

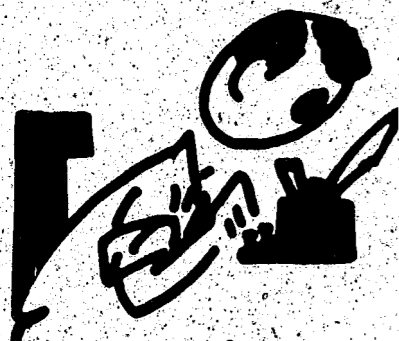
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Jim's Jottings

Wonder if the upper peninsula has gotten together with the lower on the time?

When I was up there during deer hunting season 3 of the counties had voted to go with Daylight Savings Time and the rest balked, or vice versa. Never can tell when I might want to know what time it is in Calumet, so, if you know give me a call.

How daughters get like mothers, dept. Our 6-year-old wrapped a gift to take to a birthday party. Mother saw it and gasped. It had the wrong color bow on it. There were 4 other kids that age or younger at the party and they would surely notice this mistake, I suppose mother reasoned.

How many times in your life have you seen a headline similar to: "Michigan about to open war on organized crime"? And, how many times have you seen anything come of it?

Jim Bushman, Oxford restaurateur, brought in a Free Press clipping of Dr. Messer's column. It says dads should have playtime, maybe only 5 or 10 minutes a day, with their kids.

I don't do this with any regularity and I have a feeling it will be less. A couple weeks ago I started messing around with Jim. He's 14. I'd pick him up and drop him on the floor, hit him, ripped off his night gown, and otherwise wore myself out.

Once in a while he would tear into me and get in some good licks. Couple days later I noticed my arm was sore and discolored. It delighted him.

Dr. Messer thinks this was smart of me... to let Jim hurt me. I didn't let him and I have no intention of continuing this rough housing much longer. It's about time for me to start reminding him I've been ill, that I'm too old and my bones are getting brittle, and telling him how bad he will feel should he disable me.

May the 1969 tide of fortune float you into the harbor of content.
Happy New Year.

Needy children helped by Hi-Y

"Good Will Toward Men" reigns throughout Clarkston High as the Hi-Y and Y-Teens organizations brought cheer to needy children this season.

The Hi-Y is for high school boys to create, maintain, and extend throughout the home, the school and community, high standards of Christian Character; with the purpose of Y-Teens being to build a fellowship of girls, devoted to the task of realizing ideals of personal and social living.

During the Christmas season the members of Hi-Y contacted each of the six elementary schools in the district to choose approximately three needy students. The Hi-Y invited members of the Y-Teens to join their project of taking the children shopping. The parents were contacted, then each child was taken to lunch and afterwards purchased an outfit.

In order to earn money for this project Hi-Y has sponsored the faculty basketball game between the junior high and senior high, besides a play night.

Area lawyer named recount supervisor

A young Clarkston attorney, James J. Blanchard, has been named to the team of supervisors who will oversee the recount of the controversial Daylight Savings time proposal which appeared on the November 5 general election ballot. Blanchard, the son of Mrs. Rosalie Snyder, of Royal Oak and Ferndale, was recently admitted to the Michigan Bar. He is married to the former Paula Parker of Clarkston.

The supervisors are a team of experts who will oversee the recount procedures in many communities for the Michigan Elections Bureau of the Department of State. Blanchard has served as an intern in the elections bureau and has been an election supervisor.

He was graduated from Ferndale High School and holds a bachelor of arts and a master of business degree from Michigan State University. He was also awarded his JD degree by the University of Minnesota earlier this year.

Fire destroys shed

A fire broke out in a shed at 5140 Eastview about 11:30 p.m. Monday, December 23. The shed belonged to Louis Carpenter. The cause of the fire is unknown. Damage to the shed and its contents was total, estimated at \$1,000, reported the Independence Township Fire Department.

Car fire

The Independence Township Fire Department was called out to extinguish a car fire at the Waterford Hill Shopping Center at 6:05 p.m. December 20.

A 1969 Grand Prix, owned by A.E. Starkweather, 8358 Fox Roy Drive, Union Lake, had stalled and was being pushed. When he pushed the starter, the engine caught fire, according to the fire report.

Short weight

Clarkston's A & P supermarket, 5785 Ortonville Road, was fined \$50 with \$15 in court costs by Justice William Stamp for listing more weight on its pre-packed meat than the package actually contained.

Dick Oliver, the meat manager at the market, pleaded guilty to the charge December 12, according to a Michigan Department of Agriculture report.

Father, son killed in Waterford shooting

A Waterford man and his son died from gunshot wounds inflicted by a derringer Saturday night, December 21. Police have ruled that it was a murder-suicide.

James D. Miller, 59, of 6185 Waterfront, Waterford, and his son, Ronald A. Miller, 24, of the same address, had been drinking alone in their home Saturday evening.

For some unknown reason, Ronald apparently shot his father in the head at close range and then turned the gun on himself, police said. There was no sign of a struggle or violence in the house previous to the shooting.

The bodies were discovered by a neighbor while the rest of the family was out.

James Miller

James D. Miller was employed at Auto Pallets and Boxes in Rochester. He is survived by his wife,

Della; four sons, James of Medtamera, Norris of Waterford, Robert at home, and Rodney in the Army; three daughters, Mrs. Russell Gee of Pontiac, Mrs. Frank Watkins of Oxford, and Mrs. Larry Jenks of Waterford; two brothers and two sisters from out of state.

Funeral service was held Tuesday, December 24, at the Lewis E. Wint Funeral Home with the Reverend Robert D. Winne officiating. Burial followed in Hillview Memorial Gardens.

Ronald Miller

Ronald A. Miller was employed as an apprentice pipe fitter at Parks Installation Company, Milford, and attended Waterford Community Church.

He is survived by his mother, Mrs. James D. Miller; three sisters, Mrs. Russell Gee, Mrs. Frank Watkins and Mrs. Larry Jenks; and four brothers,

James, Norris, Robert and Rodney.

Service was held December 24 at the Lewis E. Wint Funeral Home with the Reverend Robert D. Winne officiating. Burial in Hillview Memorial Gardens followed.

Naval student to speak

Midshipman First Class Roger K. Roosa, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack B. Roosa of 4033 Athens, Drayton Plains, has volunteered to spend part of his Christmas leave telling the Naval Academy story.

He is one of some 200 midshipmen selected to participate in the Academy's nation-wide "Operation Information" program.



FIRST PLACE HOME in the Clarkston Jaycees house decorating contest is the George Lang residence, 6185 Clarkston-Orion Road. Judging for the contest was done by Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hubbel of Waterford.



SECOND PLACE HOME is owned by the David Slinkard family, 6382 Snow Apple Drive.



THIRD PLACE HOME in the contest is that of Edmund Drozdowski, 5686 Everest.

His mission is to interest qualified candidates in applying for admission to the U.S. Naval Academy.

Midshipman Roosa has the following speaking engagements or personal appearances scheduled: January 2, 12:00 at Waterford Kettering High School, Drayton Plains; January 3, 9:00 at Stephen Mason Junior High School, Drayton Plains; and also

Walled Lake High School, Walled Lake; Oxford High School, Oxford; Lake Orion High School, Lake Orion; Brandon High School, Ortonville; and has tentatively scheduled an appearance at Clarkston High School, Clarkston.

Midshipmen chosen for "Operation Information" are carefully observed and screened

prior to their selection. The standards are high. They are judged on public speaking ability, academic standing, participation in athletics and extracurricular activities. Each must have a thorough knowledge of the Academy's curriculum and its professional training program and must have displayed their capabilities as military leaders.

1969 should be a most interesting year

By Jim Sherman

Perhaps the headline should read "1969 will be a most interesting and expensive year". The interesting part comes from day to day developments with far reaching results. The expensive part will be in the form of increased taxes and paying for sanitary sewers.

Sewers will be the big event of the new year. They will not be installed in 1969 but contracts will be let probably in both the village of Clarkston and township of Independence to permit the installation.

Final plans should be ready in the next few months that will show exact routes, areas to be included, and cost estimated among other things. The Clinton-Oakland interceptors are under contract and if the schedule doesn't get thrown off too far they will be ready to accept sewerage about May, 1970.

Another thing we can be sure of in 1969 is more land will be turned over to developers. They have been busy in Independence the past few years building multiple dwellings and single family subdivisions and this trend will continue.

This land development makes one wonder... the common man is complaining bitterly about the increases in taxes, yet the developers are investing more and more, apparently not concerned at all about the buyers or renters being able to afford the increases in taxes that are sure to come.

Another thing on the immediate horizon of Independence is the

establishment of the District Court here. This will bring more employment, plus bringing additional attention to this community.

Three new public buildings will be completed here this year and a third might be. About August the new township library on Clarkston-Orion road will be completed and occupied. The new bus garage south of the high school will be done soon and the new junior high school on Maybee road will be ready for the fall enrollment.

The other building possibility is a new school service building being planned on the school property near the new library.

No elections are scheduled for township officials this year, however, there will be one in the village in March. We've had no indication if the incumbents are going to seek re-election or if there will be opposition. There doesn't seem to be many rumors of dissatisfaction with village officials.

Whoever sits at the Council table will have some far reaching decisions to make. The greatest decision will be on sewers, which, according to previous indications, seem inevitable in the eyes of both the officials and citizens.

The Councilmen may also decide on a new water system in 1969. Too, a

decision on whether to sell the village parking lot may come up, along with it the decision on future parking in the downtown area. We can expect the village fathers to also continue working to get a new post office located within the village.

One announcement sports fans await is the naming of a new football coach to replace Ralph Kenyon who has moved into the administration.

Reaching beyond our borders, the next three higher governmental units are coming under new direction. About all we know about the new board of supervisors is that it will be Democratically controlled.

In the next month or so we will have a new governor in William Milliken. We look forward to his state of the state message and early requests from the legislature to learn if his directions might differ from those of Governor Romney.

And, higher up the ladder, we have a new president of the United States, Richard Nixon. Expectations run high, however, there have been printed reports from those who anticipate recession, inflation, peace and war.

Whatever comes, we can be sure 1969 will be interesting and expensive.

obituaries

Anna Anderson

Anna Anderson, 502 West Home Street, Flint, died following a long illness December 24. She was 79.

Mrs. Anderson, a housewife, is survived by her husband; a daughter, Mrs. Elmer Diebel of Clarkston; five grandchildren; and 23 great-grandchildren.

Service was held December 27 at Sharpe-Goyette Funeral Home with the Rev. E. Glenn Snook officiating. Burial followed in Lakeview Cemetery.

Thomas Gawne

Thomas William Gawne, 7979 Longview, died at Pontiac General Hospital following a short illness December 23. He was 71.

He was born August 28, 1897 in Vassar, Michigan, to Grafton Gawne and the former Elizabeth McKeen, and was married to the former Hazel M. Clark in Midland. He was a retired job setter for the Ford Motor Company in Dearborn.

He is survived by his wife three sons, Douglas of Pontiac, Thomas of Lake Orion, and Paul of Ortonville; two daughters, Mrs. Delbert Caldwell of Farmington, and Mrs. Dorothy Cannon of Detroit; 24 grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held December 26 at Allen's Funeral Home, Lake Orion, with burial following in East Lawn Cemetery, Lake Orion.

Edith Goode

Funeral service for Mrs. Edith L. Goode, 7186 Glenburnie, was held December 23 at Coats Funeral Home, Waterford, with burial following in White Chapel Memorial Cemetery, Troy.

Mrs. Goode, who was a member of an Indiana United Presbyterian Church, died December 20 at age 86.

She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. R.E. Kuykendall of Arkansas; four sons, Dolphe of Pontiac, Carl of Detroit, William of Illinois, and Glenn of California; four sisters, Mrs. L.A. Germain of Clarkston,

Mrs. Richard Kitts of Waterford, and Mrs. Dean Ryden of Pontiac; 22 grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

Joseph Wise

Joseph A. Wise, 7720 Bridge Road, Waterford, died following a brief illness December 20. He was 73.

He was retired from Gar Wood Industries and a member of Our Lady of the Lakes Church. He was also a past Commander and life member of the Harper-Van Dyke American Legion Post #359 and a member of the Knights of Columbus council #359.

He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Irv LaDuc of Waterford; a son, Norbert of Waterford; a brother; four sisters; eight grandchildren; and a great-granddaughter.

Arrangements were made by the Lewis E. Wint Funeral Home for the service at Our Lady of the Lakes Church December 23, and burial following in Lakeview Cemetery. A rosary was spoken December 22 at the funeral home.

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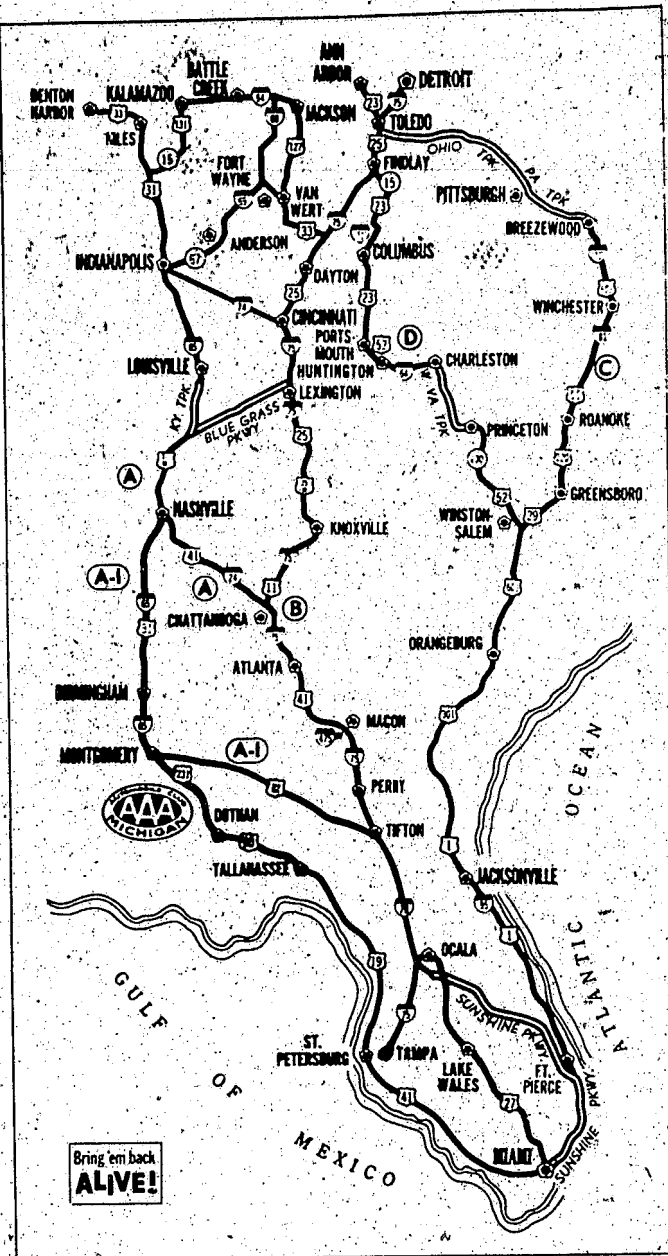


Seaman Michael P. Price, USN, son of Mrs. Clifford C. Bradley of 6320 Eastlawn Ave., Clarkston, has returned to the United States aboard the attack aircraft carrier USS America after completing an around the world cruise that started last April 30.

The seven and one half month cruise was interrupted by a tour of duty with the United States Seventh Fleet in the Gulf of Tonkin. The America spent four 30-day combat periods conducting flight operations against enemy forces.

During these periods, planes from the 78,000-ton aircraft carrier flew daily missions disrupting supply lines from North Vietnam into the south. Except for brief port calls at Subic Bay in the Philippines and Yokosuka, Japan, the combat operations took place from May 31 to October 29.

The homeward bound journey had the American visiting the Philippines, Australia, and New Zealand and Brazil.



THE FOUR ROUTES most used by Michigan motorists going to Florida—and sunshine—are shown above. Route A is the most popular, but the others also merit consideration, according to Automobile Club of Michigan. Route A, while not the shortest, has more miles of four-lane highway than the others.

Pontiac Bank promotes seven

Named to a new position, Vice President in charge of all Pontiac State Bank branch offices was Fred R. Harroun, who has served in several managerial capacities during his thirteen years with the bank. Harroun (34) has been active in many community affairs including the Senior and Junior Chambers, United Fund, and P.A.P.C.'s Race Relations Task Force. He lives with his wife and four children in Oxford.

Albert F. Nollet (34) joined the bank in 1965, and is a Commercial Loan Officer as well as manager of the bank's Main Office. He is a member of the Optimist Club of Pontiac and the Waterford Junior Chamber. He is a graduate of the University of Detroit and with his wife and four children, lives at 2634 Caterham, Waterford Township.

Alexander R. Tuszynski (29) joined the bank earlier this year after ten years in the field of electronic data processing. He has been named Assistant Vice President in charge of the E.D.P. department. He attended University of Detroit and continued

technical education in data processing. With his wife (Mary Ann) and three children, Tuszynski resides in Warren.

Also, elected Assistant Vice President was Larry R. Bowman (29) formerly manager of the bank's West Huron Office. He will have business development responsibilities in the Commercial Loan Department. Bowman is a member of Kiwanis, Mich-

igan Club, and Coast Guard Auxiliary. He lives with his wife and two children at 1331 Jeffwood, Pontiac.

Wilmer E. Bryant, Jr. was elected Assistant Cashier, Bryant (30) joined the bank in early 1966, and has worked in the

E.D.P. department and served as Assistant Branch Manager before assignment to the Commercial Loan Department. He is a member of R.E.M.A. and active in the Junior Chamber of Commerce. He is a member of Big Brothers of Oakland County and is active in Harambee. He is also a board member of American Institute of Banking. With his wife he lives at 134 Victory, Pontiac.

William L. Shaw, Assistant Cashier, was named Director of Personnel. Shaw (27) has been a Branch Manager, and is also School Coordinator and responsible for personnel training. He is a member of the Waterford Junior Chamber and serves as First Vice President on the Board of Directors of American Institute of Banking. Shaw, his wife and daughter, live at 2569 Hallman, Pontiac.

Wayne Barnhart, formerly assistant branch manager of the West Huron Office, was promoted to Manager of the same office. Barnhart (24) is a member of the Waterford Junior Chamber of Commerce, and is on the Board of Directors of Men's Brotherhood - Kirk in the Hills. A Pontiac resident all his life, Barnhart lives at 5758 Savoy, Pontiac.

Cubs yule party

Pack 134 had a gala time at their last meeting of the year. Each Den sang a Christmas carol. The Christmas tree was piled high with packages of food for a needy family.

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Losing streak plagues Clarkston varsity

Coach Bud McGrath is still trying to find a starting five after Friday night's embarrassing loss to Clarenceville. When can you remember Clarkston losing three league decisions in a row and being in the cellar? Clarkston was defeated by a poor Clarenceville team by a score of 54 to 43.

Clarkston led at the half time by four as Charles Granger, Jeff Keyser, Richard Porritt, Eric Hood, John Craven and Gary McMillan were playing fine basketball. It was nip and tuck through the last stanza. Coach McGrath figured the seniors needed a rest so he inserted an all junior lineup.

Mark Walters hit a 25 footer to put Clarkson ahead by 1. Clarenceville got hot in that last quarter and outscored the Wolves 16 to 9 giving the Trojans their first win in the league. Dave Brandimilhi scored 21 points for the winners.

If that isn't enough, Bob Kucher's Northville Mustangs will be in town for a big one on January 10. Ron Hubbard, a 6-2 junior forward, is the player to watch. He could provide the Wolves with a lot of headaches. Also Jeff Taylor, Stan Nider, and Craig Turnbull could give some trouble.

This is another game the Wolves should win. It would be great to start the New Year with a victory over Northville right in the thick of the Wayne-Oakland League race.

Coach Hanson saw his squad drop their first game on some bad officiating by a score of 44 to 40 as two technical fouls lost the game for the Wolves. Kurt Richardson scored 10 for the Junior Wolves in a losing cause.

Cleveland and Baltimore will

fight to the end for what should be a real knock down, drag out affair. I will pick the Browns since they dumped the Colts already this season. Minnesota's Bud Grant and Dallas' Tommy Landry are storing their gear away after their discouraging losses to Baltimore and Cleveland. Get out that beer for the celebrating Browns while Don Shula gets out the crying towel.

I strongly believe the Pistons will improve with Walt Bellamy and Howard Komives, whether Jack Saylor agrees with me or not. This is the smartest thing Detroit has done in a long time.

Varsity Scoring

Eric Hood	87
Chuck Granger	73
John Craven	48
Gary McMillan	21
Bruce Hardy	18
Jeff Keyser	13
Mark Walters	11
Richard Porritt	10
Scott Robbins	2

May you all have a safe and happy holiday.



CLARKSTON CHEERLEADERS go into the "V" formation for victory by the High School basketball team.

Letters to the Editor

United States Naval Station
Guantanamo Bay, Cuba

Dear Editor:

I have been here since September 2 and just have not gotten around to writing before. Now that I am coming home in two weeks for Christmas vacation I will try to write to you about "Gitmo" and life here.

I was a week late in arriving here since school started the last week of August. We arrived here after dark and were met at the plane by our principal. We had a moonlight ride across the bay in a Navy launch with several other wide-eyed newcomers to the main part of the Base. A moonlight ride in the Caribbean!

Gitmo has been a U.S. Navy base since the Spanish American War. The temperature is warm all year. The daily temperature is about 89 degrees and nights average about 74 degrees. Usually the humidity is not too high and we have a lovely breeze almost all the time. The two rainy seasons are in the fall and spring. Sudden showers once in a while are making the hills green now and the flowers are beautiful the year around. The actual amount of rainfall here is not much according to Michigan standards. Hurricanes have crossed the Base in the past. A few years ago they had one. Even electrical storms hit here. (Two since I have been here.) They have shelters provided for safety during hurricanes.

Travel is limited. The Base has 45 square miles and much of it is off limits for us. Either military installations or segregated military areas according

to rank. We can leave the Base by Navy ship if they have facilities for women. In September we took a 5-hour trip in the Sea Cat Submarine and submerged six times! It was hard to believe I was actually doing it—a real thrill. Also, in September we went to Jamaica on the Puget Sound, a destroyer-tender ship, leaving Friday afternoon right after school and returning Monday morning in time to begin school. It was my first trip to a foreign land and an education in itself. We stayed in Montego Beach Hotel, walked downtown to the shops and straw market. They had a floorshow that night. Caribbean style entertainment and the tropical foods were all new to me. We went to Haiti in November.

There we needed men chaperones according to our (Guam) ship's Captain. I am glad we did because it is rather frightening to have to defend yourself from the wood peddlers. They are rather insistent salesmen every where you go. Even while we sat in the restaurants they would try to sell us things by gestures through the windows! They love to "Bargain".

The elementary school is air conditioned and I have 32 of the near 800 elementary en-

rollment. We have an abundance of school supplies and audio-visual aids. Our large airy living quarters have windows that are never closed day or night, winter or summer. Our apartment is part of a complex where 12 single women live. We have a unique situation of only 20 unattached women on a Base of 9000 population of men, women, and children who live here permanently, plus many men who come in when they are stationed here with their ship. Usually they are here for six weeks at a stretch. The Navy training waters are here where the weather is quite stable the year round. There are 300 Cubans who commute daily. Male Jamacans work here on a 4-months work order basis for unskilled labor. Other civilian men here are skilled technicians, engineers, etc. There is not another place like this in the world.

I consider it a real privilege to be able to be here. It is truly a great experience for me to work and live with this group of people. I plan to fly home for Christmas December 21 and return January 5 to finish out the school year. We are hoping to get a flight out at Easter time and maybe go to South America somewhere. My address is Mrs. Hazel A. Moore, W.T.S. School—Box 50, F.P.O. New York, N.Y. 09593 and I would be glad to write to anyone who would like answers to life here at "Gitmo". During the remainder of the year, I will try to write again.

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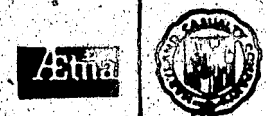


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Around the Town

Kids Yule Party successful

by Constance Lektzian

Passing thoughts while trying to find an empty wastebasket to put the ruffled Christmas wrappings in—my husband always gives me Arpege. That particular perfume company puts out a scent I like much better but my husband says he's not about to go into a store and ask for "My Sin." Obviously the men the manufacturers have in mind are not husbands.

And another thought—isn't there such a thing as a portable traffic light to be brought out on such occasions as the Jaycee Christmas parties or other big activities at the schools? After all the hard work the Jaycees and Jaycettes put into the annual Christmas party, some of the men had to stand out in the cold directing traffic afterwards. But the affair was a rousing success—attended by practically every child in Clarkston who wasn't bedded down with flu or related symptoms. The children are still talking about it.

The flu bug has slimmed down the group that planned to gather at the Robert Costello's of LeGrande Street on Christmas Day. However, Mr. and Mrs. James Chipmen, 6097 S. Main Street, parents of Mrs. Costello, were on hand to enjoy the

day with grandchildren Chan, Jon, Sue, Lisa and Laurie, the 11 year old twins, and Scott. The Mel Mason's of Cramlane Drive drove up to Charlotte for the weekend with children Gordon, Gary and Marsha. Saturday, December 21, was the holiday celebration at the home of Mrs. Mason's parents, the Harold Smith's of Charlotte. Sunday, son Mike Mason joined his parents at the home of grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Mason for Christmas dinner with the other side of the family.

The Richard Funks of 6184 Cramlane Drive, along with sons Brad and Rick, entertained for Christmas dinner. It was the first time in 20 years they have all been together for the holiday season. The Gordon Adams of Berkley—they are Mrs. Funk's parents—attended along with the Carl Adams family of Warren. Rick is home from Marquette, where he attends Northern Michigan University. Occupying a special place among the holiday decorations was a beautiful planter that was a gift to the Funks by the 25 young people in the M.Y.F., a Methodist group that has been sponsored by the Funks for over three years.

David Rowden, son of the Lloyd Rowdens, 6805 Wealthy Street, is home for Christmas from Ferris State College at Big Rapids. His brother, Ronald, stationed at Luke Air Force Base in Glendale, Arizona, wasn't as fortunate. There just weren't enough passes to go around, apparently. However, on the first of December, Ronald was promoted from Airman First Class to Sergeant. The Rowdens have a third son, Gary, age 8.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Givens of 6100 Waldon Road gathered their daughter and family, the Louis Seffens, around the Christmas tree for some holiday festivities. The Seffens of 6080 Waldon Road were accompanied by children Andre, Craig and Michelle. Also there for the occasion was Mrs. Lawrence Seffens of Ferndale, and daughter

Louise of Farmington. They were all joined for dinner by the Jack DeBussey family of Southfield.

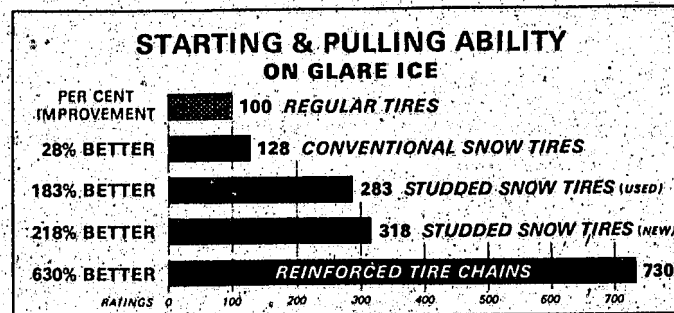
It took three months of vigorous planning, but Santa Claus really did visit the four Backus children Christmas morning. They were even awake in wide-eyed wonder to receive him. The night before Christmas Eve, their parents, the Ed Backus, 5328 Burgundy Street, en-

tertained at a family party. Present were the senior Ed Backus of Pontiac, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Fisher of Waterford with children: 2-year-old Tony and brand new sister Terri, and the Duane Priebe family of Milford.

Kim and Sherri Wyman of Framingham, Massachusetts flew into Metropolitan Airport Saturday, December 21, where they were met by the William Morses, 7141 Glenburnie and sisters Carole and Jill. A round of entertaining started with an open house the evening of Sunday, December 22, at which 18 friends of the Wyman and Morse family attended. Monday, December 23, Mr. and Mrs. William Morse entertained at a dinner for Mr. and Mrs. Richard G. Morse of Drayton Plains for the senior Mrs. Morse's birthday. At another gala party on Christmas Eve found Mr. and Mrs. Dorsey Underwood and Mrs. Amalie Meier of Drayton

Plains also joining the family for several hours of holiday gifting and visiting. Later in the evening, a buffet supper was served. Then on the evening of Christmas Day, it was back to the airport so the Wyman's could make the return trip to Massachusetts. Hectic, but delightful.

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The Safe Winter Driving League presents the above findings of the National Safety Council's Committee on Winter Driving Hazards. These tests, conducted on a glare ice course at Stevens Point, Wis., disclosed that conventional snow tires provided only a small improvement in pulling ability as compared with regular tires. Studded tires developed about three times the pull of regular tires, and reinforced tire chains developed about seven times the pull of regular tires.

Regardless of the type of traction device employed, however, the League reminds motorists that driving speeds on icy pavements must be sharply reduced.



LOWER FARES at the Mackinac Bridge are advertised by Sen. Thomas F. Schweigert, left, of Petoskey, whose district includes the bridge, and Prentiss M. Brown, chairman of the Mackinac Bridge Authority. They point to the new \$1.50 passenger car rate, a 60 percent reduction in the present \$3.75 fare. All other classes of vehicles will get identical reductions, effective at 12:01 a.m. Jan. 1, as shown above. Senator Schweigert, who led the legislative battle for the fare reduction, plans to be among the first to pay the reduced rate.

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The owner must notify the Secretary of State if the vehicle is destroyed, abandoned, sold or transferred, or if the owner changes his address. A fee of \$1.00 must accompany notice of change of address.

Vehicles registered in another state or Canada may be operated in Michigan for a maximum of 20 days under the foreign registration.

Snowmobiles may not be operated on the main travelled part of any roadway, although they may cross roads, except freeways. They may also travel county roads where there is no snow removal for winter traffic.

They may cross bridges and culverts, and may travel on county highways which do not have at least 10 feet of traversible right of way outside the main travelled portion, but they must keep as far off the road as possible. They may also be used on public streets for special snowmobile events conducted on a prearranged schedule under a permit.

A snowmobile must have an operating muffler and at least one headlight and tail light which must be on from a half hour after sunset to a half hour before sunrise. The driver must operate the vehicle at a reasonable speed under existing conditions. No snowmobile may be driven through a nursery, planting area, or natural area of forest reproduction when growing stock will be injured.

If the operator is involved

in an accident resulting in injuries or death to anyone, or property damage of \$100 or more, either the driver or someone acting for him must immediately notify the State Police or county Sheriff, or the local police. Violation of the Act is a misdemeanor punishable by fine or jail sentence.

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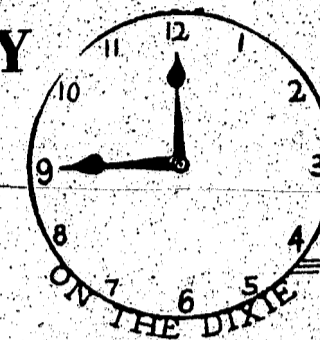
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Studs, chains rated New laws for snowmobiles

While studded snow tires materially increase both stopping and pulling ability on glare ice, the greatest improvement is achieved by using reinforced tire chains, according to a University of Tennessee researcher, Prof. E.A. Whitehurst.

Speaking before the annual meeting of the American Society for Testing and Materials, Prof. Whitehurst reported on the 1967 and 1968 test projects of the National Safety Council's Committee on Winter Driving Hazards at Stevens Point, Wisc., of which he serves as director.

These tests also disclosed for the first time that when these traction devices—studded tires and chains—are used on all four wheels, however, the cornering speed was increased by 24%.

Since studded tires are normally used on rear wheels only, Whitehurst explained that this practice could subject drivers to a hazardous situation in turning maneuvers.

"Because of the increased stop-and-go traction provided by studs when used on the rear wheels only, the driver may easily be misled into feeling that this added traction will help on a curve, only to discover that the front end of the vehicle skids out of control, a phenomenon with which he is probably not at all familiar. This type of situation may indeed cause him to slide through an intersection where he had at-

tempted to make a turning maneuver," he cautioned. "For this reason," concluded Whitehurst, "it is recommended that those who use studded tires should have them installed on all four wheels instead of on the rear wheels only as is customary. But whether they use studs or chains they should slow down on icy road surfaces."

Plunkett coming

Pine Knob P.T.A. holds its second meeting January 6, 1969, at 7:30 p.m. in the Pine Knob School. Newly elected Persecuting Attorney Thomas Plunkett will be the guest speaker. The topic: "Respect for What?"

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New laws for snowmobiles

By Attorney General Frank Kelley

Winter sports enthusiasts all over Michigan have found an exhilarating new sport called "snowmobiling." A snowmobile is essentially a motorized sled which travels on rubber tracks.

With the tremendous number of snowmobiles in use in Michigan, the legislature has acted to regulate their use in the public interest.

Public Act 74 of 1968 provides that no snowmobile may be operated in Michigan after January 1, 1969 unless registered by the owner, except in cases where it is operated exclusively on the private land of the snowmobile owner or land under his control.

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"Then the one who sits on the throne said, 'And now I make all things new.'" He also said to me, 'Write this, because these words are true and can be trusted.' And he said: 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To anyone who is thirsty I will give a free drink of water from the spring of the water of life. . . I will be his God, and he will be my son.'" Revelation 21:5-7 T. E. V.

By Mark H. Caldwell, Pastor
Sashabaw United Presbyterian Church

This is the time for a new beginning. Now we have shot for the moon, and if nothing else, we have a new look at the earth! If there were dwellers on the moon we would not suggest that they hitch a ride back to earth, because we know the old ruts, the old disappointments, the old problems here. But just as the moon has never been this close to us before, so maybe a new look at earth is now in order.

The last writer in the Bible is John the Apostle when he was a very old man. He quotes the one sitting on the throne as saying, "Behold, I make all things new!" How we wish it could be so when we tear off that old calendar page and turn to a new year! Somehow we usually get bogged down with the old failures,

last year's resolutions dashed to a shambles, that diet forgotten, that rapport with a fellow-worker soured.

But if there really is anything universal about this old creation, if that cosmic coordinator still has new things to show us, if life can still begin at 40, or 60, or 80, then let's try for a new beginning.

Apollo 8 CAN reach the moon; Pueblo crew CAN be brought back; suspicious men CAN be turned into fellow-seekers for a better way; black CAN enrich white; the poor CAN become valued real people!

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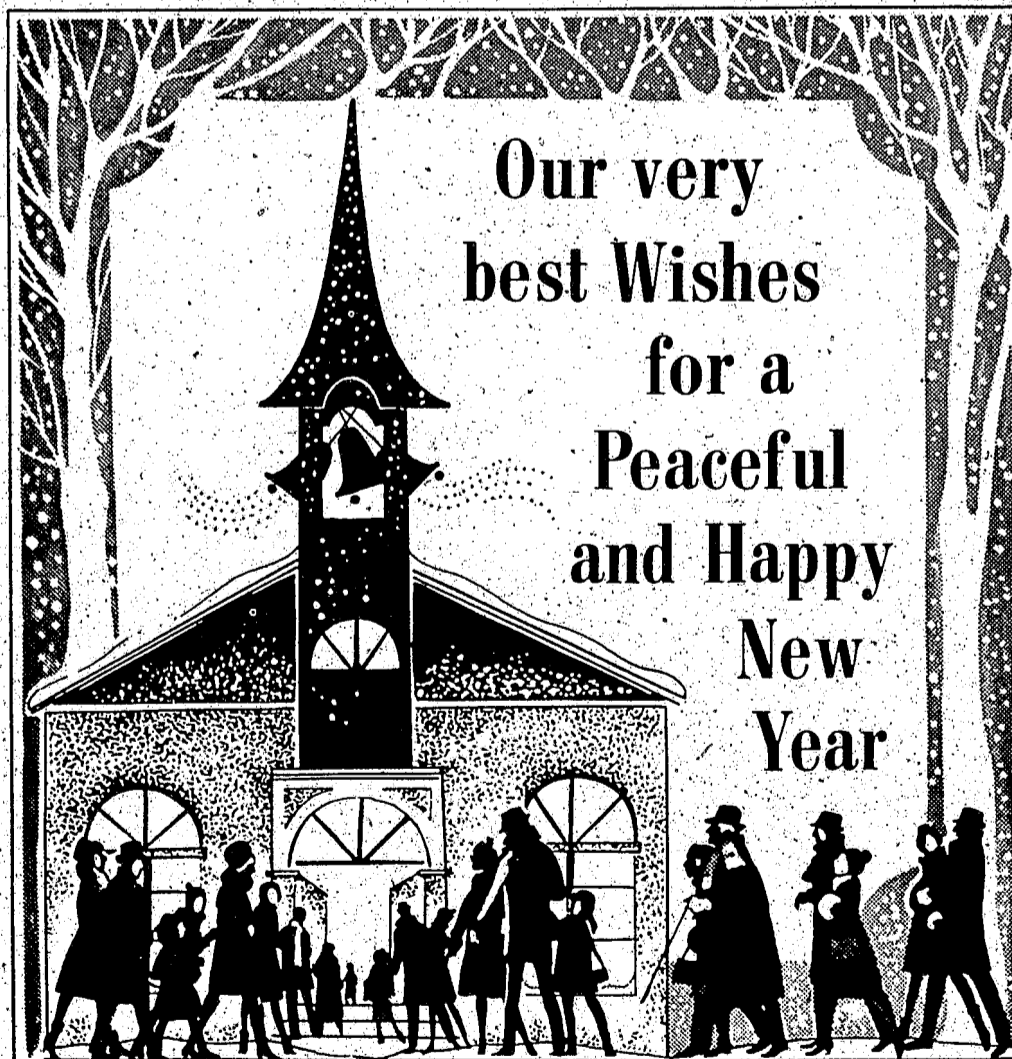
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"If It Fitz . . ."

No living allowed in living room



By Jim Fitzgerald

Who needs gifts?

Results are what count

NASA gave us all our Christmas gift. They sent three men in a space ship circling the moon. That was impressive. In fact, it was probably one of the most astonishing feats of technology since man took a bite out of an apple.

Now that everything has come back to earth, safe and sound, we're wondering which federal department can top the spacemen? Each year the budget men get together and make plans for slicing up the taxpayer's pocketbook.

P. T. Barnum couldn't have pulled off a better space stunt. Actually, the whole thing was great. It was so spectacular that Chet and David were kept busy for hours mumbling to each other. The progress reports interrupted everything T.V. networks had planned. It was sort of a dry commentary on election results and for the most part was superior to anything the networks may have planned anyway.

Such a trick is hard to beat. What about the Health, Education and Welfare department? They really haven't performed too badly either. From the health side, they have the nation retching with the flu. Education throughout the country is almost in a state of collapse. College campuses are twisted up with student upheavals. Local schools are strangling because they don't have any money and teachers are chasing after living wages when everything is inflating. It's about time for those suffering along on welfare to start a strike demonstration all of their own.

For the War Department, they really don't have to plan anything. They are always far ahead. If the world was nothing but a large scale dart board, they could throw a dart and no matter where they hit, they would find an earth shattering explosion.

The department of Housing and Urban Development have their hands full. No matter how much of an appropriation they receive from the budget planners, it won't be enough. To come up with the money necessary to rebuild America's cities might take some of Blackstone's magic.

There's only one department that doesn't have to worry about where its next meal is going to come from. It has carte blanche. It is the pillar of the departmental community. It would be interesting if the spacemen could get together with the Internal Revenue men. Just think. If the space boys could plan an around the universe trip, maybe a year long affair, and take all the revenue with them, then we might have some tax relief . . . at least for a year.

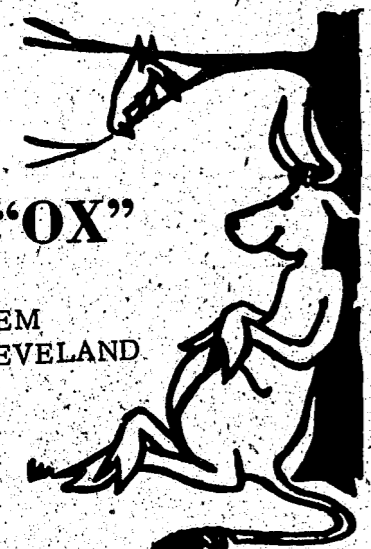
We could go on with this kind of jabber. The point is, Man, in his own bungling way, is a funny creature. He starts many jobs but completes few of them. Without going out and looking, there are more problems right here on earth. We don't have to go out in orbit to find more.

The space program, with the philosophy that man must keep building on his knowledge, is important. But, unless there is the money to operate our schools, we're not going to have many space scientists in the future.

The time has come . . . long since passed, that taxpayers have earned some relief. Even though the federal government can operate with a deficit budget, the common man can't.

Somehow, we feel, we need budget men who are capable of critical judgement. During the past year, excuses for raising salaries of men on the public payroll have amounted to insulting the past performances of all men who have served in a public office.

Let it be shown that the caliber of men employed by the public has been affected proportionately by the amount of money these men have been paid. No matter how little or much public men have been paid, they are just as capable of spending the public money. And, for what we have seen coming from our public office holders, their ability to spend money seems to be all that matters. Results are never a consideration. If results were a criterion, we would be the first to admit that NASA has given us our biggest Christmas gift. We would like to see some results coming from other departments.



"OX"
CLEM CLEVELAND

August allergy, so that bottle is up for grabs. Besides, with all our critters, if I put any on I'm afraid that they will chomp me.

In a gruesome looking package, I unwrapped a bottle of Dry Slime. Gag! I don't know how they can do this to me.

Calhoun knows how much I enjoy hunting and fishing. She must have been the one to put the next package idea into Santa's ear. This was a three bottle affair, the first one, Moose Moss; the next, Burning Feathers and the last, Fisherman's Whiff. I have toyed with the idea of putting all three on at the same time. Then, I would probably end up smelling like Flayed Beast, or Burning Feathers.

Of course Santa brought me two old standbys, Old Mice and After Cave, that's for the primitive man who likes to get out once in a while.

The last bottle in my cologne kit was Scrub. It smelled like soap and water, a refreshing treat from all that non-sense being dumped on poor old dad's head.

Now that I've cleaned out my shoe box of idiotic Tom-foolery, I'm making some New Year's resolutions. Just to get the

If I want to see a lucky man this Christmas, I said to myself, I just have to look in the mirror. So I turned to the large mirror which is part of the new, outrageously expensive bedroom suite my wife snuck into the house one day while I was at work.

Which reminded me again that this may be a man's world, but they build the furniture for women.

In the mirror I got a beautiful view of my belt buckle.

With my usual good nature, I galumphed into the dining room, slamming doors and muttering, to peak into the mirror over the china cabinet.

"What is wrong with you now?" my wife asked.

"Nothing," I said, "except I am looking for a lucky man and I can't find him."

The second mirror was better. I could see the third button from the bottom on my shirt.

"I am only 6 feet tall," I told my wife, "but I have to kneel down to tie my ties in my own bedroom. Every mirror in this house is hung to tie shoes by. Why is that?"

"You can see your face in the bathroom mirror and, with your face, that should be enough," my wife said.

"I do not keep my ties in the medicine chest," I said. "How would you like it if you could not see your own face in your own bedroom mirror?"

"That mirror is supposed to be low," she said, "I sit down to put my make-up on."

"Goody," I said. "How many men do you know who sit down to tie their ties?"

"I wish you would buy some turtle-neck shirts," she said. Boy.

In the corner of our family room is a beat-up leather chair which is known as "Daddy's Chair." It is called this to distinguish it from every other stick of furniture in the house, all of which belong to Mummy. My chair was purchased 2 months after we moved into the house, which is a pretty long time to lean on the fireplace mantle. The kids told Mummy that all the other dads in the block got to sit down when they came home. This stung her conscience and she bought a chair a man can open a can of beer in without hiring a divorce lawyer. But when I leave my chair, it's similar to Godzilla calling on The Little Women. One bathroom is purple, from soap to tissue. The

other is pink, from dinky towels to plastic ducks. In the purple bath there's that wicker chair which would mark a man for life. There are also wicker shelves, so help me. To sit on the wicker chair, I must park my head on the second wicker shelf.

I am not allowed to sit on any of the living room furniture until it is paid for. The newest addition is a marble-topped coffee table big enough for one coffee cup if you hold your saucer in your lap. This table is unique in that the marble top slides off easily and falls on your foot.

The first time this happened to me, I was able to get a splendid view of my swollen toes in my bedroom mirror. As I sat there on the floor, tying my tie.

Onward and upward.

New Year's resolutions: mostly forgotten

By Joe Backus



The trouble with New Year's resolutions is that by the time most people get around to making them up, they have already broken them.

It seems people generally don't get around to making their New Year's resolutions until sometime New Year's morning. Often the first resolution a person makes, as he suffers his New Year's hangover, is that he won't drink so much in the coming year.

This resolution is usually made by a person who still can't think clearly enough to remember how drunk he got after he rang in the New Year the preceding midnight.

Ironically, he is the same person who, as soon as his hangover disappears, forgets about his resolution and begins all over again to celebrate the advent of the New Year.

Or a person's resolution may be to give up smoking, or at least cut down. But they most often resolve to do this "some-time during the year."

They may have every intention of doing this. They probably remind themselves every week or two that "I've got to give up smoking." But they never decide to give up smoking now. They always think there is plenty of time next week or next month. The resolution never

acquires immediacy.

Or some people might resolve to improve their driving techniques. Most of us have a few poor driving habits, and we know what they are. So we drive more cautiously in accord with our resolution—until the first time we are in a hurry.

Then we suddenly decide that "it won't hurt to go five or ten miles over the speed limit," or we think that no one will be coming through the intersection and there is no need to stop at the stop sign.

There are as many different New Year's resolutions as there are people making them. It would be almost impossible to even begin listing them.

But no matter what the resolution is, most people only adhere to it as long as it is

convenient to do so—a few days, or a week or two at most.

I often hear people talking about their resolutions during the first couple of days of the year. It is as though it is a game, with everyone trying to out-resolve everyone else. But I have yet to hear anyone in August or November say that he is still adhering this year's resolution.

This seems to defeat the purpose of New Year's resolutions. It would be more sensible to make resolutions it will be possible to keep all year.

The resolution which should lead everyone's list is, "I resolve to keep all my New Year's resolutions this year." And then stick to it.

Happy New Year, and may it be better than the old one.

PEEKIN' into the PAST

10 YEARS AGO IN THE CLARKSTON NEWS
January 1, 1959

Dwight I. Pettengill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Pettengill, of 89 North Holcomb Street has pledged to the Delta Tau Delta social fraternity on the Hillsdale College campus where he is enrolled as a sophomore.

The Sashabaw Presbyterian Church of Clarkston has recently completed the project of restoring the steeple to its original house of worship.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Osgood and family of North Main Street spent Christmas Day in Detroit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. Ross Leaver. Accompanying the Osgoods was Mr. Manning Baum, father of Mrs. Osgood.

Mrs. N.E. Maytag gave a dinner party Saturday night for her grandson, Eddie Gennie and several of his friends. The party was held at her home on North Main Street. Everyone enjoyed the dinner, and dancing.

25 YEARS AGO IN THE CLARKSTON NEWS
December 31, 1943

President Roosevelt has proclaimed January 1 as a national day of prayer for "strength and guidance for the problems of widening warfare and for the responsibilities of increasing victory."

The annual Christmas party for the children of the community sponsored by the Clarkston Rotary Club was held in the gymnasium at the school last Friday night. Robert L. Jones acted as master of ceremonies.

Pvt. Lee Kittredge surprised his parents and sister on Christmas morning by arriving home from Scott Field, Illinois. Pfc Lloyd Gudgeall and Mrs. Gudgeall arrived in Clarkston this week to spend a few days with her mother, Mrs. Carrie Walter, and her sisters. He was given a ten day furlough from his station at Anniston, Alabama.

Attitudes & Platitudes Jerry Marcus



"You better have that motor checked—it keeps making sounds like a policeman's whistle."
The Travelers Safety Service

Ice fishing cometh

By Bob Beemer



Dyed-in-the-wool ice fishing fans are once again champing at the bit to get going. But they shouldn't let their enthusiasm run away with them.

Each year, at this early part of the new season, we hear stories about men going through the ice because they didn't wait until it was completely safe. Not thick enough. The other night I heard a fellow telling how a friend of his went through a shanty hole all the way up to his waist but kept on fishing until he had gotten his limit of crappies.

At first I thought—what a nut! Then it all came back to me like in a bad dream. The nut he was telling about was none other than me, and the time was Christmas Day 1952.

Once the ice is well in we will be in for some of the best fishing and eating of the whole year. The fish flesh will be firmer and sweeter than in the dog days of August. Some fish, as far as I'm concerned, are only worthwhile in winter. Crappies, or speckled bass if you prefer, are only good in winter.

Magazines and newspapers in general are filled with articles on how to start your ice fishing career. They can be summed up by telling you to buy, don't bother to make, an ice fishing rod; use small baits like wigglers, mousies, and corn borers; and

get yourself something to cut a hole in the ice.

Personally, I'm lazy. I use a spud or ice chisel but only to reopen holes that have been previously cut by the more industrious of my ice fishing compatriots.

If crappies are your meat, let me suggest that you cut a series of holes in a string about six feet apart once you locate that first crappy. Don't wait until they stop biting in the first hole but start cutting while they are biting between catches. They are a school fish and travel.

Even though they travel, they do so slowly and you should fill out your limit before they stop biting. My biggest secret for catching crappies is the hook. I always use a three-eighths-inch shanked gold colored hook. Don't ask me why but they prefer them.

If you have hesitated to take up ice fishing because of the cold, take a lesson from the army. Keep your feet warm. Once your feet are warm, the rest of you will stay warm with less clothing. And be sure you bring along a small hand towel for drying your hands after baiting and removing fish from the hook.

Like many other things in life, it is a matter of simple details to enjoy most anything.

Jaycee Christmas party delights youngsters



Christmas Carol, Clarkston's Junior Miss Jean Lussier, was accompanied on the piano by Santa Claus as she sang to the Christmas party gathering.



A couple youngsters from the audience got on stage with one of the acts.



Clarkston Jaycettes passed out chocolate Santas to the 796 youngsters at the December 21st show at the high school gym.

Photos courtesy of Bob Newlin.

Red Cross warns against ice accident hazards

"Getting into hot water" is only a synonym for trouble, but trouble from getting into cold water is a reality, and sometimes a tragedy, for many Americans each winter.

They are the skaters, iceboatman and fishermen who fall through the ice while engaging in their favorite winter sports. "All too frequently this trouble comes from going on the ice too early," says George Wibby, director of Safety Services, Southeastern Michigan Chapter of the Red Cross. "The first ice of the season is deceptive because normally it is not uniform in thickness. Wait until the ice is safe."

Wibby made these additional suggestions for winter sports enthusiasts:

Skate in supervised areas, ideally a shallow pond or lake in which the water is not more than waist deep.

Skate with a companion. Avoid congregating on the ice in large groups.

Build fires on the bank—NOT on the ice.

Do not drive cars onto the ice. Remember that ice is especially dangerous during thawing spells and toward the end of winter.

Keep simple rescue equipment handy at skating areas—ropes, poles, ladders, or planks—in case of accident.

If you try to rescue someone who has fallen through the ice, this is the safest method:

1. Extend a line or a pole if the victim is near the shore. When he has grasped it securely, pull him to safety.

2. Do not stand up on the ice when executing a rescue.

3. If the victim cannot be reached from the shore, lie flat on the ice and extend a ladder, plank, or similar device. When he has grasped it, pull him to safety.

4. If no rescue equipment is at hand, several persons can form a human chain by lying flat on the ice, holding onto the ankles or skates of the person in front. They work their way toward the victim, the foremost



Balancing act of the man-vice acrobatic team at the Jaycees' kids Christmas Party.

man grasps the victim's wrist, and the whole line wriggles back to safety.

If you are alone and fall through the ice, don't try to climb out. Instead, extend both arms along the surface of the ice and kick vigorously. This will tend to raise the lower part of the body and help propel you onto solid ice. Then roll to safety.

Wibby also warned against the dangers of prolonged immersion in cold water. Even expert swimmers can drown if they stay in near-icy water long enough to lose the capacity to move their arms and legs, he said.

"If an accident tumbles you into the cold waters of a lake or river, don't try to remove your clothing," he added. "The clothing will help you retain body heat and it can also hold and trap air which will add to your buoyancy. The important thing is to get out of the water as soon as possible."

WINTER WOES by Pinson



In a creek, off a bridge, through a wall,
Stood icy-wet Bertram Q. Ball,
"With dead wiper blades,
Clear vision soon fades,"
Moaned Bert, "I could not see at all!"

PREVENT THOSE WINTER DRIVING WOES

The Safe Winter Driving League presents the following tip for safer winter driving from the National Safety Council: "Don't be a 'peep-hole pilot.' Brush snow completely off front, back and side windows. Replace dead wiper blades with live, new ones to prevent streaking. All your lights should be working, with headlights aimed properly. You must see danger to avoid it."



State Guide for Marked Snowmobiling Trails

