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It was all aboard for a visit to Santa last week as this bus loading scene at the Clarkston Elementary school reveals. Approximately four hundred excited kindergarten children from the school district made the unforgettable trip to the heart of Detroit and Hudson's world of Christmas.

## Jim's Jottings

By Jim Sherman

I've always liked to walk in the rain. It's almost as relaxing as laying in the top bunk of a cabin in the north woods with the un-insulated roof close above and just listening to the rain drops splash on the asphalt shingles. Or, sitting under a pine tree in deer hunting season, watching large snow flakes fall from the sky, and listening to absolutely nothing. I spent a couple hours doing that this season. It wasn't really a rain Wednesday night, more of a light mist and fog, but it was relaxing. I was thinking of a topic for this

column among other things. I suppose it was natural that the first thing I jotted on my pad was Christmas.

I thought it funny, rather unusual, that I could remember none of the Christmases in my adult life. That is none of them came quickly to mind. Only if I concentrate on it I can recall them.

I assumethat just bears out the saying that Christmas is for kids. The Christmas that always comes to mind first was in 1935 or 36 when I was 9 or 10 years old. That year my sister, Barbara, and I were given a sled to share. It was a real beauty.

It had chrome up front and chrome runners. It was the brightest, classiest sled I'd ever seen, and it lasted a long time. Boy, how it would glide down the hills at Bancroft and Shiawassee town, over jumps, and with an occasional detour to try to cut the legs from under someone trudging back up the hill.

I don't remember Barbara ever using the sled, but I suppose we fought over it as we did about everything else.

The only other Christmas that I recalled during my walk

## Outdoor decorations will be judged Dec. 21

The Clarkston Area Jaycees will sponsor the fifth annual Outdoor Christmas Decorating contest this year for residents of the Clarkston area. As in the past, decorations will be judged for originality and attractiveness.

The first place winner will be awarded a \$25 gift certificate and possession of the traveling "Santa Trophy." Second and third place winners will be awarded gift certificates of \$15 and \$10.

The purpose of the contest is not only to encourage more

people to decorate their home and yards, but to recognize and reward residents who put great effort and time into attractive decorations for the community to enjoy during the Christmas season.

Judging will take place on Thursday December 21, and will be limited to residents of Independence Township. To assure a home is not overlooked, the contestant is encouraged to write his name and address on a post card and mail to Box 154 Clarkston, before December 20th.

in the rain was somewhere about the same time. I don't remember receiving any gifts, only how we happened to have a tree Christmas morning, when we didn't have one Christmas Eve.

As I got the story, through eavesdropping over the register around the stove pipe that went up through the hallway, my brother Dair and his friend, Baldy Allen, had "found" a tree to their liking in or around Owosso. No money had exchanged hands during the transaction, if I heard correctly.

With it they started hitchhiking to Bancroft . . . and got a ride with a county deputy.

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The thoughts of my youth at Christmas time then wandered to other happinesses. When we lived on a farm 2 miles south of Vernon and 2 miles west of Durand on old, real old, M-78, there was a barn with horse stalls. We didn't have horses. But, I did and so did my playmates.

We'd go out and cut a willow switch and head for the barn to mount the stanchions that would have kept the horses apart if we'd had horses. We'd nail a leather strap to the neck of the stanchion and, with wooden guns in hand, go after every badman and Indian in the west. We'd whip those steeds until the switches were frayed.

My imagination is just as good today, maybe not quite so vivid as then; but it doesn't lean toward whipping wooden horses and shooting Indians. Sometimes I wish it would.

## Junior High construction bids to be opened Thursday

Thursday night, December 14 is the night that the Clarkston Board of Education will open construction bids for the new Junior High School. Bonds were recently sold and it is anticipated that construction will be started in early spring on the Sashabaw Road site.

At the regular board meeting held Monday evening bills from the construction fund and general fund were paid. The group also reviewed a contract from Consumers Power Company. In

this contract it was pointed out that a different method will be used in computing the bills for the High School. It is estimated that by entering into the contract with the company that a saving of \$1,000 per year for heating bills for the High School will be realized.

Dr. Leslie Greene reported to the board that he had appeared before a House Committee who were investigating the rising cost of school building construction. The hearing

which was held in Warren on Thursday found Dr. Greene presenting a portfolio on both the direct and indirect causes of these high costs. He was representing the Superintendent's Association in this area. He was accompanied to the meeting by George Garber of Walled Lake and Gene Spencer of Clawson, both Superintendents of their respective districts.

The committee will then take the information back to the legislature where perhaps action will be taken on the matter.

## Christmas concerts on Dec. 19 & 20

This year the annual Junior High Christmas concert is being held on two consecutive nights, December 19 and 20 in the Junior High gym. Starting time is 7:30.

Due to the increased enrollment in musical activities, it is no longer possible to have joint concerts as in previous years.

Under the direction of Miss Grayce Warren the choruses will present their concert on the 19th and the bands will be directed by Barton Connors on the 20th.

Following are the programs as planned for each event.

CHORUS CONCERT

Here We Come A Caroling

We Wish You a Merry Christmas

The Birthday of A King

Combined Groups

Let It Snow

It's Beginning To Look Like Christmas

Candles Like Stars

While By My Sheep

Honor's Chorus

Little Lamb, Who Made Thee

Honor's Chorus Girls

Sing Gloria

Crech Lullaby

Joseph Dearest, Joseph Mine

Pat Burrus, Gerald Kenyon soloists

Troika

Girl's Chorus

O Holy Christmas Morning

Christmas Comes Again

Rocking

Pablo The Reindeer

Pin A Star On A Twinkling Tree

Seventh Grade Chorus

Toyland

Girl's Select Ensemble

We Three Kings

Jeff Dubois, Dan Woodward, and James Klark

Boy's Ensemble

Do You Hear What I Hear

Dear Santa, Have You Had The Measles

Christmas Carol

The audience is invited to participate.

Silent Night . . . . . Gruber

Franz Tressenwriter-sung in German  
Juanita Biggler-soprano  
Judy Swanson-alto  
Accompanists-Jim Gordon  
Nancy Hyde  
Noreen Inman  
Percussionist-Mike Humphrey

BAND PROGRAM  
Honor's Group  
Spirit of Christmas  
What Child is This  
Hello, Dolly (Santa)  
White Christmas  
Seventh Grade Band

To Be Announced  
Eighth Grade Band  
The Christmas Song  
I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus  
Christmas Sing Along

Joy To The World  
Hark, the Herald Angels Sing  
O Little Town of Bethlehem  
It Came Upon the Midnight Clear  
Silent Night  
The First Noel  
Deck the Halls With Boughs of Holly  
O Come All Ye Faithful

## Cars damaged, but no injuries

There were two property damage accidents in the area over the weekend as reported by the Sheriff department.

One occurred at 12:45 A.M. on Sunday at the corner of Maybee and Pine Knob Roads.

James Larry Pillow of 3205 Sashabaw, Drayton Plains was travelling north on Pine Knob Road. As he tried to avoid another car that was stopped, he went around the car on the right but was unable to stop at the stop sign. He collided with a car driven by Richard Dickinson, 41, of 5619 Stevens, Clarkston. Sheriff officers cited Pillow for

failure to have his vehicle under control. Neither driver was injured.

Two women drivers collided at the corner of Sashabaw Road and Clinton on Friday. Marilyn Bliss of 3100 Seymour Lake, Ortonville was going south when a car pulled out in front of her. She hit the brakes, but could not stop she told sheriff officers. The other driver was Winona Sperling of 4603 Lakeview, Drayton Plains who said her car was out in the traffic lane, before she got stopped. Neither driver received injuries.

## Cars damaged

Two cars were damaged; however neither driver was injured in an accident which occurred Thursday afternoon on Sashabaw Road, north of Maybee.

Patricia Fowler of Star Route, Crawford county pulled out of a gas station in front of a car driven by Beverly Fox of 5273 Sashabaw Road, Clarkston. The fender and grille on the Fox car was damaged as she told sheriff officers who investigated that the car pulled in front of her and she could not stop. The right front door was damaged on the Fowler car, although both cars were able to be driven away.

## Jaycees toy drive

The Clarkston Jaycees are again this year sponsoring a drive to provide toys for the needy children of this area.

A toy drop box has been placed in the Clarkston office of the Pontiac State Bank for anyone wishing to donate.

Those having toys to give and who are unable to drop them at the bank may call Bob Beattie at 625-2200 and arrangements will be made to pick them up.



Nine members of the Clarkston Junior High Band, that will take part in the December 20th Christmas Concert, are (back row) Diane Sinclair, September Kish, Gerald Kenyon, Mary Butters and Jan Lundy. Front row: Darla Hoppingardner, Janet Johnson and Earla Davidson. The concert, under the direction of Bart Connors, will be given in the school gymnasium, and begin at 7:30 p.m.



The Christmas theme of A Star is Born will be used this year by the Junior High Chorus for their December 19 Christmas concert. Working on the decorations and programs for the public presentation are Denise Stevenson, Claudia Allen, Tod Garlack (in back), Claudia Tuson and Roger Sczerenet. The chorus will be under the direction of Miss Grayce Warren.

**obituaries**

**John Londos**

Funeral services for John Londos were conducted from Our Lady of the Lakes Church on Saturday. Mr. Londos who resided at 6211 Orion Road died on December 6.

Mr. Londos was well known in the Detroit area for his work with the Rooster-tail and the Detroit Yacht Club. He was currently working with the Hotel Pick Fort Shelby.

A Rosary was held at the Lewis E. Wint Funeral Home Friday evening. Burial took place in Lakeview Cemetery.

His wife, LeOpal survives him.

**Vern Thybault**

Funeral services will be held Thursday at 9 A. M. at Our Lady of the Lakes Church for Vern E. Thybault. Mr. Thybault, who lived at 8520 Ortonville Road died suddenly on Tuesday, December 12. He was 60 and had recently retired from General Motors Truck and Coach.

He was a member of Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church. A Rosary will be held at the Funeral Home Wednesday evening at 8:00.

Arrangements were by the Lewis E. Wint Funeral Home.

Survivors include his wife Theresa; four sons, Neil of Highland, Darrel of Rochester, Richard of North Branch and Emmanuel of Union Lake; two daughters, Mrs. Earl (Deanna) Cohoon of Pontiac and Mrs. John (Janyth) Banfield of Ortonville; also 19 grandchildren and four sisters and a brother.

**Mrs. Robert Fischer**

Funeral services were conducted on Tuesday, December 12 for Mrs. Robert Fischer (Betty) of 5171 Heath, Independence Township. Mrs. Fischer, who was 42 died on Sunday, December 10.

Arrangements were by the Coats Funeral Home in Waterford and burial took place in Crescent Hills Cemetery, Waterford Township.

She is survived by her husband; Robert; four sons, Edward E. of Pontiac, Richard R. and Roger D. of Waterford Township and Dennis R. of Clarkston; her mother, Mrs. Florence Dykes of Ortonville; three brothers, including John Dykes of Ortonville and James Dykes of Waterford Township; five sisters, including Mrs. Chester Beauregard of Clarkston, Mrs. Gordon Armstead of Pontiac, and Nancy of Ortonville; and three grandchildren.

**Mrs. Robert Hamilton**

Funeral services were conducted on Friday, December 8 from the Sharpe-Goyette Fu-



Turning their classroom lesson into a useful venture are these Junior High students from Mr. O'Briens handicraft class. Shown with the styrofoam centerpieces which they have made for sale are: Mr. O'Brien, Bob Brock, Dan Grace, Steve Dalton and Keith Dutcher.

neral Home for Mrs. Bessie Clark Hamilton of Roscommon. A former Clarkston resident, she died on Tuesday following a long illness. She was 84.

She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Clark and was married to Dr. Robert Hamilton who survives her.

Rev. Frank Cozadd officiated at the services and burial followed in Lakeview Cemetery.

In addition to her husband, Dr. Hamilton, she is survived by one brother, Lee Clark of Auburn Heights and several nieces and nephews.

**Rex Van DeWater Sr.**

Funeral services for Rex Van DeWater Sr. were held from the Sharpe-Goyette Funeral Home on Wednesday at 2 P.M. He died on December 10 following a short illness. He was 49 years of age. Burial followed in the Drayton Plains Cemetery.

Mr. Van DeWater was a machine operator at Pontiac Motors. He was a member of the Church of God in Drayton Plains.

Surviving are his wife, Mildred; seven sons, Rex Jr. and Roger, both with the U.S. Army, Glen of Marengo, Gary L., Ernest R. and Timothy, all at home and Larry Bedford of Dallas Texas; three daughters, Mrs. Jessie Thompson of Dallas and Cheryl L. and Sherrie, both at home.

Other survivors include three brothers, Ralph of Pontiac,

Glenn of Flint; a sister, Mrs. Ruth GoGis of Madison Heights; and four grandchildren.

**On National Council**

Floyd Tower, 177 N. Main, Clarkston, has been appointed to the National Americanism Council of the American Legion. Mr. Tower received notification of his appointment in a letter from National Commander, William E. Galbraith.

His appointment was approved by the Legion's National Executive Committee during its meeting, October 18-19, at Indianapolis, Indiana.

Mr. Tower was nominated by National Commander Galbraith for the appointment upon the recommendation of American Legion Department of Michigan officials in recognition of the services he has rendered to

his Post and The Department of Michigan. His term expires at the close of the 1968 Fall Session of the National Executive Committee.

**Men's Club and Camp Fire Girls selling trees**

The annual Christmas Tree sale at Camp Oweki, which is under the joint sponsorship of the Pontiac Area Council of Camp Fire Girls and the Men's Club of the Church of the Resurrection, is now being held. Here families can select and cut the trees of their choice. Trees may be purchased between 10:00 and 5:00 on Saturdays and Sundays - December 9th and 10th, 16th and 17th, and 23rd; all trees are \$2.50. Camp Oweki is located near Clarkston off I-75 and Waldon Road.

**Receive MSU degrees**

Robert M. Howey of 6400 Snowapple, and Leslie A. Hursfall of 119 N. Holcomb, both of Clarkston were awarded degrees at the fall term commencement exercises on the MSU campus, Saturday, December 2.

The commencement address was given by Robben W. Fleming, president-designate of the University of Michigan. He was awarded the honorary Doctor of Laws degree. Diplomas were presented to the graduates by Dr. John A. Hannah, now in his 26th year as MSU president. Mr. Howey received his BA

degree with honors in English. Leslie received her BA degree in Elementary education. They were some of 1,413 students who received degrees.

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NEW TRAMPOLINE—The Clarkston cheerleaders displayed further talents in their already talented routines by adding a trampoline to their cheers Friday night. The somersault when starting players were announced needed a little assistance from the manager and coach, but other jumps were beautifully executed.

field goal for Clarkston in the 4th quarter, but they did make 6 out of 10 free throws for their 8 pts. The Barons outscored Clarkston 11 to 8 as the game ended in a 47-47 draw.

The last 2:16 in the 4th quarter was as exciting as the Packer-Ram game. Keyser fouled Miller of Hills, he missed the one on one situation. Granger fouled Miller for his 5th foul, but Miller could make only one tie score 45-45. At the 1:37 Mark Keyser was fouled and he made both attempts, (pressure packed points). The score stayed that way until May of Hills made a left handed lay-up with only 4 seconds showing on the clock.

The overtime period was no place for a nail biting fan—it was simply hectic. Keyser immediately picked up his 5th foul, (he joined Ostrum and Granger) May made one free throw. Hood put Clarkston ahead by plowing through everyone for a lay-up. Hershman sank a bucket with Rich Porritt crawling all over him. He sank the free throw for a two pt. lead. Hood came right back and sunk another basket, tie game. Maslowski should get a big plus after his name as he hit Eric with a beautiful pass. Hoos rebounded a missed shot and Johnson dribbled down to the corner, took a long jumper, and on its way down it burned the net. Johnson made his 1st and last shots of the game, in between he missed nine. But we made the big one for the go ahead bucket. Maslowski and McMillan made a free throw apiece for a 4 pt. lead. May came back and hit a short jumper, lead down to two. Hills pressed frantically all over the floor, no one was watching the store and Eric Hood was all by himself for an easy lay-up. That was Hood's 6th pt. in the over time period. Final score 57-53.

By the way did anyone find the lucky locker?

SCORING

Eric Hood 14  
Mark Erickson 13  
Gary Ostrum 10  
Bob Palladino 9  
Rich Johnson 4  
Jeff Keyser 2  
Chuck Granger 2  
Gary McMillan 2  
Kurt Maslowski 1

The J.V. team lost their 2nd in a row by losing a seat squirm 44-37. Once again the boys in blue had trouble finding the hoop. They rebounded well and the man-to-man defense held Bloomfield to only 17 field goals. But if you can't put the ball through the rim, the victories will be hard to come by.

Steve Kratt 10  
Steve Warman 7  
Bruce Hardy 6  
Scott Robbins 6  
Tom Grace 2  
Rob Chapman 2

dike Derby to be held at Camp Oweki.

By Richard Calhoun  
Troop Scribe, 105

Hold family Christmas gathering

The Weber family Christmas party is an annual event. This year the group held their get-together on Sunday at the Township Hall annex. Forty-one were present to share in the festivities. Guests came from Hol-

ly, Pontiac and New Buffalo. After the Christmas dinner was held there was the gift exchange. The affair until a few years ago was held at the home of Mrs. Charles Weber, but of late years...has been held at the Annex building as the family grew. Mrs. Weber, a graduate of CHS in 1912 was in the first graduating class at the then new High School.

Trooper and Mrs. Charles Weber and their son Michael were present from New Buffalo and spent the weekend as guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Elmey on Paramus.

B.S.A. does it again

On December 2, 1967, Boy Scout Troop 105, (along with numerous other troops from all over Michigan and even Canada), took part in the rainy, though still fun-filled Polar Bear Hike. The hike (at Holly Recreation Area) consisted of hiking 12 miles over rolling fields and wooded hills. All scouts who completed the total 12 miles are entitled to wear a very attractive blue and white neckerchief which was available from the Wilderness Trail Committee.

Our troop reserved the Oakland University swimming pool on November 28, for a swimming party. The pool, consisting of a deep (12 ft.) area with three diving boards and a good sized, shallow (4-6 ft.) pool attached was put to good use. The pool was used to pass first class swimming requirements, swimming merit badges, and also (not to leave out the most important ingredient) to have fun.

In the near future Troop 105 will be going swimming and on another hike, this time, the Saginaw Trail. The troop is also having a Christmas pot luck supper and court of honor on December 18. In February, the troop will be competing in the Annual Manito District Klondike Derby.

Clarkston stuns Bloomfield Hills

Mel Vaara

In a complete reversal from last Friday's ball game, the Wolves in overtime dumped the Barons 57-53!

Many, many observers felt Clarkston didn't have a ghost of a chance on the Barons court, but coach McGrath and his chargers made liars out of them all. Last weeks loss was the 1st opening game loss for a Bud McGrath coached team. His boys more than made up for the loss with this fine victory!

Clarkston opened with a flourish, as Gary Ostrum hit on two quick ones, Rich Johnson added another and the Wolves had a 6-1 lead. These quick points set the tempo for the game and one could tell this was going to be a barn burner.

Both McGrath and Henderson of Hills used a full court press throughout the game, it led to plenty of mistakes, but it added

a tremendous amount of action for the fans.

The 1st quarter ended with Clarkston holding a 11-10 lead. Ostrum led all scorers with 6 points.

Bloomfield started with a rush in the 2nd period with their big center Steve Jones getting 8 pts. He also picked up his third foul and coach Henderson let him sit on the bench for the last 6 minutes of the quarter. Charles Granger also picked up his 3rd foul and Eric Hood was inserted into the line-up. Hood almost spent the entire 2nd quarter at the free throw line. He had 8 attempts, making only three. Hood didn't take any shots in this quarter, but his all around hustle led to greater deeds in the 2nd half.

Bloomfield took a 28-23 lead into the locker room and appeared to have the momentum to gain a victory.

At the outset of the 2nd half big Steve Jones picked up his 4th foul and this seemed to spook the Wolves. Jones added a field goal to take a 7 pt. lead, but

Erickson and Ostrum added a bucket. It was here McGrath inserted Bob Palladino into the game. Palladino, Hood and Keyser, three upstarts from Hanson's Army helped change the completion of the game. Palladino played with wreckless abandon, added two buckets as he and Keyser spearheaded the defense. Hood hit on two of 6 attempts and made 1 free throw. Erickson made two of 4 field goal attempts as the Wolves took the lead at the 4:10 mark in the quarter.

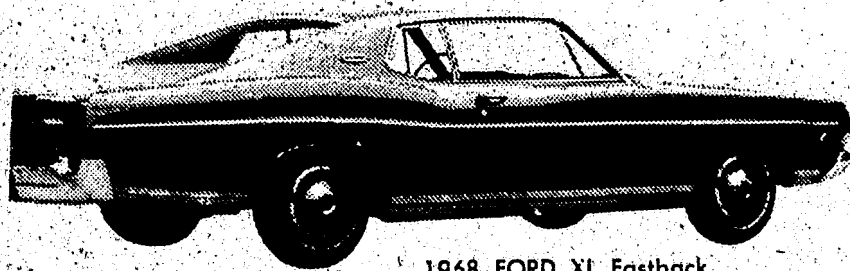
Clarkston received a big break when Jones the big 6'5" boy fouled out with 3:09 left in the quarter. His loss was a big one, as the top rebounder and top shooter was sitting on the bench, through for the evening.

Clarkston outscored Bloomfield 16 to 8 in the quarter to take a 39-36 lead. An oddity in this quarter was the inability of Bl. Hills at the charity stripe. They had 8 attempts, three of them bonus situations and they missed all 8.

Bob Palladino made the only

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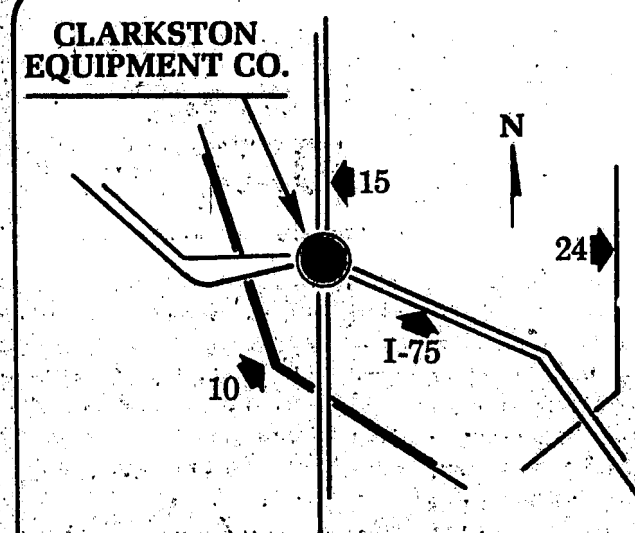
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# Social happenings

by Constance Lektzian



Champagne cocktails and Country Club dancing gave the proper festive touch to the celebration of the Chatham Club's tenth anniversary. Many charter members and newcomers met at the Clarkston Country Club last Saturday to welcome the decade. Pictured in a pre-party meeting at the Robert Newlin home are Club members (standing in back, left to right) Bruce Embrey, Gus Birtsas, and Bob Newlin. Seated are their wives, Mrs. Newlin, Mrs. Embrey and Mrs. Birtsas.

children. Seventy-one members and about 57 of their children joined in singing the traditional carols. Chairman for the dinner was Paul Pety of Clarkston and his assistant was Tony Miceli of Waterford.

Thursday, December 7, was Investiture day for Brownie Troop #800 at Clarkston Elementary School. Meeting immediately after school hours, there were about 25 parents who watched as the sixteen members of this troop received their Brownie and World Pins. Girls who had been members for a full year received their year pins. A social hour of punch and cookies followed.

Mrs. Charles Curry of Warbler Drive opened her home Thursday evening, December 7, for the Christmas party of the Clarkston Junior Child Study Club. There was a gift exchange among the eighteen members present. This was followed by a hilarious white elephant exchange in which each one passed on to another member some trinket they had accumulated over the years and couldn't stand to keep around. On the serious side, they had a discussion of the success of their bakery basket, a unique means of raising funds. A member bakes a cake or pastry item and takes it to another member who puts a dollar in the collection envelope. Then the recipient does some baking and trots over to another member with it. The money gathered is used to buy stockings for the needy children who received shoes through the Rotary Club. Mrs. Donald Cooper of Washington Street is president of this group.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lektzian of 6563 Plum Drive attended a family gathering at the home of his brother and sister-in-law, the Melkon Lektzian's of Ross Drive in Waterford. Present also from Detroit were Mr. and Mrs. George Lektzian.

The Clarkston Jaycees and Jayettes, who do so much for other children, held an afternoon party for their own offspring Sunday December 10. Over 100 children attended the affair which was held in the Clarkston Junior High cafeteria. They watched cartoons and sang carols led by Nancy Weiss and Carole Newlin. The girls also assisted Santa Claus when he handed out gifts to each child. Later, refreshments

of cookies, ice cream and cool-aid were served to the youngsters. Under the chairmanship of Mrs. Gwen Wilton of Paramus, it was a very successful party. There was a goodly turnout of parents who accompanied their children to watch the fun.

For the twelfth year, Betty and Charlie Kuhne held their annual "At Home" Christmas party out at 6300 Crabapple Street. Mrs. Kuhne followed a red and white Christmas decor with numerous candles and eye-catching stylized screen tree. A buffet of hors d'oeuvres was served during the evening. Present from Clarkston were Mr. and Mrs. Earle G. Hawke and the Allan Hawke's along with Mrs. Bernard Rheault, the Karl Schweitzer's, Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Latozas and Mr. William Millward. Coming from Pontiac were Mr. and Mrs. Wesley J. Stewart, the Duane Hamilton's, the Leon Leigh's and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Beyer along with Mr. Thomas Tillson. Mr. and Mrs. Russell DeBeauclair were there from East Detroit and the Robert Viotor's came over from Birmingham for the festivities. Mr. Kurt Kuhne II and Mr. Harvey Hoffman of Bloomfield Hills escorted Miss Ramona Newton of White Lake and Miss Carol Manion of Auburn Heights. Mr. and Mrs. Russell Lehigh of Waterford were among the guests along with the Kurt Kuhne's and Richard Paschke's of Union Lake. Houseguests of the Charlie Kuhne's were the Winston C. Bancroft's of Plymouth, Indiana. Nonsensical gifts were exchanged and the traditional carols were sung. These 37 voices must have made the rafters or something ring. A midnight lunch of chili, coffee and fruit cake brought this delightful evening to a close.

The Clarkston area Avon representatives were among those present at the annual Christmas party for Avon's District #309. At the 12:30 luncheon held December 8 at the Spring Lake Country Club there were representatives from Oxford, Clarkston, Lapeer, Lake Orion, Ortonville and Holly. Entertainment was provided by singer Rita Reed. Following the luncheon, district manager Mrs.

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Mary Lou Seelbinder of Ortonville gave out awards for highest sales and for the representative servicing the greatest number of customers during the Christmas season.

Mrs. Keith Humbert of 6440 Snowapple Drive drove to Big Rapids Tuesday December 12 to bring home son Dale Humbert from Ferris State College for the Christmas holidays. The long holiday gives the students a vacation until around the 5th of January.

The twenty-four members of Girl Scout Troop #453 met Mon-

day December 11 at the Clarkston Elementary School after classes. Under the guidance of Mrs. Ed Lewis of Church Street and Mrs. Al Hamilton of Overlook Drive, they practiced Christmas carols. The following Wednesday, December 13, they visited the Pine Knob Nursing Home where they entertained the residents there with a song fest of all the traditional Christmas songs.

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All various and sundry mothers and children survived the trip to Hudson's Downtown Toyland. It was worth the long drive to see the kindergartners eyes light up when they saw those animated elves. We got back with the same number and kind of children we left with but we did lose a mother for awhile. Seems she was looking for the four youngsters who were in her charge and they were waiting right where she left them.

A glittering spot in the holiday season was the anniversary party given by the Chatham Dance Club at the Clarkston Country Club out on Eston Road, last Saturday night, December 9. For ten years now their dances have been brightening the winter social whirl. Prior to

the start of the affair, each of the seven officer couples gave individual cocktail parties to ten other couples who are members of the Chatham Club. Those who hosted these little champagne parties were: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kloc of Waldon Road, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tilley of Transparent Drive, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Newlin of Princess Lane, the William Race's of Allen Road, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Birtsas of Robertson Court, the Robert Neubacher's of Lakeside in Drayton Plains and the Gary Duncan's of Big Lake Road. Following this, these 77 couples met at the Country Club where they danced to the music of the Starlighters. The semi-formal affair wound up with a buffet breakfast at 2:00 A.M. Special guests were

some of the original members, who were also organizers and officers of Chatham Club. These included Mr. and Mrs. David Hertler, Dr. and Mrs. Robert Buehrig, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Embrey, all of Clarkston. For the occasion, Clarkston Country Club was decked out in silver bells and lovely blue Christmas tree decorations. Some of these formed the favors given to each lady - a blue flocked Christmas ornament trimmed with green ribbon and seed pearls. A very special and lovely decoration, and one that represented a great deal of time and work, was a four tier anniversary cake made by Nancy Tilley. This was decorated with poinsettias and had tiny silver bells among the holly leaves. A very wonderful party that must have put everyone in the holiday spirit!

Jim and Gerilyn McClellan of Union Lake came over to the Dick Barry's of 6543 Plum Drive last Saturday night for dinner and Gerilyn discovered that it was a birthday dinner in her honor. Happy birthday! We don't know which one - that we don't ask.

Sunday, December 10, the French Cellar at Howe's Lanes on Dixie Highway was the scene of a gala Christmas party. The affair was hosted by the men of Clarkston's Campbell - Richmond American Legion Post #63 in honor of their wives and children, and the men themselves were responsible for the dinner. The tables contained Christmas decorations and there was a big, beautiful tree from where Santa passed out gifts to all the

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A MAJOR ART WORK—Peter Jepson, Birmingham, puts the finishing touches on his three-quarter life size burrow, "Brightly". The piece of sculpture is to be dedicated at the Grand Canyon, Saturday, December 16. We'll be there to tell you all about it.

# Camera and pen follow Brightly to Grand Canyon

By Clem Cleveland  
Editor, Oxford Leader

story of great patience and dedication, of an artist who has created a major piece of art work that will remain as part of the Grand Canyon for generations to come. We'll be writing to you next from God's country.

For the next 10 days, I'll be on the road. I left Sunday for the Grand Canyon. It has been almost 10 years since the last time I was there. My last trip out west was through the ice storm that stalled the mid-west, New Years, 1959.

I have been given the job by Stephen Booth of taking pictures of the dedication ceremonies of "Brightly." This "Brightly" is a bronze casting of a realistic looking burrow.

Pete Jepson, of Birmingham, has been working on the casting since last March. He first made a statue out of wax. All the detail was painfully and skillfully carved into the wax. This took months.

He then made a plasticene mold around the wax and covered that with plaster. A series of steps followed, each carefully done until the molten bronze was finally poured into an area left by the burned out wax. The result is a fine casting. Fine Arts Foundry of Clarkston poured the metal. Fred Petrucci was the caster.

As this is a fascinating story, I don't want to tell all the details at this writing. It is a

cleaning up done by Leslie Bell and Pam Gillis.

Next, we elected new officers. They are as follows: President, Pam Gillis; Vice-President, Becky Rankin; Secretary, Lynn Race; and Treasurer, Carol Taylor.

Our winter and spring projects were talked about and it was suggested that we make matching breast collars and blankets for our horses for parades. Mrs. Trarop suggested that we begin working on things for an old folks home for Easter. This will be talked about at our next meeting which will be January 13th at 11 A.M.

Any person, age 10 to 18, with parents who would be willing to participate as a leader of leather-craft, automotive, handicrafts, or any other such work, may join our club. Contact Lynn Race at MA5-2288 for information.

Lynn Race,  
Secretary

## Clarkston Wranglers meet

The December 9th meeting of the Clarkston Wranglers was attended by seven old members. New members present were: Sue Merrill, Becky Rankin, and Jeff Sans.

It was decided to have a Christmas party at the home of our leader, Mrs. Trarop, on December 20th at 7 P.M. Each person attending is to bring a dollar exchange gift. Refreshments will be provided by Mrs. Trarop and Jeff Sans, entertainment by Becky Rankin and Lynn Race, gifts passed out by Steve Merrill and Jackie Trarop, and

## Named to committee

Oakland County Ninteenth District Republican Chairman John Cartwright has announced the election of Robert H. Gorsline, of Milford, and Charles Meissner, of Pontiac, to the Republican Ninteenth Congressional District Committee.

Gorsline, a student of the University of Michigan, is Assistant Director for the Republican Party in the 60th Legislative District. Formerly Executive Director of the Michi-

gan Federation of College Republicans, he is presently serving as director of community action for that organization. He has been active in Republican Fund Drives in Milford for many years. Gorsline replaces Wendell A. Peterson, of Northville, who resigned from the Committee in order to devote more time to the organization of the City of South Lyon and Lyon Township.

Meissner, an Industrial Sales Engineer with Allied Electronics, is the Republican Party's District, Coordinator for Pon-

tiac's 62nd Legislative District. He has served as Republican precinct captain and area coordinator. Meissner succeeds Roland Folk who resigned from the Committee when he moved his residence to Independence Township.

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# Holiday preparations feature native culinary talents

## She writes, she bakes, she sews

By Faith Poole

Homemakers in the Clarkston area are busily engaged preparing for the Holiday season. Every family has their own traditions, their own recipes and many family customs which they pursue.

This week we visited with two local ladies who were deeply engrossed in baking and preparing the traditional foods of their native countries.

Our first stop was at the home of Mrs. Peter Lektzian on Plum Drive. Known to her friends and family as Connie, she is the popular author of the Clarkston News column "Another Day". She also writes "Notes on the Orchard" and accompanies that with social items that are called to her at her home.

Her home bespeaks the warm feeling that she has toward her family as she prepares for the coming yuletide season. Home made decorations are everywhere, the kitchen table is covered with Armenian recipes, English type fruit cakes and plum puddings to be glazed and stored, and on the counter are Christmas tree decorations waiting for the next step in their completion.

Why would this charming girl of English and Welsh descent be assembling the materials to make Paklava, Shishebab and Katah? Pete's family, the Lektzians are Armenian--his parents escaped numerous persecutions in Europe at the turn of the century and sought refuge in this country. With them they brought their love of native food and it is this same food that Connie prepares and serves as she entertains members of the family at Holiday season.

But her own English heritage persists as she makes the delightful English Plum puddings, fruit cakes of three varieties (white, light and dark) from recipes taken from a worn, well-thumbed cook book belonging to her mother. Already baked and mellowing in her freezer are over 40 pounds of the delicious cake. Still to be made are the various cookies which she does every year. The actual baking began before the Thanksgiving holiday.

Before getting down to the serious business of recipes, we paused a moment to admire her needlework--a huge white felt Christmas tree skirt just

completed, numerous decorations and elaborately decorated felt stockings.

A talented writer, Connie has had a consuming interest in history since she was a little girl. Born in Illinois, she moved when just a youngster to the Pontiac area and lived in the Waterford area before moving to Clarkston in 1961. It was this interest in history and her collection of stories of early Independence Township settlers and Clarkston residents that prompted Connie to start this series. Previously she had written a column of social notes for the old "Drayton News", a paper on which her father had already been a columnist.

Feeling that she perhaps needed professional assistance she took some writing courses at Oakland University taught by Priscilla Jackson and Mrs. Jean Peters. Gaining confidence as she goes along, and armed with as much historical material as she presently has, she hopes to someday to have publication in book form of some of this wealth of information regarding the early times in this area. She is a member of both the County and State Historical societies.

For 18 years she was employed at Truck and Coach, but now has more spare time to devote to her hobbies of writing, history, sewing, reading and cooking.

Her cousin has helped teach her the intricacies of Armenian cooking and her husband's father, Mesrop Lektzian of Pontiac who is in his mid-70's helps obtain the ingredients so often called for in the recipes. Some of the spices and the cracked wheat are purchased in a market, just off Hamilton in Detroit. The large quantities of Yoghurt often called for in recipes she finds hard to find, but most other items she buys locally.

When the family gathers around the Christmas dinner table this year, Connie will be serving Roast leg of lamb and pilaf for sure. Often on the menu are stuffed grape leaves and a Date Pudding. Her table will be decorated in a gold and green theme as is the rest of her pleasant home for this Christmas season. Son Mark, 5 is taking an active interest in the preparations this year and a daughter,



Putting the finishing touches on an English fruit-cake, a specialty which she makes each year is Connie Lektzian. Still later she will do Plum puddings, Christmas cookies and native Armenian dishes, all for holiday feasting.

ter, Mrs. Keith Shepherd and her husband of Detroit will be sharing many of the family get-togethers.

From her we brought recipes which she was happy to share with her readers.

### RICE PILAF

- 1 cup long grain rice
- 1/2 cup vermicelli (tell Shehrieh)
- 1/8 lb. butter
- 2 cups chicken or meat broth
- Salt to taste

Melt the butter in a shallow pan. Break up vermicelli into pieces and fry in the butter until slightly browned, stirring constantly. Wash and drain the rice well, then add it to the vermicelli and saute them together for a few minutes, always stirring. Then add the boiling broth and salt, cover and cook on low fire for 20 minutes. When water is all absorbed and rice is soft, take off the fire, let rest for 15-20 minutes before serving. Stir once more with a fork. Keep warm to serve hot. Serves 4.

If you are using hot water instead of broth use 1/4 lb. butter.

### IMRIG HELVA TKALIG (dessert)

- 1/2 pound sweet butter
- 1 cup flour
- 1 cup farina
- 1/2 cup pine nuts
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 cup water

Melt the butter, add the farina, flour and the pine nuts. Mix well and cook on very low fire, stirring continually, until the nuts are browned. This may take about 1/2 hour. Bring the sugar and water to a boil, add to the first mixture and mix until the syrup is absorbed. Shape in a spoon and turn it out on a platter, sprinkle with cinnamon when serving.

### DATE PUDDING

- 1 cup chopped nuts
- 3 cups dates, cut in small pieces
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/2 pound melted butter
- 2 eggs, beaten
- 1 tablespoon flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 cup milk

Mix all together. It will be watery. Pour into a baking pan and bake in a moderate oven for 40 minutes. Cut into squares and serve with whipped cream.

### KURABIA (Armenian Cookie)

- 3 eggs
- 1-1/2 cups butter
- 5-1/2 cups sifted cake flour
- 1-1/2 cups sugar
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda

Filling: 2 cups finely chopped nuts, mixed with two well beaten egg whites, 1 tablespoon of sugar, and a dash of cinnamon.

Mix sugar and milk together and melt over low flame. Mix melted butter with well beaten eggs and mix with cooled sugar and milk mixture. Gradually add flour and soda to the liquid until you have a nice soft dough. Roll out small piece at a time and cut into round circles. Place a spoonful of the nut mixture in the center bringing the two ends the nuts will remain inside and the cookie will have an egg shape. Bake 300 degree oven for 20 minutes.

## Holiday traditions transplanted here

Constance Lektzian

Mrs. Paul Woodworth of 6304 Church Street grew up in a close knit Syrian family of nine children, seven girls and two boys. As the second youngest child, she learned to cook the traditional Syrian dishes not only from her mother, but from her older sisters, several of whom were almost twenty years older than she. Although the parents have passed away, the family still maintains very close ties. Following a recent illness of Mrs. Woodworth's, one of her sisters traveled from California to care for her and keep her company during her convalescence.

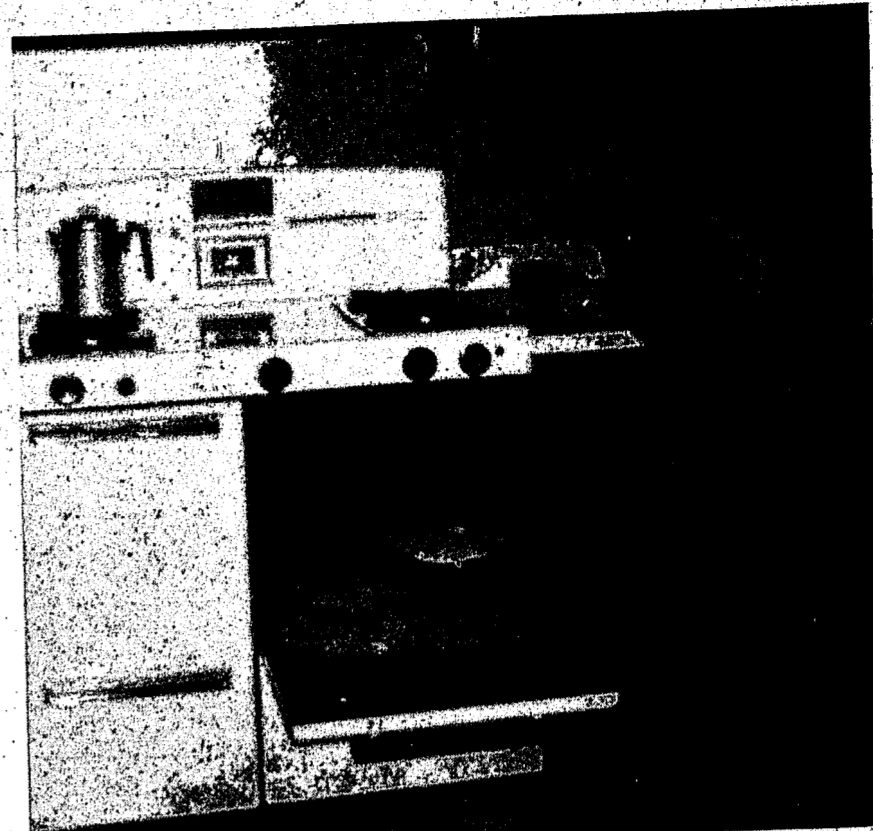
In a country where the greatest percentage of people belong to either the Muslim or Eastern Orthodox faith, Mrs. Woodworth's family, the Kamels, were brought up in the Westminster Presbyterian church. This was an English directed mission that also ran the school which both parents attended.

The Kamels came to this country from Syria as a very young couple, bringing with them their oldest daughter, the only one of their children who wasn't born in Michigan. They lived first in Bay City and then in Grand Rapids. At that time both of these towns had large settlements of Syrians. Mr. Kamel worked first on the railroads and then later owned a shoe repair shop.

Ruth Woodworth, whose Syrian name is Bahia, remembers with a great nostalgia the many years when all her sisters and brothers were together for the Christmas holidays. By the time she was born, many Christmas customs, new to Syrian culture, had been accepted. However, the food was prepared and served in the traditional way. The Syrians don't have one main dish, as for instance, the Americans regard their roast turkey. Instead a great variety of meat dishes are served.

The Christmas menu might include cabbage rolls, squash stuffed with ground lamb and kibbix, which is ground lamb prepared with butter and spices and served raw as an appetizer. Vegetable dishes might be green beans cooked with lamb and tomatoes, and the delicious Syrian salata (salad) seasoned with lemon, tabasco, garlic and mint. For sweets, Kuak, an anise cookie marked with a cut glass design were served or the delectable date cookies made with a pound of sweet butter. Of course, the "Sweets-of-the-thousand-layers" commonly called baklava was made on every important occasion. Since the tissue thin sheets of dough can now be purchased, most of the hard work has been taken out of the preparation of this dessert. Also, there was always the crusty, brown flat bread without which no Syrian meal is complete.

Shish-kebab is made often at the Woodworth house, not just on special occasions. This is a popular dish in many near-East countries. "Shish" is the Arabic word for skewer and "kebab" means meat, a style of cooking developed on the battlefields presumably when the soldiers stabbed the meat onto their bay-



Hot from the oven comes Syrian bread, a specialty of Mrs. Woodworth. Ideal for sandwiches, this bread contains a pocket into which sandwich fillings may be stuffed.



Sharing Syrian pastries over a cup of coffee are Mrs. Paul Woodworth and a neighbor Mrs. Bill Sizemore.

after he and Ruth were married. At one time, he spent three years in Japan and speaks Japanese equally well. At the present time, the Woodworths are busy with plans for turning their backyard into a Japanese garden. Designed by the Artistic Landscaping Company of Pontiac, much of the more difficult layout work was done before cold weather set in. A pool complete with waterfall and plantings of wisteria and twisted and temple is in order for next spring.

In addition to her hobbies of cooking, gardening and Syrian dancing, Mrs. Woodworth has just joined the VFW Auxiliary. She also takes a deep interest in her three grandchildren and is looking forward to the visit of her grandson who is coming from Grand Rapids to spend the Christmas holidays. There will be much of the delicious Syrian cooking dished up for that occasion.

Syrian Date Cookies  
1 pound butter, softened  
4 cups all-purpose flour  
1/2 cup white sugar  
4 eggs  
1/2 cup warm water or brandy  
1 pound dates, pitted and ground  
with 2 tablespoons sugar

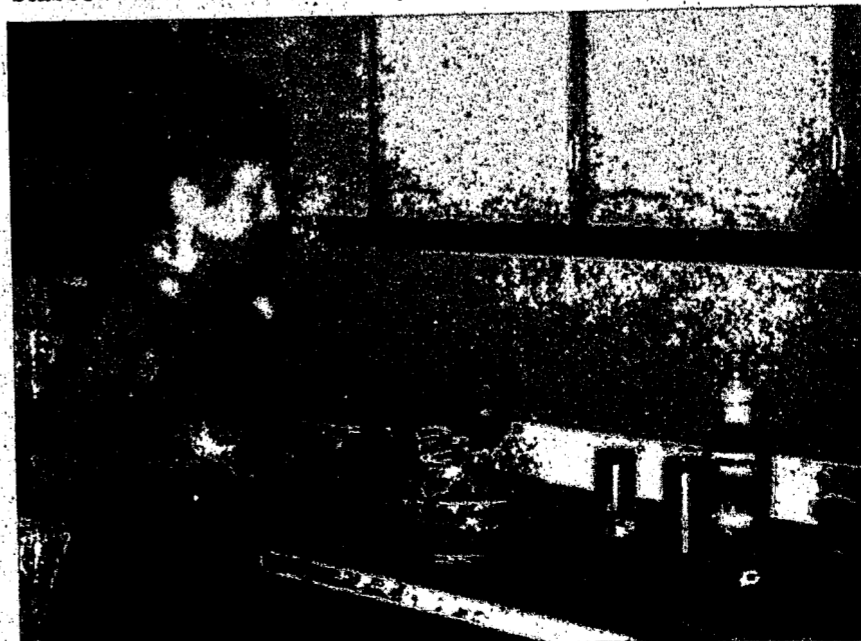
Work butter and flour together; beat eggs and add to flour mixture. Add sugar. Make a soft dough, adding liquid. Roll the thickness of Melba toast and cut with cookie cutter. Place a spoonful of date mixture on each cookie and roll into a cylinder. Bake on greased cookie sheet for 20 minutes at 350 degrees. Delectable - Marinated Shish-kebab  
2 pounds lean lamb, cubed  
8 small onions, halved  
marinate

Simple Marinade - Mix 2 tablespoons vinegar, 2 tablespoons olive oil, 1 teaspoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon thyme and 1/2 teaspoon ground pepper-corns.

Let lamb cubes stand in marinade at least one hour, overnight is better. Spear lamb and onions alternately on skewers, using meat first and last. Broil over hot coals (rotisserie, hibachi or oven broiler may be used) for about 15 minutes or until lamb is a juicy brown.



Mrs. Peter Lektzian displays her creative sewing talents--a Christmas tree skirt and felt stockings.



Threading pieces of lamb, green peppers and onions seasoned with garlic on skewers is Mrs. Paul Woodworth. These shish-kabobs will be barbecued in their fireplace for a tasty dinner.



## Around the Town

By Ada Scrace

The general meeting of the W.S.C.S. of the Methodist Church was held at the Church on Wednesday, November 29, with a luncheon served by the Dorcas Circle after which Mrs. Bidell was introduced and gave a very interesting discourse on Japan and her families' stay there on behalf of Methodism. She modeled some costumes and showed slides of the work there.

Friday, December 1 was a big event in the Church sponsored by the W.S.C.S. circles when they put on their annual bazaar. Anyone who missed the event missed a good thing. Lunch was served from 11:30 until all were served.

Mrs. Gertrude Kenfeck of

North Holcomb is a patient in St. Joseph Hospital in Pontiac. The Martha Circle enjoyed a pot luck luncheon at the home of Mrs. Huttenlocher on Wednesday, December 6 at 12:00.

The December meeting of the W.S.C.S. will be on Sunday, December 17 at 4:30 p.m. It will be a family affair with the MYF and Sunday School participating. After the program in the sanctuary the Gertrude Atkins and Priscilla Circles will serve refreshments.

Mrs. Raymond Elme, who recently moved to their new home at 6133 Paramus fell last week and broke her foot. Mrs. Elme, who is confined to her home is employed at Pontiac Motors.

## Notes on the Orchard

By Constance Lektzian  
625-2378

Tuesday December 12 all of the Clarkston area Girl Scouts and Brownie troops went to Oakland University where they were guests at a special children's concert conducted by the university orchestra. The music was directed at the level of young people and was very lovely.

Saturday night, December 9, the Larry Thompson's of 6645 Almond Lane hosted a surprise birthday party for the pastor of the Maranatha Baptist Church, Reverend Phillip Somers - and it was a real surprise! About 50 members and friends of the church were on hand to greet him as he walked in the door. A buffet style pot luck dinner was served and among the gifts he received was a slide projector. Mrs. Charles Guinn made and decorated a cake depicting the pastor's hobbies. There were little standing deer and a scene depicting a fisherman pulling fish from a lake. A very successful party!

Weekend guests of the Larry

Thompsons included her sister and brother, Carole Hiske home for the Christmas holidays from Michigan State University and eight year old David. Sunday Betty Hiske, another sister, paid the Thompsons a visit to return with Carole and David to Hubbard Lake.

The Robert Parker's of 6636 Almond Lane saw their son, Pvt. Ron Parker, off to Fort Knox Monday December 11. He had been home on leave since November 18 and goes back to Fort Knox to attend Track School. Ron attended Clarkston High School until the time of his enlistment.

### NEW BABY

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Wagner of Westland are announcing the birth of their first child, a daughter on December 5. Named Lori Ann she weighed 6 lb. 1 oz. The baby's grandparents are the Daniel Wagners of Snowapple and the Harold McCanns of Mill Road. Great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Rummins of Davison.

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Persons looking for the Holiday Magic cosmetic line will now find them close at hand. The new opening of Leanns will provide the cosmetic service plus items such as hosiery, costume jewelry and gifts for men. The store is located at 4512 Dixie in Drayton Plains.

## Patricia Cook weds



The Dixie Baptist Church was the scene of the wedding nuptials of Patricia Cook and Darrell Smith on Saturday afternoon, December 9. Reverend Paul Vanaman, minister of the church, performed the double ring ceremony. Patricia, daughter of the Louis Cook's of King Road, chose a white brocade velvet gown styled with an

Empire waist and featuring a scoop neckline and long sleeves that came to points over her wrists. Her flowers were white roses.

The maid of honor, Lois Smith, sister of the groom, wore a blue velvet A-line gown with an Empire waist and bell sleeves. Bridesmaids Gayle

ing hat. Her corsage was of orange tinted roses. Mrs. Smith's dress was blue crepe with a lighter blue lace coat and matching hat. Her flowers were yellow roses.

Following the ceremony, attended by 100 guests, a reception was held in the church parlors. Centering the bridal table was a 4-tier cake topped by a tiny bridal couple. Leading from this were pink ribbons attached to pink and blue figurines representing the bridal attendants. Flanking this cake were two heart shaped groom's

cakes. The bride wore a shocking pink wool with black accessories and the white rose corsage from her bridal bouquet as the couple left for their honeymoon in northern Michigan.

Patricia was a 1966 graduate of Clarkston High and attended Midwestern Baptist Seminary. Darrell, a 1964 graduate of Clarkston High, completed his military service in September.

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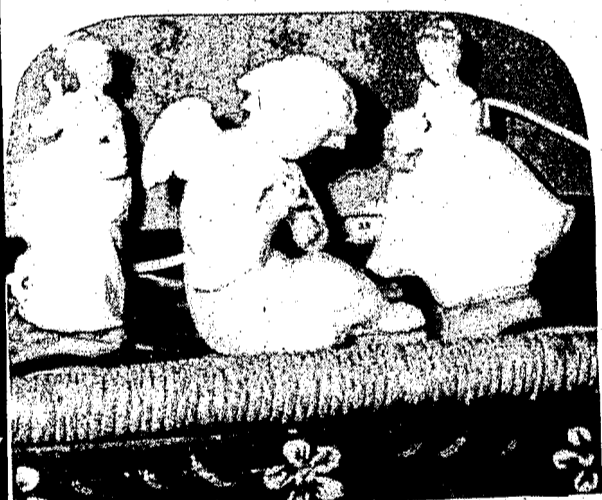
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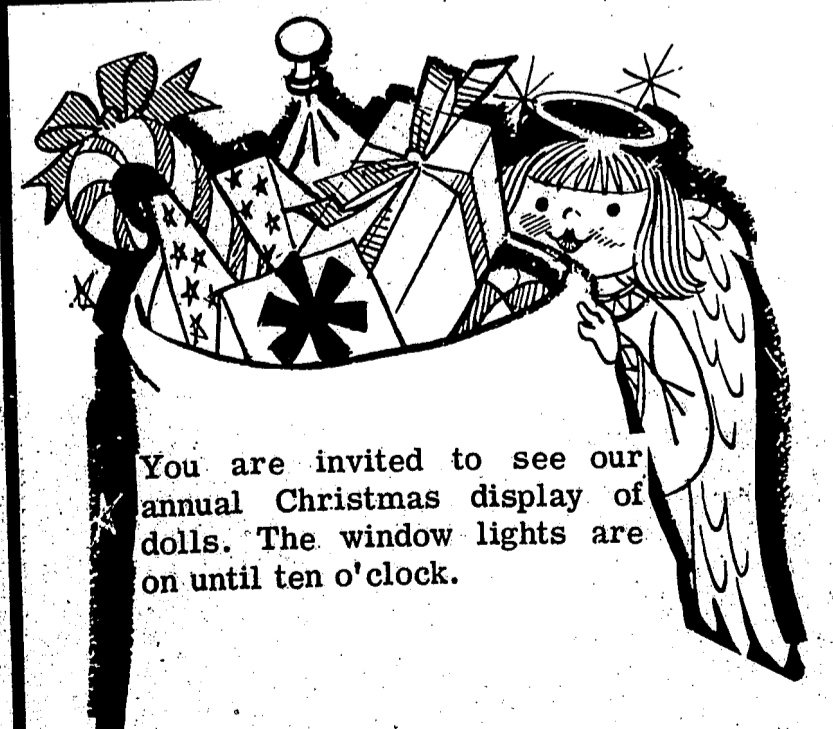
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Other officers who will be installed at the same time are: Harold Southerland, Senior Warden; John Ripley, Junior Warden; Harold Doebler, Treasurer; Gordon Stayt, Secretary; Howard Barling, Chaplain; James Helvey, Senior Deacon; and William Love, Junior Deacon.

Earl Davis, Tom Melton, Larry Mentor, Bill Armes, Bob Sparkman, and Dick Root will be Stewards and Russell Armond will be installed as Marshall and Tom Ibbison as Tyler.



### Clarkston village receives \$1,562

The State Highway Commission has started distributing third quarter Motor Vehicle Highway Fund collections to Michigan counties and cities and villages.

Acting State Highway Director Henrik E. Stafseth said net receipts of the Highway Fund during July, August, and September of 1967 amounted to an increase of 2.3 per cent, compared to the same period of 1966.

Oakland County's share totaled \$957,593 while Clarkston received \$1,562.

All state gasoline and diesel fuel taxes and license plate fees go to the Motor Vehicle Highway Fund.

After deduction of collection costs and the Waterways Commission's share, the money is distributed with 47 per cent to the State Highway Commission, 35 per cent to the State's 83 counties and 18 per cent to 524 incorporated cities and villages.

Under this formula, the State Highway Commission will receive \$27,381,855 as its share of the third quarter collections. The counties will receive \$19,646,062 and the incorporated cities and villages will get \$10,103,689.

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BY LUCINDA ELLERT

Bob Nicolson is the teen for this week. This fine and popular boy is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nicolson and the younger brother of Randy Nicolson who is at Olivet College this year. Bob lives with his parents and his dog, Chigger, at 6455 Dixie Highway. In Clarkston Senior high school where he is a senior, Bob is the president of the student council, and last year he was vice president of it; he is also a member of the high school ski club, Hi-Y which is a club that sponsors dances and the like. The Hi-Y is the high school branch of the YMCA. Bob is also on the school newspaper staff the "Wolf Cry" sponsored by Miss Munro, the journalism teacher at the high school. Bob's hobby is sports, which accounts for his being on the cross country and wrestling teams at the high school. Outside school Bob is the president of the Methodist Youth Fellowship (MYF) at the new Methodist Church, and the Clarkston Youth Association Committee, which is a committee active in the assistance of young people. Bob is going to college, when he graduates in '68 and he has applied at Central Michigan University, Indiana State University, and Butler University in Indiana. His main interest in a career is to teach journalism on the high school level or if



BOB NICOLSON

not teaching journalism, to become a professional journalist. Finally Bob's philosophy is: "Rebelling is all right—to a certain extent, because it makes people aware of the arising problems of the world, the changes in society and in general, what is going on around people today."

Last Sunday, December 3, the Sashabaw United Presbyterian Church Youth group went on a youth rally at the Church of Atonement on Clintonville Road. At the rally the internationally known folk-singer, Joe Dowell was the speaker and singer.

Mr. Dowell is best known for his Elias Brother's Big Boy restaurant commercials. The members of the youth group attending were: Jan Hall, Sandy Swick, Harid Kelch, Cindy Swick, Nancy Caldwell, Daryl Caldwell, Linda DeArmond, Sue Gallardo, Sandy Rumsey, Rodney Rumsey, Kurt Kurklaw, Rob Fox, Tom Hall, Chuck Wheeler, Jeff Hall, Doug Grant, and Larry Grant. The sponsors were Mr. Mark Caldwell, Mr. Don Barry, and Mrs. and Mrs. Rumsey.

#### Present program

On Tuesday, December 12, Mrs. W.G. Race (Pat) and Mrs. George Shimmin, of Royal Oak, gave the musical program for the monthly meeting of the Royal Oak Musicales. They are duopianists, and have played together for ten years. The program consisted of Brahms' "Variations on a Theme by Haydn" and Ravel's "La Valse." The Royal Oak Musicales Chorus gave the other part of the program.

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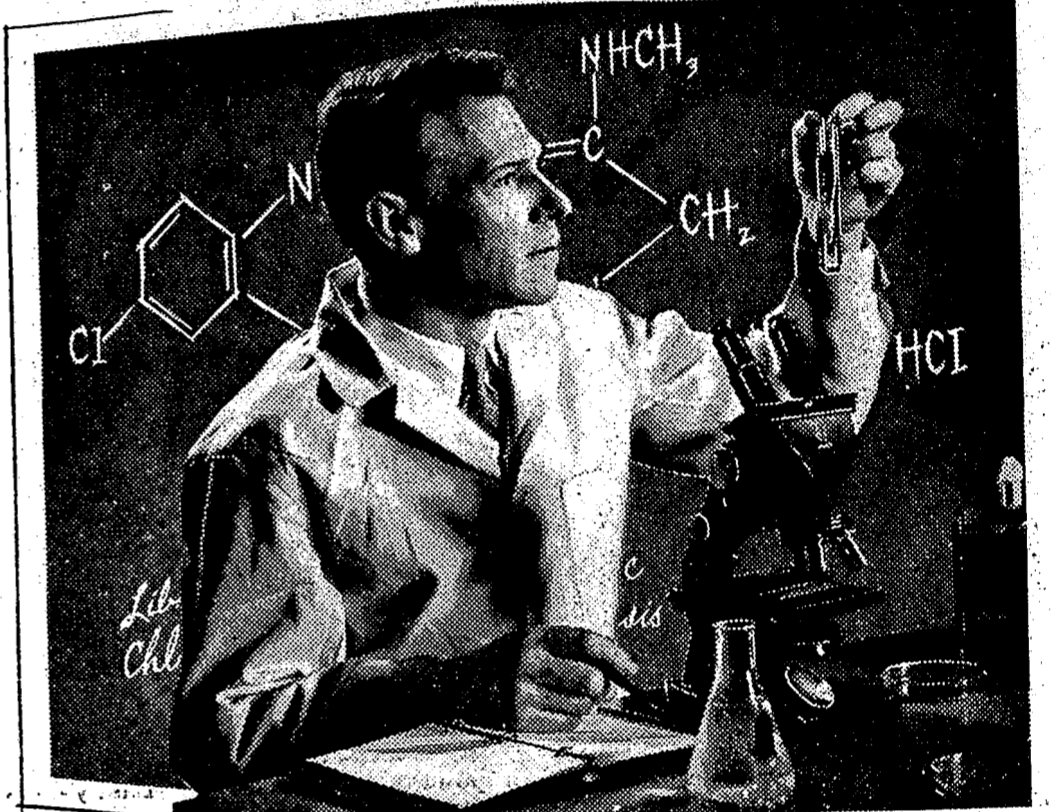
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We met a chemist some years ago who was planning to experiment with religion.

"Some Sunday," he said, "I'm going to go to Church and see if it makes any difference in my life."

"Doctor," we asked, "How does a chemist begin his experiments in a new field?"

"With research," came the reply. "He studies the findings of other men in that field—determines what has been proven—what is unknown."

"That's a good way to begin your experiment with religion," we suggested. "It would hardly be 'scientific' to judge Christianity, or your need for it, on the basis of one visit to Church. But a few months of faithful attendance, and many thoughtful evenings with the Bible will give you a clear understanding of what others have found in Christianity. You'll discover spiritual truths which centuries of experience have proven, and gain a faith that can bridge the Unknown."

At last report, our chemist was making fine progress in his experiment. In fact, he no longer thinks of his religion as experimental!

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#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Planning Commission of Independence Township, Oakland County, Michigan, will hold a Public Hearing on January 4, 1968, 7:30 P.M. at the Township Hall, 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan to consider the following changes in Township Zoning Districts:

(1) To rezone from Agricultural to Residence-1:

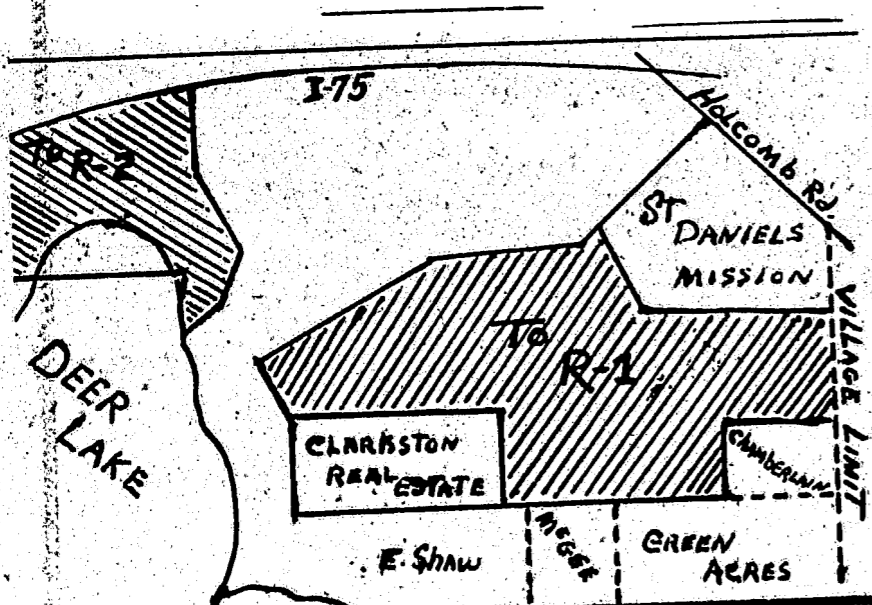
Part of the East 1/2 of Section 19, and part of the West 1/2 of the W1/2 of Sec 20, T4N, R9E, Independence Township, Oakland County, Michigan described as beginning at a pt. on the E & W 1/4 line located S 89 degrees 53' 24" E 1620 ft. + from the center of Sec 19, T4N, R9E, Th from point of beginning, N 61 degrees 30' E 735 ft. Th S 88 degrees 00' E 585 ft. + to the Wly corner of Church property; Th S 38 degrees 31' 10" E 641.85 ft. to the E & W 1/4 line of Sec 20; Th S 89 degrees 53' 24" E 366.63 ft. along the E & W 1/4 line of Sec 20; Th N 71 degrees 54' 10" E 404.56 ft. to point on the West boundary of Supervisor's Plat No. 1; Th S 17 degrees 15' 20" E 150.51 ft. along the boundary of said plat; Th S 73 degrees 15' 00" W 165.25 ft. Th S 16 degrees 45' 05" E 461.12 ft.; Th S 87 degrees 47' 00" W 173.51 ft. Th S 00 degrees 03' 35" E 535.34 ft.; Th S 89 degrees 49' 00" W 466.00 ft.; Th S 00 degrees 00' 30" W 255.50 ft.; Th S 89 degrees 49' 00" W 684.28 ft.; Th N 89 degrees 56' 00" W 178.77 ft. to the W line of Sec. 20; Th N 00 degrees 59' 20" W 651.74 ft. along the W Sec line; Th N 89 degrees 24' 35" W 1318.96 ft.; Th N 28 degrees 30' W 420 ft. +; Th N 61 degrees 30' W 580ft. + to point of beginning. Except that part in the Village of Clarkston. Containing 68 + acres.

(2) From Agricultural to Residence-2:

Part of Sec 19, T4N, R9E, Independence Township Oakland County, Michigan, described as beginning at the center of Sec 19; Th N 89 degrees 51' 20" W 1133.23 ft.; Th N 00 degrees 06' 45" W 1245 ft. + to the Southerly right of way line of I-75; Th N 60 degrees 29' 03" E 935 ft. + along said right of way line; Th S 18 degrees 00' E 570 ft. +; Th S 34 degrees 30" E 1085 ft. +; Th S 18 degrees 00" W 360 ft. + along the center line of a stream; Th S 44 degrees 00" W 340 ft. + along the said center line of stream to the shore of Deer Lake; Th Northwesterly 260 ft. + along the shore line of Deer Lake; Th N.00 degrees 34' 52" W 85 ft. + to point of beginning. Containing 43 + acres.

A map showing the proposed changes in the Zoning Districts may be examined at the Township Hall during regular office hours.

Delton E. Lohf, Secretary  
INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION  
December 7 & 28



### Celebrate silver anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Eastman of Transparent Drive, Clarkston were honored at a 25th wedding anniversary party Saturday evening. The event which was held in their home had been arranged by their teen-age children and a neighbor.

Neighbors, friends, and former neighbors from out of town attended to wish the couple well. Luncheon was served and a decorated cake done by their daughter, Cheryl, 17, was a feature of the buffet table.

Unable to attend was their eldest son, Charles, who is taking advanced army training at Fort Lewis, Washington. Their other children, Edward who was 19 on the day of his parents' anniversary, Cheryl, and Lee who is 10 were active participants in the party.

Mrs. Eastman, was the former Betty Hoyt of Clarkston. They were married in Napoleon, Ohio on December 6, 1942. For the past 11 years they have made their home in Clarkston.

### Holiday specials of interest at First Baptist Church

Sunday, December 17, 7 p.m., the Senior Choir, under the direction of Edward Story, with narration by Don Steiner, will sing John W. Peterson's cantata: "The Wonder of Christmas." Wednesday, December 20, 7 p.m., A prologue: "No Room in the Inn" will be presented by the entire Sunday School Departments. Sunday, December 31, 9 p.m.

'til Midnight--1st hour: "Meditation and Melody" 2nd hour: "Food and Fellowship" 3rd hour: "Candlelight Communion Service". Neighbors and friends are invited to any or all of these "Holiday Specials". The Maranatha Baptist Church of Pontiac will be guests for the Watch-night Service on Sunday, December 31, at 9 p.m.

### Dinners to benefit March of Dimes

A Wild Game and Tame benefit dinner will be served on March 30 at the Clarkston Golf Club. There will also be one served at The Boat in Ortonville on March 6. These dinners will be sponsored by nearly 35 beverage licensee and restaurant owners during a 3 month period.

Oakland County hunters are donating their kills for the benefit dinners and gross proceeds will be given to the March of Dimes in the fight against crippling birth defects. Similar benefit dinners during the past 9 years have raised over \$80,000. Last year \$24,000 was raised for the March of Dimes. The public is invited to attend these dinners in 35 restaurants and lounges throughout the county. Those who do not care

for wild game will be served a more tame dinner. Many dinners will have menus consisting of Mexican food, spaghetti and meat balls, beef and other tasty foods.

The volunteer committee is currently collecting wild game recipes and will publish an official Wild Game and Tame recipe book this month. All recipe donors will be acknowledged in the book.

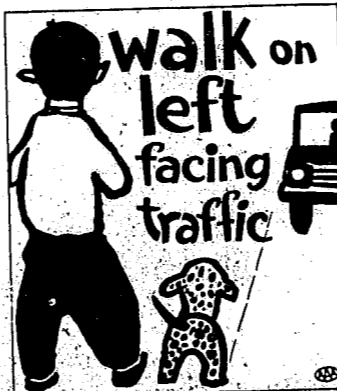
Fund raised will help support the Oakland Cleft Palate Clinic, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Pontiac; March of Dimes Birth Defect Centers at Children's Hospital, Detroit, and University Hospital, Ann Arbor; also a local blood virus project is supported by March of Dimes funds.

### It's auction time for Jayettes

The Clarkston Jayettes will be holding their Christmas Auction tonight (Wednesday). Patti Lance will serve as auctioneer at the affair to be held at the home of Mrs. Al Hamilton. Assisting the hostess will be Barb Hamaker, Jeane Bennett, Sharon Hawke and Doris Beattie. Items for the auction must be "made, baked, or bought" state the committee. Jaycee wives have been invited to attend.

Members of the Jayettes have been helping secure items for the Pine Knob Nursing Home Guild. Still needed are yarn, crochet thread, a radio, magazines,

and fishing lures without hooks. Persons who wish to donate should contact Sharon Hawke. Jayettes joined with their families in the annual Jaycee Kids Christmas Party. It was held on Sunday afternoon, December 10.



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A grand opening of Clarkston Equipment Co. is set for December 16. They are located on M-15, north of Clarkston.

Under the new owner, Leo Kousins, a new addition has been put on the back that doubles the floor space. This

is entirely service area. A new Mansard front has been built on the front, interior and exterior decorating, and other changes have been made in the office and parts areas.

Management of the equipment company that features the Case lines, is in the hands of Bob Canniff. He,

along with other representatives of the company, will be on hand Saturday to greet visitors.

One new thing visitors will find is a renting and leasing department. Portable heaters, snow blowers and plows, and various tools for farm and home work fall into this category.

### Bazaar and Rummage sale at C.A.I.

Community Activities has organized its largest Community Co-op Bazaar and Rummage Sale ever.

Women of the area are joining together in a holiday sale at the Waterford C.A.I. Building, 5640 Williams Lake Road, Friday, December 15th, from 10 A.M. til 2 P.M.

Several church and sorority groups plus individuals will have tables of handmade Christmas items and baked goods just in time for the holiday season. Among the re-sale items will be dolls, bikes, toys, household goods and clothes, just right for those many Christmas presents.

Over 40 tables plus several racks have already been rented. However there is always room for a few more tables. Those interested in renting space for the sale may contact the C.A.I. Office at OR 3-9102.

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# Go night clubbing with your camera



By Clem Cleveland  
Editor, Oxford Leader

A couple of weeks ago, my wife, Carol, and I went with

friends to a night club in Detroit. This is the first time in about eight years that we have had such an outing. It was fun. We went to the "Living End,"

a small, dark bar off the John C. Lodge Expressway. You enter the bar from an alley entrance. They cater primarily to folk-type musicians. Odetta was the star performer this night.

As we waited for the entertainment to start, I looked around the room. One thought struck me, this is where my generation has gone. Remembering from high school, we weren't interested too much in dancing. It was always more fun to stand around and listen to some crazy drummer beating a rat-tat-tat, or a trumpet player blowing his lungs out.

I like to take pictures, so, it is only natural that where I go, my camera is close at hand. I carried it in with me to see if I could get a shot of Odetta.

The bar was so dark that I had to tie a string to Carol, just so that I wouldn't lose her. The stage where the enter-

tainers were to perform was lighted by four baby spot lights and four, two blue and two red lights. There wasn't enough light on the stage for me to get a light meter reading.

From this paragraph on, this article is going to get technical. And this is going to be difficult, because I don't understand the technicalities of taking a picture. But, Jim thought folks would like to know how I took the above shot.

I used a good 35 mm camera - see no advertising. The picture was taken with a 135 mm lens set at F 3.5 and the shutter speed was 1/15th of a second, hand held.

The film was Tri-X developed in D-76 for FORTY minutes at 62 degrees with limited agitation. A set of glossy 8X10 proof pictures were made from the negatives. We settled on the

above print. It was made on 16X20 mural R paper, exposed for SIX minutes. Now, you have all the facts, take your camera with you to the night club and you too can take pictures.

Odetta impressed us with her singing; She has a warm sense of humor, feeling for her music, and can surprise you with a rendition of "Home on the Range," children's story about the "Choo-Choo Train That Said He Coidd," or a negro Spiritual.

After making the picture on the mural paper, we went back the next weekend to show Odetta the results. She was pleased with the effort and signed the picture for us.

If ever you have the chance and Odetta is in town, go and see her. She's a genuine type of people. One, whom I honestly can say; I am glad to have met.

## Southeast Asia topic

"The Battle for Southeast Asia" will be the topic for Dr. Anthony Bouscaren, Professor of Political Science at LeMoyne College, Tennessee, and U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Major (Ret.) when he speaks Tuesday, December 19, at 8:00 p.m. in the Knights of Columbus Hall, 30755 Southfield Road, Southfield.

Dr. Bouscaren served in the Pacific Theatre during WW II as a bomber pilot and was awarded two Distinguished Flying Crosses. He has served on the faculties of the University of San Francisco, Marquette University, the National War College, Washington, D.C. and authored nine books and countless articles for such publications as Saturday Evening Post, U.W. News and World Report and many others.

He is a Freedoms Foundation Awardee and serves as editorial consultant for the Free World Forum and a member of the Institute for American Strategy. The program, open to the public is sponsored by the Oakland County Conservative Club.

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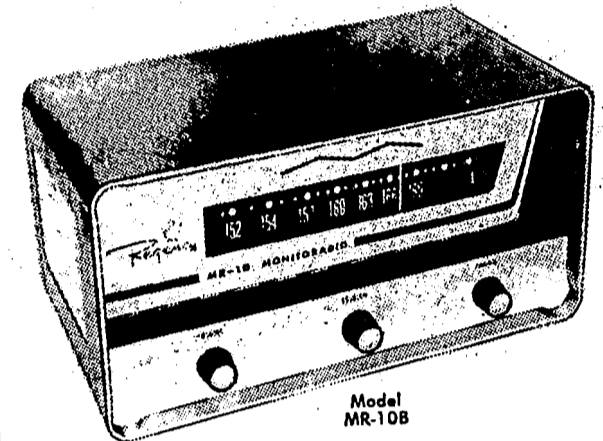
**PATRICK MICHAEL ARRIVES**  
Mr. and Mrs. James Cassin of 6625 Almond Lane Drive became the proud parents of a son, Patrick Michael, born Friday, December 8. Patrick, who weighed in at 6 pounds and 12 ounces, came home Monday December 11 to sister Theresa, age three. Grandparents are the Michael Cassins of Pontiac and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dudry of Berkley.

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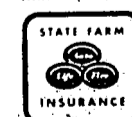


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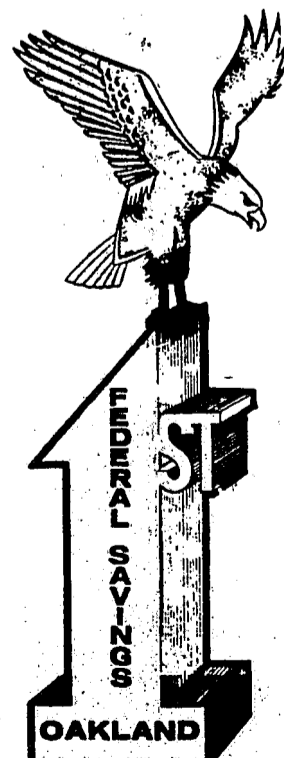


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