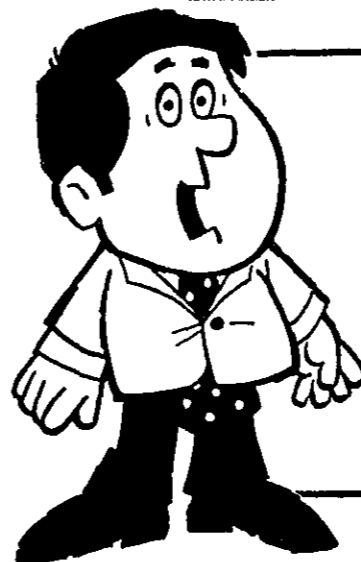
Who cares? Who needs them? Their own soldiers won't fight, besides leaving millions of dollars in equipment that we paid for, to the communists.

My son, a Marine, served in Vietnam in 1963-64, when most people never heard of the place, and had to forcibly push UN soldiers off the troop-carrying helicopter into battle areas. As long as we did the fighting and paying, we were welcome. We paid military wages to the UN soldiers, but where have the other billions of dollars gone? Certainly not to the people of that country, their living conditions have not changed in

thousands of years, notwithstanding this country's sending shipments of hair spray that they didn't know how to use and Bibles they can't read.

Military men who have served there and relatives of men lost there, must be feeling a great sense of defeat and frustration at the turn of events in our needless involvement. We should close the book on this effort in futility once and for all.

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All classes will start the week of April 14, 1975. For more information regarding classes and policy you may call the Adult Education Office, Telephone 224-8120 or 224-2394 ext. 271 any week day between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. You may also come to the Adult Education Office located in the St. Johns High School.

To register for any of the classes clip out the coupon at the bottom, send check or money order for the exact fee/fees, payable to St. Johns Public Schools and return to: Adult Education Office, St. Johns High School, 501 W. Sickle's St., St. Johns, Michigan 48879 or bring to the Adult Education Office in the St. Johns High School. Registration must be completed by April 11, 1975.

Course	Day	Time	Location	Weeks	Fee	Instructor	Starting Date
Beginning Typing (learn keyboard)	T	7:00-10:00 p.m.	SJHS/110	7	\$14.00	Whitton	4-15-75
Advanced Typing (speed & accuracy)	T	7:00-10:00 p.m.	SJHS/111	7	\$14.00	Whitton	4-15-75
Gregg Shorthand Refresher	M	7:00-9:00 p.m.	SJHS/114	7	\$10.00	Lade	4-14-75
Office Machines (10 key, printing, rotary, electronic calculator, duplicating)	M	7:00-9:30 p.m.	SJHS/114	7	\$12.00	Lade	4-14-75
Humanities in the '70's (a reading & discussion class concerning humanities from ancient Greece to the 1970's)	T	7:15-9:15 p.m.	SJHS/107	7	\$10.00	Greer	4-15-75
Painting (any media - beginner & advanced)	M	7:00-10:00 p.m.	SJHS/116	7	\$14.00	Bargar	4-14-75
Crawl Embroidery	M	7:00-9:00 p.m.	SJHS/148	7	\$10.00	Nymshack	4-14-75
Sewing Knits I	T	7:00-9:00 p.m.	SJHS/148	6	\$11.00	Rozen	4-16-75
Needlepoint	Th	7:00-9:00 p.m.	SJHS/148	7	\$10.00	Wright	4-17-75
Knitting	M	7:00-9:00 p.m.	SJHS/120	7	\$10.00	Wright	4-14-75
Welding	T	7:00-9:00 p.m.	SJHS/154	7	\$10.00	Osentoski	4-15-75
Women's Physical Fitness (exercise & games)	W	8:00-9:30 p.m.	RBW/Gym	7	\$ 7.00	Lebrato	4-16-75
Men's Basketball	W	6:30-8:30 p.m.	SJHS/Gym	7	\$10.00	Morrison	4-16-75
Swim & Trim - Women's	Th	7:00-9:00 p.m.	SJHS/Pool	7	\$10.00	Porter	4-17-75
Co-ed Volleyball	T	7:00-8:30 p.m.	RBW/Gym	7	\$ 7.00	Lade	4-15-75
Gymnastics for Adults (Flexibility Training)	Th	7:00-9:00 p.m.	SJHS/Gym	7	\$10.00	Furry	4-17-75
Beginning Tennis (bring your own balls and racket) Class enrollment limited to the first 20 paid registrations	T	6:30-8:30 p.m.	SJHS/Gym	7	\$10.00	Porter	4-15-75
Adult Swimming (instruction in any level swimming & diving or open swimming)	W	6:30-8:30 p.m.	SJHS/Pool	7	\$10.00	Barber	4-16-75
Scuba Diving	T	6:30-10:00 p.m.	SJHS/139	6	\$45.00	Kennon	4-16-75
Driver Education (Adult)	Varied - Arrangement by Instructor				\$26.00	Canum	

The Adult Education Office reserves the right to cancel any class. There will be no refund of money for a class after the second week of class.

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

Mail to: Albert LeFevre, Director of Adult Education, 501 W. Sickle's, St. Johns, Michigan 48879

Name _____ Birthdate _____
 (Last) (First) (Middle) (Maiden)
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REGULAR CLINTON COUNTY ZONING COMMISSION MEETING

A Regular Meeting of the Clinton County Zoning Commission will be held on Thursday, April 17, 1975 at 8 p.m. in the Courthouse, St. Johns, Michigan. At that time the Commission will hear the following:

BINGHAM TOWNSHIP

An application for a Special Use Permit to erect a Church Building on the following described parcel of land:

Com. at the NW cor., Sec. 29, T2N-R2W, Bingham Township, Clinton County, Michigan thence S. 89°22'44" E. along the North section line of said Section 29, 528.00 feet; thence S. 00°17'10" E. 412.50 feet; thence N. 89°22'40" W. 528.00 ft. to a pt. on the W. sec. 1n. of sd Sec 29; th. N. 00°17'10" W 412.5 ft. along said Sec. 1n. to the point of beginning. The above described lands contain 5.00 acres, & are subject to the rights of the public over the Ely 33.00 ft. of DeWitt Rd., the S'ly 33.00 ft. of Parks Rd., & all other easements or restrictions of record, if any.

BATH TOWNSHIP

R-1A, One-Family Rural Residential to R-M1, Multiple-Family Residential, and, also A Special Use Permit:

Lots 5 and 6, Eastwood Plat, a subdivision, the NW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Sec. 21, T5N-R1W, Bath Township, Clinton County, Michigan.

WATERTOWN TOWNSHIP

An application for a Special Use Permit to operate a sand pit in Section 32 of Watertown Township (Tabled 6/20/74).

DEWITT TOWNSHIP

An application for rezoning of Lots 5, 6, 7, 8, Northview Sub'd'n. from R-1C, One-Family Medium Density Residential to M-1, Light Industry. (Tabled 10/17/74).

The text of the Zoning Ordinance as proposed to be amended and a map showing the Zoning Ordinance as proposed to be amended may be examined at 100 S. Ottawa, St. Johns, Michigan, between the hours of 8 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. of any day Monday through Friday.

Arnold R. Minarik,
Zoning Administrator

Clinton County area obituaries

Earl J Ruff

Earl J. Ruff, 75, 216 E. Williams St, Ovid, died April 1 at Memorial Hospital, Owosso. Funeral services were held April 4, 1 pm at Houghton Chapel of Osgood Funeral Homes, the Rev Earl Copelin officiating. Interment was made in Wacousta.

He was born Sept 29, 1899 in Hoytville, the son of Samuel M. and Emma Ruff.

He attended schools in Grand Ledge and graduated from Grand Ledge High School in 1918. He lived most of his life in Hoytville and Grand Ledge and spent the last 40 years in Ovid.

He and Margaret P. Taylor were married June 20, 1923 in Grand Ledge. He was a Federal Milk Marketing administrator for 9 1/2 years, having retired in 1966. Prior to that time he was a laboratory technician at Seal Test in Grand Ledge.

Surviving are: his wife, Margaret; 3 daughters, Mrs Robert (Maxine) VanSice of Ovid, Mrs William (Marilyn) Yunker of Newaygo, Mrs D.O. (Mariene) Barton of Lansing; 10 grandchildren; 4 great grandchildren. One son preceded him in death in 1946.

Mabel J Gillet

Funeral services were held for life long Clinton County

resident, Mabel J. Gillett, 86, who died April 4 in Clinton Memorial Hospital after a long illness.

The Rev Edward Otto of Wacousta Community United Methodist Church and the Rev Francis C. Johannides of the First United Methodist Church of St Johns officiated at the 2 pm service. It was held April 7 at the Wacousta Community United Methodist Church.

She was born July 20, 1888 in Westphalia Twp, the daughter of John and Minnie Ingler. She graduated from Portland High School and Clinton County Normal School. She was married to Clayton Gillett.

Mrs Gillette, of 808 W. Park St., St Johns, was formerly of Wacousta. She was a member of the Wacousta United Methodist Church, United Methodist Women, Eagle Society, and Wacousta Neighborhood Society.

She was the past president of the North Eagle Society and a former school teacher, having taught at Sanford, Light and Jaston, Clinton County country schools.

She was also a correspondent for the Clinton County News and the Grand Ledge Independent for nearly 60 years.

Surviving Mrs Gillett are 1 daughter, Mrs (Dr.) Clifford (Nola) Lambert of St Johns; 1 brother, William Ingler of Eagle; 1 sister, Mrs Earl Avery of Eagle; and 2 grandchildren.

The family suggests contributions may be made to the Wacousta Community Methodist Church Memorial Fund.

Interment was made in North Eagle Cemetery.

Albert C. Weber

Albert C. (Spike) Weber, 71, 437 Sorrell, Fowler, died April 3 in Carson City Hospital.

Funeral services were held April 7 at Holy Trinity Catholic Church at 10:30 am, the Father Albert Schmitt officiating. A rosary was said at 3 and 8 pm daily at the George Chapel of Osgood Funeral Home. Interment was made in Holy Trinity Cemetery.

He was born Feb 14, 1904 in Dallas Twp, the son of Michael and Katherine Smith Weber. He was a life long Fowler resident. He was married to Bertha Pohl.

Mr Weber was a member of Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Fowler, Holy Name Society, and was a volunteer fireman for 31 years in Dallas Twp.

He was a garage operator at Edinger and Weber for 42 years.

Surviving are his wife, Bertha; 4 sons, George of Fowler, Charles of St Johns, Bernard of Pewamo, and Alan of Fowler; 1 brother, Louis Weber of St Johns; 1 sister, Mrs Caroline Geller of Fowler; 26 grandchildren; 3 step grandchildren; 3 great-grandchildren.

Rep Francis R Spaniola

Report from the capitol

The Farmland and Open Space Preservation Act (Public Act 116) still raises many questions among farmers as to the provisions and benefits of the program.

Perhaps the answers to some commonly asked questions will help you decide whether or not to take advantage of this program.

1. What does this Farmland and Open Space Act do?

This Act enables a land owner to enter into a development rights agreement (for farmland) or a development rights easement (for open space) with the state. These agreements or easements are designed to ensure that the land remains in a particular use or uses for an agreed upon period. In return for maintaining the land in a particular use, the land owner is entitled to income or property tax benefits.

2. What kinds of lands are eligible?

There are two general classes of land eligible under the Act: farmland and open space land.

a) Farmland eligibility is governed by the size and income from the farm; a farm of 40 or more acres, a farm of from 5 to 40 acres with a minimum per acre income of \$200 per year

or a specialty farm with gross annual income of \$2000 or more.

b) Open space land has been divided into two categories. The first deals with historic, riverfront and shoreland areas. This land requires that the property be undeveloped and either historic in nature and recognized as such by appropriate federal or state laws, be riverfront on a river designated under Act 231, the Natural Rivers Act of 1970, or be designated as an environmental area under Act 245, the Shorelands Protection Act of 1970.

c) The second category of open space land is more general in definition and includes lands which conserve natural or scenic resources, enhance recreation opportunities, preserve historic sites and idle potential farmland of not less than 40 acres.

3. What exactly are the benefits to me as the landowner?

There are three general benefits:

a) Lands that qualify and are approved and registered for either a farmland agreement or an open space easement are exempted from special sewers, assessments for sanitary

sewers, water, lights, or non-farm drainage unless the assessments were imposed prior to the signing of the agreement or easement. Land which is exempted from the special assessment will be denied use of the improvement until the agreement or easement is terminated and the amount of the exemption has been paid.

b) Under a farmland development rights agreement, the exact benefits would depend upon the property tax assess against the property and the income of the landowner. The landowner is entitled to claim as a credit on his Michigan Income Tax the amount by which the property taxes on the farmland covered by the agreement exceed 7% of his income.

c) For those lands under an open space easement, the direct tax benefits are in the actual taxes paid by the landowner. This is done by reappraising the land calculating the difference between the current market value of the unrestricted property and the value of the property if the right to develop the land was restricted through a use easement. This difference is the value of the development

rights and indicates the direct tax savings to the landowner.

5. Can I change the use of land under the contract?

If the landowner wishes to change the use of the land from farming to a higher development use before the contract date of termination, he must apply for release from the program. The application must be approved by all parties involved in the initial entry application.

A person applying for early withdrawal and termination of the contract must demonstrate economic hardship, significant natural physical changes in the land or conditions which impose physical obstacles to the agricultural operation.

When an early termination is granted, a lien is placed on the deed for all of the tax benefits received from the time of entrance into the program. The amount of the lien will be subject to a 6 percent interest charge compounded annually from the time of entrance into the program until the lien is paid.

If you still have questions, I'd be glad to send more information. Just contact my office, 304 Mutual Building, Lansing 48901. (517/373-0841).

first things first

Taking care of all the family's special needs requires an extra effort on our part.

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88th District Report

by Stanley Powell State Representative

Due to various newspaper and television reports, there has been a great amount of concern about the effects on Michigan agriculture from the 1973 incident in which polybrominated biphenyl (PBB) was introduced into some animal feed in Michigan. I thought this would be a good time to review recent activity in this respect.

First, Governor Milliken sought and received an opinion from the Federal Food and Drug Administration that the very low level the FDA has established for acceptable amounts of PBB in meat and

milk pose no threat to human health. Furthermore, the FDA said they, the US Department of Agriculture and the Michigan Department of Agriculture have found no foods in commercial channels which have amounts of PBB above those levels set by the FDA. The FDA also said the US Center for Disease Control has not confirmed any case of human disease traceable to PBB in Michigan.

Therefore, this means that all Michigan meat and milk products currently on the market are safe for human

consumption with respect to PBB. This is important to note, because some supermarket chains have said they will not or might not stock Michigan products due to the possible presence of PBB.

Since these fears result at least in part from the "scare" stories in the media, Governor Milliken asked a blue-ribbon panel to investigate the substance or lack thereof in these stories.

This special Task Force has now reported that conjecture was reported as fact in some of these stories, and that some articles were filled with rumor, speculation, half truths and errors of fact.

The articles singled out appeared in the Grand Rapids Press and the Detroit News, with the Press articles containing most of the non-facts

and therefore receiving most of the criticism.

The general criticism of the Press stories was based on their blaming PBB for practically all farm animal deaths and ailments during the past two years, and also for several instances of human illness. In this respect, the newspaper is recreating the "witch hunt" atmosphere of 17th-century Massachusetts or 1950's Washington under Senator Joseph McCarthy.

It is unfortunate that irresponsible journalism like this comes at a time when Michigan's agricultural and industrial economy needs all the help it can get.

As a further measure to assure public safety and consumer confidence, the Michigan Department of Public Health has begun a long-term testing

program for farm families exposed to PBB in any degree. The Department has also had a short-term program under way since June of 1974, with results expected by May.

One point that must not be overlooked in this whole matter is that thousands of animals and chickens have already been killed and destroyed by the state in the interest of consumer protection. In many instances, farmers have not yet been able to replenish their herds. I would hope that the Legislature will enact a program in the near future to enable them to do so.

VETERANS' BONUS PAYMENTS CONTINUE

As of March 28, the Vietnam Veteran Era Bonus Section had

paid out \$16.5 million to over 32,000 eligible Michigan veterans since the payments began on February 26.

The Department of Military Affairs says that total Bonus applicants number 293,000; of these, 150,000 applications have been acknowledged by mail. If you haven't received your blue acknowledgement card yet, be patient - the Bonus Section says that all cards should be mailed out within three or four weeks.

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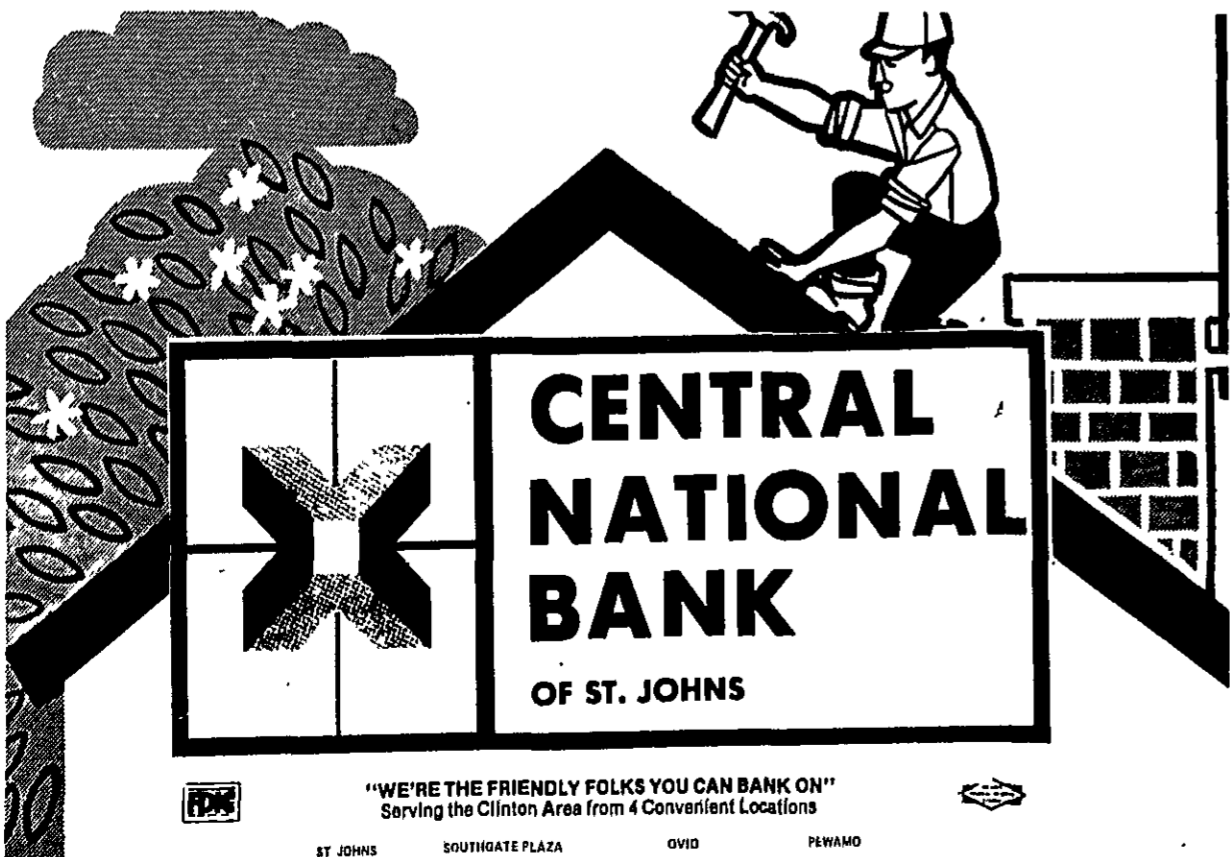
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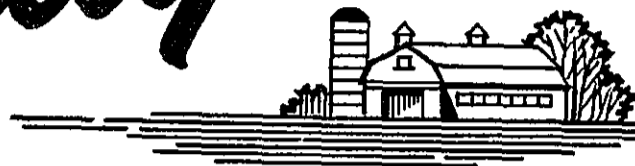
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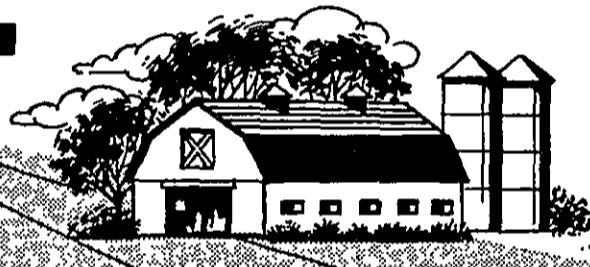
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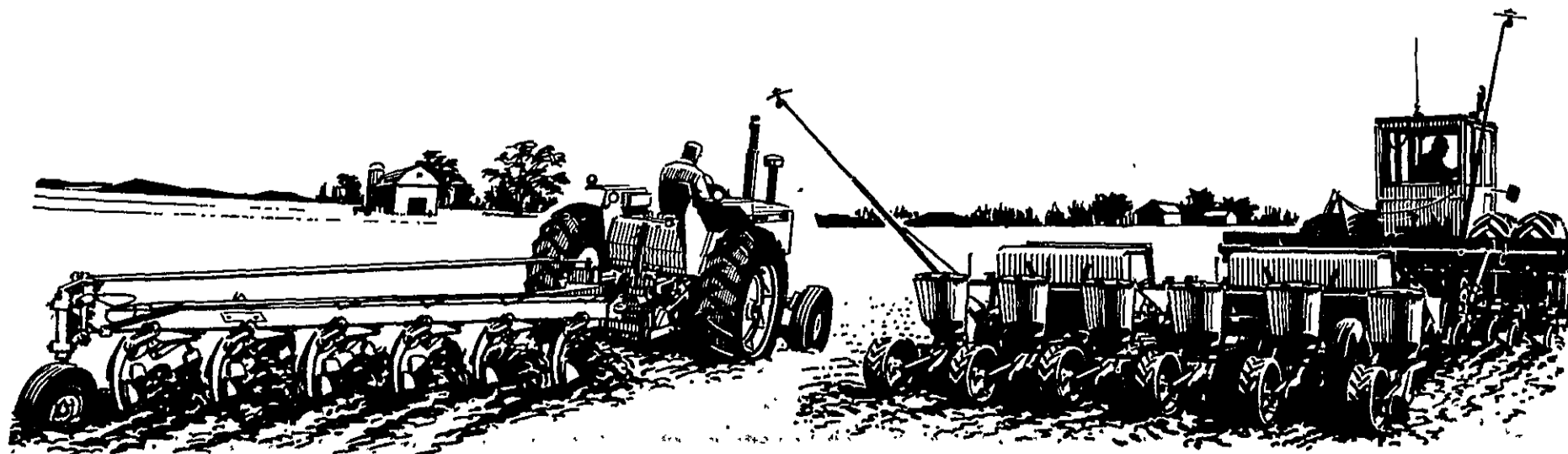
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Pesticide costs bug farmers

The high cost of pesticides is bugging farmers.

Latest available data for 1971 pegged farmers' spending on pesticides at over \$1 billion - up 80 percent from 1966. The jump in expenditures was due to a combination of farmers using more expensive pesticides,

particularly herbicides, and farmers using a 40 percent larger volume of pesticides.

Of that billion dollars, \$943 million went to protect crops. Sixty-two percent of the crop pesticide expenditures were for herbicides, over 25 percent were for insecticides, and 6

percent, for fungicides.

Livestock pesticides cost \$44 million, and another \$15 million was spent on pesticides for other uses.

The most money was paid out for the protection of corn - \$325 million. With \$138 million spent (Continued on page 3)

The agriculture picture in Clinton County



Agriculture income in 1974 was 49,300,000
Dairy income \$14,000,000

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Pesticide costs

(Continued from page 2)

on soybeans and \$132 on cotton, these three made up 63 percent of total expenditures on crop pesticides.

Two-thirds of the money for herbicides was for weed control in corn and soybean production. Half of the outlay for insecticides went to control insects on corn and cotton. Of fungicide expenditures, more was used on peanuts than any other crop. Fruits, nuts, and vegetables also required sizable outlays.

Acre for acre, the most expensive crop to protect from pests is apples at \$51.20 per acre. On the other hand, some

grains required as little as \$.70 an acre for pesticides.

Though farms with gross annual sales of over \$40,000 constituted only 11 percent of all farms, they accounted for 58 percent of total pesticide expenditures. Farmers bringing in less than \$10,000 made up 63 percent of all farms, but accounted for only 9 percent of pesticides expenditures.

Seventy-eight percent of all crop pesticides were sprays, 16 percent were granular forms, and 4 percent, dusts.

More than half of the money for livestock pesticides went to protect beef cattle.

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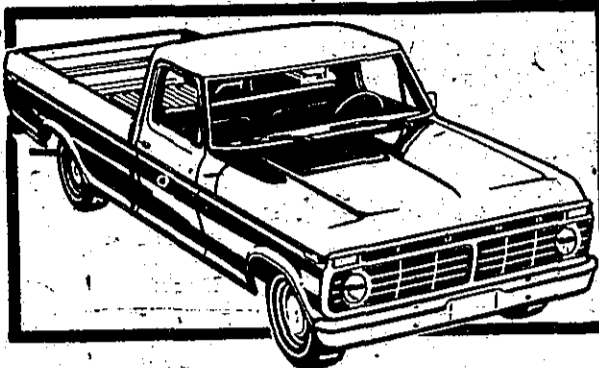
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How's the future?

For all their prosperity, the U.S. 3 million farmers could find themselves in worse shape than ever before.

Three years ago farmers owed some \$62 million for an average indebtedness of \$21,000. By the end of this year, the figure will increase about 50% to \$95 million and the average farmer will owe more than \$33,000. While farm profits this year will be double what they were in the sixties, many farm-

ers are perishing of prosperity.

What is happening? Why should farmers be sinking deeper and deeper in debt at a time when farm prices are high? The reason is inflation and scarcity. The cost of staying in business has risen so fast, it cannot be financed out of profits. Farmers have to run to the banks.

This year's drought has only increased the situation. The

price of things the farmer must buy has risen at a terrible rate. Fertilizer is up almost 100% in a year, machinery 15%, interest 14% and crop land 25%. Worse, substantial increases are expected across the board. All this requires financing.

As the cost of producing crops almost doubled during the last few years, many farmers were compelled to borrow \$100,000 to \$200,000 to stay in business. Many are winning big; but

many are also losing big.

Potato and cotton farmers are driving around in new cars; but some cattle, poultry and dairy farmers are hitchhiking to town to look for work.

Everywhere the farmer turns is uncertainty. Not just the old worries about too much or too little rain, but questions about fertilizer shortages, exports, interest rates, rail car shortages, and volatile commodity prices.

It used to be commodity markets went up and down 25 cents a week, now they go up and down \$1 to \$3 a day.

Haunted by memories of foreclosures in the thirties, the average U.S. farmer has been an extremely cautious borrower until recently. But today a 600 acre farm, which is somewhat larger than average; requires about \$850,000 in capital. By 1980 it will require over \$1 million. Farmers will have to borrow like it or not.

Still about half the farmers

have no debt to speak of. But the other half are plunging into debt, spurred both by necessity and by dreams of ever higher grain prices. The heavily leveraged farmer, particularly newcomers and the larger corporate operators, are leaving themselves little room to maneuver if farm receipts suddenly sour rather than soar.

Agricultural Economist Gary Benjamin of the Federal Reserve Bank warns: "Farmers haven't faced a really bad year carrying this kind of debt load. Right now many farmers are being gripped by a severe cost-price squeeze, and it could get worse."

In agriculture a good many people seem to be going broke, not because business is bad, but because it is too good. Which is another way of saying that inflationary prosperity is illusionary prosperity.

Adapted from Forbes, September 15.

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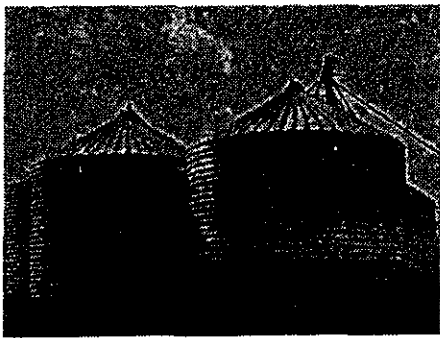
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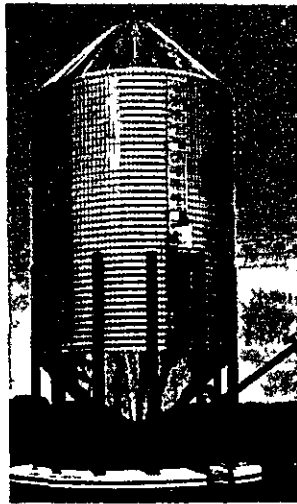
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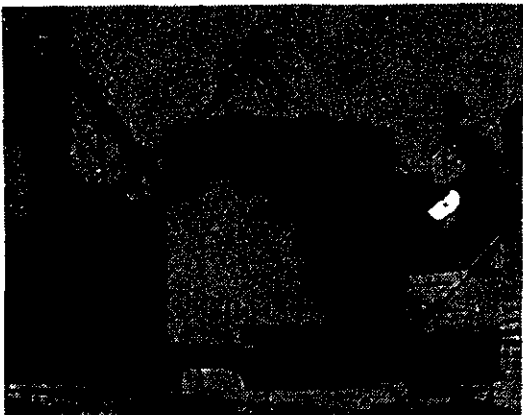
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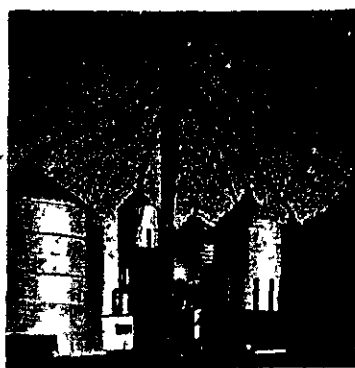
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Too much? Or too little?

The importance of high corn plant population and narrow rows is often overemphasized. Some farmers using very high plant populations could increase yield by dropping back to a lower level of plant population.

There is an optimum plant population for each field, and to find it, I suggest planting three strips in each field to give a harvest population of 16,000 to 18,000, 20,000 to 22,000; and 24,000 to 26,000 plants per acre. Remember, the harvest population will be 10 to 15 percent less than what is planted. Careful comparison of yields should tell which plant density is best.

Thirty inch rows generally average 5 to 6 percent higher

corn yields than thirty six or forty in row width. Corn planted to twenty inch rows will average 10 to 15 percent higher yields than thirty-six to forty inch rows.

To get the maximum advantage from narrow rows, optimum fertilizer and planting practices should be used.

If you have a limited supply of fertilizer, remember band applications are more efficient than broadcast applications. Use lime wherever needed based on soil test information. Proper soil pH will increase the utilization of soil nutrients and fertilizer.

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Nichols honored by 4-H

EASTLANSING, Mich. — Kansas City's William A. Nichols [left] was honored at the recent 4-H Leadermete, a gathering of Michigan's volunteer 4-H leaders held on the campus of Michigan State University. Presenting the award to Nichols is state 4-H Program director Dr. Norman Brown. The award citation is as follows:

ALUMNI AWARD WINNER

"William Nichols is president of the W.A. Nichols Corporation of Kansas City, Mo which manufactures food processing equipment. He was a 4-H member in Clinton County for 6 years, specializing in the 4-H dairy project in which he raised registered Jerseys. This dairy herd helped put him through school and into business.

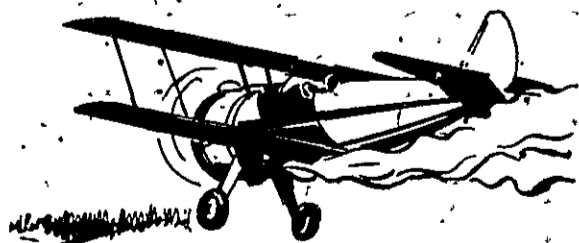
"This 4-H career which began in the early 1930's served him well for numerous positions which he held and later getting his degree in poultry at Michigan State University. In 1962 he started his own business and the business has grown into a large successful operation.

"Extension agent, John Ayleworth, sums up his career in a nutshell. . . . a real Horatio Alger story."

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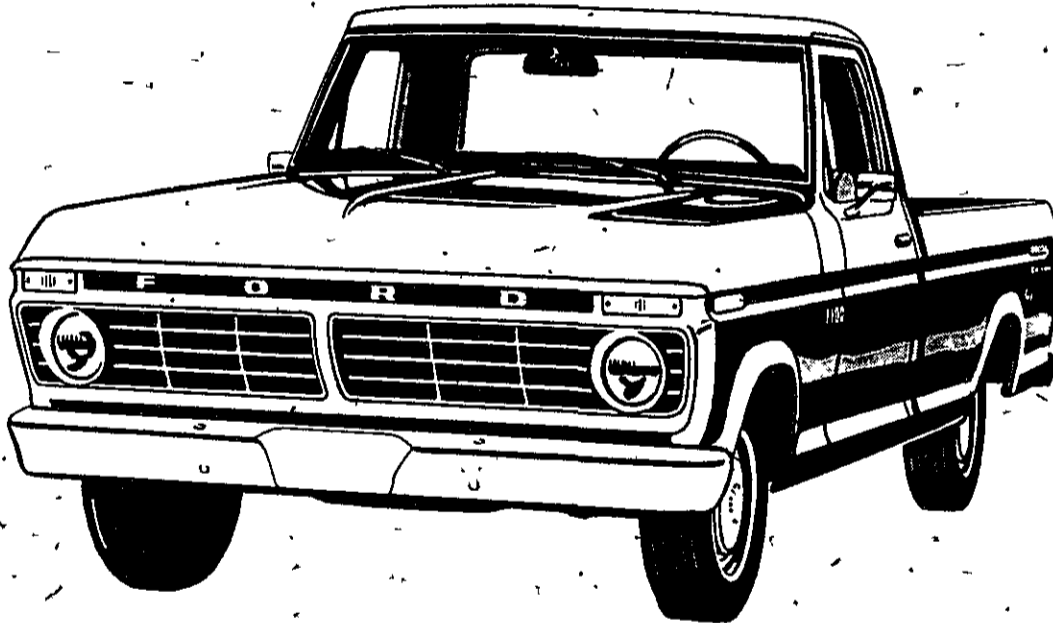


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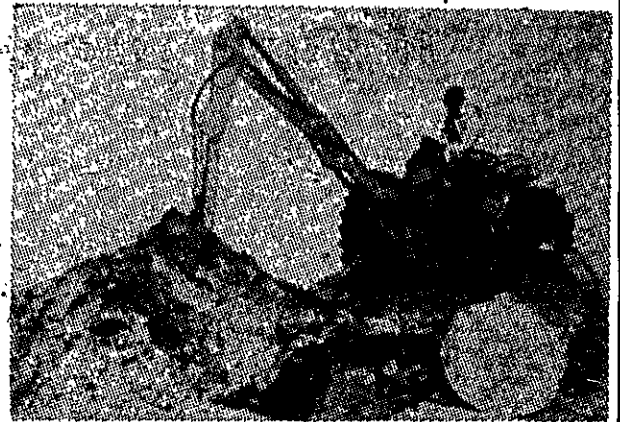
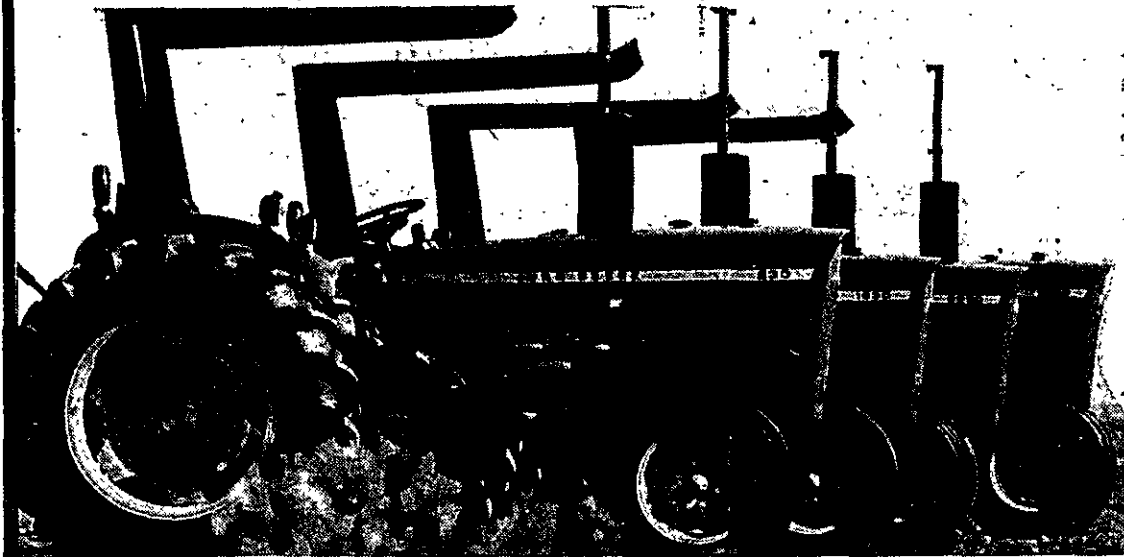
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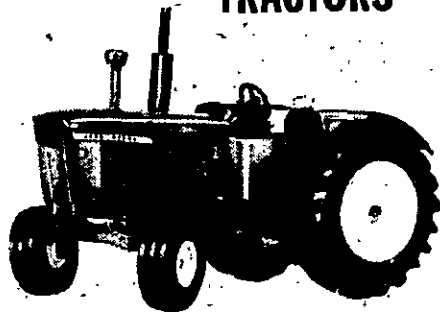
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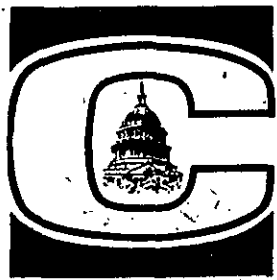
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Watch for greenbug

Clinton County grain producers should check fields periodically this summer for possible greenbugs (*S. graminum*).

"The greenbug is considered the most destructive aphid that infests small grains," says Dr. James Webster, Michigan State University entomologist, USDA-ARS.

The pest ranges from the Texas Panhandle into Canada and westward to California. It has not been known to Michigan sorghum crops until last summer when it was discovered in Kalamazoo County.

Wheat, oats, barley, and rye are preferred hosts of the greenbug. Since 1968 it has been especially active on sorghum. Damage often occurs in a localized spot but destruction can be widespread. Under proper conditions, populations can build and spread rapidly.

The greenbug sucks plant juices, injecting toxin as it feeds. Small grains infested with greenbugs first turn yellow then orange. As infestations increase, plants die and greenbugs move to uninfested plants.

Greenbug infestations in sorghum are detected by reddish spots on the underside of leaves. The reddened leaf area enlarges as greenbug

population increases. The leaf will die, turning brown from outer edges toward the center.

The greenbug is light green, about 1/16 inch long. Usually these aphids have a dark green stripe down the back, prominent at maturity. The legs are green except for the tips or "feet," which are black.

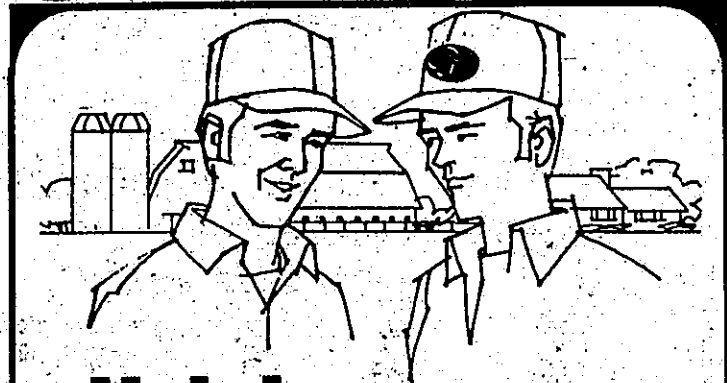
Tube-like protrusions (called cornicles) on the rear of the abdomen are black at the tips. Greenbugs may be winged or wingless with both forms in the same colony.

Greenbugs reproduce at temperatures from 55 to 95 degrees F with optimum development and reproduction occurring from about 75 to 90 degrees F. Under these conditions, newly-born greenbugs (born alive) begin reproduction in about seven days. One female can produce 80 off-spring during a 25-day period.

Temperatures of 40 to 50 degrees F or less, reduces greenbug reproduction activity. Some are killed by an overnight temperature of zero degrees F, so it is not believed they are able to overwinter in Michigan.

However, greenbugs can be blown or fly great distances to establish new colonies. It is believed those greenbugs found in Michigan last summer arrived on a storm front. Winged forms are more numerous during droughty, windy periods.

MSU entomologists are doing a study to determine potential threat to Michigan grain crops by the greenbug. Farmers finding them should send them to MSU by way of their local county extension agent. If the pest is a threat, early control plans will have to be developed to curb crop damage.



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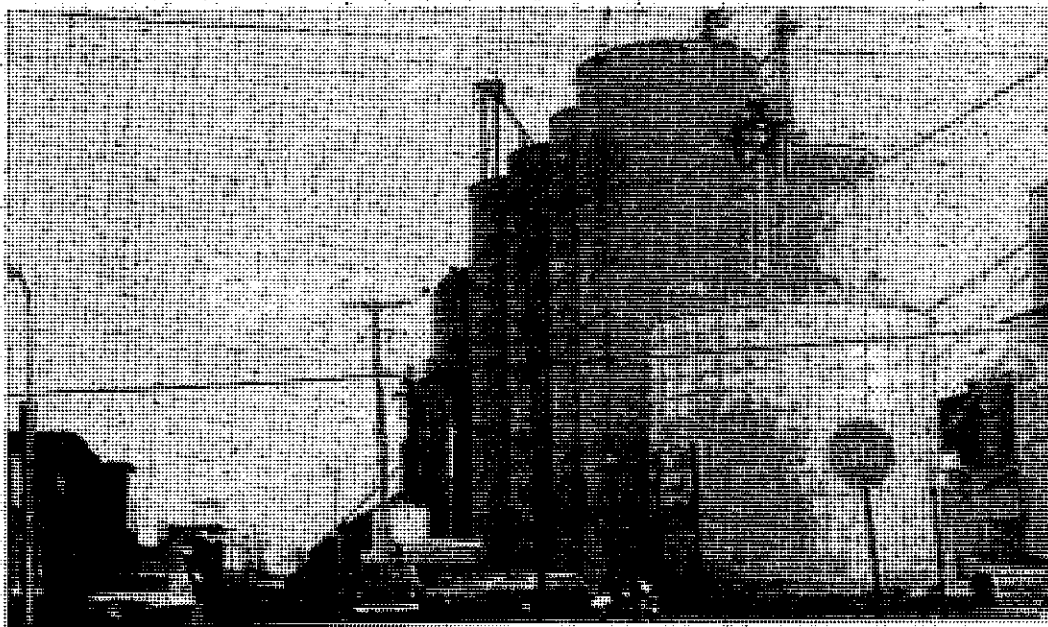
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CENTRAL MICHIGAN FARMERS PLAN STRATEGY before attending a special Senate Taxation Committee hearing on a bill to place a sales tax on farm implements. They're shown above, gathered by a planter owned by Karl and Jeni Forrel of Charlotte [replacement value \$13,000] which would have a tax of \$520 if sold under provisions of the bill. That's Mrs Forrel on the left. Others we were able to identify were Al McCollough of Eaton County [2nd from left], Sen Dick Allen [4th from left], LaMar From of Ingham County [far right], and Jon Forrel of Eaton County [partly hidden behind From]. These were some of the farmers among more than 400 who came from various parts of the state to speak out against the sales tax proposal. Central Michigan Senator Allen, who is leading opposition to the tax in the Legislature, said he thought the farmers had made an excellent impression on the Taxation Committee, and said their involvement would be the single most important factor in stopping the proposed farm tax.

Farmers protest tax with machinery display

Backed by a display of nearly \$200,000 worth of farm equipment, Michigan farmers mounted an impressive effort at "friendly persuasion" in Lansing last week, as they tried to save themselves and fellow farmers from a \$15 million sales tax on their farm machinery. Farmers turned out in force to testify against the proposed 4% tax at a public hearing of the Senate Taxation Committee. And Central Michigan farmers, starting early in the morning, brought a variety of major implements to the front of the

Capitol Building to dramatize the impact of the proposed farm tax.

The machines were hung with signs showing their enormous prices and the hundreds of dollars apiece the sales tax proposal would add to farmers' costs. The display was reviewed by key legislators, government officials and legislative aides.

From the display of equipment it was shown that Karl and Jeni Forrel of Eaton County would have to fork over \$520 in new taxes to replace their planter (replacement value: \$13,000). Joe Harag of Ingham County would need \$720 just to cover the taxes for a new tractor like his present one (replacement value: \$18,000). And to replace the \$40,000 tractor-plow operating on the Harrington Farm in Eaton County would take \$1,600 in taxes. And the Diehl family of Ingham County would be hit with a \$1,760 tax bill for buying a \$44,000 combine like the one they now operate.

These are just some of the examples among the implements displayed by the farmers at the Capitol. In fact, the taxes on all ten implements exhibited to legislators would total almost \$7,500 if they were sold under provisions of the farm equipment sales tax bill.

Since farmers have to borrow to finance most equipment purchases, the addition of several hundred to over one thousand dollars to the purchase price would bite extra deep. In paying off their loans, farmers would be paying heavy interest not only on the equipment, but on the taxes as well.

HUNDREDS AT TAX BILL HEARING

Leading off testimony at the hearing was State Senator Dick Allen, whose Central Michigan district includes farmers in nine counties. Allen has been leading opposition to the farm sales tax in the Legislature. He aided farmers in their equipment display by obtaining permission from Lansing officials and securing police escorts for movement of the machinery through the Capital City.

Allen said involvement by individual farmers would be the single most important factor in stopping the proposed farm tax. He especially praised the powerful presentation by Central Michigan farmers, saying their testimony and display of farm equipment seemed to have a substantial effect on the mood of the committee and on their ultimate decision.

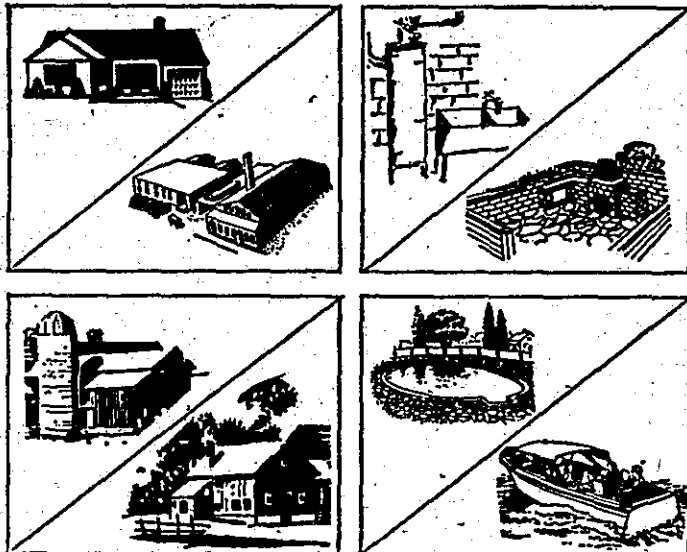
"In my opinion the excellent testimony, carefully organized facts and exhibits, and the fact that over 400 people came to Lansing to speak out against the bill makes passage unlikely at this time," said Allen.

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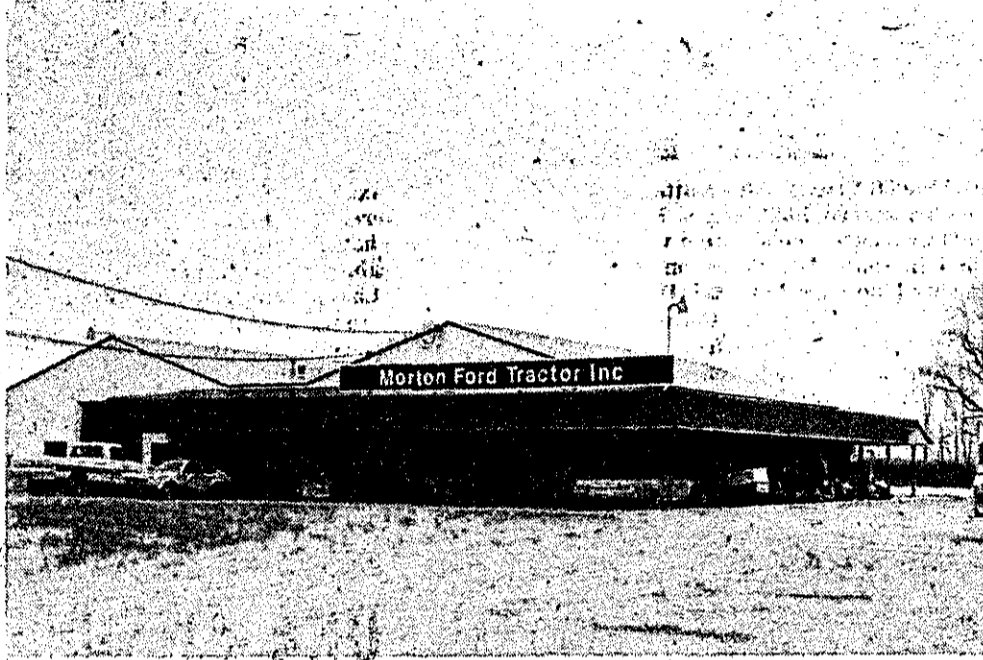
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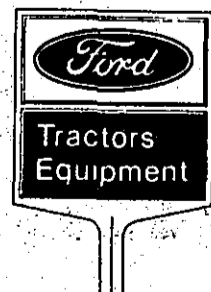
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Soil compaction-- Symptoms in crops

In some fields, soil compaction symptoms may be readily seen in crops; but in others, the problem may be masked.

When symptoms of bad soil structure are visible, yields are usually reduced, say Michigan State University soil science specialists L.S. Robertson, A.E. Erickson and D.R. Christenson.

Under adequate moisture and high fertilization conditions, almost normal plant growth can occur in nonroot crops such as beans, corn and wheat.

But with root crops as sugar beets, normal development is not likely despite the fact that top growth may appear normal. A good sized root is the basis for a profitable yield, but bad soil structure reduces root yields on

all crops. Obvious tell-tale symptoms of soil compaction include:
 - Slow plant emergence, resulting in shorter plants.
 - Off-colored leaves.
 - Malformed roots.

Slow Emergence
 Let's examine these three characteristics a little more closely. Retarded growth rate can be a soil compaction problem, but don't overlook the possibility of nutrient deficiency.

Slow plant emergence can occur when the soil is wet, when soil crusts and when the seed bed is dry and cloudy.

Under wet soil conditions and especially when it is cool, plant emergence from the soil is likely to be slow and less complete than normally ex-

pected. Water saturated soil excludes needed oxygen from the seedling and it suffocates. Under these soil conditions, both seedlings and the mature plants are susceptible to attacks by disease causing organisms.

Black root rot in sugar beets and Phytophthora root rot in alfalfa are good examples. Root rot on beans have long been associated with bad soil structure.

Soil crusting can also slow plant emergence. Unless the crust is weak or unless rain or irrigation water softens the crust, emergence may be seriously impaired.

With dry, cloddy seed beds, there is inadequate contact between the seeds and the soil, so moisture absorption is slow and incomplete. Cloddy soils are soils with bad structure.

Off-colored leaves
 A second symptom of soil compaction is off-colored leaves which are often associated with low levels of available soil nutrients. Even though the soil may be high in nutrients, compaction can retard nutrient uptake.

The purple color sometimes seen on small corn plant leaves is frequently interpreted as

phosphorus deficiency. On soils with bad structure, this color may also be a symptom of root development problems.

Off-colored leaves may also exist when oxygen is curtailed from the plant due to wet soil conditions. Nitrogen deficiency symptoms are frequently seen when the soil becomes saturated with water, even though high rates of nitrogen fertilizer have been used.

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Malformed Roots
 Soil compaction is also indicated by "scraggly roots" and "dog legs" on sugar beets. A shallow, fibrous root system restricted to a few inches of surface soil in beans is a definite symptom of bad soil structure.

On corn, "root lodging" may indicate soil compaction if the root occupies only a small

volume of the soil, that is if fertility conditions are adequate, and if disease and insects are not present.

Other soil compaction guidelines include:

- Do the rootlets grow through the small aggregates (good) or do they grow around them (bad)?
- Do the roots develop in a downward diagonal direction (good) or is there considerable lateral movement (bad)?
- After midseason, do the roots more or less completely penetrate the entire plow layer (good) or are there large volumes in the surface soil which contain no roots (bad)?
- Are the roots less uniformly distributed in the subsoil horizon (good) or are they restricted to the plow layer (bad)?

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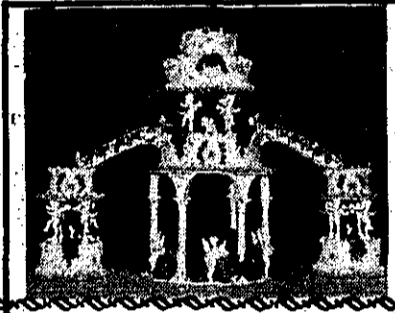
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The gross income picture was divided sharply between the crop and livestock sectors. Crop receipts jumped roughly \$8 billion over the 1973 record. But livestock prices fell a tenth, and receipts slumped about \$2 billion, despite larger marketings.

As for net incomes, livestockmen probably absorbed more of the decline than crop producers, due to soaring feed costs and sagging slaughter cattle prices.

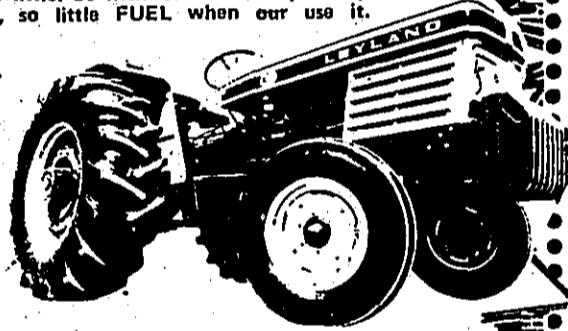
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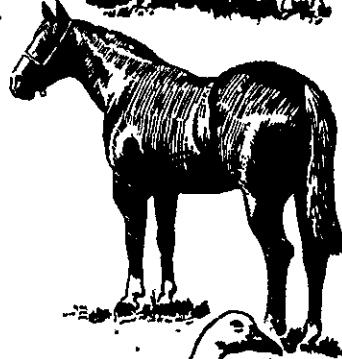
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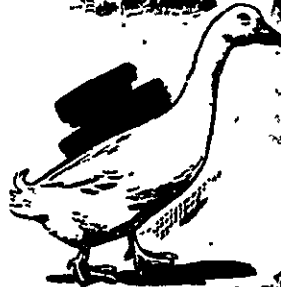
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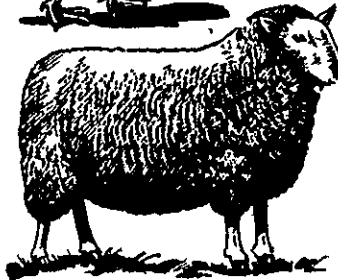
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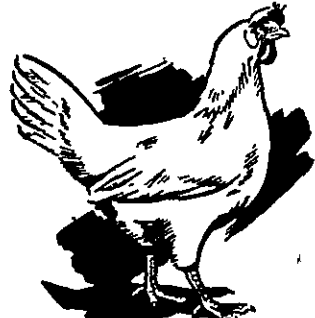
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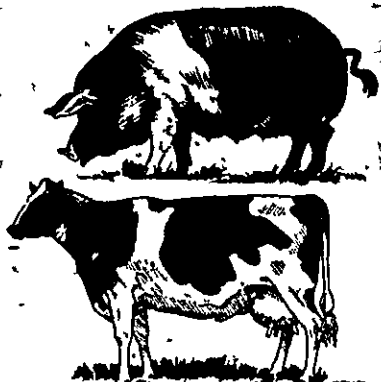
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Last winter a lot of alfalfa was winter killed and as you recall 80% of the winter killing occurred on April 18, 1973. The temperature went down to 24° F. and stayed there for twenty-four hours. The alfalfa killed was mainly on areas where there was a lot of water held in the soil and/or areas that were not fertilized the previous year. Fertilizing your alfalfa, especially with potash, will reduce winter killing.

Here are a few ideas how to get and keep a good stand.

WELL DRAINED SOIL -- Alfalfa ground should be well drained -- rolling or tilled -- if high yields are desired. Alfalfa does not thrive on wet soils.

SOIL TEST -- Mainly to determine the pH. Apply lime 6

to 12 months before seeding, to bring the soil pH to 6.8 or above. Lime is slow acting and requires time to correct soil acidity. Low pH is the main reason alfalfa yields are low. Corn may grow on a soil of pH of 5.5, but alfalfa will not do well. In rotation soil should be sweetened for alfalfa. This will improve the yield of the subsequent corn crop.

GOOD SEEDBED -- Minimum tillage in the spring -- usually plowing and one tillage operation before seeding -- is adequate. In summer, a firmer seedbed is required to prevent drying.

INOCULATION -- Inoculate seed by hand before planting to be sure the plant acts as a nitrogen factory or buy pre-inoculated seed. Cost is nominal.

ADAPTED SEED -- Use recommended varieties, preferably certified, to insure genetic quality, high germination and purity.

Only wilt resistant varieties are recommended and they should be winter hardy or moderately winter hardy.

For short-term stands Saranac, 520, Weevichek, Iroquois, ATRA 55 and Thor are equally good.

For long-term stands, five years or more, Vernal, WL202, 525, Progress, WL215, Superstand and Titan.

BAND SEED ABOVE FERTILIZER -- Plant in early April for best moisture conditions or late July or early August for summer seeding.

Band seeding insures shallow planting -- 1/4 to 3/4 inch. The alfalfa seed is placed on top of the ground in a band above a band of fertilizer placed 1 to 1 1/2 inches deep. This gives more vigorous and much more uniform stands than broadcast seedings since all seedlings are adequately fertilized with phosphorous, which stimulates root growth and potassium (potash), which results in top growth and winter hardiness.

Fertilize according to soil test. Five tons of alfalfa generally requires about 400 to 500 pounds of 5-20-20 when seeded with oats or 0-26-26 when seeded without oats.

Press wheels or a cultipacker towed behind the band-seeder drill will improve stands an average of 10 percent in the spring and 50 to 100 percent in the summer. Press wheels are more effective than a cultipacker, especially in the summer but both achieve coverage and soil compaction around the seed.

RATE OF SEEDING -- Ten pounds per acre -- for excellent seedbeds; band seeding with press wheels or cultipacker after seeding. Twelve pounds per acre -- for moderately good seedbeds; seeding technique not ideal.

Oat competition -- Oat competition in spring seedings can be reduced by removing the oats early as silage, preferably in the boot stage.

SEEDING WITH WHEAT -- Alfalfa should not be seeded in wheat in spring or fall because of poor stands. Plowing the wheat stubble under and making a summer seeding in early August gives as good or better stands than spring seeded alfalfa.

FALL MANAGEMENT -- Summer seedings must not be grazed, clipped or disturbed during the fall of the seeding year. They need adequate time for root and top growth for food storage.

Alfalfa stands (except summer seedings) can be cut in September or October if:

1. The alfalfa is moderately winter hardy (French types) or winter hardy (vernal).

2. The alfalfa is top dressed annually.
3. The alfalfa is wilt resistant.
4. As long as the alfalfa starts to bloom in each cutting (1st, 2nd, 3rd) it will have stored enough food in the roots so it can be cut in the fall without reducing stand or hurting next year's yield.

PREVENTING WINTER KILL -- Seed winter hardy wilt resistant varieties, seed on well-drained soils, fertilize annually with phosphorus and potash, especially potash, and correct the pH to 6.8.

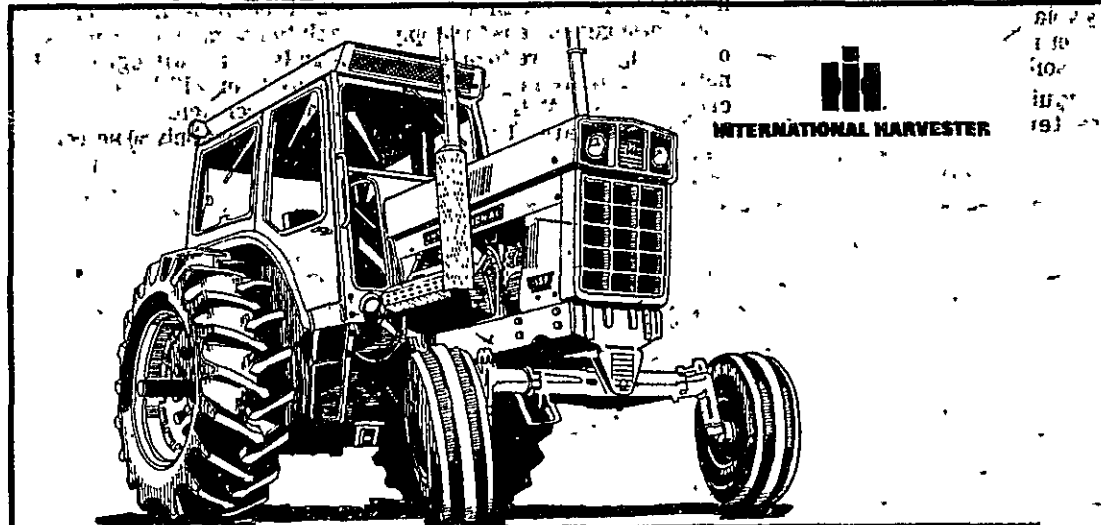
HERBICIDES -- With clear seeded alfalfa (alfalfa seeded alone in the spring) Eptam works well. You can control annual weeds with 2 quarts of Eptam worked in (incorporated) to the soil immediately after application. If broadleaved weed problems develop after using Eptam then Butyrac 118 can be used at a rate of 3 pints per acre.

On alfalfa seeded with oats Butyrac 118 (3/4#) or Premerge (3/4#) or MCPA (3/8#) can be used to control annual broadleaves. They must be used when the grain is fully tillered but before the boot stage.

For established stands of alfalfa MCPA (1/2#) or Princep (1 1/2#) can be used to control yellow rocket and broadleaved winter annuals. They must be applied after a killing frost when the alfalfa is dormant.

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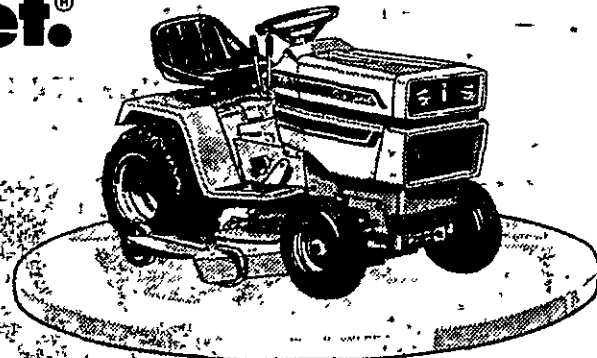
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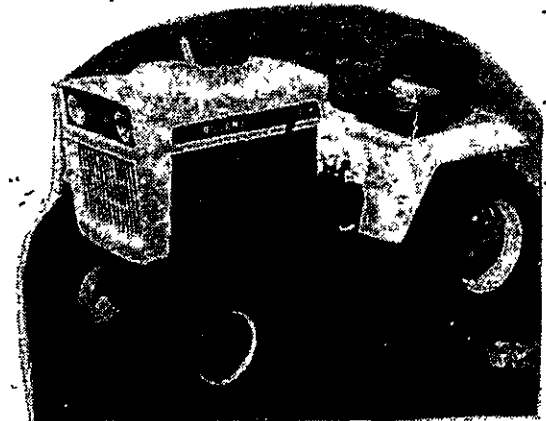
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Dollar value of manure rising

Michigan farmers may be able to offset high fertilizer costs by wise use of livestock manure.

The value of livestock manure is difficult to determine, but its worth rises with the increased costs of commercial fertilizers, says M.L. Vitosh, Michigan State University Cooperative Extension specialist.

Nutrient level of manure varies widely depending on the

type of livestock, the feeding program and storage method. "Moisture and temperature are probably the most critical environmental factors affecting the nutrient composition of manure," Vitosh says.

Michigan studies have shown that the nitrogen content of manure from unsheltered or open feedlots is about half that of sheltered or totally confined livestock systems.

Manure containing bedding, such as straw or corn cobs, will normally have a higher nutrient level than fresh manure without bedding. This is because the bedding absorbs urine, preventing large losses of nitrogen by volatilization.

Some nitrogen in open lots is also lost by run-off, deep percolation and denitrification (gaseous loss of nitrogen). Run-off and deep percolation losses can pollute surface and sub-surface waters, so it's important to trap as much of the nutrients as possible.

Stockpiling manure, storing for long time periods, have several advantages over spreading fresh manure: stockpiled manure is drier, having undergone partial composting, therefore spreads more evenly; and weed seeds are destroyed by the natural heating and bacterial action within the stockpile.

Fresh manure has a high moisture content which means fewer plant nutrients are contained per pound. Large amounts of ammonia can be lost by volatilization if fresh manure is not immediately worked into the soil.

Liquid manure retains greater nutrient levels if worked into the ground immediately after spreading and

will be more valuable than stockpiled manure.

Not all manure nutrients are available for plant utilization the first year after spreading, but they will be in subsequent years.

About 50 percent of the nitrogen and phosphorus in manure is available the first year. The next year about 30 percent of the remaining amount is utilized and the final 20 percent the third year. However, when consistent yearly manure application is made, residue factors should be taken into account.

For example, with 10 tons of manure applied annually containing 100 pounds of nitrogen; in the first year, only 50 pounds of nitrogen will be available to the crop. But the second year there will be 65 pounds available (50 plus 15

pounds residue from the first year-application).

The third year and subsequent years provide about 72 pounds of nitrogen to the crop (50 percent each year after application plus the 15 percent and remaining residue levels from previous years.)

MSU studies show that 10 tons of manure applied annually in the fall on sandy loam soil has consistently given grain yields equal to treatments which have received 20 to 30 tons of manure for 160 pounds of commercial nitrogen fertilizer.

For maximum silage yields, however, 20 tons of manure was shown to be slightly better than 10 tons.

The availability of potassium in manure is quite different. It is readily released from the manure and is considered 100 percent available the first year.

Proper application important

EAST LANSING, MICH. — Farmers may be able to offset high fertilizer costs with manure applications, but wise management is required.

The best guideline is to supply only enough manure to meet the nutrient requirements of the crop, says M.L. Vitosh, Michigan State University Cooperative Extension specialist.

If manure is plentiful, its nitrogen content is usually the limiting factor. If the nitrogen requirement for corn is 120 pounds of nitrogen per acre and each ton of manure contains 10 pounds of nitrogen, the requirement will be 12 tons of manure per acre.

But because only 50 percent of the nitrogen is available the

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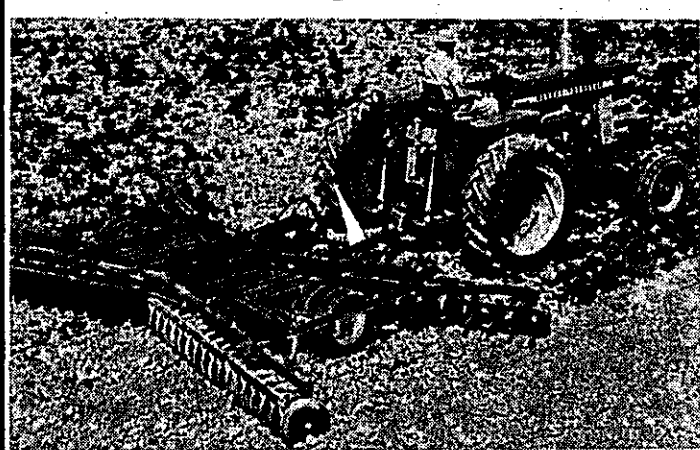
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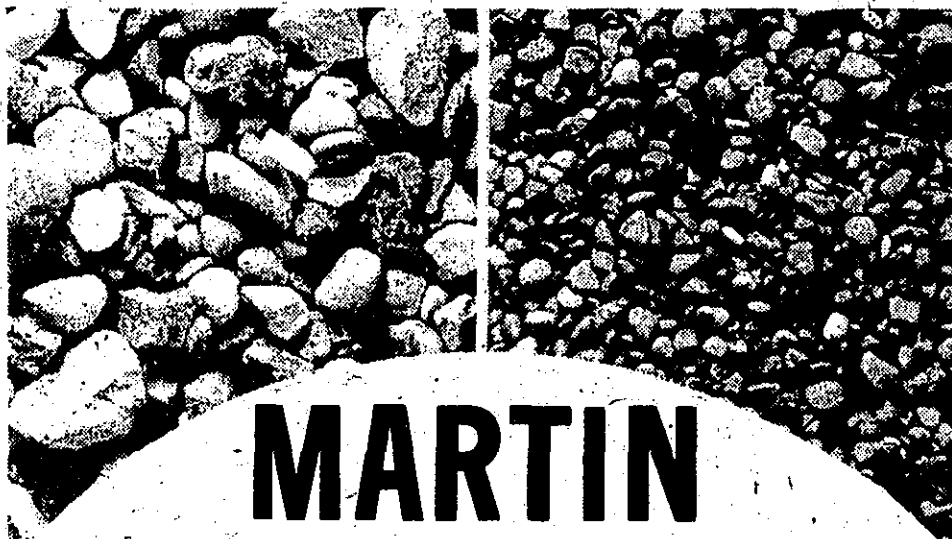


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Purple people pleasers--or how to get rid of stink

EAST LANSING, MICH. -- obnoxious odors from swine common; but what two. Call them purple people manure lagoons. Michigan State University agricultural engineers have pleasers if you like -- they're an organism that helps remove sulfur bacteria, are not un-

done with them. Specialists Ted Loudon and John Gerrish have successfully cultured and introduced the bacteria in one of two 250,000 gallon MSU swine manure research lagoons. The bacteria have virtually removed the odor.

purple. It has been working adequately since. We believe this is the farthest north the purple sulfur bacteria have been successfully grown in Michigan," Loudon related.

While bacteria will grow naturally in swine waste lagoons throughout the western plains and southern states, the Loudon-Gerrish project is the first time the bacteria have been laboratory cultured as a means of biological control.

"From the results of our work here, we have become convinced the bacteria can be used for good odor control. It amounts to pretty cheap technology when compared with other types of waste odor control measures," Gerrish says.

Swine waste lagoons have large quantities of hydrogen sulfide (which smells like rotten eggs). The bacteria convert hydrogen sulfide to elemental sulfur, which has little odor. When the bacteria growth becomes adequate to curtail this odor, the water turns bright purple.

"Another good control is aeration of the lagoon content. But this requires a constant use of electrical energy where purple sulfur bacteria reaction requires solar energy," Gerrish adds.

The result is a practically odor-free waste lagoon, which pleases neighbors and the farmer who don't like to be downwind from the lagoon.

The next step is to determine how far north the bacteria can be grown. Outside the MSU site, the only other known swine manure lagoon having purple sulfur bacteria is near Kalamazoo.

Loudon and Gerrish obtained purple sulfur bacteria cultures from Iowa State University two years ago and injected some of them in the MSU lagoons but nothing happened.

How about commercial application? "We don't really know but it may be a possibility. We can grow the bacteria in the laboratory but we aren't sure what could be done on an industrial basis," Gerrish says.

Two more attempts using laboratory cultured bacteria failed in 1973 so the waste concentration by volume was reduced 70 to 80 percent through winter. In early spring this year the lagoon concentration was boosted to about 50 percent of the original level and inoculated with the bacteria.

If the material can be grown, dried and bagged for farm use, Gerrish thinks there could be a market. "These lagoons tend to slow in anaerobic action through the winter because of the temperature drop. If they could be supplied with dried purple sulfur bacteria in the spring, the odor reducing action may begin much sooner than under normal warming conditions," Gerrish says.

"It wasn't until September that we found the lagoon was

"There are many questions yet to be answered. But we believe purple sulfur bacteria can go a long way toward helping solve some of the farm waste disposal problems we may be facing in the Michigan swine industry," Loudon says.

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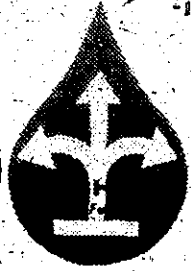
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Examine reasons for preserving farmland

The farmer's stake in preserving agricultural land was discussed by university and state agency experts March 19 during the 60th annual observance of Farmers' Week at Michigan State University.

Sponsored by MSU's Department of Resource Development, the morning program began with an informal visit with university land use specialists.

Raymond Vlasin, chairman of the Department of Resource Development, opened part of the program with a discussion on the supply of agricultural land and how much is enough. Albert Almy, legislative counsel for the Michigan Farm Bureau, then discussed farmers' concerns with the increasing problems of preserving agricultural land in the face of expanding populations and burgeoning suburbs. The opportunities for preserving agricultural land through preferential taxation were reviewed by Myron Kelsey, extension specialist in MSU's Department of Agricultural Economics.

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Honey substitute could hurt Michigan Honey Industry

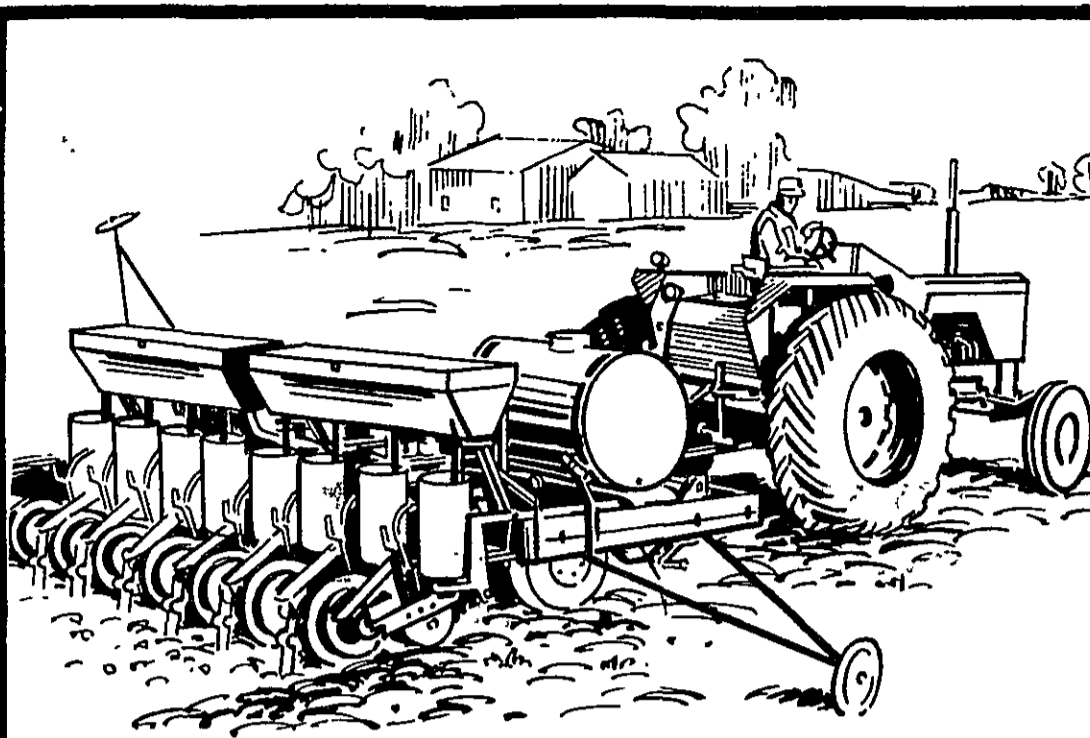
An inexpensive syrup derived from corn could have serious implications for Michigan's honey industry.

This is one of several management problems examined by beekeepers during Michigan State University's Farmers' Week, March 17-21. Speaking about the new syrup was John A. Root, vice president, A.I. Root Company, Medina, Ohio.

The new syrup contains about the same mixtures of sugars as

honey but is cheaper to produce. "Not enough of this new syrup can be produced to satisfy domestic market demand and it has had a depressing effect on the bakery grade honey market," says Root.

HE FEARS that if the honey industry cannot meet this competition, there could be serious problems for future pollination service. More than 90 agricultural crops need honey bee pollination for successive yields.

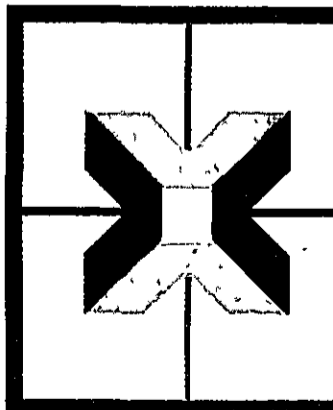


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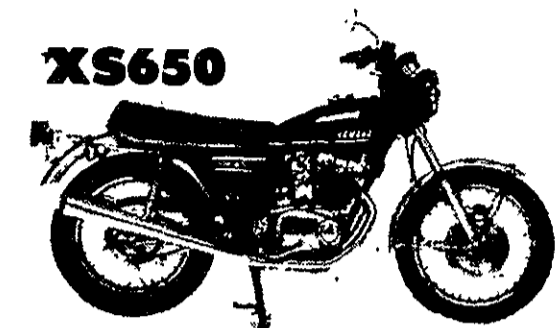
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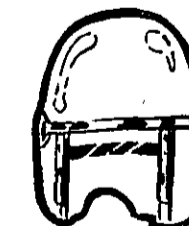


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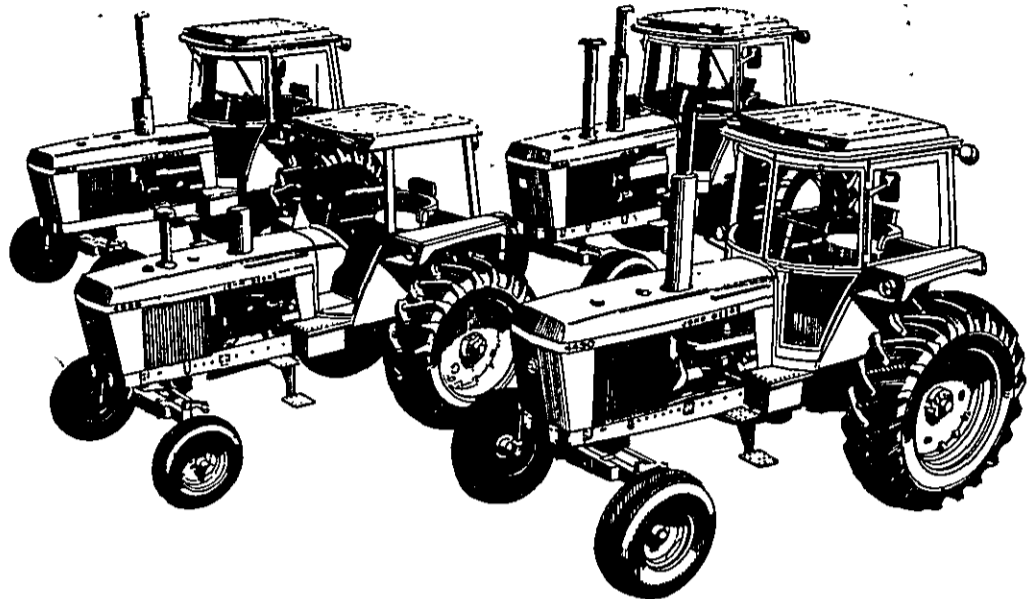
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Homeowners will plant more vegetable gardens in 1975 than any prior year -- over 80 million -- more than twice the number of victory gardens planted during World War II.

Seed supplies seem adequate for the time but gardeners should order early and then only vegetable types which will grow well in their area, says Drs Robert C. Herner and J. Lee Taylor, Michigan State University horticulture specialists.

Buy only seed amounts you intend planting to prevent possible early shortages. Select varieties which mature during your area's growing season. Michigan's Upper Peninsula has from about 60 to 120 frost free days. The average in southern lower Michigan is 150 to 170 frost free days.

Don't try to raise buttercup squash which has a 100 day maturity in some areas of the Upper Peninsula. The better choice would be a small bush type Acorn squash which has an approximate 80 day maturity.

Days to maturity are usually printed on the side of the seed packet. Details for variety performance, recommendations for home freezing, disease resistant varieties and new hybrids are found in mail

order seed catalogues.

Homeowners should note new vegetable varieties released each year which may have better yield and/or higher quality than older or standard varieties.

However, excellent older varieties should not be discarded just because new ones are available. Test a few new varieties each year to see how they compare before discarding proven types.

New hybrids may show improved vigor with higher yields and may be more disease resistant than some of the older types. All-American varieties are selected each year based on tests throughout the country. Disease resistant or tolerant varieties should be grown where possible.

Additional information may be obtained from Extension Bulletin E-529 "Home Vegetable Garden" (25¢) and from E-760(a) "Home Vegetable Garden Variety Recommendations" (free).

The latter lists mail order seed companies and recommended varieties for 1975. Included are disease and tolerance indications, days to maturity for each seed variety and a map of frost free days of Michigan.

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1974 - a look back

Nineteen seventy four started as year of uncertainty for farmers. Uncertainty in the form of supplies of fuel, fertilizer, equipment and spare parts. In agriculture timeliness is exceedingly important. If fuel, fertilizer, spare parts, etc. are not available when needed, at planting time for instance, a part or all of a crop could be lost.

The weather is a prime factor in agriculture and 1974 weather was very unkind to some. The spring was cold and wet which delayed some corn planting. The heavy rains during the

week of May 16 severely compacted the soil and caused 7 to 10 percent of the corn in the county to be replanted. Early planted corn took 14 to 21 days to germinate causing some anxiety among farmers. The early planted corn out yielded the later planted even though it took longer than the usual 7 to 10 days to germinate.

Nearly all soybeans were planted on time but cold wet weather delayed planting of navy beans.

The cold wet weather shortly after school was out caused severe stress on the emerging

crops and for about a week, until warm weather returned, many fields looked very sick.

Much of Michigan to the south of us were under drought conditions during the month of July. Clinton county wasn't so badly hit by the dry weather in July, although hay crops suffered and yields were down due to the dry weather.

Throughout the remainder of the growing season, rainfall was adequate and we received an average rainfall for the growing season. Crop yields were slightly below average for corn, and slightly above

average for soybeans, wheat and oats.

Navy beans yielded well and shortly after harvest the bottom dropped out of the market and prices fell dramatically. The yields of hay were less than normal due to a dry July.

The dairy farmer started out the year with a high price for his milk, but this faded fast to a memory. Milk prices declined through the year to the farmer and steeply increased cost pushed many dairymen into a no-profit situation. The price of dairy cows dropped during the

year, so that farmers received significantly less for cull cows than the year before. The market for dairy calves disappeared.

A farmer sent three calves to market and after trucking and selling expenses, he owed eighty cents to have his calves sold.

Nineteen seventy-four was a year of low prices for cattle. Beef feeders lost money on the cattle they fed out and dairymen also received the low cattle prices for their cull cattle and calves.

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first year, 24 tons of manure should be applied the first year unless previous applications of manure have been used. In that case 16 tons annually would be needed.

An alternative would be to supply enough manure to meet the phosphorus and potassium requirements then supplement with commercial nitrogen fertilizer. This method is probably the most economical because most farmers over-supply phosphorus and potassium on those fields that are manured. A soil test will be needed to obtain the correct balance.

The most efficient method of manure utilization, immediate soil incorporation after excretion, tends to be the most expensive. Liquid manure knifed or disced into the soil is probably the best method for minimum nutrient loss.

Wisconsin tests have shown

that there is up to a 60 percent loss of nitrogen in fresh spread manure if it is not worked into the soil within four days. Similar California studies show that about 40 percent of the total nitrogen in fresh manure can be lost by ammonia volatilization in the feedlot. Another 10 percent can be lost after hauling it not immediately incorporated into the soil.

Knifing liquid manure into the soil is more expensive due to power and equipment requirements but may be the best method where odor and residential areas are concerned.

Stockpiling manure that contains bedding content is preferable to immediate spreading of fresh manure not containing bedding content. Feedlots sheltered from snow and rain greatly decrease leaching and run-off losses.

Paved lots with run-off catch basins and subsequent irrigation procedures result in

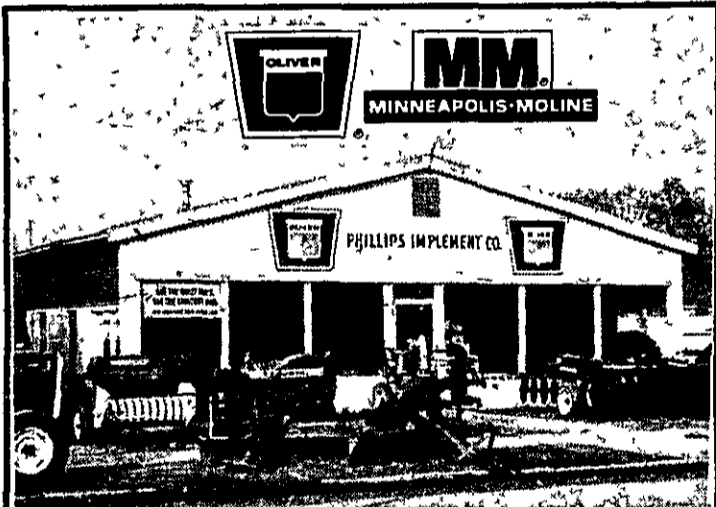
Application

better nutrient utilization than the unpaved lot. But regardless of the storage and distribution methods, the application rate will have to match the crop requirement. It is important for the crop to utilize all the nitrogen available from the

application.

The best time to apply manure is during the fall when it can be worked into the soil. Applications on frozen and snow covered ground should be at reduced rates and only on level, not rolling or sloping land.

Spring manure applications may be effectively used if disced or plowed under shortly after application. Care should be taken to avoid soil compaction from heavy spreading equipment on water saturated soils.



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Protest tax

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Among the arguments presented at the hearing were statements that agricultural costs had jumped 75% since 1972, and that the efforts of Michigan farmers had brought \$1.5 billion into the Michigan economy last year (most of it going to people other than the farmers).

Farmers testified that they are willing to pay their share of taxes; that they're not looking for a free ride. But they are opposing a new, special tax on agriculture. And they said their

exhibit shows that farmers have tremendous capital investment and borrowing costs in relation to the return they can realize from their production. Especially since they have a negligible impact on marketplace prices.



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I believe many of the best things in life are indeed free: the splendor of a sunrise, the rapture of wide open spaces, the exhilarating sight of your land greening each spring.

I believe true happiness comes from watching your crops ripen in the field, your children grow tall in the sun, your whole family feel the pride that springs from their shared experience.

I believe that by my toil I am giving more to the world than I am taking from it, an honor that does not come to all men.

I believe my life will be measured ultimately by what I have done for my fellowman, and by this standard I fear no judgment.

I believe when a man grows old and sums up his days, he should be able to stand tall and feel pride in the life he's lived.

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Eliminate careless milk procedures

You can lose a lot of money through careless milking procedures on your dairy farm.

Frank Stuer, herdsman for 38 years at Michigan State University Experiment Station, Chatham, Michigan, suggested that by using proper techniques you can be assured of getting all the milk the cow is capable of producing and at the same time help prevent mastitis.

"Sure, antibiotics can cure some mastitis infections but prevention through proper milking management and sanitation is the most profitable way to go," says Stuer. He recommends the following milking procedures:

1. Wash udder and teats with an individual cow towel soaked in sanitizing solution. Massage the udder to stimulate milk let down.
2. Strip milk from each teat, preferably into a strip cup,

noting any abnormal appearances in the milk.

3. Put milkers on in about one and within three minutes after prepping the cow.

4. Watch machines during milking. Take teat cups off when milk flow stops but be sure to check that each quarter is completely milked out; machine strip those that are not before removing units.

5. Don't overmilk; most cows will milk out in three to four minutes. Be sure to break the vacuum before detaching the teat cups.

6. Dip teats in an approved teat dip as soon as possible after taking the machine off the cow.

7. If the machine fall off a cow during milking and gets dirty, wash the teat cups before replacing on the cow.

8. Milk cows that have an udder infection last, or sanitize the units before using on another cow. This prevents

passing the infection from cow to cow.

9. Make a note of cows that you suspect have a possible infection and watch them closely at the next milking.

10. Be in a good mood at milking time. Your grouchiness could upset the cows and cut down on milk flow.

"Treat cows that you definitely know have an infection. At times a minor infection can be cleared up by the proper milking and by milking four or five times a day," Stuer says.

It's best to consult with your veterinarian on the antibiotic to use. Be sure to withhold all the milk of any cow treated with antibiotics for the proper time described. Marking treated cows in some way will help other people who are milking know which are being treated.

Check inflations for stretching or cracks. Some liners will wear out faster than others. A good rule is to replace inflations after 800 to 1,000 individual cow milkings. Using three units on a 50-cow herd would mean replacing liners once a month. Other practices to follow include:

- Check pulsators for dirt and wear at least once a month.
- Keep vacuum controllers working free and clean.
- Keep vacuum hoses from units to line clean. Clean weekly.

-Keep air hole in claw working freely.

-Keep claw air hoses clean and check them for cracking.

-Wash vacuum line with lye solution at least monthly and if milk or dirt gets in the line, wash that day. Use seven ounces of lye dissolved in two gallons of water and start flushing the stall cock nearest the trap. When done, rinse the line with two gallons of hot water.

-Wash and sanitize milking equipment before each milking, using accepted procedures.

Soil compaction

High fertility conditions and proper moisture content can mask a field's bad soil structure. This and other articles will examine aspects of soil compaction and made some suggestions on how to correct it.

Soil management decisions and tillage, planting and harvesting tools alter the structure of the soil -- improving or decreasing the natural productivity.

Compact soils represent one kind of soil structure. Compaction results from one of or a combination of:

- Inadequate drainage.
 - Excessive tillage.
 - Cropping method.
 - Farm implement design.
 - Untimely field operations.
- Structure is the arrangement

of mineral particles in the soil. How loosely or how firmly the sand, silt and clay particles are located in relation to each other, determines the rate at which water and air enter and move through soil.

This relationship also determines the plant's ability to send roots throughout the soil volume and how effectively the roots can absorb water, nutrients and oxygen.

Bad soil structure refers to the adverse conditions which inhibit a plant's normal growth. However, some soils with bad structure, those with higher amounts of clay and lower amounts of humus, may be naturally compact.

Other soils with bad structure may reflect upon the activities of the farmer, and, upon the moist conditions that sometimes exist during field operation.

This occurs in those fields where crops are mudded out in the fall and where the soil is worked too wet in the spring.

These indications or symptoms of bad soil structure can be observed on the plant as well as the soil.

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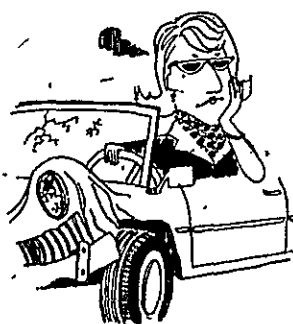
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Living with pests

Mass hunger and disease still exists in the world and in some places the outlook is bleak. Despite improved farming practices, including the application of pesticides and fertilizers, world food production has barely kept pace with the population growth in this century and half the world's population has an inadequate diet.

But for the first time in history, there is promise, at least for large numbers of people in some parts of the world, of enough food and an environment virtually free of pest-transmitted diseases. And chemical pesticides have helped accomplish this.

Here in the United States, consumers spend less of their income for food than any other people anywhere. The chief reason is more efficient food production. Here, too, chemical pesticides make important contributions.

Despite the fears and real problems they create, pesticides clearly are responsible for part of the physical well-being enjoyed by most people in the United States. They also contribute significantly to the existing standard of living in other nations.

Pest control of some kind is essential because crops, livestock and people live in a potentially hostile environment. Besides competing for our food supply, pests may be disease carriers or nuisances. Man co-exists with more than 1,000,000 kinds of insects, many of which are pests, with bacteria and fungi that cause 1,500 plant

diseases, and with many hundreds of weed species - not to mention rodents and other vertebrate pests.

The United States still loses up to one third of its potential crop production to various pests. Without modern pest control, and that includes chemical pesticides, this annual loss in the United States would probably double. If that happened, it's probable that:

Farm costs would increase considerably (by as much as 40%).

The average consumer family would spend much more of its income on food (34% vs. 15%).

The number of people who work on farms would have to be increased.

Pesticides are used not only to produce more food, but food that is virtually free of insects or damage from insects or diseases. Particularly in the United States, pesticides are often used because of public demand, supported by stringent government regulations, for uncontaminated and unblemished food.

It is not an overstatement to say that pesticides have contributed greatly to the high quality of the food which we enjoy today and that they have saved countless lives, especially in tropical countries, and that pesticides have generally contributed to a higher standard of living for man in many countries of the world.

Pesticides, like automobiles,

can create environmental problems, but in today's world it is difficult to get along without them. Many pesticides can be a hazard to living things other than pests, sometimes including people. This is especially true if they are not used or disposed of properly. However, modern techniques of food production and control of disease-carrying insects require pesticides.

The concerned citizen can be sure of one thing; all-or-nothing answers won't work. At our present stage of technology, banning all chemical pesticides would be disastrous. So would the opposite - completely uncontrolled use of pesticides.

Few persons in the scientific world, or government, or agriculture favor such extreme answers. Instead they suggest more effort on:


- (1) Continued development of new and better methods of pest control, including pesticides.
- (2) Effective regulations of pest control, based on scientific facts and broadly based social values.

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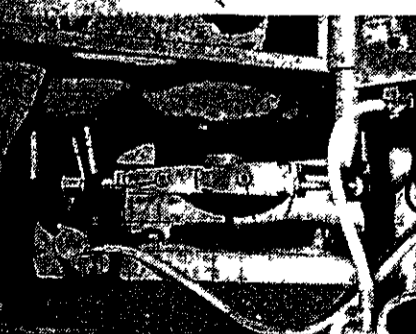
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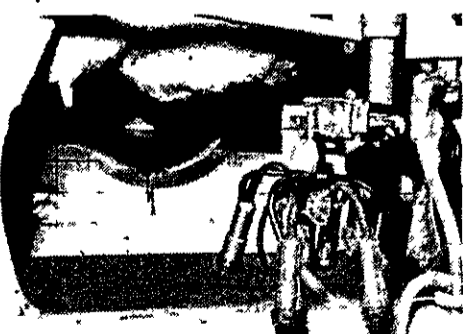
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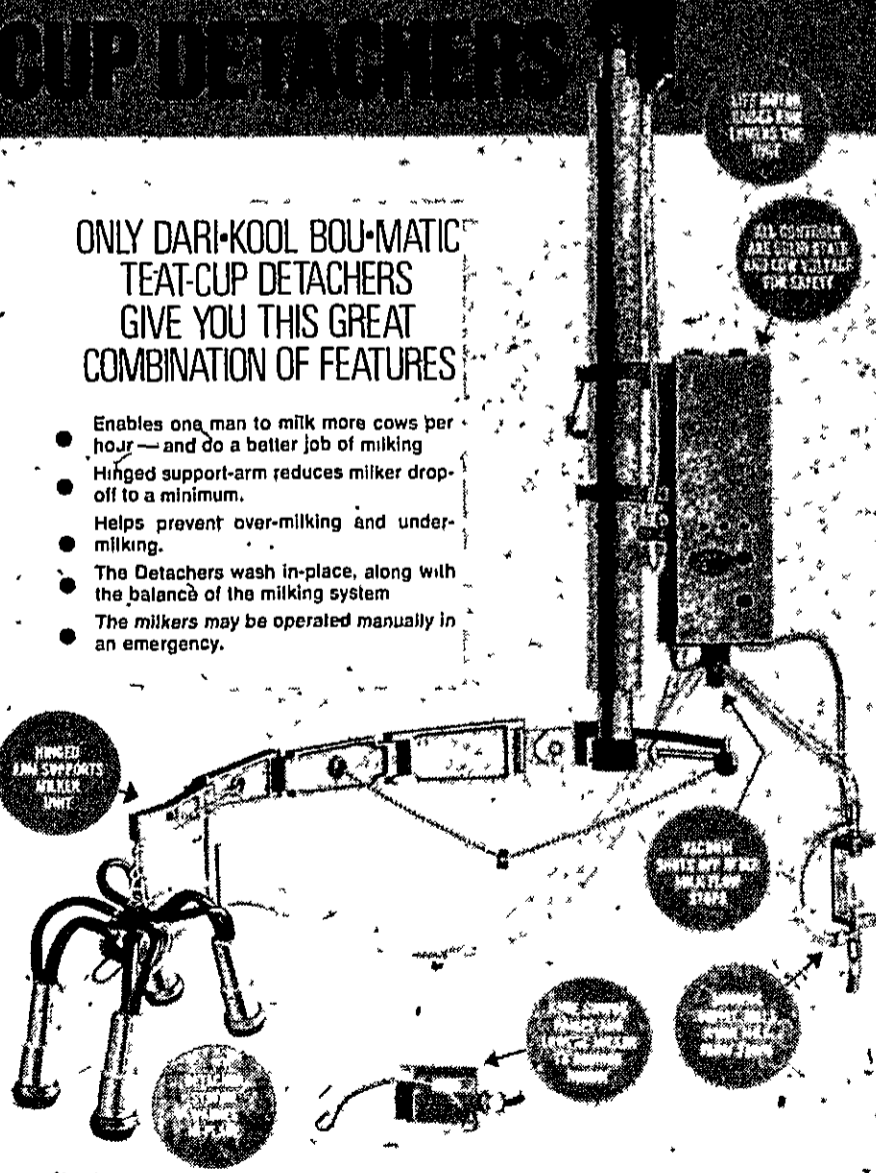
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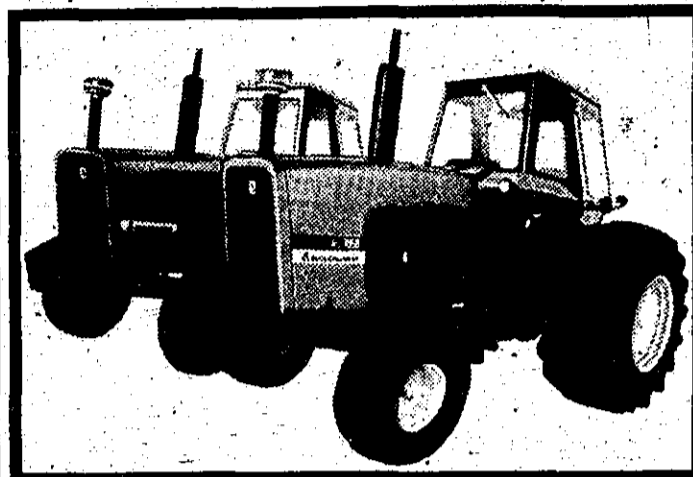
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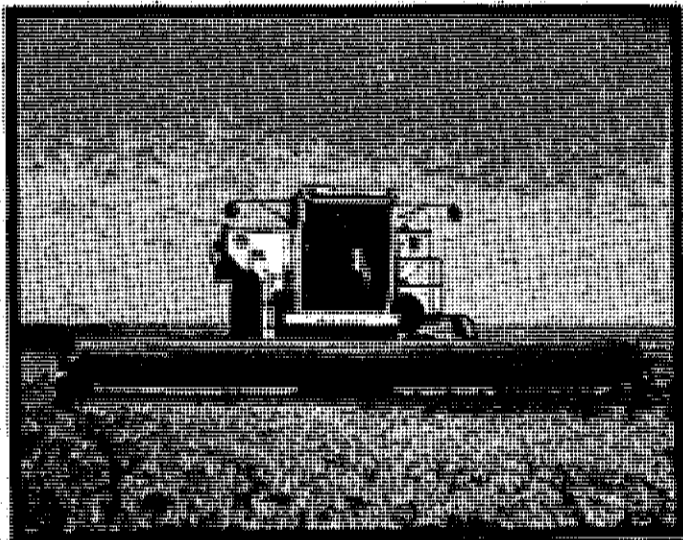
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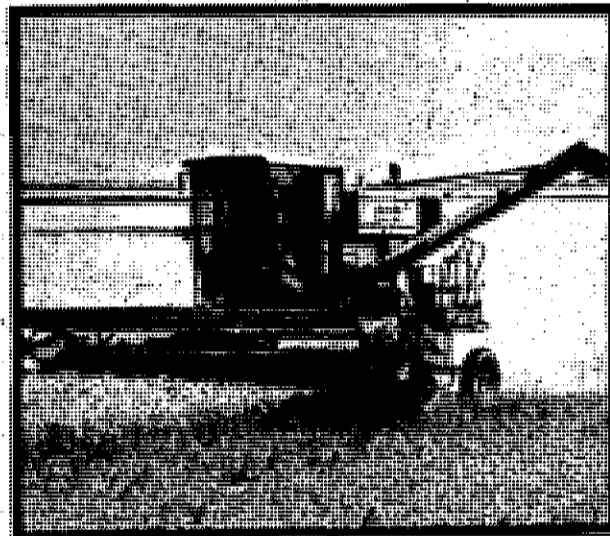
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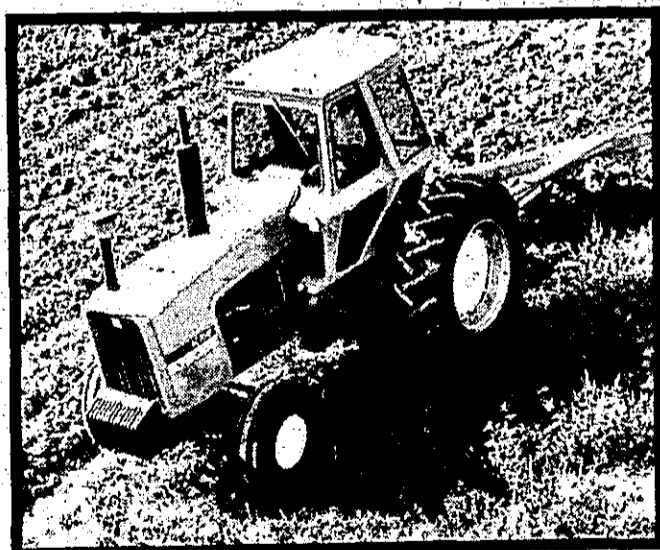
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Clear seeded alfalfa: a bright alternative

"Clear seeding" of alfalfa offers a bright alternative for livestock farmers who have difficulty getting good seedings in oats or who have little use for oat straw.

Farmers who want a high amount of home-grown protein during the establishment year will find clear-seeded alfalfa

superior to any other annual legumes grown for forage. Three tons during the seeding year is an attainable goal for clear-seeded alfalfa cut two or three times in the seeding year.

The new system calls for seeding alfalfa alone in April (the earlier the better) and harvesting three tons of clean

hay in the seeding year. A herbicide replaces the companion crop and gives the necessary weed control. The hay crop provides income during the seeding year, Lasher explains.

Three years of Michigan State University research shows that spring "clear-seeded" alfalfa

yielded an average of 3½ tons during the seeding year. Saranac alfalfa seeded on May 2, 1969, yielded 3½ tons per acre when cut on July 30 and Sept. 23. In 1971 tests, Saranac seeded on April 10 yielded 4.4 tons in three cuttings - July 9, Aug. 20 and Oct. 27. In 1972 tests, Saranac seeded on April 27 yielded 3.1

tons in three cuttings.

Twelve pounds appear to insure greater yields, fewer weeds, and cleaner hay than if eight pounds per acre were used. Eight pounds is the "standard" seed rate for alfalfa seeded in oats. MSU tests show that yields the year after taking three cuttings of a clear seeding are as good as or better than seedings made in oats or seeded alone in summer.

Lasher lists nine guidelines for successful clear seeding of alfalfa:

1) Correct the pH by liming to at least 6.8. Soil should be well drained and of good water-holding capacity.

2) Seed as early as possible in April on a well-prepared seedbed.

3) Control annual weeds with three pounds EPTC (Eptam) acid equivalent per acre sprayed on the seedbed and worked into the soil immediately after application. Or spray ¾ pound 2, 4-D-B ester when the seedlings have two or three leaves, usually four to five weeks after seeding. If broad-leaved weed problems develop after using EPTC, 2, 4-D-B can also be used.

4) Inoculate and band seed 12 pounds per acre of a fast-growing wilt-resistant alfalfa such as Saranac. Saranac outyielded Vernal by a half ton per acre in 1971 trials. Seed rates of 16 pounds or more per acre gave no greater yields.

5) Fertilize according to soil test, and band the fertilizer under the seed for a quick start. Three hundred pounds of 0-14-42 will supply the phosphorus and potassium for a three-ton hay crop.

6) Use press wheels on the drill or cultipacker behind the drill to compact the soil around the seed and cover it shallowly for fast emergence.

7) Check the second cutting of alfalfa for leafhoppers in July and August. Spray with an appropriate insecticide if most stems have one or more leafhoppers. Insecticide cost per acre is about \$1.50 for material and \$2 for application.

8) Plan for three cuttings for more hay of better quality. Take the first when the alfalfa is flowering in early to middle July, about three months after seeding. Make the next two cuttings at six-week intervals - about Aug 20 and Oct 10. Three cuttings in 1971 tests yielded about ¾ ton more than two cuttings.

9) For high second yields, topdress in the fall or next spring according to soil test.

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Preserving farmland

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THE FINAL session of the program featured a panel discussion focusing on ways to help keep land in agriculture through income supplements.

Panel participants included: Arlow Boyce, wildlife planning executive with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR); Paul Flink, regional forest supervisor, DNR; and John Calkins, assistant to the director-agricultural affairs, Michigan Department of Agriculture.

Western corn rootworm a vicious enemy

Worse than hail, bad as drought, unwanted as early frost, the western corn rootworm is going to clout Michigan corn producers.

"It came out of the west on a crust of chlorinated hydrocarbon insecticides and is an increasing threat to our producers. They must be alert to avoid damage by this pest," says Dr. Robert Ruppel, Michigan State University Cooperative Extension entomology specialist.

The pest destroys up to 20 bushels of corn to the acre through root tunneling and pruning, silk trimming, lodging, ear damage and plant vigor reduction. That adds up to \$60 or \$70 per acre, based on today's market.

Since 1971 it spread from three southwestern Michigan counties (Cass, VanBuren and Allegan) throughout 48 others representing 97 percent of the state's corn production.

What to Look For

The adult western corn

rootworm beetle emerges from soil late in July and August. It has yellow wings with black stripes. It is distinguished from the striped cucumber beetle by its black hindlegs. The cucumber beetle is not a pest of corn.

Kissing cousins are the southern corn rootworm (which has black legs and black spots) and the northern corn rootworm which is pale green or yellow and unmarked.

The adult western corn rootworm feeds on silks, tassels, soft kernels at the tips and on leaves. They are abundant in flowering corn, feeding on pollen as corn matures. They are very active (and hard to catch) in the field until the first frost.

They lay yellowish oval eggs in the soil near corn plant bases in August and September. Eggs overwinter, hatching in late spring when soil is warm. Larvae (rootworms) are slender, white, cylindrical, having six small legs back of a

tan head, growing to about one-half inch long.

Larvae feed only on corn, tunneling and pruning roots. This reduces plant vigor and causes lodging, which results in large green islands as silage is cut and huge wadded masses when grain is harvested.

Where to Look

Here is how to check for adults and larvae:

-Check silks and tassels at flowering. If you find one adult per plant, that means you may have to start control next season. Apply insecticide if two or more adults per ear are found before seed sets. You'll need to protect the seed set.

-Examine lodged and goose-neck plants when they are mature for root tunneling. Smaller roots will be completely rotted off by this time.

-Look for rootworms in stunted or wilted plants in late June or early July or plants lodged later in the season. Carefully recheck for adults at flowering time.

What to Use

Recommendations for adult control include malathion, diazinon or carbaryl (Sevin) and for larvae use BUX, Di-Syston, Furadan, diazinon, Dyfonate or prophos (Jolt, Mocap).

These insecticides should be used to control the rootworm in infested fields where rotation is not feasible. Remember that insecticides are poisonous to handle. Store and apply them with great care. Read label directions, making sure that you match the insecticide with the insect.

How to Apply

Treatment methods are preplant broadcast, band application and cultivation band.

Preplant broadcast is spraying liquid insecticide or spreading granular insecticide over the entire field before planting. Apply immediately before final disking. This method is the most expensive of the three in terms of time, fuel and insecticide.

Cultivation applications are made by spraying liquid or applying granular insecticide in three- to four-inch bands on both sides of growing corn. This requires special equipment, but it is the only practical way to apply insecticides for rootworm control in growing plants. A cultivator shoe should be used to cover the insecticide immediately after application.

Band application is the best and least expensive control method. Insecticide is placed in a seven-inch band centered over

the seed row. It may be made at planting or between planting time and seed germination.

Infestation Doubtful?

If you are not sure you need protection:

-Treat two or three separate swaths of four to eight rows wide across the field. Compare these for larvae, lodging and harvest problems with adjacent, untreated corn.

-Leave similar untreated swaths, comparing them with adjacent treated rows if you suspect current insecticide treatment is not needed.

Rotation is Best

Insecticides, however, will not have to be used if corn is rotated - western corn rootworm threatens only after corn plantings. Chances of damage are frequent after three years or more continuous corn but less with second year corn. Advantages of growing continuous corn should be carefully weighed against potential loss when the pest appears.

A recent survey of six high producing counties disclosed that half the corn grown was continuous, due mostly to large acreages which could not be rotated.

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USDA emergency, disaster programs cooperating

USDA agencies, historically, have cooperated with each other; however, at the present time, FmHA and ASCS are engaged in a unique program of cooperation, whereby ASCS employees may be used for part-time and intermittent assistance to Farmers Home Administration.

Michigan State FmHA

Director, Calvin Lutz, and ASCS Director, Dorn Diehl, are cooperating on an employee exchange program between agencies in order to serve farmers faster and more efficiently in their emergency programs.

Until 1975 ASCS programs have been developed, ASCS can loan some manpower

assistance to FmHA and, at the present time, FmHA has the additional, heavy workload of the Emergency Loan Program. To many taxpayers, this effective interchange of employees is a heartening change from the usually criticized, bureaucratic operations. This type of interchange of manpower from one agency to the

other emphasizes the advantages of the service center concept being promulgated by the Secretary of Agriculture, Earl Butz.

THE SERVICE CENTER concept is to have all USDA agency offices located in the same town, in the same building, and joint space -

where work can be exchanged, from desk to desk, when the workload justifies. The "trading of work" as it used to be called on the farm is not new to rural agriculture, but such efficient use of manpower is recognized as a revolution in Federal Government bureaucracy. This one-stop, Agricultural Center concept will serve agriculture better and use government employees more efficiently.

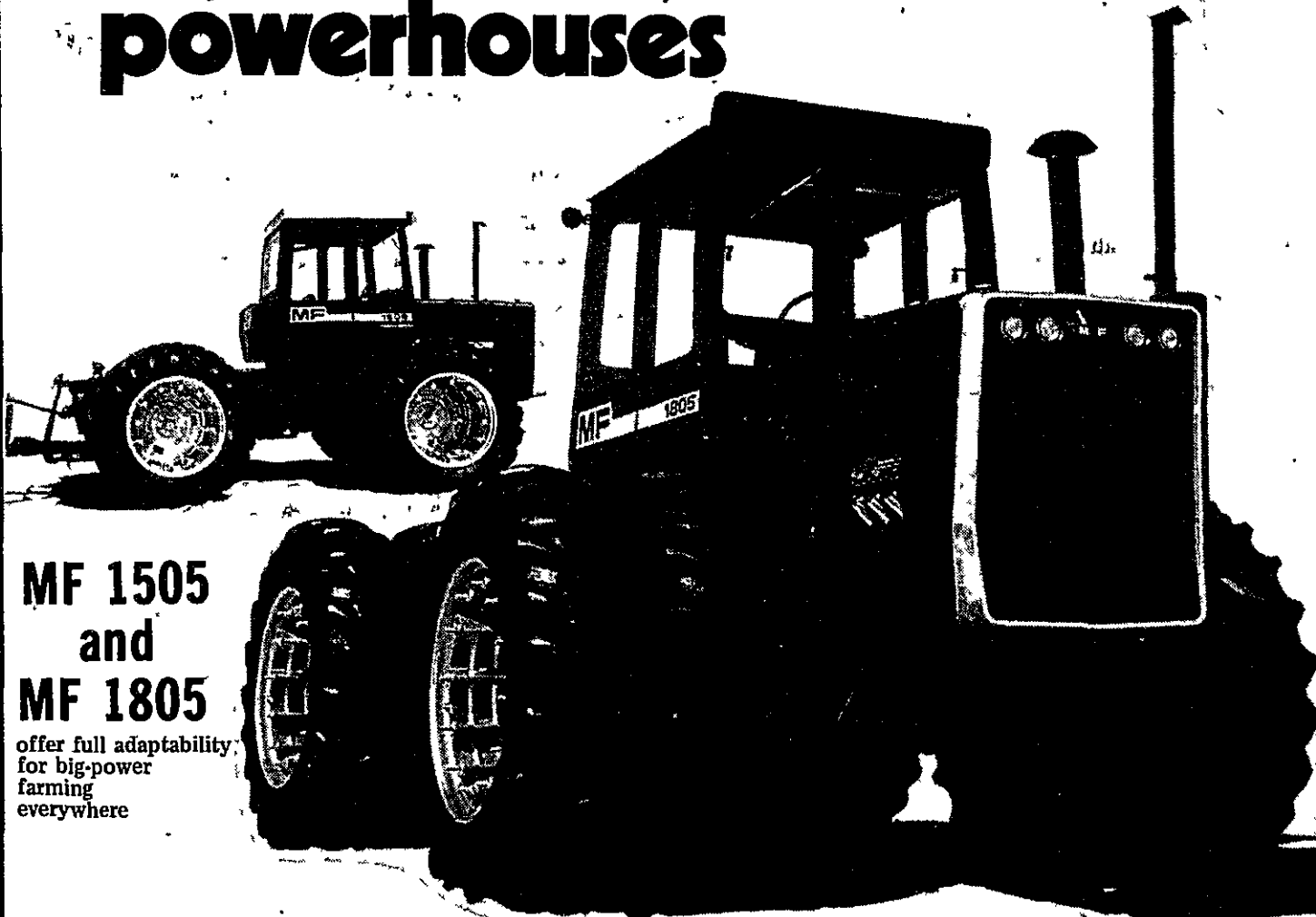
The two agencies of ASCS and FmHA are involved in two, separate and distinct programs of each agency. Agricultural Stabilization is administering a Disaster Feed Grain Payment Program. When a natural disaster limits planting of feed grains or when a natural disaster limits the harvest - to qualify, farmers must have harvested less than two-thirds of their allotment times the farm yield. If any farmers have feed grains not yet harvested and anticipate the yield will be less than two-thirds of normal, they still may apply at their county ASCS office for a payment under the Feed Grain Disaster Program. This should be done immediately, as most applications have already been filed. For information, contact your local county ASCS office immediately.

The program on which ASCS is assisting FmHA is the Emergency Loan Program, whereby farmers who have suffered production losses due to a disaster equal to 10 percent of the loss of their total farming income are eligible for an emergency loan. To be eligible for this loan, he must be a US citizen; an established farmer who manages his own operation; must operate in a county where emergency loans are authorized; must possess the legal capacity to contract for a loan; and he must be of good character with the industry, ability and experience to carry out his proposed farming operation.

Farmers, suffering from a disaster, should contact their local county FmHA office to determine their own eligibility. This is a secured, low-interest-rate loan, without any grants involved - a loan that must be repaid within one to five years. This emergency assistance is only to provide for additional credit to carry agriculture, in that disaster area, through to a normal season.

SO, IN SUMMARY, we have two programs, (1) a payment to farmers, through ASCS, for losses exceeding 33-1/3 percent of their crop, and (2) the FmHA program, an emergency loan program, to assist the farmer through a period of emergency, whereby he suffered a sizeable loss of income due to a natural disaster. Farmers should call their local FmHA or ASCS office if they need further information.

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1975 forecast

By Bill Lasher
County Extension Agent

So far the year has been one of declining prices and increased costs. Prices received by farmers are down 25% from a year ago and costs are up 15%. It's a difficult thing, in April, to forecast yields and prices for the rest of the year.

There are many things that can alter the outlook as: weather, exports, politics, consumer demand, etc. With all this in mind here is my forecast, subject of course, to monthly, perhaps weekly or daily changes.

Crop yields will be about average. For corn, given intended acreage 4% less than last year, this is a very large crop, depending on how evenly its marketed prices could be \$2.10 to \$2.50 a bushel. Soybean acreage intentions indicate a very large crop will be produced. Again, how the crop is marketed will affect prices received. I look to \$5.00 to \$5.75 per bushel this fall.

I don't look for any great price increase for navy beans.

There is a tremendous carryover from 1974 and this will influence the market as much as the acres planted or the yield per acre of navies. I am guardedly optimistic in my outlook for navy beans.

Hay crops look like a good money maker. The market has been strong the last two years and I think hay can be an important cash crop.

It appears that a huge wheat harvest is coming. About all I can say is, it looks like a buyer's market, not a seller's.

The margin of profit in crop production is not very great due to rising costs and sinking prices, the people who do things in a least cost way and on time will maximize returns.

The livestock enterprises look brighter than the crop situation. The beef feeder will be better off this year than last. Mainly because he can buy feeders very reasonable. But pity the beef cow calf man, he has problems. The danger I see in beef feeding is bunched marketings. If corn is cheap this fall and feedlots fill up with beef about the same time, too much beef could hit the market

all at once.

Hogs look profitable. Depending on the spread between wholesale beef and pork prices, hogs will be profitable to very profitable.

Toward the end of the year the sky will brighten for the dairyman. Lower grain prices will look good to him.

I see the cost-price squeeze continuing but at a much slower rate than the last twelve or even the last six months.

Forecasting prices and profits in this uncertain economy is unusually hazardous. The best economists sadly missed the mark last year on prime interest rates rising to 12%, double digit inflation, and the collapse of the stock market.

I think having low costs of production are important this year. Use least cost technology such as [a] use recent soil test [within last 2 years] as basis for using fertilizer; [b] apply lime as needed; [c] use minimum tillage; [d] make wise use of debt; [e] least cost dairy ration; [f] most effective weed control.

1975 will be a profitable year, but not as good as 1973 or 1974.

Soil testing pays

Soil testing has always paid dividends. Now with fertilizer increasing all the while, applying the correct analysis and amount of fertilizer will really pay off.

The price of fertilizer has increased tremendously this past year. Fertilizer is worth stealing. This is what the number of padlocks on barns says to me. A number of people bought fertilizer last fall and stored it over the winter. Behind locked doors.

With fertilizer priced high enough to have theft value, soil testing should rank high with your fertilizer program. You can't afford to be wasteful of fertilizer now.

Many people are applying lime now and should use a soil test to determine the amount per acre.

Lime has lots of good qualities. For instance, lime makes for most efficient fertilizer utilization, improves crop yields, and promotes longevity of alfalfa stands.

As fertilizer has gotten more expensive, lime has gotten more popular. Before applying lime, get a soil test to determine the amount needed.

Lime needs time to change

the soil pH. Lime applied now will be effective for 1975 crops.

The old song "Don't guess, soil test!" holds as true today as ever. Fall is a good time to take a soil sample and bring it in for testing. The soil is not too wet

and there generally is some slack time to get a sample. For information call or stop in to your County Extension Office,

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Choosing corn hybrids

For grain it is better to choose an early corn than a late corn variety. Extension bulletin "Michigan Corn Hybrids Compared 1975" shows good yields do not depend on late maturity. Advantages of early-maturing hybrids are:

1. They usually mature before killing frosts.
2. Good-yielding early hybrids generally yield as much or more than late hybrids in most areas of Michigan.
3. Lower moisture at harvest saves on drying costs and permits safer storage.
4. Mature, dry corn makes better livestock feed.
5. You can harvest earlier in the fall when weather conditions are more favorable.

Early harvest may reduce corn losses resulting from broken stalks and dropped ears in the field.

6. Fall plowing of corn stubble may be possible on land which will not erode.

The best silage contains a high percentage of grain. Hybrids that produce high yields of grain should be used for silage. High dry-weight production per acre is a better basis for choosing hybrids for silage than tons of green weight. Corn for silage should reach the early dent stage well before frost in an average year. The early dent stage, when most kernels have dented, is the best time to begin harvest for silage. Dry matter production continues to in-

crease until maturity.

Choose early hybrids for late plantings, low fertility soils, sandy soils, muck soils and for corn that is to be followed by a winter grain or cover crop.

You can get some degree of "crop insurance" by choosing two or three hybrids which differ slightly in their maturity. If one hybrid runs into un-

favorable weather at a critical stage of growth, another may be less affected and come through with a good crop.

Even though you have been growing a hybrid which has given good results, you may be able to improve your corn crop by trying one or more of the hybrids with better records in the yield trials. Well-tested, new

hybrids are worth trying. You may want to try a new hybrid in a strip in the same field with your present hybrid.

For more information get Extension bulletin 431 "Michigan Corn Hybrids Compared 1974" free from your County Extension Office, 1003 S. Oakland, St. Johns. Stop in or telephone for your copy!

Big package haymaking

Big package haymaking is rapidly gaining popularity among Michigan forage producers. But not all farms are economically suited for this type of mechanization.

Consider your equipment before making costly investments, says Dr. Gerald D. Schwab, Michigan State University agricultural economics specialist.

There are basically two types of big hay packages. One involves rolling the hay from the windrow into a large round bale. The other type lifts the hay from the windrow and delivers it to a wagon which shapes the stack.

Within each of these categories there are presently at least five retailers of each type. The weight of packages produced range from about 1,200 pounds to 8 tons.

Consider compatibility of the machine and its product with your forage handling structures, devices and techniques. Some farms have already committed substantial investments to other hay harvesting and handling facilities. Such facilities — silos and barns for storage, feeding bunks and racks, plus harvesting machinery — may not convert to either cash or other hay harvest systems.

If such facilities have unused capabilities and/or cannot be converted, it may be that the hay-harvesting system cannot be changed. Using the various

hay systems may make it necessary to change feeding arrangements. But whatever design you use, limit feeding arrangements to minimize waste and forage overeating.

For relatively small-volume hay harvesters, custom work may be less expensive than owning the machine. Consider availability, timeliness and cost of such service for your area.

These big package systems are designed to save time and labor. Combining adequate machine capacity with reduced labor requirements per ton of hay may help get around weather hazards. It's especially important to know the availability and costs of labor in the critical hay-harvesting periods.

Take a good look at your present forage system. These hay packages may eliminate inside storage facilities. But weather deterioration will vary with climate. Southern Indiana reports indicate a 4 to 7 percent loss of total digestible nutrients (TND) due to outside storage.

Package transportation may become a problem. A 1,200-pound and up hay package is not as mobile as the smaller conventional sized round and square bales. For farmers accustomed to feeding a portion of their harvested hay and selling the rest, the big package hay system may not be workable.

Consider the possibility of increased fuel prices and short

supplies. Try to reduce the number of a cross-field trips and these cut down on fuel requirements.

Big package haymaking is relatively new and products on the market now will be developed further and may have new innovations. In selecting the hay packaging machine for your farm situation, consider the service that can be provided by your dealer.

Take a look at other haymaking alternatives such as haylage, cubing, wafers, large square bales, mechanical accumulators and stackers for small square bales and small round bales before making a decision.

Buying a new forage packaging system requires a big investment in the machine and accessory equipment. Ask yourself if the investment could be wisely spent elsewhere — such as buying more beef or dairy stock, other critical machines, off-farm investments, etc. Your personal likes and dislikes, combined with your particular skills and management, are also important in evaluating these machines.

Mich. farmers support import penalties on foreign cheese

Michigan Farm Bureau President Elton R. Smith applauded Treasury Secretary Simon's recommendation to impose penalties on subsidized imports of foreign cheese from the European Common Market.

Smith, meeting with a group of Michigan farmers in the nation's capitol, said, "We as dairymen can compete with dairymen of other countries, but not with foreign governments."

"Subsidizing the sale of cheese to this country," Smith said, "creates unfair competition for US dairymen and I am hopeful President Ford will initiate countervailing duties immediately."

COUNTERVAILING duties are used by importing countries to prevent foreign goods from under selling American products.

Secretary Simon's recommendation has gone to President Ford and officials say Presidential decision is expected within 10 days.

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Causes of bad soil structure

There are five basic causes of poor soil structure, and they can occur separately or in combination.

Poor drainage, excessive tillage, inadequate cropping systems, untimely field operations, and farm implement design are the five causes, say Michigan State University soil science specialists, L.S. Robertson, A.E. Erickson and D.R. Christenson.

Poor Drainage

Inadequate drainage, surface and subsurface, is probably the major cause of bad soil

structure. Soils having high moisture levels may become plastic and incur excessive compression by farm implements.

This compaction, occurring at tillage, planting and harvest times when soil is wet, crushes and moves soil particles so that the soil volume has less pore space for water and air.

Rain and irrigation water further decrease the soil oxygen levels and the oxygen diffusion rates in soil, adversely affecting crop yields.

Excessive Tillage

Excessive soil tillage results

in the development of very small aggregates in the seed bed. They are less stable than the large aggregates, increasing the opportunities for crust formation and accelerated wind and water erosion. If there is no obvious reason for a given tillage treatment, it should not be done.

Cropping Systems

Cropping methods not producing large volumes of residue add to the soil compaction problem. Many farmers no longer use green manure crops or cover crops, and they don't have livestock manure to spread and plow down.

Soil structure problems are becoming more apparent on those farms which handle strictly cash crops such as sugar beets, beans and similar crops producing small residue amounts. It is the heavy residue which helps stabilize soil structure.

Untimely Field Operations

Whether it is tillage, harvesting or hauling fertilizers to the field, untimely field operations add to soil compaction. Sometimes farmers must get on wet soils, but waiting as long as possible for soil to dry impedes the compaction process.

Farm Implement Design

Poor implement design also adds to the compaction process. Using dual wheels is considered less damaging than tandem wheels. Plowing with tractor wheels in the furrow represents conditions where deeper compaction can occur than

when the wheels are entirely on the surface. Some of the most modern large tractors and

implements result in fewer trips across the field and, therefore, less surface compaction.

Here's a good idea

Staying alive is a good idea and it takes a little thought, and judgment and luck to do a good job of staying alive.

Safety should be on your mind when operating farm equipment, especially harvesting equipment, because harvesting equipment - choppers, combines or corn pickers all have a way of getting the crop into the machine. And the machine doesn't know or care if its corn or soybeans or you that go into it. It will do its job of chopping silage or separating the grain from the chaff. If you get too closely involved with one of these machines, you could be chopped or separated just as the crop would be. The machine may not succeed in putting you through it, but you'll be the worse off, that's for sure.

I recently read some

guidelines for living to a ripe old age. First, pick your parents! If they lived to be 90 years of age, your chances of living that long are better than if your parents lived only to age 40. Second, do things in moderation and third look both ways before crossing the street, that's called safety.

So when running farm machinery - read the operator's manual and its comments on safe machine operation, keep all shields and guards in place, stop the machine before getting off and shut down the power before making adjustments, wear tight fitting clothing that won't get caught in the machine.

In living a long life, don't trust to luck too often, remember to look both ways when crossing the street and to operate farm machinery in a safe manner.

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Tell-tale signs of soil compaction

Tell-tale signs of soil compaction may be detected by examining the soil surface material.

This is the portion of the soil directly exposed to weather and is easily affected by surface traffic, according to Michigan State University soil science specialists L.S. Robertson, A.E. Erickson and D.R. Christenson.

Four symptoms of bad soil structure easily seen on surface soils are:

- Soil crusts.

- Pondered or standing water.
- Excessive soil erosion.
- Increased tillage power requirements.

Soil Crusting

Crusting is the most obvious symptom of soil compaction, occurring most commonly on fine textured soils having large portions of silt and clay. To some extent, crusting may occur on some of the sandier soils.

When crusted soils are wet,

fine pores fill with water, greatly reducing the air exchange rate between the soil and atmosphere.

When dry, crusts physically limit plant emergence. Unless the crusts crack at frequent intervals, stands are likely to be reduced. Crusting may be a problem on sandier soils if they are fall plowed; especially if the plowing is followed by secondary tillage.

Cropping and tillage systems also influence the nature of soil

crust formation. On soils where livestock systems of cropping and hay production are performed, crusting is not as frequent as on soils used for cash cropping.

Ponding or Standing Water

Compaction may be indirect where there is ponding or standing water over long periods of time. If infiltration rates of water are very slow due to crusts or a compacted condition of the surface soil, plant growth and yields are likely to be restricted.

Surface compaction is evident when rain water collects in tractor and planter wheel tracks. This situation is observed more frequently today than in the past, especially on the very early planted crops such as sugar beets and corn.

Excessive Soil Erosion

Excessive erosion, caused by

rapid water run-off, may be a bad soil structure symptom. It also may be caused by untimely tillage operations or the lack of soil cover.

Keeping surface soils loose and composed of relatively large aggregates between the rows, permits water to enter the soil volume and less to run off.

Higher Power Requirements

Increased power requirements for tillage may also be a symptom of bad soil structure. Farmers have not generally recognized this because of the power availability on most farms.

Regardless of this situation, more power is required to till a soil with bad structure than one with good. With deeper structure problems, tillage power requirements will increase.

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Check stored grain

Check stored grain regularly, even when dried correctly. Here are some suggestions:

1. Open top door and smell grain.
2. Probe and check moisture.
3. Turn on aeration system, smell exhaust air and check grain temperature.
4. Check around bin walls and see if grain feels more moist than in center of bin.

If there are indications that grain is out of condition, take

action immediately. Either aerate the grain, dry it more or move it to another bin.

Use aeration systems to chill the grain mass to near 40 degrees. Check with thermometer hung in the exhaust air stream.

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Check bins for grain damage

Unusually high numbers of Michigan farmers have reported damage from insects in stored grains and beans. Treatments should begin now.

"Insects are there because the grain is in poor shape. Damage appears minimal now but producers could be in serious trouble when grains warm next spring," says Michigan State University extension specialists, Drs Robert Maddex and Robert Ruppel.

Your check list should include: 1) grain moisture; 2) crusting on the surface of the grain; 3) hotspots in the grain, and 4) insects and mold.

Alternatives to infestations may include aeration and fumigation, transferring grain to another storage area, turning the grain in the bin to reduce heating or selling the grain now.

Aeration

Producers having fairly tight grain silos or bins may cut a hole at the bottom, inserting a coarse screen to hold grain in. Connect a duct to a fan outside the bin. Make sure fan and duct connections are sealed so drawdown from the silo roof will be adequate to create good air flow. Vent the silo so air flow through grain will match fan air displacement.

Use a fan providing 1/10 to 1/4 cubic feet per minute c.f.m. flow per one bushel of grain, or 100 c.f.m. for each 1,000 bushels of grain in storage.

Commercially available tube type aerators (\$60 to \$100) can be inserted at the top or side of the silo. These units are about eight feet long and four inches in diameter, having a perforated section at one end and fan at the other. They work fairly well for small grain silos having limited handling facilities.

Transferring

If producers have room to transfer the grain, make sure it runs over a piece of hardware cloth (three or four feet long) as it flows into new storage. This will help eliminate some of the contamination in the grain.

Fumigation

Fumigation may be done in storage areas that are fairly airtight. Put the fumigant on grain three or four days prior to aeration then make sure you aerate well.

Available materials are ethylene dichloride-carbon tetrachloride (Dow Fume-75) or methylbromide.

BE EXCEEDINGLY CAREFUL WITH THESE MATERIALS. READ LABELS THOROUGHLY. APPLY ONLY ACCORDING TO DIRECTIONS. MAKE SURE ANOTHER MAN IS WITH YOU WHEN FUMIGATING.

Selling

If infestation is severe and you do not have adequate space or cannot afford to treat grain, you should sell the grain now. Conditions will only worsen as warmer weather arrives.

Infestation problems stem from last summer's growing conditions. Under the extreme dry conditions, grains had much more fibrous material and were more brittle than normal.

When frosts struck corn, kernels were soft and subsequent needed combine adjustments allowed more cob particles than normal, making drying more difficult.

These factors contribute to more heating within grain silos

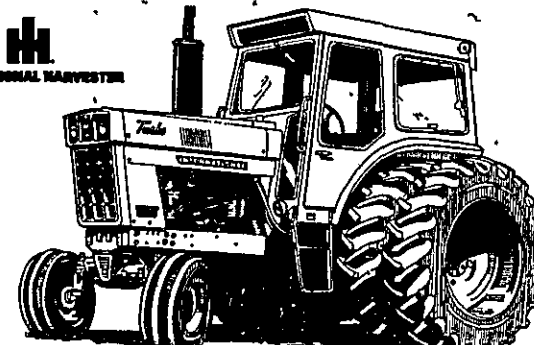
or bins than normal. Grains under 50 degrees F usually have no infestation problems.

To maintain control, producers should check grain bins for possible infestations at least once a week. Insects in the grain indicate damage is already being done, and eradication measures constitute revenge. Many hundreds of dollars are lost in grain quality each year from failure to inspect grain storage, recognize danger signals and take corrective action.

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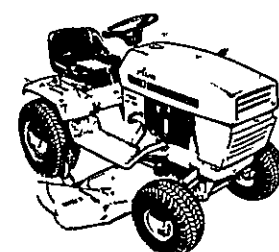
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Corn rootworm--3 types

The corn rootworm comes in three types: the Northern, Western and Southern. The Northern is by far the most common in Michigan and in the country, although the Western has been found in the southwest corner of the county.

The corn rootworm has two bad habits. First, as a larvae, he eats the roots of the corn plants, causing lodging and weakened plants, due to the loss of roots. Second, as an adult, he feeds on the silks of the ear and if he chews them off early enough in the season, the ear will have reduced seed set.

By far, the lodging caused by the larvae eating the roots is the worst of the bad habits. In most years he will emerge from the soil as an adult late enough in the year that nearly all the seed is set.

The lodging starts right at ground level, not part way up as is the case with stalk rot, and the stalks are usually curved (goosenecked) near their bases. This lodging starting at the soil surface greatly interferes with or prevents mechanical harvesting of the corn.

The rootworm has only one generation a year. It lays its

eggs in the fall in the cornfield and they overwinter as eggs. Next spring if the field is put into corn again the larvae are ready to begin feeding.

Only if you are growing corn after corn will the rootworm be a problem. Planting the field to another crop, if only for one year, will break the corn rootworm's life cycle. The field could become re-infested when it is returned to corn, if there are plenty of rootworms in the neighborhood.

You can detect the presence of rootworms best by examining the lodged-goosenecked plants for lack of roots and evidence of

root tunneling. Seeing the adult feeding on the silks in the fall is not a sure sign you'll have rootworm trouble next spring. If you have lodged goose-necked corn and adults in the fall, then if the field is corn next year, corn rootworms will probably be there.

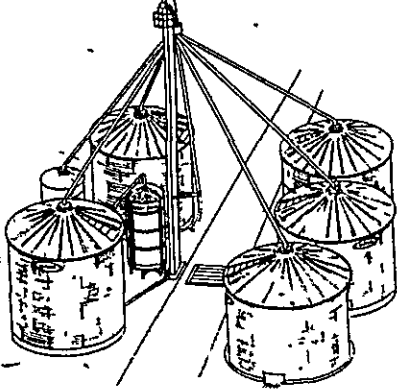
There are two types of control for the corn rootworm. The cheapest is to rotate your crops because the rootworm can only be a problem of corn after corn.

The other way is to use chemicals at planting time or before. These insecticides must be incorporated into the soil. Planter box treatments do not

work to control the rootworm. Remember the insecticides used are poisonous and care must be used to handle, store and apply them.

Also, to keep residues out of milk, dairymen should avoid the use of chlorinated hydrocarbon insecticides such as DDT, aldrin, heptachlor, lindane, chlordane, etc. Read the label before using any pesticide.

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Use of lime

not recommended. Mineral soils with a pH of 5.4 or less need more than one application of lime to correct the soil pH.

If possible, lime should be applied and worked into the plow layer six months to one year in advance of high lime requirement crops.

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Subsurface soil compaction problems

Soil compaction problems are usually more than surface deep. They may extend to the subsurface materials which include all but a portion of the tillage zone or the plow layer.

Precise determination of problems in this area is done with electronic instruments and laboratory equipment, but some can be detected by observation, say Michigan State University soil science specialists L.S. Robertson, A.E. Erickson and D.R. Christenson.

Measurable characteristics of the subsurface materials include considerations of water and air permeability, soil strength and oxygen diffusion rates.

Air and Water Permeability

Slow oxygen diffusion rates can be exactly determined with special instruments. Such measurements are not likely at the farm, but is possible to observe very wet soil conditions where oxygen diffusion rates are likely to be slow.

Slow water permeability is closely associated with bad soil structure. Some soils which are either naturally compact or which have been compacted by man have a water permeability rate of less than a quarter inch an hour.

Other soils may have a water permeability in excess of five inches per hour. Such soils may be droughty.

Some farmers have modified their tractors using dual wheels and by having the wheels on the "land" while plowing in an attempt to maintain high permeability rates.

Soil Strength and Density

Compacted soils are dense and frequently have great soil strength which may hinder root growth. Under extreme conditions, root growth into zones with high strength does not occur until after the soil dries enough to fracture. Then the roots grow into the cracks. An angular shaped sugar beet root is evidence of this situation.

Frequently, with deep compaction, it is difficult to obtain adequate crop stands. On those occasions, when an unusually wet fall is followed by an exceptionally wet spring, it is possible to see where compaction and great soil strength developed during seed bed preparation.

Oxygen Diffusion Rates

Slow oxygen diffusion may result in poor root growth and low crop yields. Diffusion rates are directly related to the thickness of the water film in the soil. In most soils, oxygen deficiency represents only a temporary situation, but it can have a profound effect on plant growth. A 24-hour duration of oxygen deficiency can kill sugar beets, navy beans and tomatoes during the early stages of growth.



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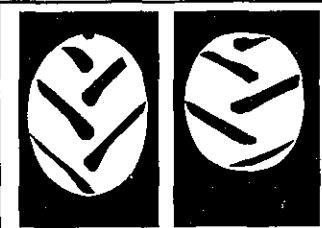
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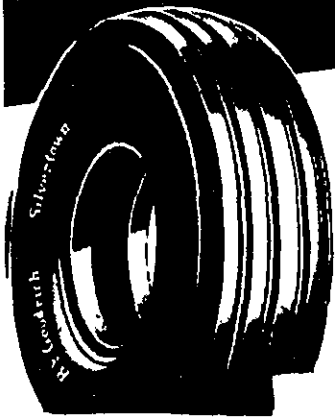
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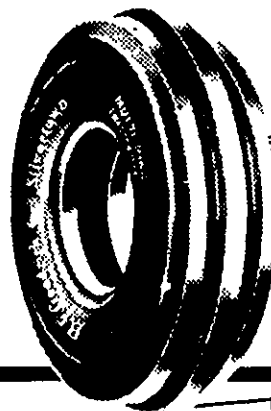
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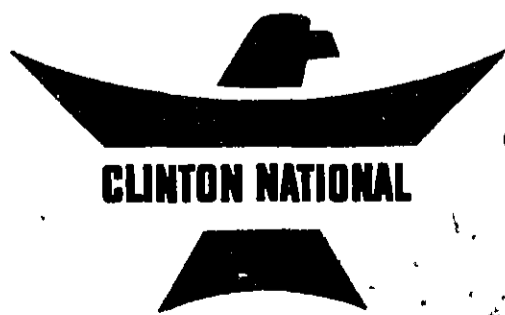
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