

Paying on extras

Property taxes aren't fair

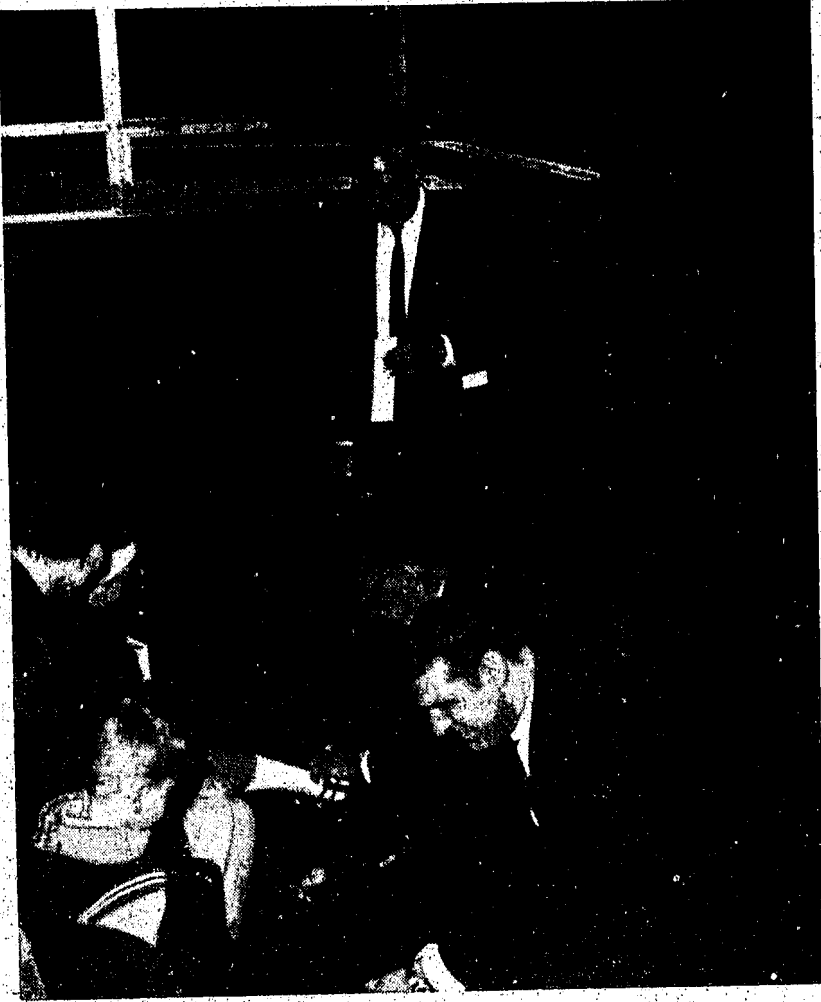
by Jim Sherman
When you buy a new home you generally have to pay an agent's commission. There may also be closing costs, various other expenses and personal property. These are likely to be in the quoted price you agree to pay.
This is the figure that goes to the county and state equalization boards. All real estate sales are now recorded by these units.
It is on this figure that your real property tax is levied.
The county equalization board and State Tax Commission are using this total sale figure and comparing this to local assessment on property sold to arrive at a rate or percent which must

be applied to all parcels in this class to be accepted at 50%.
When you buy a used home, let's say on a lake, there may be draperies, carpeting, lawn tools, a boat, dock and other things that go with the house that aren't considered "real property".
Of course, with this sale there is also the commissions and costs.
The amount you pay for this parcel is recorded with the state and county, AND it is on this figure that your real property tax is levied.
Thus you are paying taxes on expenses and items that are not really "real property."

Independence Township's officials in the area of assessing are supervisor Duane Hursfall and Bill Cobb who wears both the hats of the building inspector and assessor.
They insist the real property tax should be levied on the real estate. They feel it is very wrong to make people pay property tax on commissions, expenses, and accessories that go with a sale.
The two went to the state and appealed to the state equalization board to correct this wrong. Bill Cobb also went to the county equalization board and made the same plea.
In Lansing they were told a court decision spells out how

real property taxes are to be assessed, and it is on the sale price. Which means the state is forcing local assessors to levy taxes on commissions, expenses and accessories that go with a sale.
Cobb says, "It just isn't fair. There is no reason why anything besides the price one actually pays for the property itself should be considered in the true cash value."
The affect of assessing a piece of property that has been sold also affects the taxes of the neighbors ... year after year after year.
Say the houses in your neigh-

borhood all sold for \$20,000 10 years ago. And, last year your neighbor sold his home for \$25,000. In this figure are commissions, expenses and accessories.
If you live in that house for 25 years, as many people do, think of how many dollars in taxes you are paying on these costs that are above the actual value of the house and land.
Hursfall and Cobb pleaded with the state and county that this wasn't fair.
They got the same answer. A court ruling says it's part of the true cash value.



NEW SHOES — again this year the Clarkston Rotary Club distributed shoes to needy families in the area. Doing the fitting and giving Saturday was Bob Skerratt, foreground kneeling, and Tom Boynes. Chairman of the shoe program was Ronald Walter, standing.



NEW SOCKS — Thanks to the Child Study Club youngsters who were given shoes by the Rotary Club also got some socks. Club members at the table are Mrs. David Bickerstaff, left and Mrs. Robert Bentley.

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Ricky & 8 live acts

Kids Christmas party Saturday by Jaycees

A gala Christmas party is set for Saturday at the Clarkston High School.
Up to 2,500 youngsters have attended this party in the past and plans are being made for 2,000 this year.

Staging the show is the Clarkston Area Jaycees, and the auxiliary, the Jaycettes, will be helping out by distributing chocolate Santas to the youngsters.
All Clarkston are youngsters from the age of 3 through students in the sixth grade are invited. The time of the show is 1:30 to 3:30.

Working through a talent supply agency, the Jaycees have arranged a program that includes "Ricky", the clown, and 8 separate acts. Ricky will serve as master of ceremonies and introduce the entertainers.

Laughter and entertainment are the emphasis of the day. Ozark, the trick mule that kicks balloons into the audience, is one of the acts. And, besides Ricky, there will be other clowns cavorting before the youngsters.

Kids of this age group usually like bicycles and there will be a comedy bicycle act to delight them. Every one of the 8 acts is designed for entertaining youngsters. Like the dog act, the man and wife acrobatic team, the clown boxing match, the pony that talks and the mule that plays football.

All will be performing live in the high school gym, December 21.

Clarkston's Junior Miss, Jean Lussier, will be featured singing a couple of songs and there will be groups singing besides.

The Clarkston Area Jaycees held their first Christmas party for area youngsters in 1964. That year over 2,500 were reported to have attended.

Since then the party has been an annual affair, except for last year.

In renewing the parties the Jaycees hope for another full house. They have spent between \$800 and \$900 so far in arranging the party, and this doesn't include the Jaycette's expenditures.

So give your youngsters between 3 years and grade 6 a Christmas party Saturday. It's free, and should delight, entertain and amuse the kids.



PONY AND DOG ACT



BICYCLE ACT



NEW MITTENS — Along with shoes and socks the youngsters also received mittens Saturday. These were given by the Church of the Resurrection, and Mrs. Gilbert Galivan, left, and Mrs. Gene Anderson did the fitting.

House fire set intentionally

A fire in an unoccupied house 4551 Lakeview at 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, December 10, was intentionally set, according to Tink Ronk, assistant chief of the Independence Township Fire Department.

The house, which is owned by a Mrs. Fergusson, 610 East Mansfield, Pontiac, is the second house to be set afire intentionally in the Woodhull Lake subdivision within a week. The first one was at the former residence of Dillard Brewer Tuesday's fire was caused by a fussee in a mattress, the fire report stated. The fire damaged the floor of the building, and there was smoke damage throughout the house. Damage was estimated at \$4,000.

The fire department fought

the fire for about an hour before extinguishing it.



RICKY THE CLOWN

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Jim's Jottings

Faith Poole hasn't been gone from the job of editor of this newspaper so long that most of you readers won't remember her. I talked to her the other day, and, while she says she's fine, let me tell you what happened at her house in Davison recently.
The Pooles have a farm 4 miles north of Davison on Coldwater road. It's an old farm house which they did a great job remodeling. It set about 150 feet from the road until it was widened last summer and now they have about 30 feet of front lawn.
Anywho, Faith and Howard took off November 27 to spend Thanksgiving holiday and weekend with their daughter and family in Rochester, N.Y. They returned the evening of December 1.
Their home had been ransacked. Burglarized. Robbed. Some of the things taken

were: 2 television sets, radio, 2 fur stoles (one which she won from the Colorado State Press Association for the best story written after a press tour of the state), 2 typewriters.

An adding machine, 2 wrist watches, outboard motor, vacuum cleaner, camera, shot gun, pistol, small banks, and her husband's new boots.

There was more taken. The beds were torn apart by the thieves and every drawer in the house opened and dumped. And, she has a lot of drawers. Spice cabinets and things.

Faith was fortunate in one way. She's another collector of antiques. The thieves weren't. No status symbol seekers these thieves. None of her antique glassware, chairs, whatchamacallits, and doo-dads were missing.

And, they had a yard light on all night plus a man checking the house twice a day.

Over in Oxford the elementary schools are letting the parents visit their kid's teachers at set times on various days. Wednesday was our day to talk to Susan's teacher. I didn't know it Wednesday morning.

So, I rumbled upstairs about 7:45, roused the 6-year-old, picked her up and threw her over my shoulder like a sack of wheat.

Before I reached the door, I heard her say, "Daddy, I don't have school today." "Too bad about that," I said, and dropped her back in bed. She didn't go to sleep.

District Court taking shape

This is the second of a two-part series covering the 52nd District Court.

By Clem Cleveland, editor of the Oxford Leader.

Now, for the magistrates. To help ease the burden of too many cases getting on the judge's docket, Oakland County has provided \$9,000 for two magistrates. The magistrates, like the judges, are anticipated to be attorneys, but not necessarily, and will be expected to serve on a part-time basis handling smaller cases.

The magistrates will be able to perform marriages, issue warrants, fix bail and bond, perform powers and duties of Circuit Court Commissioners, if the magistrate is an attorney; act as coroners in specified situations.

One thought, which the three 52nd District Court judges are proposing is that no attorney magistrate may practice law in the District Court in which he serves. This could be a limiting factor for some who would be willing to serve as a magistrate.

As yet, a magistrate has not been appointed. This appointment is important to our area. Mainly, the convenience of having the District Court is extended when the magistrate has his court in our Village.

Even when it comes to the establishment of the three District Courts, nothing has been settled. If one were to assume that Robert L. Shipper were to select a place for his court, he would choose his home town, Rochester. Martin L. Boyle might lean toward his community, Royal Oak; and Gerald E. McNally, White Lake.

The two magistrates, who will have to be mutually agreed upon by the three judges, could make a difference as to where two more courts could be established. Obviously, if any particular community wishes to have a magistrate court, in that only two are to be appointed, the community that prevails the hardest on the three judges, could possibly run the best chance to have the magistrate. These appointments, by necessity, will be made within the next couple of weeks.

There is also this. The District Court shall sit in cities and incorporated villages of 3,250 population as determined by the most recent federal decennial census, and shall also sit at other places as the judges designate.

For Oxford, its cityhood question in February could mean that it might have sufficient population to qualify for a District Court.

Also, to have the court in any particular community means revenue

for that community. The county shall provide suitable places where judges shall hold court. Facilities for magistrates shall be provided by the county. Rental of these facilities is probable. And, this rental would help to defray the cost of maintaining a public building. Public buildings are county buildings being used by local government.

No central location for the District Court has been agreed upon, although each judge will have a separate home base court plus additional facilities in his election district to be used periodically.

The central location would have files with a clerk. It has been recommended that a deputy clerk be assigned to the central facility and two deputies assigned each judge at his home base.

Each traffic bureau requires a deputy and there is the possibility that municipal employees will work as part-time deputies to operate these traffic bureaus, which will be separate from the court facilities.

We have no way of knowing where you are to go to pay your traffic ticket starting January 1. If you are charged with a criminal offense or want to sue your neighbor, we can't tell you where the court is. The judges are going to have to make this decision between themselves by January 1. Needless to say, even after they make their decision, much confusion will reign.

On the surface, the structure and system for the District Court will probably mean a much fairer system to the accused, since a law-trained man will serve as judge. Yet, from the historical inception of the Justice of the Peace Court, the common man is going to find it more difficult and time consuming to meet the judge.

But, much like the traveling Circuit Court judge of old, our District Court judges will probably be finding that they are going to be hitting the road. They will be traveling from place to place within their area of jurisdiction to hold court.

The prognosis at this writing is, the District Court will probably work. It is going to cost the state and county some money to operate. At the same time, unless the county makes a greater appropriation for magistrate's salaries, so that more than just two magistrates can be hired, the 52nd District Court is going to bog down.

In that three elected District Court justices, with their 2 magistrates, are going to attempt to handle all the work previously done by 33 Justices of the Peace, the elected judges are going to be carrying on an uphill battle just to be able to hear the number of cases that will naturally come their way.

Regardless of how inefficient this District Court system at first appears, it will be the responsibility of all to

help cooperate with the three judges. Their hands are going to be full.

After all the kinks have been worked out of the system and the District Court does settle down to an efficient due process of justice, the net result could conceivably be that the District Court will cost less to operate than the 33 J.P.s did. Nevertheless, as it stands now, with 3 District Courts, a central District Court, two magistrate courts and a variety of municipal courts in cities and villages with 3,200

population, it still won't be as convenient as it used to be when you went to the J.P.

Until the system has been perfected, we have but one word of advice: watch your driving, stay out of trouble and put off until later suing your neighbor. If you must get a driving violation, find that you can't stay out of trouble and your neighbor's money means more to you than anything else, prepare to stand in line.



Window Shoppers in Clarkston will be delighted with this cake decorating masterpiece. The cake, constructed with a sugar frosting base, was created by Mr. Gerald Hodge, owner of the Clarkston Bakery on South Main.

No injuries reported in accident

A collision between two cars Thursday, December 12, resulted when a Waterford driver failed to yield the right of way to another car on Pelton west of Sashabaw.

Olivia Melton of Drayton Plains told Oakland County Sher-

iff's deputies that she was headed east on Pelton and had slowed down to make a left turn into a driveway. When she began to make the turn, she collided with a car driven by Benson Rogers, of Waterford, who was passing her.

Rogers stated that he was headed in the same direction as the Melton car when she slowed down. Rogers swung out to pass when she turned left and collided with him.

A violation was indicated for Rogers, who failed to yield the right of way. There were no injuries reported.

Petition deadline for Village elections December 30

The deadline for filing nominating petitions for the village of Clarkston 1969 primary and general elections is Monday, December 30.

Village clerk Art Pappas said last week that the village primary will be held February 17 and the general election on March 10.

The offices up for election next year are village president, clerk, treasurer and assessor. These are all for one-year terms. In addition three trustee positions will be open for election for two-year terms.

Nominating petitions can be obtained from the village clerk. They must be filed with him no later than December 30.

SEYMOUR LAKE

Christmas cantata

By Gladys Sherwood
The Seymour Lake United Methodist Church Choir will present an hour long cantata "The Night the Angels Sang" by John W. Peterson, Sunday afternoon, December 22, at 4 p.m.

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Clarkston suffers 2 defeats

By Kirk Phillips

Well, fans, I think I should call my column Turnover Weekly. This is the second game in a row the Wolves have committed quite a few miscues, 25 to be exact.

This is what happened for the second straight week. The Wolves lost, 74-70, to a good Waterford Township team, who are now 2-0 for the season.

As usual it was the first and second quarters. The Wolves were playing well on defense with a 1-2-2 zone. They held Mike Sheldon from hitting double figures as he was in foul trouble during most of the game and collected only eight markers.

Gary McMillan did a fine job in covering Sheldon. Waterford went into the locker room with a comfortable 38 to 27 half time lead. The Skippers came out not as hot. Eric Hood and Chuck Granger picked up the scoring for the Wolves.

Our defense played a strong 3rd and 4th quarter and at one time Clarkston went ahead by two but couldn't pick up the hot hands to dominate the game.

It was all Clarkston in the 4th stanza as they outscored the Skippers 23 to 14. By this time Granger had his third personal and Hood his 4th. Clarkston narrowed an 11 point lead to two points.

A missed shot gave the Skippers a lead of five again. They held a five to ten point lead the rest of the contest and Clarkston cut the gap to 7 with 3:38 to go. This time Hood fouled Bill Foley and departed via fouls.

Keyser played a good defensive ball game but fouled out with 1:57 to go on the clock, leaving Granger all alone for the rebounding job against big Bill Foley and rangy Bruce Carlson, an all stater on the gridiron. Granger did a remarkable job on the backboards considering who he was up against.

Clarkston's last bucket came with 12 seconds left in the contest. A jumper from Granger made the final Waterford Township 74 Clarkston 70. Bruce Carlson tallied 22 for the winners.

SCORING FOR CLARKSTON

Charles Granger 7 for 16 for 43%, 23 points, 2 assists, 6 offensive rebounds, 3 defensive rebounds.

Jeff Keyser 1 for 5-20%, strong defense game 7 points, 4 offensive rebounds and 6 assists.

Eric Hood played his best game so far this young season. Twenty four markers, 11 for 19, 57%, 8 offensive rebounds, 5 on defense and one assist.

After two hot contests John Craven was four for fourteen and 34%. He had 1 offensive rebound and six defensive rebounds and one assist.

Gary McMillan did a fine job on the Skippers, Mike Sheldon, 3 for 6-50%, 7 points, 1 defensive rebound and 1 assist.

BLOOMFIELD HILLS GAME

Clarkston lost their second straight league game to Hal Henderson's Bloomfield Hills Barons by a score of 67-63. The Wolves got another strong performance from Eric Hood.

But some disputed officiating and the turn over epidemic hit again. Clarkston had quite a few chances to break the contest wide open but couldn't capitalize on the visitor's mistakes.

Down 30 to 27 at halftime, the Wolves couldn't catch up, they were down at 6-8 points most of the game. In the fourth quarter they started to jell, all the breaks were going for Clarkston.

Andover's 6-5 Tim Wedale departed from the game with 7-17 to go. It was nip and tuck until the final two minutes when the Wolves had to play catch up ball. Down four points Hood cut the deficit to two, with 1:08.

Andover played stall and it was very effective as they kept the ball for some 80 seconds, leaving 26 seconds on the clock. Granger tied up Southern for a jump ball. Clarkston called time out then won the jump, but Bob Foreman was fouled and made both shots.

Hood scored on another lay up, then with 14 seconds left a Bloomfield player had his foot on the out of bounds line and the officials didn't see it. May, got the pass out of bounds and layed it home all alone for two more but the clock had run out, giving Andover their first win and Clarkston their second defeat.

This week the Wolves must win at Clarenceville if they have any hopes of at least tying for the title. Trojan players to watch

for are Dave Brandemilhi and Kerry Rikkin.

Chalk up two more wins for Coach Hanson's squad. They downed Waterford Township and Bloomfield Hills. Clarkston has promising players in 6-5 Larry Walker, 6-3 Donald Brown, 5-10 Greg Curry. Also in the guard pool of Dave Thomas, Ted Karbownik, Rick Prasil and Kurt Richardson.

Coach Pierson's freshmen squad has an undefeated team that is led by Bill Bildstein and Eddie Butters. Around 1971 you can see Clarkston a basketball power, if these boys stay in the area.

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VARSITY SCORING

Eric Hood, 71; Chuck Granger, 62; John Craven, 42; Gary McMillan, 19; Bruce Hardy, 18; Jeff Keyser, 11; Mark Walters, 9; Richard Porritt, 6; Scott Robbins, 2.

WHO WILL WE SEE IN EAST LANSING IN MARCH. CLASS A?

Who will we see in Lansing March 22? Coach Robert Hendrikson and his Grand Rapids Ottawa Hills Indians? They are out to defend their state title from last year. Will Robinson's East Siders from Detroit Pershing led by John Lockard, 6-6.

Could last years runner ups, the Ypsi Braves be the dark horse of the tournament without 6-10 Craig Larson? Could Lake Orion go the easy way and surprise a few people? Maybe Clarkston or Milford or P.C.H. from this area, or Pontiac Northem who opened up an impressive victory over a good Highland Park team?

Birmingham's Brother Rice could be right in the thick of things led by 6-5 Mike McGill. A Roy Burkart team from Ferndale is never out of any race until they lose at the final buzzer. Flint Central, led by 6-9 Ken Brady, who did a fine job two years ago in holding Spencer Haywood to 16 points.

Muskegon has a fine outfit, they've dumped Flint Central already. Midland is a darkhorse from the Saginaw Valley.

CLASS B

River Rouge and Lofton Green could be back in the capital city after two years absence.

But don't count those high flying Menominee Maroons out of the race coached by Bob Krysiack from the upper peninsula. They are led by the bread and butter boys from last year, Dewey Bellisle, Craig Butler and Dave Haglund.

They are without the services of Pat Miller a two-time all stater, now playing for John Bennington at M.S.U. Holland Christian last years runner up could be back again. Fenton is very strong this year as LeRoy Decker, ex-coach from Holly is directing the Tigers. Romeo also could be a dark horse. Oh, by the way, West Bloomfield is no slouch.

Mr. Mel Varra has a kid brother playing for Iron Mountain and guess who they have to beat? Old buddy, you named it, Menominee. Fred Thomann has a state title to defend at Willow Run, but they will do it without Dave Hart who is now a member of Michigan's frosh team.

Rockford, Buchanna, Detroit Servite or Kalamazoo Hackett could be the teams to watch in class B.

CLASS C

Saginaw's St. Stephen led by

Dave Franz could possibly take it this year and there's nothing coach Sam Franz would like better than to beat Mike Guza by 1 point and to take the title from him and All Saints, from Detroit. Orchard Lake could go a long way led by all state Tim Megge if they don't choke at trophy time.

Wakefield has a fine team from the upper peninsula. Leslie has a strong team every year. Gary Dymanski's ex-home town of Bloomingdale could be a sleeper and Charlevoix is strong around the Lake Michigan area. Middleville, Bill Hanson's old town notes watching too.

The Vanderbilt Eagles only have 36 students but have fine players in the Sides, brothers Randy and Greg 6-5 and 6-4 respectively who beat Our Lady of the Lakes of Waterford last year.

Adrian Catholic Central is led by 6-3 Fred Wilkins. Watching Our Lady earlier this season they could very well plunge ahead. Hancock, Hermensville and Ewen Trout Creek could pay a visit to East Lansing this year.

Baraga, Dollar Bay and Detour could be the dark horse of this class and don't count out Covert. Well these are the teams you should keep a close eye on this year. My predictions will be made in March.

Wrestlers pin Andover

The Clarkston High School wrestling team nailed Bloomfield Hills Andover to the mat Thursday night when they travelled to Bloomfield. The final score was Clarkston 50, Bloomfield Hills 6.

Individual scores for the wrestlers are as follows: Mike Packer, Clarkston (95) won by forfeit; Bud Mumbower, Clarkston, (103) won by forfeit; Bill Janz, Bloomfield, (112) outpointed Louis Lessard 6-0; Steve Jones, Bloomfield, (120) outpointed Dave Gauthier 4-2; Jim Wallace, Clarkston, (127) won by forfeit; Jeff Quigley, Clarkston, (133) pinned Arm-

strong in 5:04. Tom Jones, Clarkston, (138) pinned Phelps in 0:35; Al Hamilton, Clarkston, (145) pinned Albrecht in 5:27; Al Knake, Clarkston, (154) pinned Keesee in 2:27; Virgil Martin, Clarkston, (165) pinned Proctor in 0:53; Mark Hoxsie, Clarkston, (175) won by forfeit; and Jimmy Arrowsmith, Clarkston (177) won by forfeit.

Five points are awarded to a team in the event of a pin or forfeiture. A team wins three points for a decision and two points for a draw.

Thursday night the Clarenceville Wrestling Team comes to Clarkston for a match. The time is 6 p.m. at the high school.

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Weekly Health Tip

 from Keith Hallman

Varicose veins may be retarded by avoiding prolonged standing. A moderate amount of walking should be helpful, as the muscular contractions help to move blood thru the veins. Rest the legs periodically by lying down and elevating the legs. Wearing of elastic hose to support the veins is recommended.

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Around the Town

Holiday season brings parties

by Constance Lektzian

The Wednesday Night Dance Club met December 11 for their annual Christmas festivities held at the Community Center. It was dinner by candlelight for about 76 members who dined on roast beef brought in and prepared by the chefs of Pontiac's Elk Temple. Charlie Robinson led the singing of carols after the banquet. An evening of dancing to the Neil Kimler combo followed. Mrs. Nelson Kimball was the winner of the door prize—a Christmas tree. Responsible for the planning as well as the outstanding decorations, were the Doug Cowdens of Cramlane Drive. Their committee consisted of Mr. and Mrs. Rick Huttenlocher, Dr. and Mrs. Frederick Roeser and the Brooke Bennetts.

Saturday night, December 7, the members of the Dixie Baptist Church honored their pastor and his wife, Doctor and Mrs. Paul Vanaman of 6600 Almond Lane. The church deacons and their wives prepared the ham and turkey dinner for the more than 300 in attendance who gifted the pastor and his family with a beautiful color TV. Mr. L.B. Cook of Northview Drive was chairman in charge of the evening affair which featured Christmas music for entertainment.

Also December 7, Miss Esther O'Neill was honoree at a household and personal shower at the home of Reverend and Mrs. Phillip Somers Jr. of 5835 Felmmings Lake Road. Twenty-four women of the Maranatha Baptist church attended. Miss O'Neill will be leaving shortly to return to her missionary post in Nebraska. A canape and dessert buffet was served which featured a poinsetta Christmas cake.

Job's Daughters Bethel No. 25 of Clarkston visited the Masonic Home in Alma, Michigan on Sun-

day, December 15. This is an annual affair attended by representatives of about 60 Michigan Bethels. Each chapter plans part of the entertainment which is presented during the day long visit. Mrs. Alice Stayt, Bethel Guardian of Clarkston, accompanied the girls from this area. Honor Queen Jill Sansome and Sue Biddle presented an exhibition of baton twirling. Clarkston's chapter also put on a pantomime portraying "The Little Drummer Boy." The girls have been busy for weeks buying and wrapping gift to present to the Home residents.

Danny, son of the Robert Kloos of 6370 Waldon Road, celebrated his third birthday Saturday at a family dinner. A special Batman cake had been ordered for him. Danny picked the cake up to have a closer look and in his exuberance, dropped it. Well, Danny, happy birthday anyway.

December 8, was the regular meeting of the Dixie Squares at Independence Township Hall. They took this opportunity to honor Mrs. Don Ashley of Snowapple Drive with a surprise birthday party. Then with Mr. John Cook of Wayland, Michigan as their caller, the club members squared away for an evening of dancing.

Girl Scout Troop No. 453 has been busy-busy-busy. At their regular meeting Tuesday, December 10, 20 of the girls met at the Clarkston Elementary School with their leader, Mrs. Ed Lewis of Church Street and Mrs. Trajan Vosie of Snowapple who is their assistant leader. The girls also had a helping hand from Mrs. Harry Yoh of Buffalo Street and Mrs. Joseph Gardner of Church Street. The girls have also been busy the past few weeks making hand puppets. Monday, December 16, fifty of these were presented to children in the Pontiac Osteo-

pathic Hospital.

Friday evening, December 13, one of the first grade classes of Clarkston Elementary trooped into 7902 Dixie Highway, each with a set of parents in tow, to be the guests of Mrs. Arthur Rose, their teacher. The children, led by the music teacher, Miss Dana Teske, entertained their parents with Christmas carols. Part of the evening was spent identifying silhouettes of each pupil that Mrs. Rose had made and which decorated the walls of the lovely, huge Rose dining room. The young first graders even decorated the cookies that were served later with coffee and punch. Mrs. Robert Kline and Mrs. John Tisch, home room mothers, poured. A delightful evening that afforded everyone an opportunity not only to meet their child's teacher but other parents as well. Must have taken a bit of patience and planning on the part of Mrs. Rose.

Turkey and all the trimmings were served up at Howe's Lanes Sunday, to 150 members, wives and children of the American Legion Campbell-Richmond Post #63. Commander Paul Pety served as master of ceremonies and introduced Father F.J. Delaney, of Our Lady of the Lakes, who gave the invocation. Santa Claus came dashing in later to pass out gifts to the youngsters in the group. Many of the families topped off the evening with several games of bowling.

Keith and Andrea Sheppard of Detroit came to Clarkston for a holiday celebration with her parents and brother, the Peter Lektzians and son Mark of 6563 Plum Drive. This early get-together was due to the fact the Sheppards are leaving soon for Houston to spend Christmas with the other side of the family. After a session of tree trimming, they were joined by the Nick Lekas and son Nicky.

The Larry Thompsons and children Wendy, Ronnie, Todd and Scott of 6645 Almond Lane attended a Christmas party at the Basil Thompsons of Shawnee Court. There were 47 relatives from Battle Creek, Freeport and Grand Rapids, who joined in the



Preceding dancing by candlelight, by members of the Wednesday Night Dance Club, was a delicious buffet dinner, by candlelight of course. The festive holiday event took place December 11.

pot luck dinner and gifting. Now that a populous party. Monday, December 16, Mrs. Larry Thompson was hostess at a birthday dinner for her husband, inviting Mr. and Mrs. Basil Thompson, who are Larry's parents, along with his grandmother and aunt, who are Mrs. Gertie Thompson and Mrs. Edna Scafe, respectively.

The Mt. Bethel W.S.C.S. had a candlelight meal Thursday, December 12. Chairman for the evening was Mrs. William Scramlin of Joslyn Road. The Junior Choir entertained the women with Christmas carols. On December 22 at 7:00 p.m., a Sunday School program has been scheduled in the church. The entire affair is going to be patterned in the style of years gone by with singing, readings and skits as they were presented in past times of the church's 103 year history. The M.Y.F. group of this United Methodist church will spend the evening of December 23 caroling in the church area. These young people have also chosen a family to remember at the holiday time. Fifteen boxes of Christmas goodies are in the process of being prepared by the W.S.C.S. for distribution to senior citizen shut-ins in the area of Mt. Bethel.

Mrs. Charles Evans of 6544 Plum Drive braved weather and traffic last Wednesday, December 11 to take ten children to see the Channel 12 Bozo Show which originates in Flint. Daughter Carrie brought 2 prizes back to Clarkston that she won from contests given during the program.

Mrs. Alex Valentine and daughter Sue of 6550 Eastlawn Street were given the responsibility of delivering 30 gift boxes to boys at Camp Oakland on Tuesday, December 17. This was done through the auspices of the Clarkston branch of the Salvation Army which is headed

by Lt. Wilma Brocksieck. These boxes are packaged by the Salvation Army and are distributed in this area under the direction of Brigadier John Grindle. The contents of these boxes are donated by companies that put out such items as cologne, deodorants and hand lotions.

Mr. Ken Valentine returned to Clarkston Wednesday, December 18, following a trip to Allentown Pennsylvania. While there he spoke to the Metallurgical Department at the Lehigh University on the use of metals in car production. On the prior Tuesday, he visited the Valentines daughter, Mrs. Jo Anne Simson in Philadelphia. Mrs. Simson is at Temple University doing post-doctorate research work in the Medical Department. The Valentines live at 7684 Phelan Drive.

With proceeds from the Jaycette Christmas auction held Wednesday, December 11 at the Richard Wiltons on Paramus Drive, five happy girls from Camp Oakland were taken on a shopping spree. Mrs. Don Colson of West Church Street, Mrs. Carl Gusie of Meadowlawn, Mrs. Tom Hawke of Shelley Drive and Mrs. Arthur Ripley of Amy Drive, area Jaycettes, were chaperones for the group. The girls, who ranged in age from 8 to 15, were given an envelope of money and allowed to shop for the entire evening for clothes, cosmetics or anything else they desired. The youngest took this opportunity to visit Santa Claus at the Mall. They finished the evening with a stop at a snack shop. This is true Christmas spirit.

THE NEW BABY can be properly announced to friends and relatives with Birth Announcements from the Clarkston News, 5 South Main, Clarkston.

PEEKIN' into the PAST

10 YEARS AGO IN THE CLARKSTON NEWS
December 18, 1958

In January of 1959 the first group of about 40 novices will move into the new Colombiere College, coming from Milford, outside Cincinnati, Ohio. Later in the year the Juniors, in their 3rd and 4th year of religious training, will move into the new building which has accommodations for 140 scholastics, 20 priests for faculty and administration and 40 Brothers.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Torr and family of Holcomb Street had as a guest this week their grandson, Russell Poole, from Fraser, Michigan.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Irwin and Cliff, of Laurelton Street returned home last week from a trip to Kansas and Florida.

The Biology Club of the Clarkston High School will sponsor a dance this Friday after the game. It is to be called the Homosapien Hop.

25 YEARS AGO IN THE CLARKSTON NEWS
December 17, 1943

Mr. and Mrs. David Denton are proudly announcing the birth of a 6 lb. 15 oz. son, Thomas Gerard on Thursday, December 9th at the Pontiac General Hospital.

On Christmas Eve a program sponsored by the Clarkston Rotary Club will be presented at the school at 7:30. There will be a movie and then Santa will make his appearance and each child will receive a gift.

The Clarkston Brownies held their Christmas party at the home of Nancy Sue Shanks on Thursday evening. The children exchanged gifts and had a good time. Mrs. John Kleinheksel is their leader.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Harris and Mrs. George Poss were Mr. and Mrs. George Martin of Vernon and Mr. and Mrs. William Harris of Swartz Creek.

BIRTH

David and Marlene Ferguson of South Eston Road, announce the birth of their 3rd child, Laurie Ann, on December 11.

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The grandparents of the baby are Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson of Clarkston and Mr. and Mrs. Claude Carter of Drayton Plains.



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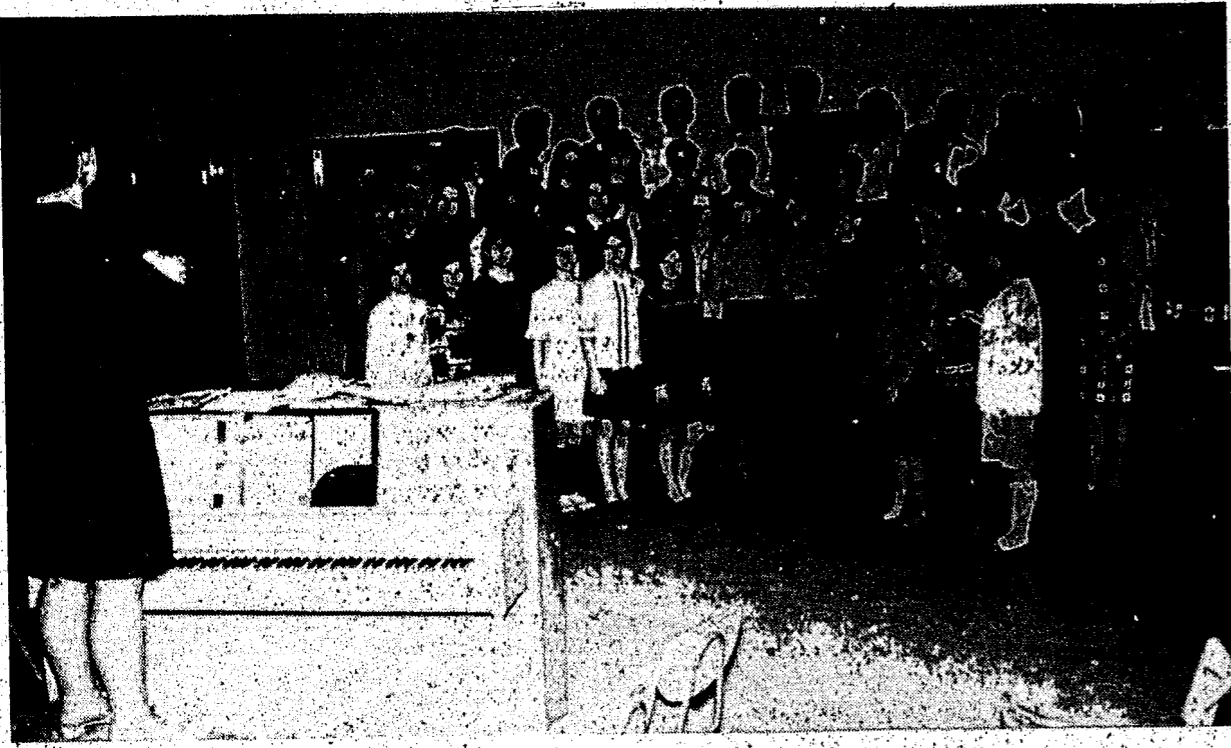
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The dump heap

By Bob Beemer



Pollution. Filth. Trash. Junk. It's time we called a spade a spade.

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labels.

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Who is responsible? Just average Americans. On their way home from the north country carelessly tossing out cigarette packages and other trash items; voters in an otherwise fine village unwilling to spend money for a sewerage system because of the cost; teenagers on a weekend beerbust on the backroads; an otherwise fine gentleman who owns a factory and pays high taxes on his land and factory produced products; all basically good people who are bent upon making America a visual mess, a polluted wasteland. "Not me," you say? An old saying, "If the shoe fits, wear it." Does it fit?

Admissions officers interview for college

Admissions officers representing 14 colleges and universities all over the United States will interview high school seniors and juniors from this area Thursday, December 19, in Detroit.

The interviews, which take place at the Northland Inn, in Detroit, from 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., provide an opportunity for parents and high school guidance counsellors as well as the students to talk with representatives from as many of the colleges as they wish. The colleges represented at the interview include those of small, medium and large sizes. Appointments to interview a specific admissions officer are not required.

The colleges interviewing for admissions are: University of Akron, Akron, Ohio; American University, Washington, D.C.; Anderson College, Anderson, Indiana; Bradley University, Peoria, Illinois; Colorado Alpine College, Steamboat Springs, Colorado; Davis and Elkins College, Elkins, West Virginia; Franklin Pierce College, Rindge, New Hampshire; George Washington University, Washington, D.C.; Graceland College, Lamoni, Iowa; Keuka College, Keuka Park, New York; McKendree College, Lebanon, Illinois; Northrop Institute of Technology, Inglewood, California; Spring Arbor College, Spring Arbor, Michigan; Union College, Barboursville, Kentucky; Barboursville, Kentucky.

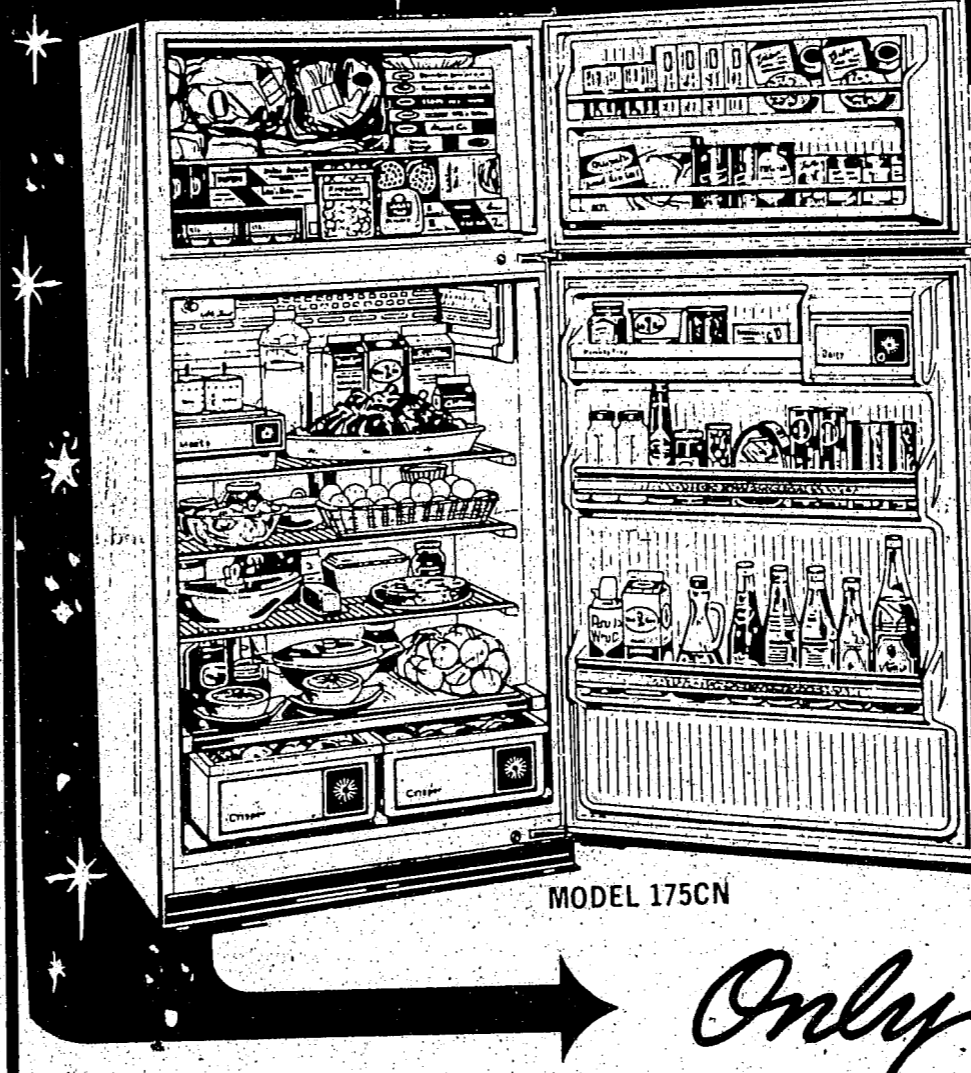
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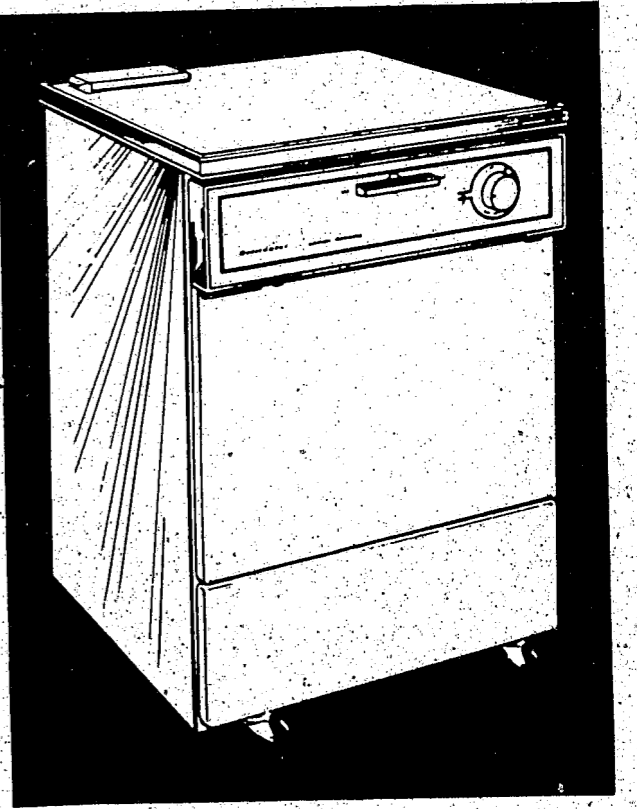
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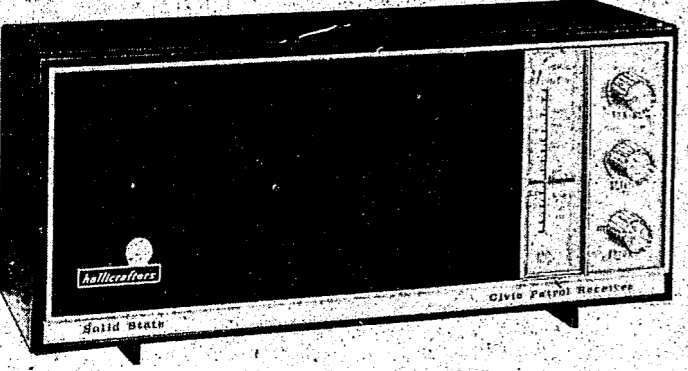


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In that Calhoun happens to be the greatest, it is difficult to hold her enthusiasm in check. Nearly two years ago she got started on sculpturing. Today, our house is beginning to look like an art gallery.

It's like most things, inflation and stuff like that. You never are really aware that there has been any change, until all at once, one day you wake up and there it is. That's the way her sculpture has gone. From time to time I've noticed her working on little wax figures... cute things and gruesome. Most of it is enchanting.

After the wax figures are completed, they disappear for a little while. Then, she one day asks, "Hey, how about taking a picture of this for me?" I make an effort to photograph all her bronzes. Just got another batch of pictures back today.

A week or so ago, Cal took two of her biggest efforts along with a tiny little thing down to the Detroit Artist's Market. The market works with a jury. Artists submit their work. The jury meets once a month to examine the work and makes a decision as to what the market will accept and what it won't. Something like the way horse shows are judged. The jury members don't necessarily have to know anything about art, just be willing to sit as a member. Sort of a prestige thing.

Cal's big effort... about nine thousand pounds of heavy bronze, a swinging interpretation of the Pied Piper with rats zipping around under his feet, was not accepted. Neither was her "Elephant's child." This bronze is an interpretation of Kipling's story of how the elephant got his trunk.

It shows the elephant, bottom down, tugging to get his trunk out of an alligator's mouth. The piece is well worked and beautifully cast by John Mengel of Detroit.

But, the little hyena, a

snickering twisted up creature, was accepted. Cal and I are both bewildered. The hyena was well done, but it didn't have the work in it. And yet, the market decided to accept it for sale.

Anyway, Saturday with kids and all, Cal and I went to Detroit to pick up what the market didn't want. Detroit is a frightening experience for us. We always get lost. Good friend, Tom Brun, had given good instructions. We managed to run, if we were to have kept driving straight ahead, into the market.

While in the parking lot next to the market, I was loaded down with this million ton Pied Piper. The car was locked. The parking lot attendants admired the work. In fact, they were so taken by the piece that I thought they were going to close the lot. One young man, (for those who make color differences, he was black) offered to take the piece out of my hand.

I told him that my keys were in my vest pocket. He reached, got the key and opened the car. Then, he stood back just admiring the work and asking Cal all sorts of questions as to how it was made and things like that. It was a rare experience. Possibly more meaningful to me. As the instance was genuine, there wasn't a big ado made over our parking in a black man's parking lot, or, black men working in a white man's parking lot.

There weren't any signs on the street saying, "Black men are welcome to park here, or vice-versa." That brief moment in the lot amounted to but one thing, a few men who were honestly captivated by what they saw and they took the time to express their appreciation.

I think that if there were more experiences like this, for everyone, no one would find the need to go out and organize themselves into action groups. Besides, for most of these action groups, their members are too anxious to sit back and write platitudes concerning their willingness to share themselves with people of other races. Maybe, it is about time that organized dreamers got off their dead hind quarters and got out and met some people for a change.

For the most part, these star gazers are saying that people, any kind of people, are welcome to visit their home towns. And yet, these platitudinous pop stand peddlers haven't got the initiative to get out and find out for themselves how the other half of the world lives, or something.

"If It Fitz . . ."

Please pass the pickle juice



By Jim Fitzgerald

This, I guess, will be about pickle juice and blood.

The following is the truth, as the parents of any growing boy will probably believe. By actual count, between 5 and 9 p.m. the other evening, our 10-year-old son ate:

- 1 popsicle
- 5 Oreo cookies
- Some pickle juice
- Another popsicle
- A bottle of red pop
- An apple
- Dinner
- Another popsicle
- A bottle of redder pop
- A frozen Milky Way
- Another popsicle
- More pickle juice
- M & M's that did melt in his hand

A piece of mince pie
The last popsicle, for which he wrestled his sister.

A hunk of my Hershey bar which he swiped and for which I whopped him
Halloween candy, lint-specked

Eddie finally went to bed, slightly peeved because his mother had refused to pop him some popcorn.

Other than the sheer quantity, 3 other things amaze me about Eddie's eating habits: 1) He's skinny; 2) He gets to the kitchen and back so swiftly and sneakily that his sister is almost never able to swipe his seat which is nearer the TV; and 3) The pickle juice. He spoons it out of the jar and slurps it

with loud delight. I never heard of such a thing before I met Eddie. Is his mother raising some kind of a nut?

Dieticians may accuse me of allowing my son to grow worms, or something. Sterner parents might say I'm helping to create a glutton. Certainly, it seems reasonable to wonder how I could sit there and inventory all that food without once sticking out my foot and tripping the little bugger on his way to the refrigerator.

It did occur to me to put a plug in Eddie's mouth. But then I thought of the son of a friend of mine. This boy can't eat. For many months he has been fed through a hole in his throat. He was grievously wounded in Vietnam. He is only 8 years older than Eddie.

And I had just read about the peace talks. A meeting had been tentatively scheduled to discuss the possibility of scheduling an official meeting at which it would be discussed what to talk about at any future peace meetings that might be scheduled.

In the meantime, while the stuffed shirts talk in beautiful Paris, the young blood flows into the mud. A parent prays it will never be his son's blood. At the same time he indulgently builds happy memories which may have to last a short, short forever. Old Dad knows the young blood flows red, with or without pickle juice.

Make mine with. I can always plead insanity - the insanity of mankind.

Another Day . . .

A village tale of the cannon's last boom

by Constance Lektzian

Not many of us are going to look back on the people that surrounded us when we grew up and remember them as colorful individuals. This doesn't seem to be the day for it. Conformity is the rule. The mental climate is different.

So is the geography. In years gone by, there were frontiers to settle, new lands to open, places where people went when they tired of civilization.

Now when you travel far from home, you are a tourist, not an explorer. Stories trickle in occasionally of someone of an unforgettable character, someone who added something of pungency to the environment about him. These are the kind of people who stay in the memories of others and are brought back in stories as this one was told to me.

Such a colorful person was old George. Not that we boys called him that in front of our elders. Before them we were far more careful. Our treatment of him was the same we gave a well loved contemporary. Indeed, I think old George regarded us in that light also. Especially after Wiltsie Vliet died.

Both men had served in the

Civil War and they used to sit in Wiltsie's woodworking shop or on old George's front steps, swapping stories. They always had an audience that consisted mainly of teen age boys who ignored we eight-and ten-year-olds hovering respectfully in the background.

These sessions usually ended with Mr. Vliet kicking off his shoes and bending his head forward for our awed inspection. It seems that one night, while he and his squadron were stretched out beside their campfire, asleep, they were ambushed by the Rebels. The self-same bullet that grazed Wiltsie's scalp, when he raised his head to see what all the ruckus was about, shot off one of his toes.

When the depredations of advancing age picked off these comrades like Wiltsie, old George added their stories to the telling of his own. Every year there were new ears to listen, as another boy or two in the village became old enough to join our circle. For George had done more than leave home to fight in the War Between the States.

When this struggle had ended, he found himself unable to sit

down to the quiet existence of his home town. He had been among those that swarmed westward out of Kansas. He drove a stage coach across the desolation of the plains, worked in a gold mine, rode Pony Express, and had been a driver of a mule train.

He had hunted buffalo when they were so plentiful that the herd blacked the land for as far as the eye could see. Now all of this had disappeared, he told us.

Even before the turn of the twentieth century, things had become so modern that the West was no longer as dangerous or as much fun as it once had been.

At that point, he always sighed a little wistfully. Even if he could go back, he told us, it was gone. All gone. All the color and excitement. We youngsters sat there in the dusk, listening, and when a schedule-minded parent hoarsely called us home for the fourth attempt to get us into bed on time, we straggled down the walk, feeling strangely deprived that there was not waiting for us all the adventure that had been part of old George's life.

We felt, that circle of young boys, that this spellbinding companionship of ours hung onto life after his contemporaries were gone because his own existence had been too enriched to give up. But maybe it was because, as some of our parents said, he had so many responsibilities he didn't dare die.

He had been widowed in his middle years and left with a fa-

contamination is high, however, it makes me want to buy an oxygen tent.

During winter, the weather bureau has something else to add to the confusion. Its called the "wind chill index." Using another complex formula, the bureau uses the temperature, the wind velocity and the humidity to figure how cold it would have to be to make us feel that cold if there were no wind or humidity.

But you don't need a wind chill index to tell you how cold you feel. Just step outside and you'll know. This is simply another indication that weather casters propagate useless information.

Bring 'em back ALIVE!

Weather forecasting: confusion galore

Nearly every newspaper writes about the weather, but none of them do anything about it - which isn't surprising when you stop to think about it.

The business of forecasting and reporting the weather, however, is becoming increasingly complex. This science is known as meteorology.

The derivation of the word "meteorology" itself is somewhat unclear. Webster, for example, has no idea what the derivation is - that's Jack Webster, who lives down the street from me. But Webster's Third International Dictionary says the world comes from French or Greek words meaning an astronomical phenomenon or a thing in the heaven above.

Exactly how this is related to the weather on the ground is hazy, except that rain and snow come from "the heaven above." The ancient Greeks and French were obviously cynics.

Aside from the term "meteorology," the science and the reporting of it are continually becoming more difficult to understand. As anyone who has ever planned a picnic for a sunny day knows, meteorology is not an exact science.

Not too long ago the weather

forecaster would come on the radio and say if it would rain, or be clear the next day. Apparently their batting average was not a very good one, because now they hedge and refuse to commit themselves one way or another.

Now what they say is that there is a 20 per cent chance of rain or a 50 per cent chance of snow. Even if there is no possible chance of precipitation, they still say its a 10 per cent chance. They just will not give a straight answer.

Occasionally they will say whether it is raining at that moment, but even this is rare. I've heard them state that there is a chance of snow later in the day and looked out to see a blizzard.

Even reporting the temperature has gone beyond reason. Weather casters on the Detroit radio stations used to say that the temperature in Detroit was 45 degrees. Now they say the temperature at Metropolitan Airport is 43 degrees, the temperature at City Airport is 44 degrees, and the temperature in downtown is 48 degrees. The listener gets to average them out himself.

If the weather caster said the temperature was 283 degrees,

By Joe Backus



you would think that it was either awfully hot or that he was out of his mind. But if he specified that it was 283 degrees Kelvin, neither would be the case, for it would be about 50 degrees Fahrenheit. I envision the day when the temperature will be given in three or four different scales, just for the sake of confusion.

If the weather report went only as far as giving the temperature and outlook, it would be easy enough to comprehend. It is getting to a point now, though, that a college degree is necessary just to understand it, which is to say I have a hard time understanding it, even with college degree. College degrees, incidentally, have nothing to do with Centigrade or Fahrenheit degrees.

Weather casters now report something called the measurable Undesirable Respiratory Contaminants, which they shorten to MURCs. Its easy to see why they shortened it: if they didn't the weather report would

be over by the time they said it.

MURCs, I heard once, are computed by collecting data from several complicated instruments and putting it into an even more complicated mathematical formula. The final result is the MURC level.

When the weather casters say there are 64 MURCs in the atmosphere, no one knows what it means, so they have to follow it by "medium contamination."

This also becomes rather confusing, because I've heard one day that 64 MURCs are high contamination, the next day 78 MURCs are medium contamination, the next day 51 MURCs are low contamination, and the following day 23 MURCs are medium contamination. When the

mily of several children to raise. Later, much later, he remarried.

At an age when most men were keeping casual tabs on their grandchildren, he began raising a second family of two sons. The fact that these boys had a father so much older than the fathers of the rest of us was more than offset by the fact that none of us had parents as vivid or interesting.

It was on a warm summer evening, close to a half a century ago, that we had gathered around to discuss the village activities for a July 4th celebration. We all felt keenly disappointed. The old Civil War cannon that usually boomed out the day's festivities was not going to be used this year.

Clarkston's powers that be, felt the old cannon wasn't up to any more celebrating. From now on it was to stand around as a show piece. After all, he had been in the Civil War, too. HE wasn't retired. No one felt the disappointment more sharply than old George. As he pointed out, the way the world was going, we might all get a first hand chance to hear plenty of cannon-ading. For him, however, that chance was not likely to come again.

Now mind you, no one actually said "Let's defy the village fathers". No indeed. The idea just grew, as ideas have a way of doing. Someone allowed that a cannon shot off for one last time would make just as good a dust catcher. We all agreed with that. And if the cannon were pushed to a site on Miller Road, pointed southward across the Mill pond and loaded just so, it would do no harm.

So it was that we met, husky teen-age boys and a few of us smaller stragglers. Guided by old George, we pushed that cannon through the sleeping town, down the edge of Holcomb street and across on Miller Road.

In the excitement I had dragged along my baseball bat. Even I was unable to say why. Maybe I felt the need of a weapon while walking in the unaccustomed dark. When we arrived on Miller Road, it was discovered the bat was the right size for ramming the cannon and I was given the honor.

Through the dark we peered at old George, watched his arm jerk back, saw the cannon lurch - and heard the "Boom" that roared out. The village seemed to hold its breath for a moment as the echoes came back to us from across the pond. Then we heard voices coming through the open windows and we realized the town had been thoroughly aroused.

The knowledge that we had awakened everyone and that we

were going to look pretty ridiculous if we were discovered settled down over us all at once.

"Come on, boys! Run!" We took off. Through Jossman's lilacs, across Mary Phillips flower beds and down most of the backyards on Main Street we ran.

Every now and then, one of the bigger boys would reach back and sort of cuff us little guys ahead for a few feet. Just so we wouldn't fall too far behind. Old George was out in front every foot of the way and led us back to the safety of his own house. We huddled in the dark front parlor, trying to catch

our breath, listening to the excitement mount outside.

We were aware that our leader had left us. In a few minutes he came back and, warning us to stay back out of sight, he scratched around and found a lantern to light. He headed for the door holding the lamp high and we saw he had put on his nightshirt, that long comfortable garment that men used to wear. It covered him down to his shoe tops and he had slid it on over his clothes. He was chuckling as he stepped outside the door.

We heard the rattle of feet pounding down the sidewalks. Then old George called out "What's going on here? Did you hear that loud noise? Bet that woke everybody in the village!" The footsteps stopped running and came toward the house. We heard the voices of the constable and some of the village fathers. "Don't worry, Mr. Sibley," they were saying. "We'll catch the culprits. Somebody shot off the old cannon."

We heard George Sibley grumbling that he probably wouldn't close his eyes the rest of the night and did they need his help? They assured him that they had everything under control and wasn't it a shame that an old man like him had his sleep interrupted?

It was interrupted all right. Mr. Sibley spent the rest of the night helping us get home undetected. For most of us, it was over a shed roof and through the bedroom window - same way we had gotten out.

The next few weeks were spent in accusing everyone in the village that had even a nodding acquaintance with rascality. Of course, they all indignantly proved their innocence. Those of us that were involved were never accused - in fact we never heard that we were even suspected. This state of affairs was probably helped by the fact that George Sibley was over 70 years old. Only those of us who had to struggle to keep up with him knew - and we never told - until now.

Smokes for GIs drive falls short of goal

The "Smokes for Our Boys in Vietnam" campaign, sponsored by the Clarkston Area Jaycees, recently concluded with a total collection of \$434. The Jaycees also collected the names of 31 Clarkston boys in Vietnam.

The purpose of the campaign was to raise enough money to send a case of cigarettes to the company of each Clarkston boy in Vietnam in the name of the Jaycees.

The cost of sending 31 cases of cigarettes to Vietnam, however, amounts to \$855.29, or \$421.29 more than the Jaycees collected in the campaign. The remainder of the amount had to be made up from the Jaycees general fund, according to Lewis Wint.

The Jaycees placed 96 canisters in area business establishments for the collection. Of these 96 canisters, three were stolen and five were empty at the end

of the campaign. \$424 was collected from the remaining 88 canisters, and \$10 collected through mail donations.

The idea of the "Smokes" campaign was presented to the Jaycees at their October meeting.

At first the idea met with some resistance on the grounds of the possible health hazards of cigarette smoking.

Some of the veterans at the meeting, however, raised the point that probably few of the fighting men were concerned with the health hazards and that nothing was appreciated by the armed forces overseas as much as cigarettes.

The Jaycees found that to send cigarettes to the company, they had to be ordered in case lots at \$27.59 a case. With the names of 31 boys, the total cost of the cigarettes came to almost twice as much as the Jaycees collected.

"Rather than eliminate names for the list, the Jaycees decided to make up the difference from their general operating fund," Wint said. "When the program began, we had no idea we would get so many names and that it would cost so much."

Wint went on to say that even though the canisters have been picked up, he hopes members of the community will make an extra effort during Christmas time to send in further contributions to help make up the loss.

"\$421.29 is a lot of money to a volunteer organization and it could affect some of our future plans for the balance of the Jaycee year," he said.

The cigarettes will be sent to the company commander of the man's company, and the commander is expected to distribute them throughout the company.

The names collected by the Jaycees are as follows:

- Sp/4 Troy A. Bell, Jr.
- Pfc. Rick Blimka
- Pfc. Roger A. Bradford
- Sp/4 John D. Burnell
- Sp/4 Dale E. Cook
- Sp/4 Lyle D. Cooper
- Pfc. Clifford Dawson
- Pvt. George F. Denton
- Sp/4 Melvin D. Green
- Sp/4 William Guilds
- Cpl. Lester R. Hall
- Pfc. Harold G. Hatley
- Pfc. Lester A. Hubbard
- Sp/5 Charles T. Jockwig
- Pfc. William C. Kirk
- Cpl. James W. Korpela
- Sp/5 James A. Kreger
- Sgt. Billy G. Lewis
- Pfc. Lawrence D. Lovejoy
- Sp/4 E. L. Marsteiner
- Sp/4 Shelby L. Meredith
- Pfc. David Osgood
- L/Cpl. Kenneth C. Papke
- Sp/4 Ronald Parker
- Pfc. L.W. Rolph
- Kenneth Rolston A.D.J.A.N.
- Sp/5 A.E. Slankard
- Pfc. Charles F. Stock

Pfc. Edwin E. Thompson
Sp/4 Michael L. Tyler

Nursery party

Copies of your important papers and documents made at the NEWS office, 5 South Main.

The Maceday Co-op Nursery is holding a Christmas party Friday, December 20, for the children and their mothers at

the Lakeland United Presbyterian Church on Williams Lake Road from 9:15 to 11:15.

The children are making Christmas presents for their parents. Santa Claus will be present.



ORDER FORMS for cigarettes for the Smokes for Our Boys in Vietnam campaign are being sent by Jaycees (from left) Vern Erickson, Lewis Wint and Jack McCall.

Playing host to the CLARKSTON WOLVES

CLARENCEVILLE FRIDAY DECEMBER 20



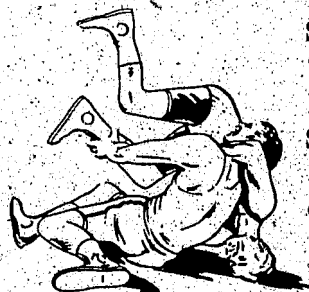
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CLARKSTON SENIOR HIGH 1968-69 BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Fri., Dec. 20	Clarenceville	Away
Fri., Jan. 10	Northville	Home, 6 pm
Tue., Jan. 14	Waterford Kettering	Away
Fri., Jan. 17	Milford	Home
Fri., Jan. 24	Brighton	Away
Fri., Jan. 31	West Bloomfield	Home
Fri., Feb. 7	Clarenceville	Home
Sat., Feb. 8	Bloomfield Andover	Away
Fri., Feb. 14	Northville	Away
Fri., Feb. 21	Milford	Away
Fri., Feb. 28	Brighton	Home

Varsity Coach: Bud McGrath
J.V. Coach: Bill Hanson



CLARKSTON SENIOR HIGH WRESTLING 1968-69

Thur., Dec. 19	Clarenceville	Home, 6 pm
Fri., Dec. 27	Oakland University Invit.	Away
Sat., Dec. 28	Oakland University Invit.	Away
Thur., Jan. 7	Waterford Township	Home, 6 pm
Thur., Jan. 9	Avondale	Home, 1:45 pm
Sat., Jan. 11	Howell	Away, 10-11 am
Thur., Jan. 16	Waterford Kettering	Away, 6 pm
Thur., Jan. 23	Northville	Home, 6 pm
Thur., Jan. 30	Brighton	Away, 6 pm
Tue., Feb. 4	B.H. Lasher	Home, 6 pm
Sat., Feb. 8	Fenton Tournament	Away, am
Tue., Feb. 11	Milford	Away, 6 pm
Sat., Feb. 15	W.O.C.L. Northville	Away, 8:30 a.m.
Wed., Feb. 19	Flint Ainsworth	Away, 6 pm
Sat., Feb. 22	District Tournament	Away, am
Tue., Feb. 25	Lake Orion	Home, 6 pm
Fri., Mar. 7		
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Flu causes school absences, but not Hong Kong type

This is the year for flu, says the Oakland County Health Department. Influenza, or the flu, comes in cycles of about six years, and this is the year it is due, according to Charles Hobbs, a Health Department spokesman.

As yet no cases of Hong Kong flu have been verified in Oakland County, Hobbs said. "All the flu we have had so far this year is the old strain of Asian flu."

But just the same, flu has struck with force in the Clarkston area. The rate of absenteeism in the high school and the junior high was about 30% Monday, Floyd Vincent, assistant superintendent of the school system, said.

"This represents about three

times our normal rate of 10% of the students absent on a given day," he said. He suspects that flu accounts for the major portion of these, he said.

But absenteeism among the staff is less than normal. On Monday only 20 teachers were absent, as compared to about 25 normally.

Vincent said that he hopes to get through the end of this week without too many absences. Friday is the beginning of Christmas vacation. He hopes the current outbreak will be over by the time school reconvenes in January, he said.

Hobbs said that this year's flu epidemic can be expected to reach its peak in January, however. School absentees might rise as high as 50%

He said he also expects the Hong Kong strain to invade this area fairly soon.

"The Hong Kong flu is not a deadly serious variety," he said. "It is actually less severe than Asian flu. Its symptoms are similar to other kinds of flu."

The Hong Kong flu is characterized by headaches, chills, fever and a cough.

Although the flu is not considered serious, its chief danger lies in the complications it may lead to, such as pneumonia and middle ear infections, Hobbs said.

"The flu is self-limiting and those suffering from it can expect to recover in three to seven days if there are no complications," he said.

The best way to combat the

flu if it has been contracted, Hobbs said, is to stay in bed, drink plenty of fluids, take aspirin and decongestants. Antibiotics are of no help against the flu or its symptoms, but will help to control the complications.

"The best way to avoid getting the flu is to eat well, dress warmly, get plenty of rest and avoid large crowds," he said.

A limited amount of vaccine has been shipped to the doctors and druggists by the manufacturer.

The elderly and the chronically ill are the most susceptible to the Hong Kong flu and its complications. If such people get it, they should consult their doctors, Hobbs said.

Children's show

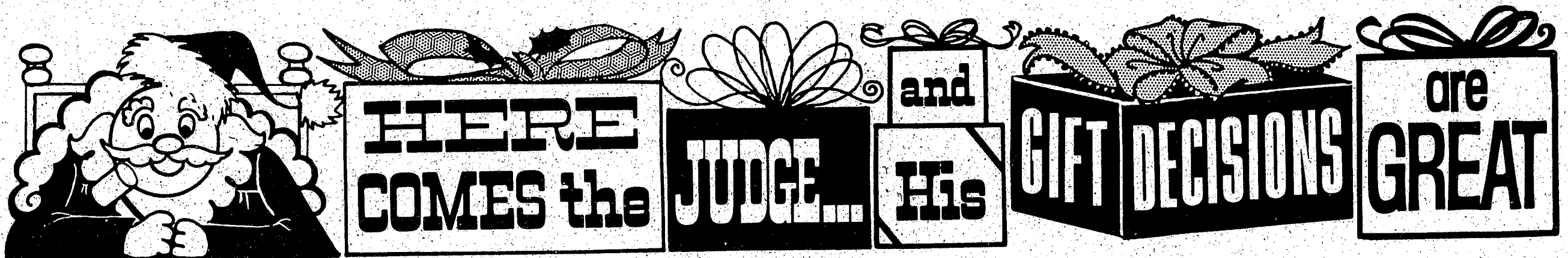
A special "Holiday Film Festival for Children" will be presented Monday, December 30 by the Friends of the Orion Township Library.

Three films, "The Littlest Angel," "The Littlest Camel Kneel," and "Christmas Spirit" will make up the hour-long program.

Two complete showings are being planned. The first will be 10:30 a.m. at Carpenter School and the second at 1:30 p.m. at Blanch Simms School. There will be a small admission charge.



There's no secrecy to one Christmas task, and that's picking out that all important tree. Found among the sheltering pines at Ritter's Farm Market were the James Palshan family from Ortonville.



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Springfield establishing offices in Davisburg

Business offices for Springfield Township are being established in the Township Hall, Davisburg. It will be maintained on a part time basis "for the convenience of people having business with the township." This decision was made at the first regular meeting of the Springfield Township Board under supervisor N.C. Van Natta.

Alterations are now in progress. According to plans now in effect the office will be open from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 to 12 on Saturdays. Van Natta stated that Mrs. Beatrice Rockwell will serve as secretary and will be at the new offices Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Tuesday and Thursday Ray Soncrant, present building inspector for the township, will be in attendance. The Saturday hours go to Supervisor Van Natta and he will also be available Wednesday afternoons.

Upon completion of the alterations a notice will be placed in the News setting forth Town-

Concert, Yule show at Calvary Lutheran

Members and friends of Calvary Lutheran Church will hear the Madrigal Singers of Clarkston High School present a brief sermon in song at both the 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship hours, Sunday, December 22.

The group will sing a selection of religious and Christmas numbers, taken from their concert repertoire. Director of the group is Beth Tobin.

The group is singing two concerts for the public this week, and hope to be making a number of appearances in local churches and other organizations, in the future.

The community is invited to worship at Calvary Lutheran at either service this Sunday, to hear the Madrigal Singers, and to participate in the festivities of the Last Sunday in Advent. The church is located at 6805 Bluegrass, near the intersection of I-75 and M-15.

Also on Sunday the classes of the Sunday Church School of Calvary Lutheran will host their annual Christmas program for members, families, and friends. Beginning at 6:30 p.m., the

program will feature the singing of the Junior Choir of Calvary, and hymns by the congregation. The highlight of the night will be a series of tableaux scenes, using costumed pupils and colored lights to act out the story of Christmas.

The scenes will cover the promise of the birth of a son to Elizabeth and Zechariah, to the promise of the birth of Jesus, and will conclude with the shepherd's vision in the fields and their subsequent journey to Bethlehem to see the new king who was born.

Dale Millward, the superintendent of the church school, is directing the children's choir singing, and Mrs. David Blomquist will accompany the group. Persons acting in the scenes will come from grades one through nine.

At the close of the service, pupils will bring gifts of canned goods, wrapped in white paper, to be donated to families that need them, and the gifts will be dedicated by the pastor, the Rev. Arlon K. Stubbe.

The program is open to the public, as well as members of the church, and refreshments will be served afterward to all.

ship intentions.

The Board accepted the resignation of Elwyn Hillman as patrol officer. Because of personal reasons, Mr. Hillman felt he could no longer serve in that capacity.

Dave Field, clerk, was instructed to ask for bids on the purchase of a new pickup for the fire department.

Several zoning changes from agriculture to residential were approved by the Board.

Takes course

James Mowery, production foreman at Price Brothers Company, 4701 White Lake Road, completed a third-level course in Wittenberg University's Management Development Program Friday.

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"And behold, you will conceive in your womb, and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus." St. Luke 1:31

Rev. Arlon K. Stubbe
Calvary Lutheran Church

On the front lawn of a seminary in Chicago last year a group of wooden cut-out figures appeared: standing near a cradle were Charlie Brown, Lucy, Linus, Schroeder and Snoopy. In the manger shone a bright yellow light. And on a sign over the scene were the words: "Happiness is a new baby."

No wonder we prepare this week to say "Merry Christmas!" God's family has experienced a new addition, one who comes as a baby... innocent and full of grace.

He comes to silence our fears and our hates. To unite us as the family of Man. To tell us of love and joy and peace.

To bestow upon us the name of 'brother'. And though the world into which he comes is not so joyous or peaceful or loving as our carols and decorations and friendly smiles might make it seem, there is still room enough for one more face.

The tender face peers up at us once more from the bed of straw, and asks poignantly, "Will it be the same again? Will my coming be lost in the thicket of life? Or will you hear at last the angels' song, and put into use the love that I bring?"

A baby has been born into the family of Man. And God's wish is that it might bring happiness to all. Merry Christmas!

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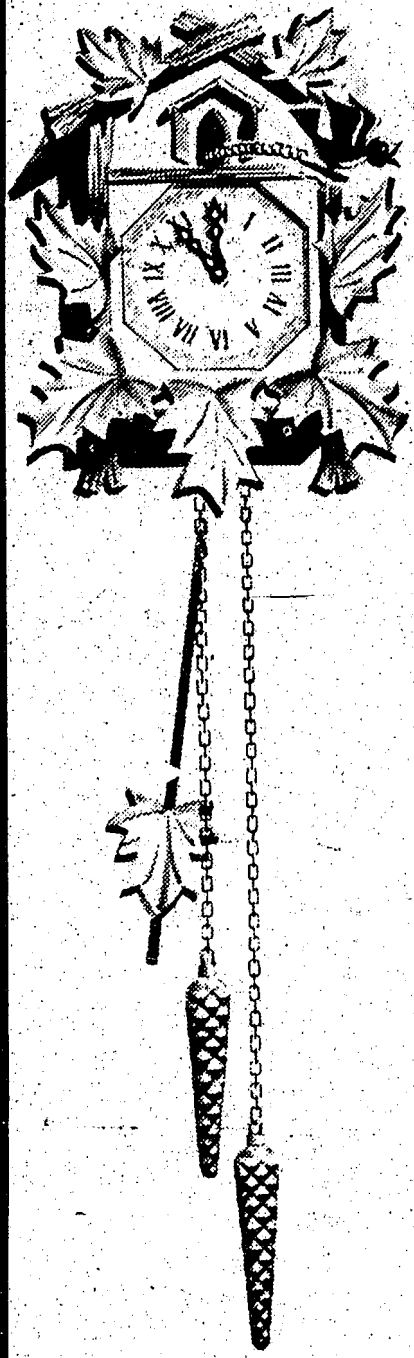
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from Pamela Brazelton

Dear Santa,
Please bring me lots of things this year. Most of all, I want a red bicycle. It should be about twenty-six inches high. I don't care what kind it is. Also bring me an Aurora race car track, a giant race car that runs on gas, telescope, lots of games, and plenty of money.

Yours truly,
Gary Gaddis
5485 Oak Park
Clarkston

Dear Santa,
My name is Todd Hess I though I Better write you and let you know that I moved TO 5961 Flemings Lake Rd.

I would like you to bring me for Christmas, the following, a organ, a steam engine for my train, a train game some road building equipment, a tv set, a telephone, a new cabose.

I have not been a good boy all year but most of the time I have. I will leave some milk and cookies on the table for you, the back door will be unlocked.

Thank you very much.
Todd J. Hess
5961 Flemings Lake Road
Clarkston

Dear Santa,
When December twenty-fifth rolls along don't forget to stop by the Partlo house on 5812 Paramus.

I have been exceptionally good all year and hope to be rewarded. I would like an electric football game, a basketball, a pair of ice skates and a new wristwatch. Next year I will be twice as good as this year. Thank you very much.

Your Friend,
Dave Partlo
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Dear Santa,
I would like a Black Arabian Stallion and a silver studded saddle.

How is Mrs. Clause and the elves?
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Dear Santa Clause,
Please leave me a doctors set, Rudy the Robot, tool set, play gas tank, G.I. Joe Scuba set, lisenca plate with my name on it, Bruiser Jr. set, structo construction set, Johnny service.

My name is Todd and I am 4 1/2 years old.
Thank you,
Todd Alan Gavette
5198 Drayton Road
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Dear Santa Claus,
I could not ask you for all the things I want. I want too many things. Send me a watch and two million dollars so my father can buy all the other things.

Yours truly,
Rae Anne Ridgeway
5447 Heath Ave.
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Hi Santa,
How have you been lately? I haven't seen or heard from you since last year. I just hope that you come to my home this year. Now to get on with our business.

I don't really want much at all. I will make up a small list of items:
a. horse (finest breed)
b. good english saddle
c. bridle
d. surf-board
e. color television set
f. St Bernard

I hope that is not too much to ask.

Love you,
Carole Strapp
5554 Warbler
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Dear Santa,
I am writing to you to tell you hat I want on Christmas. Will you please send me a portable rcord player or an Tape Recorder & a knitting machine. A pair of pajamas & slippers. Have a nice Christmas. I will if I get these things.

Sincerely yours,
Margaret Blehm
4876 4th St.
Drayton Plains

Dear Santa
I would like a X Color TV. and films. And a Electric Pig a-light. stuffed animal. Twister and a Xgum Bank. XWeaver loon X and a stroller with a shopping bag. Cash registerX adding machine. and a say it-play it. Dear Santa the toys that have a X beside it are the ones I like the best. Please bring them good-bye until next year.

from
Nancy

P.S. Please bring the toys that have a X by them. They are the ones I like best.

Good-By
Santa
Nancy Grayilla
5420 Clarkston Road
Clarkston

Dear Santa,
When I put a X on the left hand side it means I want it the most and when I put two XX it means I want it mostly.

1. XX Projector and films
2. X Mr. Potato head
3. X Say it, Play it with four reals
4. X Cash register (new kind)
5. sock slippers
6. Cowboy Boots, size-4 1/2, color-black
7. Snoopy Book
8. X Hectograph
9. gum chum bank
10. Electric Peg a light with 12 pictures
11. Basketball

Steven Grayilla
5420 Clarkston Road
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Dear Santa,
I must admit that this year I have been a naughty girl. That means you will only have a small list from me this year.

The only thing I want for Christmas are records, I want the newest Temtation album, an old record called, "I'm Your Puppet," and the top ten records of around Christmas.

This list won't be so hard to get, so I'll let you go so you can start getting my presents.

Sincerely yours,
Vicki Hart
4783 Lakeview
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P.S. I will try to be good from now until Christmas.

Dear Santa,
I've been a good boy. I helped my mother and Father.

Are your elves good. What is Rudolph doing? What are the other reindeeds doing? send me a picther to me.

Your Friend,
Scott Brumback

Dear santa claus
I want a slot car set and a sup super and my sister wants a easy bake oven and baby magic.

I am seven year old
Greg Roy

Dear Santa,
Even though I know you're a fake. (I'm 13) This letter is an english assignment.

For Christmas I want a mini-bike, and some clothes. Also if possible I'd like a portable record player

Yours truly,
Alan Walker
4822 Sundale Drive
Drayton Plains


P.S. Merry Christmas Santa Claus. (you fake, you)

Dear Santa,
My name is Russell Clifton and I have been a very good boy this year. I am 13 years old and I want a mini bike for Christmas. Well that all I want so bye.

Your good Boy,
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