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JUMP, FLIP SHOT—Steve Kratt tries for 2 points that might have won the game for the Clarkston junior varsity Friday night. With 3 minutes to play the Wolves held a 1 point lead, 39-38. Visiting West Bloomfield then went ahead by 4. A burst in the closing minutes closed the gap, but Clarkston lost, 44-43.

Ice on roads causes accidents

Icy road conditions were blamed for two single car accidents which occurred in the area over the weekend. Both were investigated by officers of the Oakland County sheriff department.

Sunday, at 10:30 A.M. Barbara Williams, 19, of 105 Pine Grove in Pontiac was driving on White Lake Road, west of Clement Road. When she hit a slippery spot, her car spun around and she lost control and ended up in a ditch on the north side of White Lake Road. She was not injured.

Another accident occurred at 6:30 P.M. on Saturday on Andersonville Road, west of Williams Lake Road. Eunice Releya, 49, of 275 Davisburg Road, Holly had started around a curve, lost control on a slippery spot and slid into a ditch.

Riding with her was her 9 year old daughter, Cheryl. She received type "C" injuries, but was not hospitalized.

Federal grant could allow library construction to start next spring

Plans for a new library to serve residents of Independence Township received a needed boost Thursday when notification of a Federal grant to aid in the construction of the building was received here.

The Library Advisory Board met on Monday to review their plans. The grant which amounts to \$38,546 is part of a total of \$874,000 in federal funds appropriated for public library construction projects in six locations across the state. Announcement of the distribution was made by the State Board of Education, although the local library board had not received direct confirmation on Tuesday.

Tentative plans now call for construction to start on the

building next spring. The site chosen is on Board of Education land on Clarkston-Orion Road opposite the Episcopal Church of the Resurrection.

Building plans will now go to an architect for revision. It is hoped to construct a building of approximately 4000 square feet which would be 5 times the size of the present library facility.

Last February a \$100,000 fund drive was launched by the Clarkston Women's Club. Preliminary plans were drawn and pledges sought. To date, approximately \$58,000 has been pledged with about \$20,000 currently on hand. Some pledges have been paid up while others are paying on theirs regularly.

Members of the Advisory Board remind those who have pledged that in order to deduct their contribution on this year's income tax, their pledges should be paid by December 31st.

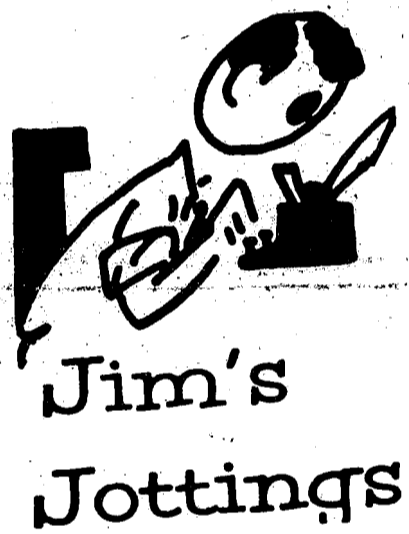
Mrs. Kenneth Valentine, chairman of the Advisory Board was named coordinator of the drive. Other members on this board are: Mrs. Gordon Bray, Mrs. Evan Leonard, Mrs. Glen Bernor, the Rev. Alexander Stewart and Merle Bennett.

Meeting with the Advisory Board on Monday was Mrs. Philip Smith, local librarian. "We have tried to make up in service what we didn't have in facilities," she said. "Everyone concerned with the library has been so dedicated. We can't

begin to take care of what the people need and want here with only 5000 volumes."

It was nearly thirteen years ago that 30 women of the Clarkston area organized to establish a public library. The old school building next to the Township Hall was renovated. In less than six months the library was open nine hours a week. The original book collection begged from the community consisted of 500 volumes.

In 1965, the library was turned over to the township in order to take advantage of state and federal aid available to tax supported libraries. The Township Board serves as the Library Board.



Three car accident Sunday hospitalizes two men

A three car accident on the Dixie Highway Sunday evening sent two men from one car to Pontiac General Hospital with Type A injuries. They were Warren Paul, 29, of 4771 Dixie, Drayton Plains and Ronald Summer, 34, of 3757 Maybee Road, Waterford.

The accident occurred on Dixie Highway just south of Rock-Croft. The Paul car was travelling south when a car driven by William Milinaki, 42, of 5327 Sunnyside, Clarkston, suddenly appeared in front of him. When Paul stopped to

time, that was to be the forerunner of many, many times that I would steal, excuse me, plagiarize material.

There's a guy in Oxford who admits to being Polish and works for IBM. He's made a number of advancements in his area of the company. He says, "I must be good, because I got these promotions even though I'm a Pollack."

He's the guy who claims the biggest statue in the world is Polish. Don't ask him what it is or he'll say, "Stosh-tue of Liberty."

Anyway, working for IBM is apparently an experience in conservatism. The hair has to be neatly combed, no brush cuts or long hair. Suits have to be dark, preferably solid in color. Black shoes, dark socks to go with the suits, everything just so, so I'm told.

Our friend found himself tied up in Port Huron long hours a day, and for many days. He'd leave home before daylight and arrive home after dark. Not wanting to wake the whole household, he'd turn on as few lights as possible before dressing in the morning.

One morning a guy walked up to him at work at Port Huron and asked why he had on one dark brown sock and one black one. He didn't try to explain that he got mixed up while dressing in the dark, instead he blurted out, "I like this pair. I like it so well I got another pair home just like them."

Without realizing it at the

avoid hitting the auto, a second car driven by Richard Wright of 1999 Coolidge in Berkley struck the Paul car in the rear.

There were no injuries in the Wright car in which his wife and four months old boy were riding. Officers attribute this to the fact that they had their seat belts fastened.

Following the accident, Milinaki left the scene of the accident and was followed by Fred Olsen, a sheriff deputy who had witnessed the accident. Sheriff officers cited him for leaving the scene of a personal injury accident and for driving while under the influence of liquor. He was taken to the county jail by sheriff officers. There was a passenger in his car, but neither man was injured.

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NOTICE

Due to extra time necessary to prepare and check the new Zoning Ordinance for Independence Township it does not appear in this issue. Effective date will still be 30 days after publication. This date is not firm at this time.

Backs from driveway, struck by auto

An accident on Waldon Road, east of Almond Lane on Friday at 7:49 P.M. resulted in a driver being cited for speed that was too fast.

James Fox, 61, of Mobil Village, M-59, Pontiac was backing from a driveway. Another came over the hill, couldn't stop, so went to the right, but still could not avoid hitting the auto.

The driver of that car was Ralph Hines, 26, of 6300 Eastlawn, Clarkston. Sheriff officers investigated.

Neither of the two drivers were injured.

Lake property purchased by County Parks and Recreation

Crooked Lake in Independence Township has recently been purchased by Oakland County Parks and Recreation Commission. Purchase price was \$1600 per acre for the 337 acre parcel. This is the third recreation area to be obtained by the new Parks and Recreation Commission. One is in Springfield Township and the other in Groveland Township, but all in the unincorporated portions of the county.

Formerly known as Lower Bushman Lake, the lake size is 70 acres and the deepest part is 68 feet. It is located at the headwaters of the Clinton River. The shoreline is three-fourths of a mile long and is firm with either a sand or gravel bottom. There is a small spring fed lake on the property, known as Spring Lake. The overflow

from this lake connects to a small spring fed stream which empties into Crooked Lake, which in turn empties, from the Southeast corner, into the main stream of the Clinton River. In addition, there are 10 other individual springs on the property. All of the water is clean and unpolluted. The preservation of this unspoiled water was a major consideration in studying the possibility of acquiring the property.

One of the highest points in Oakland County, the land has a rolling terrain with the highest elevation over 1200 feet. There are 6 natural sled and ski areas with northern slope exposures, making it ideal for a year around recreation area.

Some of the area is wooded with beautiful stands of native

trees, some of which are judged to be 200 years old.

Located three miles north of the 1-75 Sashabaw exit, the property is about 2 1/2 miles north and east of Clarkston's northern limits. Recently much interest was created from gravel samplings from the area. The protection and preservation of this property for recreational use, rather than the development of another gravel mining operation was another issue in the consideration of the acquisition.

Purchased for the recreation of Oakland County's citizens, the site had been recommended by the planning consultant and also by a recent study developed by the University of Michigan's School of Natural Resources.

School bonds sold

Halsey-Stewart and Associates of Chicago were the lowest of three bidders for \$2.5 million school construction bonds sold on Tuesday by the Clarkston Board of Education.

The net interest rate is 4.66%. Sale of these bonds was held up for nearly a year by failure of the Michigan Municipal Finance Commission to authorize their sale. Board members state that the interest rate now received is higher than it would have been had they been offered for sale earlier.

Be cause the school district has always remained solvent and has a good reputation among bond buyers, there were the three bidders present. Some school districts are not as fortunate when it comes bond selling time and have no bidders. The board also felt that the bid was a good one due to present conditions.

The money will be used to construct a new Junior High School. Construction bids will

be opened on December 11 and it is hoped that construction will start next spring on the building which is planned to accommodate 1,000 students.

It will be located at the North Sashabaw Elementary school site located at Sashabaw and Maybee Roads.

Building permits

The Independence Township Building report for November has been issued. Permits valued at \$3,21,500 have been taken out. There were requests for permits for 17 new homes. These have a combined value of \$298,400. Also included was one permit for a garage with a valuation of \$2,200.

Remodeling and repair permits were issued to four persons. Value of those was \$20,500. There was also a permit issued for a commercial underground gasoline storage tank. Valuation of that work was \$400.



Don't miss the Clarkston Village Players presentation of the delightful comedy "Under the Yum Yum Tree". The play will be staged at the High Schools Little Theater this Friday and Saturday and will begin at 8:30 p.m. Tickets may be purchased from Players, King's Insurance or at the door. Shown (from left to right) are four major role holders in the play, Jim Tyrell, Marie Luzi, Gayann Blackett and Ron Lundy.



Thanksgiving brought forth the best little Indians as another grade donned the bonnets and whooped it up. These four redskins are from Mrs. DiPietro's second grade class at Bailey Lake School, and are Robbi Rhynchress, Tim Roberts, Beth Balousek and Jimmy Atkinson.

farm.

His services were conducted at 2 P.M. on Wednesday from the Sharpe-Goyette Funeral Home. Burial followed in Lakeview Cemetery.

Mr. Ellis is survived by his widow, Mable; one son, Norman J. Ellis of Birmingham; a daughter, Mrs. Ralph M. Freeman, also of Birmingham and three grandchildren.

Will help riot-stricken family

The Junior High MYF of First Methodist for a Christmas project has pledged a Merry Christmas to a family that was burned out in Detroit's riot last summer.

They will be knocking on doors in this area Sunday afternoon for help to make this all come true. They will need canned goods, useable toys, wearable clothing and cash donations.

If they don't get to your door by 5 P.M. and you would like to help please call 625-3992 and someone will come by.

Bring 'em back ALIVE!

Glenn Ellis services held on Wednesday

Glenn Ellis, 82, of 9331 Dixie Highway, Springfield Township died on Sunday, December 3rd following a long illness.

Owner of Ingomar Farm, he had spent all of his life on that farm where he raised horses and was a stock farmer. He first raised coach horses but later turned to pacers, trotters, and Tennessee walking horses. He showed horses in competition until about 7 years ago.

In March, 1907, he married the former Mable Green, also a Clarkston native. They always made their home on the Dixie Highway farm in the near century-old home.

Mr. Ellis was a member of First Methodist Church in Clarkston. He also served as Treasurer of the Springfield School Board for 25 years. He was a member of the Dixie Saddle Club and events of that organization were held on his

Coming to First Baptist

Rev. John Stucky who has just returned from South America will be speaking at the First Baptist Church on December 10. He will be at both the 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. service.

He had been for 8 years in one of the most deprived areas of that continent where

the population is uneducated primarily illiterate and transient. He left the States 12 years ago and since has been

starting churches and doing evangelistic work.

Stucky was educated at Moody Bible Institute and also at Northern Baptist Seminary and Roosevelt College in Chicago.

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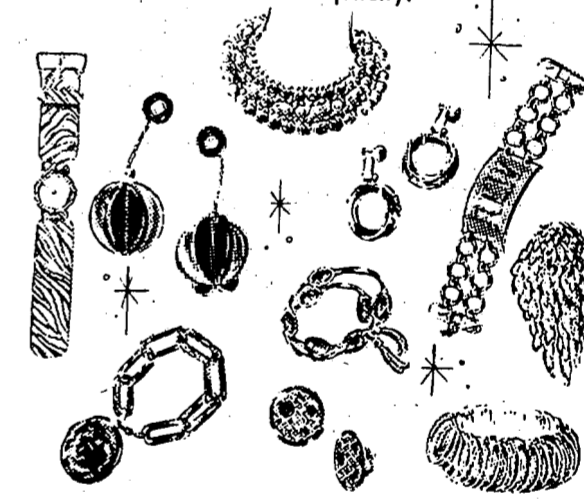


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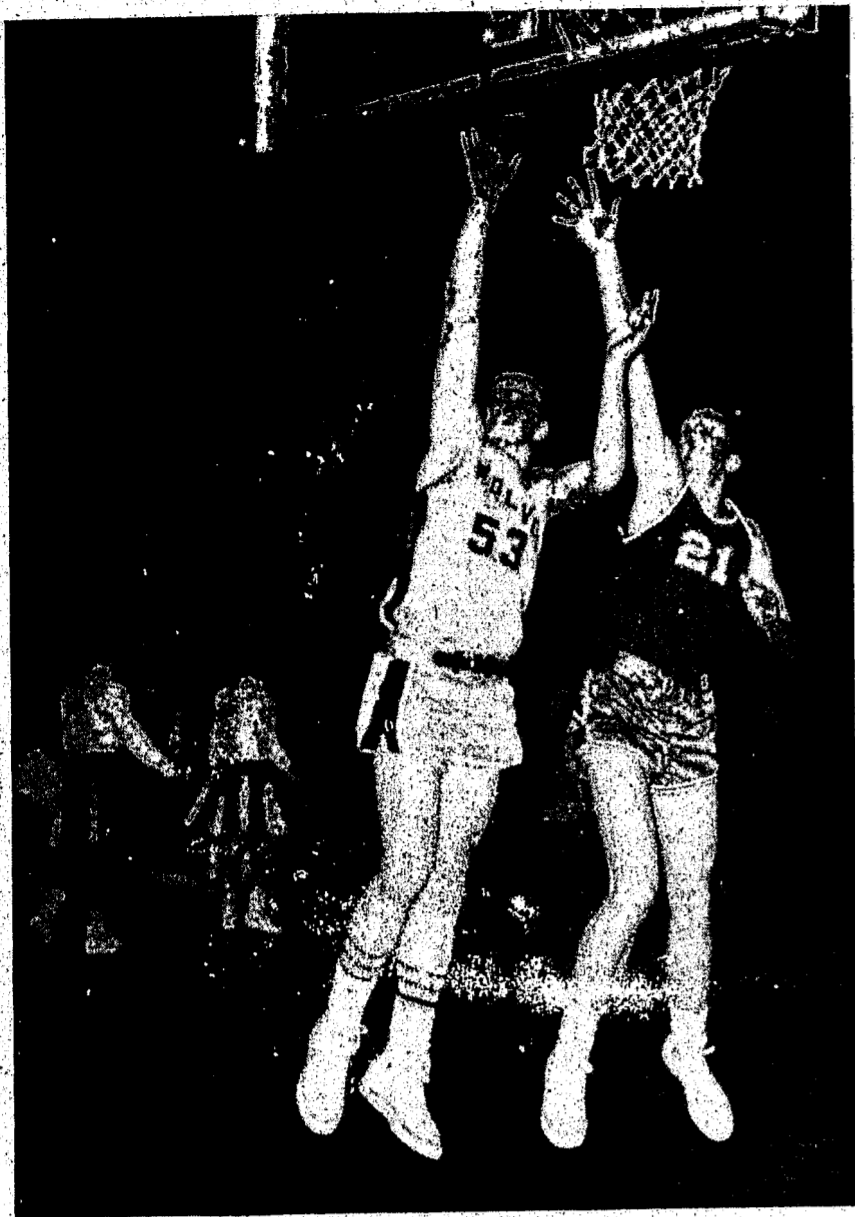
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TRIES FOR TWO—Mark Erickson tries a dog shot with Curtis Britton providing the defense.

Clarkston loses two

Mel Vaara

It was unveiling time last Friday in the Clarkston gym as coaches Bill Hanson and Bud McGrath presented their 1967-68 teams.

The J.V. team lost a Van Patrick Cliff Hanger 44-43 and the Varsity lost 57-51.

The Varsity was stone cold in the 1st period as Rich Johnson scored the only two buckets. (Mark Erickson scored the 1st point in the 1967-68 season on the free throw) But the rest of the 1st five that started Gerry Ostrum, Mark Erickson, Kurt Maslowski, and Kim Beattie couldn't find the net, where-as West Bloomfield couldn't miss. Art Paddy's boys dropped in 8 field goals to take a 10 point lead. Many of those shots were easy attempts, as the defense for Clarkston was late in getting back on covering West Bloomfield's fast breaks.

The second period was more of the same for Clarkston. The team scored only 4 buckets with Beattie getting two of them. Clarkston's defense perked up and held Keego to only 8 points. Clarkston outscored them 9 to 8. The Wolves switched to a zone defense (1-2-2), and this com-

pletely confused the pattern-type ball club that West Bloomfield is.

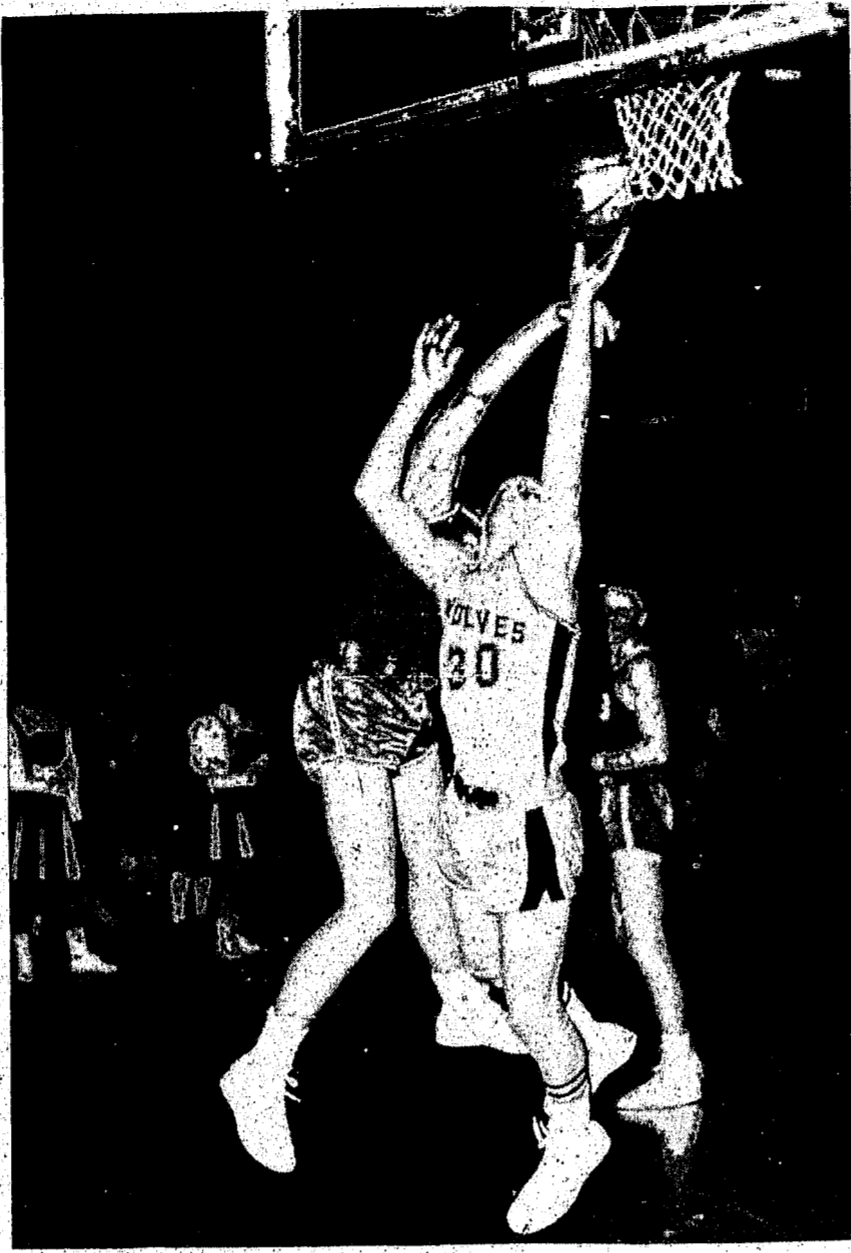
West Bloomfield outscored Clarkston 19-13 in the 3rd quarter. Rich Johnson and Kim Beattie provided 10 of Clarkston's 13 points.

In the 4th quarter with Clarkston down 47-30, Coach McGrath switched to a face court press. It raised all kinds of havoc with Art Paddy's five. They outscored them 21 to 12, with Charles Granger providing 7 vital pts. Granger along with Jeff Keyser provided a lot of spark to the Clarkston cause. Keyser netted 4 pts. and spear-headed the full court press. Ostrum and Erickson found the range and added 10 pts. between them.

This week Clarkston has a tough game at Bl. Hills — anybody know the number of that lucky locker?

Gerry Ostrum	10
Mark Erickson	10
Rich Johnson	10
Chuck Granger	9
Kim Beattie	8
Jeff Keyser	4

The Clarkston J.V. lost a heartbreaker 44-43. The J.V. had a 39-32 lead in the 4th



FOUL—Going in for a layup shot is Gerry Ostrom. A West Bloomfield player made the shot impossible as he hit Gerry's hand and sent him sprawling.

quarter and West Bloomfield scored 12 straight points to take a 44-39 lead. Steve Kratt hit a bucket and Steve Warman scored on two free throws for the only scoring in the 4th period.

Steve Kratt	16
Steve Warman	11
Tom Grace	6
Bruce Hardy	6
Scott Robbins	3
Rob Chapman	1

items were heartily welcomed on the 21st.

We are still making card holders and hope to make another successful delivery along with Christmas tray favors in mid-December.

Christmas carols are being practiced and re-practiced for caroling at many hospitals and nursing homes.

A troop Christmas party is scheduled for December 14 at Mrs. J.G. Byers' house. There will be an exchange of gifts, plus food, pop, games, and fun.

Girl Scout NEWS

Troop 89 carried through Thanksgiving plans and sent several dozen turkey tray favors to Pontiac General Hospital. On November 19 in the afternoon, several girls and co-leaders gathered at Mrs. N. Nicholas house on Northview for 2 1/2 hours to make card holders and turkey tray favors. Much was accomplished and all

The Northern Oakland Cadette Thinking Cap Committee met on Nov. 18 at Tel Huron. Ideas for district activities were brought in for discussion. A Fashion Show has been planned for next March or April. There will be two showings, one private, one public and refreshments. We have not yet gotten a sponsor, but hope to have it at the Mall in Pontiac.

Unique doll display attracts many visitors

It's Christmas time at King's Insurance and the doll display is pleasing young and old alike.

"There are some additions to the group this year," states Isobel Bullen, who each year assembles the dolls in the interlude between Thanksgiving and Christmas.

From Jamaica, came two Limbo Dancers. They were brought by Mrs. Frank Russell following a trip there last winter.

Also new are two dolls purchased in the Russian Pavilion at Expo last summer. These were added by Mrs. Charles Robinson, owner of many of the dolls. Unique are their dresses as are the two from Switzerland which were donated for the display by Mrs. Mac Oakley.

A Grandma doll complete with her own easy chair is another addition. That doll was found in the attic of Mr. Robinson's

mother in Mount Pleasant. It is estimated that this doll is over 100 years old. So delicate were her hand-made garments that they had to be dry-cleaned.

There are many foreign dolls, including a group of stacked Japanese dolls. Also new this year are small pieces of furniture used as accessories, all

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Surprise party

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Those present to surprise the two Judys were; Debbie Atwood, Penny Fox, Robin Kickery, Darlene Miracle, Denise Moller, Marie Pope, Kathie Roberts, Linda Shedd, and Joan Willis.

The girls are all Seniors at Clarkston High School.

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Unanimously voted for was a Cadette Round-Up next fall in August. No plans as yet were discussed.

Scribe, Rebecca Byers

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Notes on the Orchard

By Constance Lektzian
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This festive month got off to a good start with the Methodist Church Bazaar on Friday, December 1. There were boothsful of tempting goodies and decorations. Your reporter almost lost a good neighbor. Peg Dougherty had bought some loaves of that good home-made bread just before taking her turn at one of the MYF booths. When she wanted to skip around shopping at the other stalls, ye olde scribe stepped in her place to help out - and promptly sold the bread intended for the Dougherty freezer. Anything for a friend.

Bud and Betty Verhey of 6607 Plum Drive just received the news that they are grandparents - and you would never know it to look at them - for the fourth time. Daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stewart of Centerline welcomed Steven Douglas on the first of December. He weighed in at 7 pounds and 13 ounces and is their second child.

The Keith Humbert's of 6440 Snowapple Drive hosted a family dinner Tuesday night, December 5, in honor of their daughter Carole who was 16 years old - a very important mile-

stone. In addition to sister Diane, Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Humbert, uncle and aunt of the girls, were present. Saturday, December 9, the Humbert's are continuing the celebration with a theatre party for Carole. Invited are Susan Griffiths, Jody Hawke, and Elizabeth Booth. Along with 15 year old Diane, they will all attend the matinee of "Gone with the Wind" at the Madison Theatre in Detroit.

And of course we expected Clarkston to win Friday night - and they didn't! The Doug Griffiths of 6606 Pear Street had a coffee after the game for Nick and Annetta Lekas of Plum Drive and Peg and Jack Dougherty of Pear Street. And what is there to talk about after a defeat - the next game, naturally.

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Giacalone of 11316 Ember along with Jacqueline and Neal Stalker of Warbler Drive drove to Livonia Sunday, December 3, to have dinner with the Robert Krons. The event was a birthday dinner for Jackie who is the granddaughter of the Giacalone's.

Sunday, December 3, Rick Huttenlocher, David Stewart, Louis Warren, Steven Yantis and Billy Hux arrived at 6370

Waldon Road to help Mark Kloc celebrate his ninth birthday. Mark, son of the Robert Kloc's, really wasn't nine until the following Tuesday but he had a special reason for wanting to celebrate on a day when his dad was home. After ice cream and cake, the senior Mr. Kloc took Mark and his guests bowling - all reported a very successful afternoon.

The Girl Scouts of Troop #453 met at the Clarkston Elementary school Monday, December 4, but instead of their regular meeting they held a Christmas workshop. Under the guidance of leader Mrs. Ed Lewis of 6291 Church Street and her co-leader, Mrs. Al Hamilton of Overlook Drive, the girls made Christmas decorations and tree ornaments. This very active troop has big plans for this holiday month.

Wednesday, December 6, saw approximately 100 kindergarten children from Clarkston Elementary school, along with kindergarten from the four other elementary schools, gather together for a trip to downtown Hudson's Toyland. After a snack of cookies and milk in their classrooms, the children boarded the school busses for the trip. There was a ratio of one mother for four bright eyed children. A really incandescent party - every child was glowing. The busses were met at the door of Hudson's and the children were escorted to the 12th floor. Candy provided a snack when they were home-ward bound. A total of about 600 children and mothers made the trip.

Mrs. Louis Cook of 10643 King Road returned home from a stay in the hospital the day after Thanksgiving. She had been hospitalized following an automobile accident. She is so much better that she was able to have company over the weekend and helped entertain Mr. and Mrs. Doug Riffe and Mrs. Gerald Perdue and family of Detroit. Also here for a visit with the Cook's are the Harden Duty's of Tazewell, Virginia.

A special flag presentation meeting was held Wednesday, November 29, at 7:30 P.M. Cub Scouts of Pack #130, Den 11 were the recipients on this occasion at Schoolcraft school. Commander Louis Seffens of 6080 Waldon Road and Mr. Floyd Tower of 177 Main Street, Clarkston, both of American Legion Campbell - Richmond Post #63 took part. They were welcomed by Den Chief Ray Barber and Den Mother Mrs. Ben Fulkeron. Commander Seffens made the presentation. Mr. Tower, who is the Director of Americanism for the state of Michigan, gave a talk on proper care and display of the American flag. Area Scout troops, Cub packs or Brownie troops or schools may request an American flag from the Campbell - Richmond Post.

They try to fill every request or if the applications are quite numerous, they interest another post in making the presentation. A very wonderful undertaking.

Mrs. Langer's second grade classroom was the scene of a Pam Walts celebration of her seventh birthday on Tuesday, November 28. Her mother, Mrs. John Walts of 6479 Snowapple Drive, brought in cupcakes and ice cream for the class. On Saturday, December 2, Mr. John Walts celebrated his birthday. This also marked the day of one year of service for son Wiley who is stationed at Fort Bliss, Texas at an Army Missile Base.

Christmas came early over on 6091 Waldon Road - it was celebrated November 28 to be exact. That was the day before Larry Franklin, son of the Harvey Franklins, left Clarkston after an 18 day furlough from the Army. Also around the tree for the early festivities were the Franklins other two children, 17 year old David and daughter Vickie who is 15. Larry, a 1966 graduate of Clarkston High, left on November 29 for Fort Lewis, Washington. After a quick stopover in Alaska, his unit went to Korea for a predicted year's stay.

Ronald Dale Burrill of 6724 Plum Drive, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Burrill, will be leaving for the Army on December 11. A going away party is planned for December 9 at his parents home. He is a 1966 graduate of Clarkston High School.

Mrs. James Frady of 811 Center Circle just returned from a visit to Tennessee this past week-end. Mr. Frady was home for the Thanksgiving holidays from the Oakridge branch of the University of Tennessee. He is taking additional Vocational Teacher's training there in preparation to teaching machine shop on a high school level. Mrs. Frady returned to Oakridge with him for the week-end following the holiday.

Mrs. Fred Stark of 6665 Almond Lane and Mrs. Robert Whaley of 6604 Plum Drive, along with Mrs. John Clark of Dill Street went on a shopping spree to Frankenmuth for a gander at the stores and shops. They reported lots of goodies. That must be one of the 'in' places. It seems so popular.

Swelling the crowds at Frankenmuth recently were about 15 pupils from Clarkston High School. They were second year German students of Mrs. Linda Dennis who, along with their teacher, paid a visit to the industries and shops in that bustling town that is particularly appealing during the holiday season. They paid a visit to the Christmas stores, took a look at the workings of the brewery and had one of the famous chicken dinners. We didn't find out if they had a chance to practice their German. Sounds as if it were fun.

Seaman Michael Price, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clark Price, was home for the weekend. He is stationed on the U.S.S. America now in port in Norfolk Virginia. Michael is a 1966 graduate of Clarkston High.

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"Amahl and the Night Visitors" by Methodist choirs

Bride-elect feted

Leeta's Beauty Salon was the scene of a recent bridal shower honoring Laura Levan, a beautician in Leeta's shop. Twenty guests were present to shower the bride-to-be with gifts of linen and accessories for her kitchen.

Games were played and prizes awarded to the winners. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Laura will wed Leonard Raupp on January 13 in her home town of Dixon, Illinois. The couple will reside near Clarkston after their wedding.

BOY SCOUT NEWS

The monthly meeting of the Andersonville Cub Scout Pack 133 was held on November 28th with Dens 2 and 5 doing a flag ceremony.

In keeping with the theme of "Around the World" Franz Tresebieter first gave a very interesting talk on the customs of how Christmas is celebrated in Germany. He and his family came here from Germany 3 years ago. Den 2 then put on a skit demonstrating these customs.

Announcements were then made and the pack briefed on how the cubs were making a Christmas basket for a needy family in the community. The December meeting will revolve around the ingathering of the things to go into this basket.

Awards were then given to: Billy LeMarbe, Wolf, Gold and 5 Silver arrows - Jerry Runkle, 2 yr. service award - Mike Hooper, Lion - Mark Zelelenak and Dennis Loba, 3 yr. service awards and Jim Loba a 1 yr. service award as Den Chief for Den 5.

Christmas in Mexico was then portrayed by Den 5 complete with the breaking of a Pinata. Both dens had a very thrilling exhibition of the countries.

With the singing of Jingle Bells and White Christmas the meeting closed and refreshments were served by Den 5.

On Sunday, December 10th, at ten o'clock morning worship service, the choirs of First Methodist Church will present the sacred Christmas opera "Amahl and the Night Visitors", by Gian-Carlo Menotti. This is the story of a poor widow and her lame son, who are visited by three strange kings during their search for the Holy Child. Marianna Vascassenno will be heard in the role of the mother. Singing the roles of the three kings are Daniel Addis, tenor, Philip Smith, baritone, and Spenceley Butters, bass.

Members of the choirs make up the colorful ensemble of village folk and shepherds who come to the cottage to see the royal strangers.

Piano accompanists are Kathleen Aldrich and Louise Sargent, with Barbara Clark, organist.

The production is under the direction of Adele Thomas, Director of the Ministry of Music at First Methodist.

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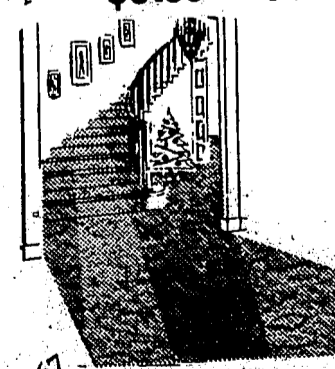
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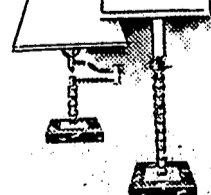
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Another Day

By Constance Lektzian

Bill Poster - 1876

Over ninety years ago, in the quaint Victorian phrasing of that age, William VanSyckle wrote a poem dedicated to the pioneers of Oakland County. His verse was misnamed for his praise was directed only to the early settlers of Sashabaugh Plains, the area in which he had been born. Even at that early day, a pioneer historical society had been formed and there was vivid interest in the people who had built farms from the forests less than fifty years before. The "Bill Poster" was an early Pontiac newspaper, published weekly and William VanSyckle's poem now copied into 4 type-written sheets, must have occupied almost an entire page. His verses mentioned names and places and gives some glimpse of what trials the settlers endured in making their homes here.

... those brave tillers of the soil.

There was Joseph Abbot and Peter D. On the eastern side as you shall see, They chose the heavy timberland, They did not like the yellow sand."

As yet no history of Joseph Abbott has come our way, but Peter D. was 'old' Peter Voorheis, who came from New Jersey in 1832 and settled on the Plains, bringing a grown family with him.

The farmers of those early times had little idea of the tremendous value of the timberland that surrounded their fields and were anxious only to clear the ground for crops. Thousands of dollars worth of hardwood went up in smoke and Mr. VanSyckle recorded the fact.

"And thus they felled the towering oak, They piled them up and fired them all, The tall, the short, both great and small."

"There was J.W. Beardslee and Adam Fisher, Who both grew a great deal richer By settling in this pleasant valley, Near the stream who is Clinton's ally."

Their shanties stood on the western side, And to entertain strangers was their pride."

John W. Beardslee made the second land entry in the township in 1826 but his was the first purchase actually settled by the original owner. It was five years before he could move on to the land with his family. When they did, Thomas Beardslee with his wife and half dozen children and Marcus Riker moved in with them until their own cabins were completed. As was the custom everyone shared what they had. Before the John Beardslee's could move out of their shanty, their son Townsend arrived, the first white child to be born in Independence Township.

Adam Fisher was one of the hardy souls who traveled the entire distance from the eastern seaboard by wagon. Coming from New Jersey, Adam left early enough in the year to arrive on Sashabaugh Plains by June. Such a trip took roughly three months.

The Indians in this area gave little trouble but the settlers would almost have preferred danger from them as from the packs of wolves that for years howled outside their cabins on winter nights and slaughtered their livestock. Finally, the township board put a bounty on wolf scalps to increase an interest in hunting them down. Marcus Riker collected the first five dollars in bounty money.

"Now Marcus Riker and Archibald Ayers, Chased the wolves right into their lairs, Their gaunt hounds yelled, their rifles flash,

Joseph VanSyckle and Henry Gulick, Caught wild pigeons 'twas their music, They loved with sport so very dear, And caught them almost all the year;

which gives us an understanding of why the passenger pigeon no longer exists. These early settlers, surrounded with such amplitude of fish and game, could not foresee that any wild life could be hunted to extinction.

tion. These birds were decoyed into nets and killed by the thousands.

While mention is made of Joseph VanSyckle's love of hunting, his son overlooks the fact that his father, coming from Independence, New Jersey, was responsible for naming the township.

William, with a bluntness that may have been characteristic of the early settlers, told of several who were not well liked. He called them by name--we won't.

"I trow, they came a little too soon, They never acted with propriety, For the peace and good of society, They sold out, moved away, and then Their places were filled by better men."

He brought out that not all who settled here were farmers and attested to the high wages of these men who were in trades.

"Andrew Freeman and Richard Bray, Carpenters and joiners snug were they; They applied themselves to their trade, Houses snug and barns made, Very useful men were they; They got one dollar each per day."

He gave full credit to those hardy pioneers who faced so much in their efforts to make homes out of a wilderness.

"All honor to those brave pioneers, That settled here in bygone years; They made the wilderness to bloom..."

Registering now

The winter term for Adult Education in the Waterford Township Schools will begin on January 2. Registration will be held throughout the month of December. Interested persons may call Donald Arsen at 674-3145 days or evenings for further information.

New to the program this year are two Saturday morning sessions which will run for 15 weeks. These courses will be Auto Mechanics and Blue Print Reading.

Although most of the courses are for adults earning High School credits each class is open to everyone 16 years of age or over.

The winter term for Bishop Sewing will register during the week of January 8 and classes will start the week of January 15.

"Chrismon Service" at Calvary Lutheran

For the past few months, the women of the Jezebel Unit, Calvary Lutheran Church Women, have been busy constructing strange three-dimensional Christmas tree ornaments called "Chrismons."

The practice is as old as the early Church in ancient Rome, but the results are as up-to-date as can be. A special "Chrismon Service" will be held this coming Sunday evening at 7:00 P.M. to share these unique creations with the community. A "chrismon" is actually an ornament based on monograms that stand for Christ. There are familiar ones, such as the famous IHS (for Jesus). And there are different and unfamiliar ones too, such as the Tau Cross and the Serpent and Cross.

Panel discussion to be repeated

So successful was the Teen Panel Discussion recently sponsored by the Clarkston Youth Assistance Committee that another Panel has been scheduled.

This will be held in January. Fourteen students were on the panel when presented before and over 50 persons were in attendance at the meeting.

Another project sponsored by the Assistance Committee was the Teen Dance held in the Annex building. Over 250 youth attended the affair at which the group Nobody's Children provided the music. The committee wishes to thank the Township for the use of the hall, the chaperones who gave an evening's time and for the band who generously donated their time and talent.

At the next meeting of the committee which will be held on December 18, two baskets will be filled for needy area families. Members will be donating food items and turkeys will be purchased. Also invited to the meeting to be entertained will be members of the panel and also members of the orchestra who have given of their time recently to help with these two projects.

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The service of worship will be conducted by eight of the women from the Unit, assisted by twelve of the Sunday Church School children. Included in the program will be two congregational hymns, a number of Scripture readings, and two vocal solos: "Lo, How A Rose E're Blooming," by Miss Ellen Taylor, and "What Child Is This?" by Mr. David Blomquist. Altogether about fifty "Chrismons" have been made, and twelve of the most attractive ones will be put aside to be hung during the service. This should prove to be a beautiful and inspiring worship experience, one that families of the church and those from other congregations and the community will not want to miss.

MEN in SERVICE



Aboard submarine

Seaman Apprentice Anthony Szeremet, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Szeremet of 7726 Visgar, Waterford, is serving aboard the submarine USS Tirante, New London, Conn.

His ship is presently undergoing two weeks of refresher training. This training period will assure that the crew and the submarine will be operationally ready to resume its part as an active unit of the Atlantic Fleet.

Upon completion of refresher training Tirante will return to its homeport in Key West, Fla.

Completes basic

Seaman Recruit Gary R. Pearson, USN, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Pearson of 6705 Townview Drive, Clarkston, has been graduated from nine weeks of Navy basic training at the Naval Training Center in Great Lakes, Illinois.

In the first weeks of his naval service he studied military subjects and lived and worked under conditions similar to those he

will encounter on his first ship or at his first shore station. In making the transition from civilian life to Naval service, he received instruction under veteran Navy petty officers. He studies seamanship, as well as survival techniques, military drill and other subjects.

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Seymour Lake

By Miss Gladys Sherwood

Mrs. Francis Nickle will be hostess to the Womens Society of Christian Service on Wednesday, December 13. Dinner will be served at noon. Instead of a Christmas gift exchange, gifts may be brought to be sent to the Oakland County Children's Home. The gifts must be brought unwrapped.

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"If It Fitz . . ."

Something's missing in the john

By Jim Fitzgerald



PEEKIN' into the PAST

10 YEARS AGO IN THE CLARKSTON NEWS

Next Sunday evening, December 8th, the combined choirs of First Methodist Church will open the Christmas-season at the church with their annual Christmas Candlelight Choral Service beginning at 7:30 P.M.

Ann Lowrie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Lowrie of 7180 Andersonville Road has been chosen as Daughter of the American Revolution Good Citizen at Clarkston High School. Mr. and Mrs. Stanwood Radoye of Overlook Road have a new 6 lb. daughter. Holly Jean was born Friday morning, November 29th.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hintz and three children of Ascension Drive enjoyed a family get-together when 20 members of the family had Thanksgiving dinner at his father's home in Detroit.

25 YEARS AGO IN THE CLARKSTON NEWS

Don Tee, a former Clarkston boy and a graduate of Clarkston High School, enlisted in the Navy and left on Wednesday for the Great Lakes Training Station.

A daughter, Cheryl Dianne, was born to the Rev. and Mrs. Harold Pailthorp of the Methodist Church on Thanksgiving evening, November 26th, at the Pontiac General Hospital.

The Senior High Youth Fellowship group of the Clarkston Methodist Church enjoyed a hayride party on Monday night. Also enlisting in the Navy was Charles Raymond Beach, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Beach, 6756 Dixie Highway. He will begin recruit training at Great Lakes next week.

There I was again this morning, in my bathrobe, squatting on the porch, sleepy eyes mostly closed, feeling with both hands, looking like an idiot.

And then I woke up. No Detroit Free Press. The lousy newspaper strike!

Some people cannot begin a day decently without a cup of coffee. I cannot begin without a lengthy reading session in the john. Lately, with no morning newspaper, I have been reading John O'Hara's latest book of short stories. It is not the same. O'Hara writes such good short stories. I wonder how he produces such miserable novels. But at 7 a.m. I cannot cope with sex in suburbia. I am worried about Charlie Brown, for lord's sake.

Another thing is that I like to finish what I start in the bathroom. But some of O'Hara's short stories aren't very. I keep thinking the next page will be the last, but it never is. I

know I could peek ahead and see how much is left, but that ruins the story. If the hero is just starting to make out at the bottom of page 90, I don't want to know in advance that there is no page 91. This would be as disenchancing as going to the dinner table when you know the main course is parsnips.

Anyway, the longer library hours not only make me late for work, they untranquil my domestic scene.

"These fried eggs are hard," I complained to the maid the other day. "You know I can't stand hard eggs for breakfast."

"Yeah," she snorted, looking at the clock, "but I thought you might like them for lunch."

Boy, I'd quit sleeping with the maid if I weren't married to her.

But back to the Free Press. It probably has such a grip on my mornings because I began the habit early.

I was only 8 years old but I remember the first Free Press I read. I remember because it was the first thing I ever swiped. The neighbors were vacationing and had forgotten to tell the newsboy. I could see no harm in taking the paper off their porch every morning. And there was no harm until they returned home in the middle of the 1934 World Series. This was no time to quit reading about my Tiger heroes, so I kept on swiping. (Gee, remember when Detroit had a second baseman?) I got caught and branded, a traumatic experience which may be responsible for my devotion to the Free Press to this day. A psychiatrist might well say I've bought it all these years just to show I could afford it. Which wouldn't account for all the countless times I've swiped it from outdoor newsstands, but what do psychiatrists know?

It is a crime that Detroit should be without its 2 regular newspapers. I don't pretend to know what the

strike is all about. Those newsmen on TV pretend, but not me. I shall wait to get a detailed, objective report when the Free Press resumes publication. Then John Knight will explain it was all the fault of the dirty labor unions.

My regret at the newspaper strike is genuine despite the fact I am making a buck off it. The Daily Express, one of the "emergency newspapers," is publishing my column so that everyone will realize fully what a desperate emergency this is. With Wyandotte publisher Frank Beaumont, boy tycoon, wheeling and dealing the Express, I'm certain it will fill much of the news gap for Detroiters.

But the Daily Express circulation does not extend to my bathroom where I sit too long, trying to figure out what John O'Hara meant by that??? This is no way to start a day.

I guess I'll call Action Line. Δ

The Clarkston News editorial page

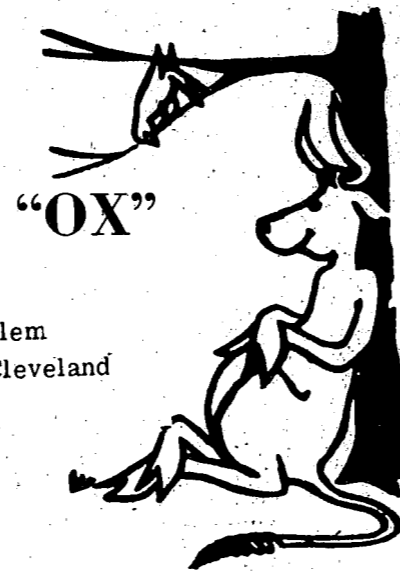
New library facilities future is brighter

The future looks brighter this week for a new library building to serve the residents of Independence Township. Announcement has been made of a Federal grant to aid in the construction in the amount of \$38,546. Coupled with the amount already pledged and on hand, it is hoped that if a prompt revision of plans is accomplished that construction could be started perhaps next spring.

There is still much work to be done before the new building is actually realized. Building costs are spiralling rapidly. Better check your pledge card. There is still time to bring it up to date and to get credit for this year's contribution on your income tax. Or better yet, now would be a good time to make that pledge a bit bigger and still gain the tax benefit of the donation.

A well-stocked local library is a prime necessity in the technical world in which we live. Education is a continuing process now—our children need the best of reading facilities—our youth are demanding more and better facilities and recreational enjoyment revolve around a comprehensive library set-up. The cultural advantages of this community must not be neglected.

The library needs you, and you need the library. If you haven't already signed a pledge card why not give it some thought right now at this "giving season"?



Clem Cleveland

It isn't often that you get a letter from the president of your bank, especially, thanking you for an order of personalized checks. But, when Calhoun orders something, anything can happen.

Last Monday, Harold Pickford, president of the Oxford Savings Bank, wrote a letter to me. He thanked me for the recent order of some checks.

For a little over three years that I have been with the Oxford Leader, Cal and I have been banking with the Oxford Bank. They're friendly, nice people.

About a year ago, Cal took an interest in our finances. I welcomed her to take over our bookkeeping, bill paying and such. She willingly accepted the responsibility. I was happy to get shed of having to read bill collector's notes.

The first time that she tried to keep our books, it was disaster. Checks started bouncing all over town. With experience and maturity, she learned that you have to keep putting money into the account before you start withdrawing from it.

I would ask her how come we didn't have any money in the checking account and she would tell me that she had lots of money to deposit, but she hadn't time to get to the bank. I would tell her that she could mail her deposits. She would remind me that she was poor at letter writing and, with the babies, she didn't have time for that either.

So, for several years, I assumed the duties of chief check writer. A year ago when Cal asked if she could make amends for her past errors, I reminded her that before she could spend, she'd have to have something in the account. She lowered her eyes and said, pure contrition in her voice, "I will be careful."

For the better part of a year, she was careful and our financial condition improved. I felt encouraged.

Then, a couple of weeks ago, she told me that she no longer had time to fiddle around with in the Clifford Gardner home, featured in last week's News when it was a two family home.

the bill paying. She gave me that big buildup, "You're so good at it and all," and so the job has been returned.

Resigning myself to the fact that check writing was again my department, I started taking a closer look at the mail dropped in our box.

Last Monday, Pickford's letter arrived. I opened it and read the cheery greeting. When I read that Cal had ordered 800 checks, I couldn't believe my eyes. Over and over I read the same number.

Gathering my courage, I asked her to explain how it happened. She said, "The other day I ran out of checks. There was this form on the front of the last pad of checks. On the form there were little squares. I just put an 'X' in one and put the form in an envelope and mailed it. I thought you always ordered 800 checks, so to save you time and bother, I just sent it in."

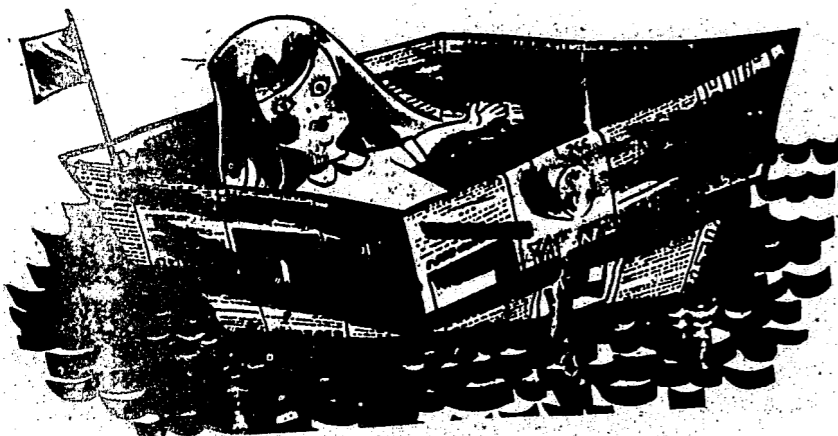
Patiently, with gentleness in my voice, I tried to explain, "Cal, we haven't written 800 checks since we started banking in Oxford. That's three years. It will take me more than four to use up those checks you've ordered."

"Yes," she said, "I know. But, just think, you won't have to be bothered ordering anymore. That's just one less thing that you'll have to think about," or something.

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Ripples from the Pool

By Faith Poole

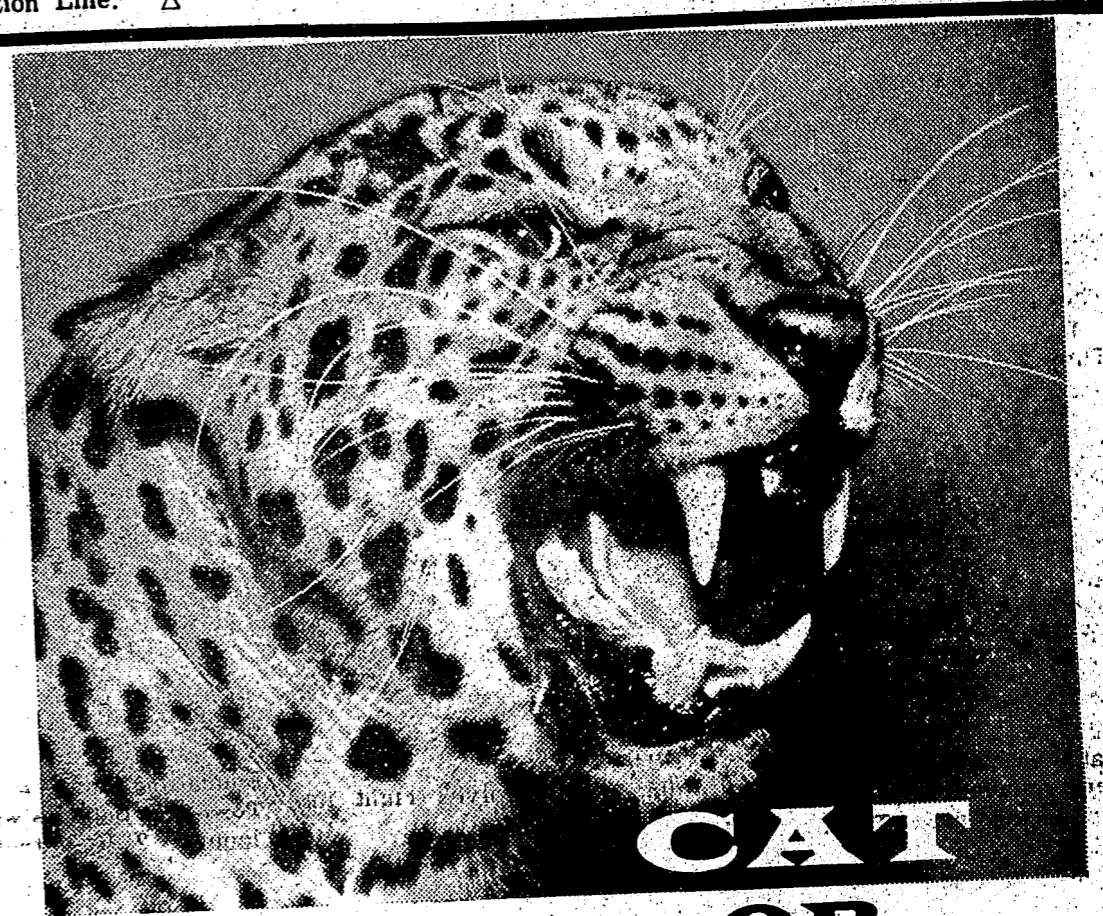
For some strange reason the news media hears of State and Federal grants before the unit who is to be the recipient does. We have seen this happen many times. Last week local library representatives got the news from the area daily who received it over their wire service while the Clarkston News received it simultaneously by mail.

One of Clarkston's Exchange students, Jacoba Kuiper from the Netherlands, living with the Hanson family

has an interesting pastime—she is making a scrap book of items clipped from the Clarkston News.

Set workers worked all weekend to erect the fabulous setting for the Village Players production of "Under the Yum, Yum Tree". It will be staged Friday and Saturday in Clarkston's Little Theater. Tickets will be available at the door.

Several local residents have told columnist Connie Lektzian that they had lived



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JUST AMONG FRIENDS

By Lucinda Ellert

The teen of the week for this week is Diane Lundy, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Lundy. Diane lives at 5095 Pine Knob Road with her parents, sister, Jan who is 12, and their family dog, Caesar. Diane also has two married brothers Ron, and Jack. She attends school at Clarkston High School where she is a senior with a very good grade average of 3.29 or a B-plus and she hopes to get a scholarship. She is very active in school with dramatics club and G.A.A. (Girls Athletic Association). In the dramatics club play "See How They Run", Diane played the part of Ida, the English maid. For the play Diane learned the necessary English

cockney accent from two other plays that she was in, "My Fair Lady" and "Oliver". Diane is also in the summer theatre workshop in which she had a part in the production "Stonehenge". Diane likes to be in play productions because she likes to meet people. Outside school Diane takes two different types of dancing lessons; jazz and ballet, and last year for the high school talent show she did a jazz routine on a "Goldfinger" song. Her favorite hobbies are reading, bicycle riding, writing and painting. Diane's plans for the future include going to college next year, hopefully to the University of Michigan, and although she doesn't have a major in mind yet, after she graduates



DIANE

from college she wants to go into the Peace Corps or become an airline stewardess so that she can travel around. Diane was one of the competitors in the Junior Miss pageant. Last year Diane was in girls varsity basketball, but she is not sure whether she will try out this year or not; basket ball is her favorite sport. She was also in varsity band, but she feels that she is not musically enough inclined, in spite of the fact that she loves all types of music. Diane especially does not understand the hippie movement because she thinks hippies are not too clean. She feels that individualism and idealism is all right but she doesn't like the drug trips and dirt in the hippie life. Diane's general philosophy is: Get as much out of life as you can while you are around.

THE STAR OF THE SHOW

Last Tuesday, November 28, a cat got stuck up on the roof of the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Ellert. Their daughter, Lucinda came home from school to find the bedraggled animal howling on the highest peak of the two story house. Because Lucinda could not coax the cat down she called the fire department and one man came out to get it down, but it was too frightened. The fireman went back to the station to get another man, and another, and another. It finally took three pickups, 2 police cars; and a hook and ladder truck to get the cat off the roof.

Mark Richard playing for William Penn college

Friday evening, December 1 the host Statesmen of William Penn College went against Grace College in the 5th annual running of the Oskaloosa Tip-Off Classic. Overall, the Penn cagers are slated to finish in the second division for the first time in quite a few years. Backing up the five lettermen will be six freshmen and one sophomore who may figure quite heavily in the Statesmen's final outcome: Mark Richard of Clarkston, Eric Otto, Doug Sheets, Jim Coop, Tom Underwood, Mike Shafer and Mike Vandewall.



The valuable viewpoint of these young people, on subjects and problems facing the community, were given last week at a very interesting panel discussion, held in the Community Center. The discussion was sponsored by the Clarkston Youth Assistance Committee. Back row (left to right) are: John Lynn, Terry MacDougall, Jeff Richardson, Liza Birkelo, and Becky Rankin. Second row: Chuck Caldwell, Tom Gates, Karrie Carlak, Zac Bell and Mary Carol. Seated in front are Pam Toutant, Mr. Brumback, moderator and Dawn Willson.

PLEDGES FRATERNITY

Daniel Williams of Clarkston and a student at Ferris State College in Big Rapids is a

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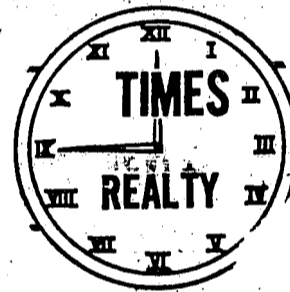
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Girls write homemaker tests

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A \$5,000 scholarship will be awarded to the national winner and runners-up will be granted \$4,000, \$3,000, and \$2,000 scholarships, respectively. State winners will be awarded \$1,500 scholarships with state runners-up receiving \$500 grants.

Last year the winner from Clarkston High School was Priscilla Wice.

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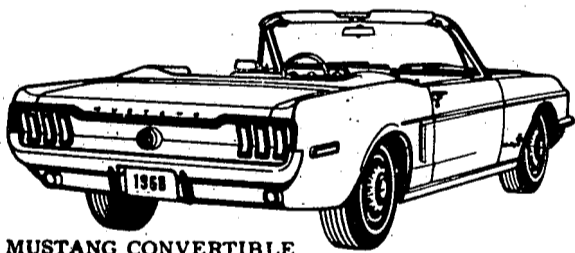
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