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## Vietnam booby trap kills Robert L. Atkinson, Jr.



PFC ROBERT L. ATKINSON JR. Memorial services for Pfc. Robert L. Atkinson, Jr. of 9591 Cornell Ave., Clarkston, were Monday morning. Burial was in Lakeview Cemetery. He is the 20-year-old son of Mr. and

Mrs. Robert L. Atkinson.

Pfc. Atkinson died March 26 from wounds received from an enemy booby trap in Vietnam. He was serving with the 199th Light Infantry near Saigon when he was wounded. The critical wound came March 13 and he died from the injuries March 26.

His services were held at the Dixie Baptist Church and it was a full military funeral. Arrangements were made by Coats Funeral Home, Drayton Plains.

Surviving, besides his parents, are 5 sisters, Mrs. William Rondo of Clarkston, Mrs. William White of Metamora, Mrs. Robert Orr of Ann Arbor, Mrs. Dallas Beebe of Davisburg and Mrs. Eva Esposito of Clarkston; four brothers, Atley V. of Pontiac, William A. of Kentucky and Leonard and Larry at home, and 6 nieces and 8 nephews.

Pfc. Atkinson is a 1967 graduate of Clarkston High School.



### Jim's Jottings

Letters to the editor are certainly encouraged by me. Whether they are to correct or point out the errors in my ways, enlighten others, or bring on new issues we like to receive them.

If people take the time to write, we'll print it. There is the provision that letters must be signed. We'll withhold the name if you desire. We also reserve the right to edit copy, not to change the thought, but to correct and perhaps shorten those that are too long or repetitious.

I wish the "parent who thinks all sports should be equal and not just one or two" would call and give his name. Don't feel because you're knocking me I won't print it. I will.

This particular letter points out something I tediously try to avoid. That is getting any of my family's picture in the paper. When it has happened it has showed their back and identification has been withheld, the acceptance being when we receive awards.

Our children's names may appear in this column, but I conscientiously work at avoiding taking their pictures for news purposes. We don't even have a picture of our son in a basketball uniform and only a nighttime picture of him in a football uniform, that taken in the quiet of a parking lot and only for the family album.

Letters to the editor, such as this one, remind us of our conviction and reassure us in our belief that the news pages are not for the editor's family.

Our children are not likely to excel in anything more than their dad did or has, so it isn't likely there will be cause to take their pictures. Should they go the other way, however, we would print their picture, name, parents and the whole bit.

In the case of the former, and the latter, it may be to their disadvantage that we have the local newspaper. Another letter recently made us aware, again that the most important thing we print for you is news only obtainable in the local newspaper. News of scouting, churches, clubs, and the like will not be found in the dailies, unless their efforts are different or outstanding.

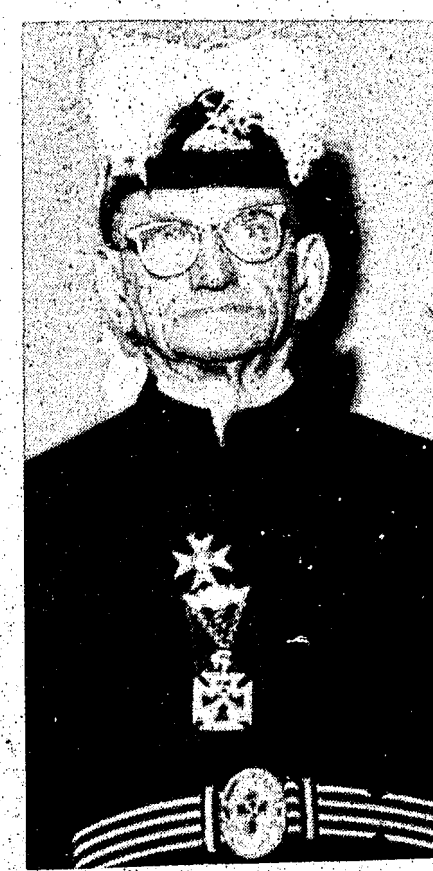
Because the local angle of refuse disposal and much of the news our villages, townships and schools make is not covered in dailies, we hit it rather hard. And, because a letter to the editor pointed it out, perhaps we are putting too much emphasis in this direction.

Hopefully, in the near future we can begin a survey of readership to give us a further insight into just what you readers want to see in the local paper. In the meantime, letters to the editor and personal comment are our only sources for printing what you want in your newspaper.

### Booster Meet

Regular monthly meeting of Clarkston Athletic Boosters Club will be Monday, April 14, at 7:30 p.m. at the Clarkston High School.

### Clarkston man Eminent KT Commander



Harold J. Doeblor of 9260 Pine Knob Rd. is the newly elected Eminent Commander of the Pontiac Commandery No. 2, Knights Templar. At the Tuesday election 3 other area men were named to office. Clarence Beardsley, 9406 Dixie Highway, Clarkston, is the Commandery Warder, John R. Ousnamer, 3773 Davison Lake Rd., Ortonville is Prelate and Russell Arnold, 1306 Viola, Ortonville is a guard. The election was held in the Commandery Asylum, Masonic Temple, Pontiac. The new officers were installed at a public installation April 8 by Sir Knight Frederick G. Kirby, R.E. Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Michigan.



FURTHER HONORS came to 6 Clarkston High School students in industrial competitions last week. They won first place finishes in the state finals in the Student Industrial Competitions at Central Michigan University March 29. The 6 had all finished first in regional competition at CMU March 8. The CHS students and their projects are, left to right, standing, Terry Bunton, pictorial illustration, Gerald Clifton and Wade Cleffman, both in power technology. Kneeling, Dave Paulsen and Charles Gilbert Wright both in advanced electricity electronics and Gary Pierce, in soft materials competition. They were honored with other winners at a luncheon and, with their parents, will be guests at the "Ships" luncheon at the Michigan Industrial Education Society convention in Muskegon April 19. The six Clarkston boys won firsts in competition with over 1,000 in the regionals this year.

## Greater emphasis on township recreation reflected in budget

Independence Township's budget reflects the emphasis officials are putting on expanding and upgrading summer recreation facilities. More than 6,000 additional dollars are listed in the proposed budget for 1969-70 over last year. However, some of this comes from revenue, not all from the general operations money. Last year the township budgeted \$10,000, but with the income received from the sale of keys to the Deer Lake beach and boating fees the amount expended was about \$14,000. This year the township officers estimated income from recreation at \$4,500 and show costs at \$16,190. Most of this will go into operation of Deer Lake beach in lifeguards, attendants, operation, equipment and director.

There is also \$6,000 of the total going toward baseball programs, lighting supervision and a possible new diamond on Flemings Lake road. Deer Lake beach has been widened, new sand brought in, picnic tables added and a new lifeguard stand installed. The fence has been extended, more parking added and overhead lighting installed. Howard Altman, township clerk, said the township officers were pleased with last year's swimming and boating season, noting that residents took advantage of the facilities. About 600 keys were distributed from the clerk's office for beach entrance last year, which was the first year the township leased the property from the village of Clarkston for

purposes of township recreation. Altman said the township is thinking about converting a 25-acre lot on Flemings Lake road, previously designated as a future cemetery plot, into temporary ball fields for the summer. The township currently uses school district facilities for much of its recreational programs. In addition to the swimming, boating and Little League baseball activities, this year's recreation program may include chess and Ping-Pong tournaments and other indoor sports activities. *Subscribe to The News, \$4 per year, 5 South Main or phone 625-3370.*

## Public meeting April 21 for village sewer plan

The proposed sewer program for the village of Clarkston will get its first public airing April 21. At 8 p.m. that date a public information meeting is scheduled for the Little Theatre in the high school. Attending besides the village council will be the financial consultant Billie Farnum, engineer Howard Kieft, and 2 from the county Department of Public Works, Don Ringler and R. J. Alexander. At that time residents should be able to get approximate figures on how much the sewers will cost totally, and individually how long they will have to pay for them, where they will go on particular property and how long they have to hook up to the

main lines. The council has said for some months that it is their intention to approve sewers for the village soon so they can coincide with the first phase of the township lines. They are heading for an August, 1970 hookup. Contracts will have to be let for construction, maintenance, capacity and financing in the near future. A copy of the map with sewer lines as proposed, along with engineering and financial data is expected to be ready for printing in the Clarkston News next week.

## Valuation up \$10 million Twp. budget climbs, salaries increased

The proposed 1969-70 budget for Independence Township reached over the \$300,000.00 figure for the first time. This was noted at the annual meeting (Town Hall) Saturday afternoon. This is an increase of \$58,855.00 over last year's budget. The current figure is \$301,965.00. The proposed budget, which was approved at the meeting and now goes to the county allocation board for approval, shows increases in receipts from all sources and increases in expenditures in all categories including salaries. Biggest increase in expenditures is reflected in the general operations. The proposed figure is \$155,350, up \$27,700 from 1968-69. Biggest increase in expenditures is reflected in the general operations. The proposed figure is \$155,350, up \$27,700 from 1968-69. Biggest increase in receipts is a new item on the budget, \$17,500.00 in accounts receivable. There is one item that shows a decrease and that is "Balance at start of year." Last year the figure was \$5,212.50 and this year the balance is \$861.70. Revenue increases are noted in sales and intangible tax, income tax, liquor tax and delinquent and state land sale tax. Another major increase is in anticipated taxes—current tax based on last year's allocation of 1.32 mills

at 90% collection. This year the figure is \$61,700 and compares to \$52,400 last year. This increase is from increased valuation. Last year township valuation was \$42 million. It is now \$52 million. \$6 million of this is in new construction and \$4 million in valuation increases by the assessor. Supervisor Duane Hursfall explained to the more than 50 in attendance that the county had asked a \$6.5 million in township valuation for this year, but they raised only \$4 million. He said it was likely now that everyone would have a 1.12 county factor. If so, those who had no increase in property values placed on them by the board of review or assessor could get their tax figure by multiplying last year's tax by 1.12. That is a 12 percent increase. The building department shows it costing \$8,550 more at \$31,400, cemetery department up \$7,725 from \$24,150, planning getting \$11,150, up \$3,500, and library getting \$1,390 more than the \$18,410 budgeted last year. Revenue increases are up in these four areas also, but only \$740.00. There was considerable discussion Saturday afternoon about salary increases for township elected officials. It was opened by supervisor Hursfall stating that "in my 12 years in office I have never had to ask for money. Up to January 1 my salary was

supplemented by the county. I received \$920 last year as a member of the county board of supervisors and I don't feel I should take a cut in pay. "I would like to propose a raise for all officers," he said. He went on to say he would leave it up to the audience to set the increase. "We are at your mercy," he said. "This is your meeting." A 5% across the board increase motion died for lack of support and after further discussion Hursfall said, "I'll tell you what I had in mind. I would suggest the supervisor office being paid \$12,500, clerk \$11,300, treasurer \$10,000 and trustees getting \$1,200 each." There was still more discussion before the motion was made and passed with no dissenting votes. The last increase for the supervisor was \$1,800 a year 2 years ago, which made the salary \$11,300. Last year the clerk received a \$300 increase to \$10,300 and the treasurer's salary was \$9,000 last year. Trustees, there are 2, received \$900 each last year. The total package is \$3,800. Hursfall noted that wage increases for all personnel employed by the township are also in the 1969-70 budget and that a 5 percent pension plan was started by the township for employees last year. The township share of the pension fund this year is \$6,000 according to the budget and the other fringe benefit, insurance, amounts to \$9,000 this year.

## Seek 3 mill renewal

The Board of Education of the Clarkston Schools will ask voters to grant a renewal of 3 mills for operation on the General Election in June of this year. The decision was made at their April 1 meeting. The millage, which was approved for 20 years in 1951, was for building and sites. In 1955, the voters redesignated its use to operation. The millage will expire next year. The new proposal will request renewal for 10 years.

## Negotiations start between teachers, board of education

Negotiations between the Clarkston Education Association and board of education have begun. March 31 the teacher representatives met with the 3 board representatives and gave their initial proposal. The teacher spokesman, Tom O'Brien, said the board would have their counter proposal ready about 3 weeks after Easter. CEA teachers on the negotiating team are: Ken Wolven from Pine Knob Elementary, Sally Lindeman, Andersonville El, Jerry Granlund, Junior High and Bart Connors in the Junior High and El music department. Representing the Board at the negotiation table this year are assistant superintendent Floyd Vincent and George Barrie and Clarkston Elementary principal, Ruth Purslow. No information on the contents of the initial proposal was made known.

## Clarkston Little League draft meetings changed

In order to allow all of the managers of the Clarkston Little League Baseball more time to contact their players for information prior to the draft, the meetings have been changed to the following: April 14 - This will be a general meeting of all managers. This is not a draft meeting. Bring list of players, giving name, school attended, age, position, telephone number and name of manager who managed the team last summer. Also bring to this meeting a list of the players you are protecting for the upcoming draft meetings. April 21 - A draft meeting in the township hall at 7:30 p.m. This particular meeting will involve all managers of the MIDGET LEAGUE (12-13 years of age). April 28 - A draft meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the township hall. This meeting will involve all managers of the WIDGET LEAGUE (10-11 years of age). There will be no meeting of Pee Wee League managers to draft players. This league is not involved in the draft.

obituaries

Robert Beach

Memorial services for Robert C. Beach of 1000 Bird road, Ortonville, were conducted Monday. He died Friday at the age of 48.

Mr. Beach was self employed and a veteran of the Army, serving during World War II.

Surviving are 3 sons, Gary R. of Sterling Heights, Charles H. of Ortonville, and James who is in the Navy, a daughter, Clara Beach of Clarkston, 5 grandchildren, a sister, Mrs. Raymond Graesse of Albion and brother, Donald G. Beach of Clarkston.

Services were from Lewis E. Wint. Funeral Home and burial in the veterans section of Lakeview Cemetery. The Rev. Frank A. Cozadd officiated.

No chuckhole

Mark Taylor, 17, and a passenger in his car were shaken-up in an accident on Eckles road north of Heath in the only accident reported by the Sheriff's Department for Independence this week.

Taylor, of 6050 S. M15, told the officers he was driving 20-25 mph, dodged a chuck hole, hit a chuckhole in the road and lost control. The car cut up a lawn, the report stated.

When told by the officers there was no "chuckhole," Taylor reportedly admitted there might be another cause. The deputy listed improper lane and careless driving.

Mary Ann Coronado and Tony Coronado were the passengers.

Change zoning

Three more lots were approved for expansion of Clinton Villa Mobile Home Park by the Independence Township Board Tuesday night.

The 3 lots previously had homes on them, but they have since been removed by the developers. The lots are surrounded by land previously rezoned for mobile parks by the board.

A request by the Park to rezone 3 additional acres for mobile homes was tabled by the board.

# Closing of portions of township assured by board Tuesday

by Jim Sherman

The first section of Independence Township was ordered closed to hunting by the board Tuesday night. It isn't likely to be the last. At least 2 other areas were heard from at the public hearing in regard to closing.

It will take more than the approval of the township board to close the areas recommended by the Hunting Area Control Committee, but such approval is almost certain.

Tentative approval has already been given by the Department of Natural Resources, Attorney General, and Legislative Service Bureau. It is their final approval that is needed to allow the township to pass an ordinance forcing closing of areas involved.

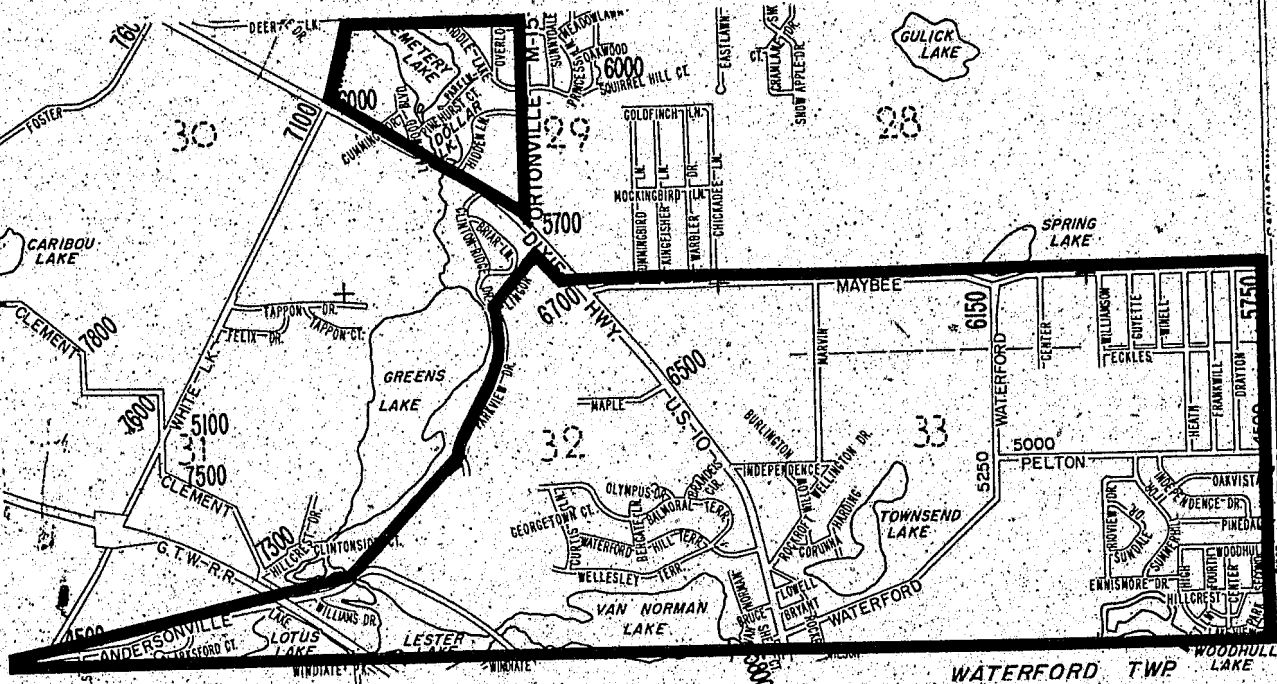
The four members of the Committee are Ken McCord, DNR representative and chairman of the Hunting Area & Control Committee, Sgt. Hoopengartner of the Michigan State Police, Frank Irons, sheriff of Oakland County and Duane Hursfall, Independence Township Supervisor.

McCord presided Tuesday night and explained the committee recommendations. He said they grew from information gathered at the May 24, 1968 public hearing in Clarkston. Since then, he said, the committee has had a hunting season to observe the area and were convinced portions should be closed to protect the safety and welfare of township residents.

The order will call for "Hunting for wild migratory waterfowl is prohibited on Walters Lake in sections 12, 13 and 14."

"Hunting for any wild animals or wild birds with a firearm or the discharge of a firearm except at shooting ranges approved by the township board is prohibited in those parts of sections 20, 29, and 30 bounded on the east by Ortonville road (M-15), on the south by Dixie Highway (US-10), and on the west and north by White Lake Road.

The Village of Clarkston is already closed to hunting and discharge of firearms. The same is true of



CLOSED TO HUNTING and discharge of firearms, plus all the village of Clarkston. All of Walters Lake has been closed to waterfowl hunting only.

Waterford Township.

Also closed will be those parts of "sections 29, 31, 32, and all of section 33 and part of section 34; bounded on the east by Sashabaw road, on the south by the Independence-Waterford township line, on the west and north by Andersonville road, from the southwest corner of Section 31 to the intersection with Parkway road, Parkway and Lingor roads to Dixie, Dixie to Maybee road and Maybee road east to Sashabaw."

The resolution passed by the township board says they have "determined that the safety of persons and property is endangered by hunting activities and the discharge of firearms in the more densely populated areas of the township."

At Tuesday's hearing, the only objection raised was that the closing didn't go far enough. Lloyd Bray said he objected to the passage of the closing law because it would put added pressure on hunters on nearby lakes such as Greens Lake. He felt the closed area should be expanded.

Another man wondered why the Campfire Girls camp lying east of the Sashabaw line wasn't included. McCord said there had been no mention of it at the initial public hearing and that "this is a start." He told the man he or anyone in the township could initiate another closing action and the committee would meet to consider the requests.

He pointed out that the same procedure would have to be followed again and that the present recommendations could not be expanded upon because of the tentative approval already given by state agencies.

To the question of enforcement, McCord said any officer is empowered to make arrests, "no complaints need be signed, unless the guilty party has left the area and a witness is needed."

The area in the new closed portion of the township is about an eighth of the township property.

Call 625-3370 to place your Clarkston News want ad. Deadline is 12 Noon, Tuesdays.

## Former Clarkston man promoted by WMU Board

Dr. Frederic J. Mortimore, whose extensive experience in France, Germany, Italy and Spain, Professor Mortimore was assigned by Michigan State University to join a number of other faculty members providing technical assistance to the Government of Thailand.

Upon his return from that assignment, Dr. Mortimore wrote a book, "Education in Thailand," which was published in both English and Thai by the Government Printing Office in Bangkok.

In his new position as Director, Institute of International and Area Studies at Western Michigan University, Professor Mortimore will

have responsibility for administration of all international programs.

W.M.U. now supports area studies programs related to Latin America, Africa, Asia and Eastern Europe. The Institute which Dr. Mortimore heads grants two graduate degrees, the M.A. and the Sp.A., both in International and Area Studies.

Dr. Mortimore was graduated from Clarkston High in 1948.

## Fire blamed on boy, 8, with matches

Two bedrooms and a hall in the Kenneth Cohrs home at 7616 Mary Sue were swept by fire at 7:55 a.m. Friday, Independence firemen report, that the 8-year-old son of the owners was playing with matches which caused the blaze.

The firemen estimate the damage to the house at \$5,000 and estimated contents loss at \$3,500.

There was smoke and heat damage throughout the house.

The only other fire call of the department this week was a grass fire Monday.

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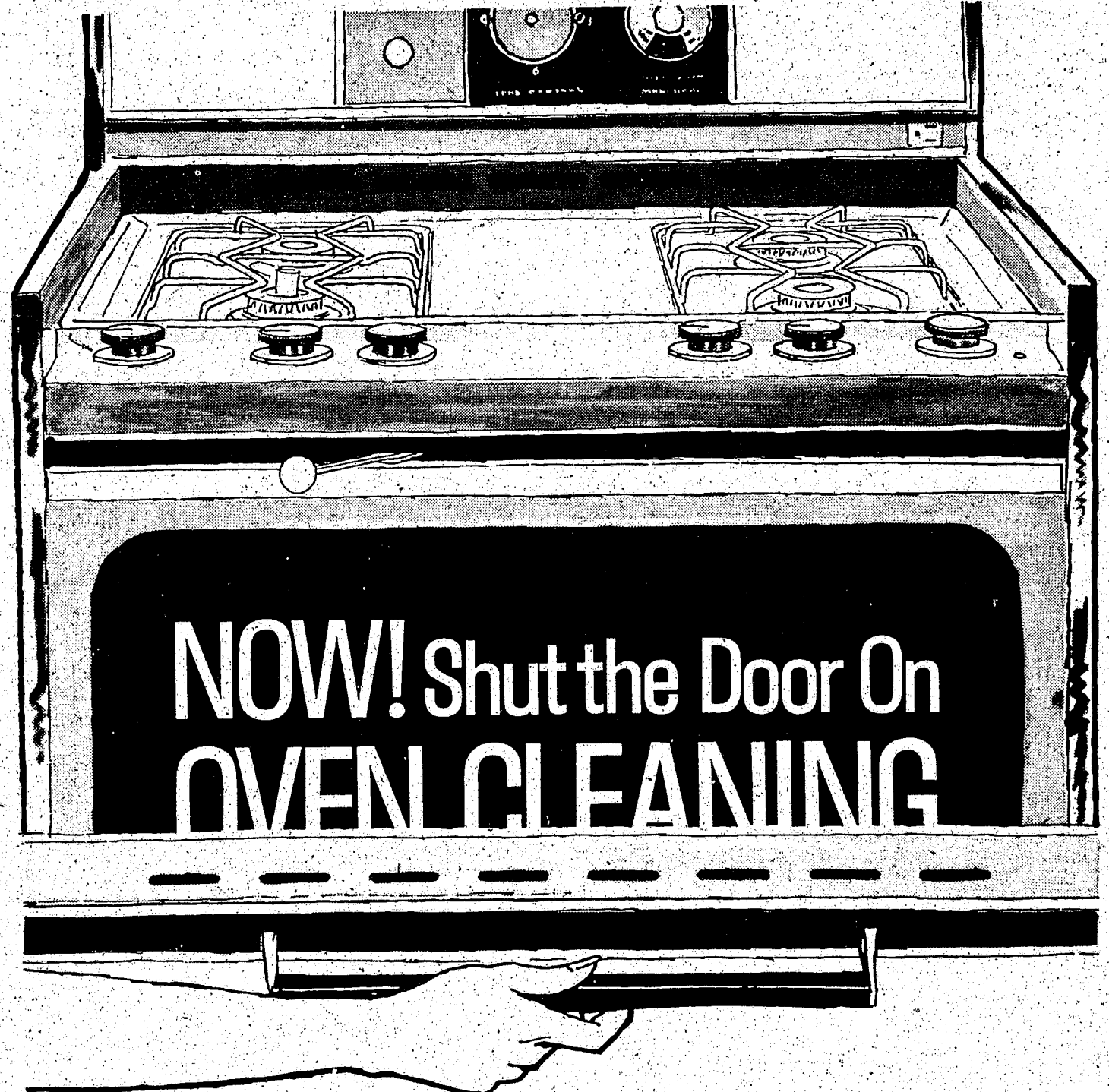
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## Tennis and track teams show promise

By Kirk Phillips.  
Head mentor, Larry Thibault, is beginning his 6th year as head tennis coach at Clarkston High School. He's the dean of all mentors in the Wayne-Oakland League. Coach Thibault has two league titles to his credit, one Walled Lake invitational trophy and is the only coach in Clarkston's history whose team bagged a regional trophy.

Coach Thibault has quite a few lettermen returning this season. As of now he is favored to take the crown away from Bloomfield. Andover. Returning for Thibault are Mark Walters, Mark Griffiths, Mark Waterbury, Dave Kelly, Kirk Beattie, Scott Robbins and Dick Ruelle.

Several newcomers could help, 2 of them being Mark Schrapnell and Ben Lawrence. Coach Thibault feels Clarenceville should provide some opposition, surprising enough. Coach Thibault is a Northern Michigan graduate and received his Master's from Michigan State. He's coached such stars as Mike Dougherty, Jack Sansom, Mark Erickson, Bill Bailey and Kim Beattie, just to name a few.

This year's thinclads are coached by Dennis Horrigan, the Minnesota graduate. Coach Horrigan has a team full of promising juniors. Some good runners are Fred Seyler, Dan Denkert, Kurt Karlson, Jeff Quigley and Bill Perkins.

Clarkston should be strong in the long jump, 180 lows, and veteran Jim Ventimiglia will anchor those positions. Fred Seyler could be one of the outstanding milers as a sophomore in Oakland County this year; also Dan Dankert looks strong at that position.

The 880 relay team consists of Jim Ventimiglia (Sr.), Mike Humphreys (Fr.), Charles MacNeill (Jr.), and Bill Perkins (Jr.).

In the two mile run sophomore Gerald Baker looks promising. Clarkston needs to shape up in these following events if they have any hopes of finishing first in the Wayne-Oakland League: shot put, long jump, high jump, pole vault, 120, high, 440 dash and the 220.

Coach Horrigan is ably assisted by Conrad Bruce, who is a graduate of Northern Michigan University. He should help a lot in the field events.



CLOUD NINE is making landings easier for high jumpers. When the jumpers of Clarkston High clear the cross bar they land in a pillow of air. The balloon has a fan attached to keep it full and fluffy.

*CHS news from Connie Rush*

## Linda Sanshie is Laurey



The long-awaited, much welcomed, Easter vacation finally arrived. Clarkston students, in their enthusiasm for the vacation, did not get much school work accomplished during the days before the holiday, which began on Good Friday. The students will return to school again on April 14.

March 31 marked the beginning of the last 9-week period of school. Report cards, a belated April Fool joke on some students, were issued April 2.

At the last printing of this publication some of the characters for "Oklahoma," Clarkston's spring musical, were still undecided.

Linda Sanshie will play the part of Laurey, the female lead, while Carmen Blackberry will be her understudy. Ali Hakim, a fun-loving traveling salesman, will be portrayed by Ray Kidd and his understudy will be Tom Wilford. Dave McKulkin was chosen as understudy

for the part of Will Parker. Friday, March 28, ended the 2-week trial period for the liberalized dress code in which girls were permitted to wear slacks. The Board of Education will meet April 15 to make a final decision on the liberalized dress code.

Girls, from freshmen to juniors, have been practicing vigorously to be in shape for cheerleading tryouts which will be held on April 21 and 23.

Requirements for tryouts are: Cartwheel splits, handspring and roundoff. Jumps required are: Russian split jump, spread eagle, forward arm spread eagle, arc and seat jumps. The individual cheer will be "click-clack" and "fight, teamfight" and is to be done with a partner. Contestants for varsity will also be required to do a Russian jump off the mini-tramp. 14 girls will be selected as cheerleaders, seven for both the varsity and junior varsity.

## Soap Box Derby clinic held

The April Oakland County Chevrolet Soap Box Derby Clinic is to be held on Saturday, April 19 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. It will be held in the auditorium of Lawrence Institute of Technology's new Science building.

All Soap Box Derby Exposition Week contestants and their parents are invited. Upon conclusion of the Soap Box Derby clinic, Lawrence Tech officials invite Soap Box Derby boys

and their parents to tour L. I. T.'s facilities, and to join them in a light luncheon.

In order that L. I. T. officials may know how many luncheons to prepare, the boys and their parents who are going to attend should inform their local Soap Box Derby Director. All Soap Box Derby Directors are asked to send this information to:

Gerry Lacey, Derby Director  
Oakland County Parks and Recreation  
2800 Watkins Lake Road  
Pontiac, Michigan 48054

This is an extremely important meeting during which all of the details of "The First Annual Soap Box Derby Week" will be explained.

Please make reservations by or before April 14.

## 12-week K-9 classes set

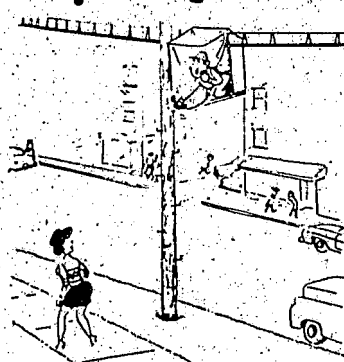
Would you like your dog to heel, sit, stay and come when you tell him? Learn how to train your dog to obey these and other commands at the adult dog obedience classes beginning on Tuesday, April 22 at 9 p.m.

The classes are held at the 4-H Fairgrounds at the corner of Perry and Pontiac Roads in Pontiac.

The first night of the 12-week class is registration, and you are requested to leave your dogs home. All dogs must be six months or older. The fee is \$15.00. You need a current health certificate for your dog.

The class is sponsored by the Oakland County K-9 4-H Club. For additional information and a reservation in the class, please call Mrs. Linda Blanchard, FE 5-7296.

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Around the Town

Clarkston becomes Easter crossroads

By Rustie Leaf

New York appeared to be a popular state for many Easter travelers from Clarkston. With her three children, Mrs. Donald Place flew from her home on Chickadee to Schenectady, where she spent a week with her parents.

After a short stopover in Carlton, Michigan, where they picked up Mrs. Josephine McCormick, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McCormick continued on their way to Utica, New York and an Easter visit with Mr. McCormick's brother. Driving with their parents as far as Carlton were the two McCormick children, R. J. who is six and Ann, 4. The McCormick family live on Phelan Court in Clarkston.

Another family that left Birdland behind for a short duration was the Henry Kline family, who live on Warbler. Their vacation destination was their northern home on Hammond Bay, which is located on Lake Huron. The Klines' son, Rod, a sophomore at Northern Michigan University, arrived from Marquette to drive to the Bay home with his family. The Klines' daughter and her family, Mr. and Mrs.

Kent Rhoades, Kelly Sue, 22 months, Chris, 13 and seven-year-old twins, Brett and Brenda, left from Rochester.

While many Clarkston families were preparing to leave the area for the Easter holidays, Mr. and Mrs. George Lang were busy making preparations to welcome fifteen relatives and friends to their home on Orion road. Their arrival Saturday from Grand Rapids and Detroit began the reunion. An Easter breakfast was served, following Sunday's Sunrise Service attendance. Topping the day and the visit was a special Easter dinner.

Returning from New York recently, was Mrs. Leland Masters, the mother of Mrs. Richard Johnston. Mrs. Masters had flown from her home on Church street to Troy, New York, for a week's visit with her son-in-law, Mr. Edward Quinn and her two grandsons.

It was almost a month of packing and unpacking for Mr. and Mrs. James Chipman, but memories of their Florida travels made it worth the time and effort. The Chipmans left their home on South Main, March 4th and headed south to Mt. Dora, Florida and a visit there with Mr. Chipman's brother. From this central Florida location, they drove on to visit with friends living in both eastern and western parts of Florida. Several

highlight spots for the Chipman's memory book were visits to the Sunken Gardens, the Cypress Gardens and the boarding of two ships, one the Bounty, and the other, the docked ship, Queen Elizabeth. The inspection tour of the huge ship left an awesome remembrance of its size, which is reported to be from ten to twelve stories high above the water line. The partial coverage of the ship took over two hours, and comes highly recommended for anyone heading that way.

The weekly meeting of the United in Christ Bible Study group, which is held at the home of Mrs. Gilbert McCallum at 6444 Sunnydale, was given a special purpose last week, with preparations of an Easter luncheon for approximately fifteen area women. Mrs. McCallum extends an invitation to any woman who might be interested in being a guest at one of their Thursday meetings, to contact her.

A northern city on the west coast was the flight destination for Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Irwin and their son, Jodi, 2. The April 4th flight to San Jose, California, from their home at 6665 Laurelton, took the Irwins to the coast for the marriage ceremonies of Mr. Irwin's brother.



The picture of Cindy Young and Randy Longstaff of Clarkston brought honors to Alice Sayles of the Sayles Studio in Drayton Plains at the 28th Annual Convention of Professional Photographers.

Win photo awards

A photograph of Cindy Young and Rand Longstaff of Clarkston was one of the award winning pictures at the 28th Annual Convention of Professional Photographers. Held in Grand Rapids, the competition included photographers from Wisconsin, Ontario and Michigan.

The photograph was one of the entries submitted by the Sayles Studio in Drayton Plains. It was one of the four entries of Alice Sayles. All received awards for outstanding creativity and quality. Leta Calcote, from the same studio was also honored for outstanding quality in oil coloring.

Sponsors 3 lectures on drugs

Teen-age drug users in the Independence and Springfield area? Many adults answer, "No." But do you know for sure?

The Clarkston Area Youth Assistance Committee is extending an invitation to all adults in this area to 2 series of three lectures on this pressing problem. These lectures will be held at the Clarkston Senior High School April 15, April 22, April 29, 1969.

Bob Brombeck, Clarkston school social worker, will be chairman for these sessions.

April 15, 1969, Richard Traitel, Oakland County Juvenile Court Physiologist. Subject: Problems, Causes, Trends and Local Evidence.

April 22, 1969-Dr. Henry Wormsey, College of Pharmacy, Wayne State University. Subject: Detection and Remedy Identification of Drugs and Affects.

April 29, 1969-Judge Eugene Moore, Juvenile Probate Court, Oakland County.

Mr. Gary Hawkins, Liaison Police Officer, Birmingham, Michigan.

Subject: Advising Parents and Recognizing the Problems and Laws.

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Kutting Korners by Jean Sura

Are you tired of ham? Got an abundance of left over hard boiled eggs?

For a quickie supper why not combine the two and come up with something that tastes a little different and helps clean up the left-overs.

Make a good, rich cream sauce. Use oleo if you don't want to indulge yourself and use butter.

Cube the left-over ham and add it to the sauce.

Peel and separate the hard boiled eggs. Fold the cut-up whites into the sauce and ham. If you are going all out for a one dish meal, toss in some frozen or canned peas.

Serve the concoction on toast or in patty shells. (The frozen ones are excellent). As a finishing touch, mash the egg yolk and sprinkle it over the top. Add a dash of cheese if you like. You still have the bone left for delicious pea or bean soup.

Having flowers in the house seems

Coin, stamp trade meeting

A novel coin meeting is planned at the Clarkston Coin Club this month. It's not a coin show, but a chance for individual collectors to trade their spare coins with other collectors from this area.

All coin collectors are invited to bring their spare coins or stamps, want lists and basis for trading.

A blackboard will be set up to list each individual's name and trade. Keith A. Humbert of the local coin club says, "nowhere has this trade idea been tried, so, bring world coins, crowns, US coins and even stamps for a trading session."

The meeting is Monday at the Clarkston Junior High, 7:30 p.m. April 21.

Organize new Girl Scout troop

The Girl Scouts of Clarkston are starting a new Senior Scout troop. These girls are from ages 15-17 or going into 10th-12th grades.

Joining this troop are Lynn Tower, Vicki Voggiano, Lynn Appel, Cheryl Shrapnell, Dana Fitzthomas, Nancy Dureiko, Marcia Johnson, Kathy Mayer, Kathy Hoff, Debbie Hoopengartner, Pam Pemback, Tammy Mahar, Garnet Palace, Karen Sharp, Geri Graham, Sue Surre, Michele Gray, Mary Butters, Darla Hoopengartner, Phyllis Stewart and Kathy Ronk. Their advisor is Mrs. Jan Danielson.

Projects planned are painting the rooms at Pontiac State Hospital April 26 and other ideas are coming soon.

Any girl wanting to join, please contact Jan Danielson, troop advisor at 625-3060.

them on a towel to blot the excess water.

For changing color, get a can or two of spray paint. Get a medium cardboard box. Place the stem and foliage in a paper bag, tying it securely just below the blossom. Place the box on its side, with opening facing you.

Now, place the bag in the box and let go with the color paint you desire. The bag will protect the green parts and the box will catch all the excess paint.

Presto, bright, new, fresh flowers. By the way, I received a request from a reader. It seems that the inside of her dishwasher has become discolored from hard water.

Can any of you tell her how to get it clean again without standing on her head and scrubbing it?

Write or call me at the Clarkston News, 625-3370. P.S. Attention: anyone who plans to try the recipe I gave for the cabbage slaw the week before last, the amount of salt was incorrectly given. It only requires 1/2 t. Sorry.

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Spring term at Pontiac YWCA

The Pontiac YWCA spring class term will begin the week of April 14. Many new classes are in the offing. Vicki Frost will introduce Modern Dance at a Saturday morning class. This distinctively different dance is also a form of exercise. Housewives and teens may enroll. Bob Young, Pro at Carl's Golfland will conduct six instructional sessions in golf. The classes will be held at the golf course. Y members will jog during the spring term at Hawthorne Park. After a morning of jogging, members will return to the Y for a low-calorie luncheon.

Popular classes in arts, bridge, ballroom dancing, Bishop sewing, cake decorating, decoupage, flower arranging, italic writing, knitting, Pennsylvania Dutch painting and upholstery will be offered again this term. Physical fitness and sports classes include slimnastics, swimming and yoga.

The YWCA nursery center is open for two sessions per day, five days a week. All children are required to have a health examination before attending nursery. The center is supervised by an accredited teacher and qualified aides. As some classes are limited in size, applications will be taken in order received. Call the YWCA for further information.

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Weekly Health Tip from Keith Hallman When a person feels faint, have him lie down to avoid a fall which can injure him. Sitting down and lowering the head between the knees will increase blood supply to the brain. If fainting occurs, do not apply ammonia inhalants. If the patient does not "come around" naturally, get medical aid. O'DELL DRUGS 10 S. MAIN STREET 625-1700 CLARKSTON, MICH.

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Jerry Powell, self-oftained "Sanitation Engineer," with one of his employees. Jerry is a booster of the Jaycees' project, selling plastic garbage can liners. "If everyone would use these bags," says Jerry, "all of my employees could wear white shirt and tie to work."



WWJ-TV's Opsy the Clown has been appointed honorary membership chairman of the Oakland County Association for Retarded Children. Explaining the benefits provided by the Association are Mrs. Gerri Lease, Rochester, chairman of the membership committee; Brent Glazier, Union Lake, Executive Director; and Mrs. Nancy Monacelli, Royal Oak, committee member. Opsy accepted the appointment on his Channel 4 program of Saturday, March 15. He will serve for the duration of the membership campaign which continues until April 15. Barbara Walters of NBC's "Today" show is national chairman.

## DSC fox hunters clean roadsides near Oakwood, ask other's help

By Bill Larson  
What is a litterbug? To most people he is an undesirable person who throws his unwanted items out of car windows and drops candy and cigarette wrappers wherever he happens to be standing. To a committee trying to organize a fox hunt he is about the lowest form of insect on this earth.

The committee goes to a land owner and asks permission to cross his property during the hunt, and explains that there will be a large number of club members in the area the day of the hunt. This must be done with each landowner in each section that is to be driven during the day's hunt.

Sounds easy, doesn't it? Try it sometime.

You knock on the door, introduce yourself, and state your business as politely as possible. Then the landowner, after hearing you out, says no, because after the hunters leave there is always a mess of litter on the roads and in the ditches that has been thrown out of the cars.

On March 9, a bright, sunny day in the Oakwood area, with the temperature in the 30s, the Detroit Sportsmen's Congress fox hunters undertook to change this image.

When the day's hunting started each car was given a number of paper bags and told to clean the roadside and ditches of all litter.

When they moved to each section it was hard to tell what the area residents thought, for all they could see as they

drove past, were the ditches full of sportsmen bent double, stuffing litter into paper bags.

After all of the litter was picked up it was taken to a central point and transferred to 50 gallon rubbish barrels that the hunters took to the area with them and then took the barrels to a rubbish disposal area.

While resting from picking up litter they managed to bring in two fox for the day's hunt.

Roadside litter is caused by every person in Michigan either consciously or unconsciously, at one time or another. There were 103 Detroit Sportsmen's Congress fox hunters who spent a few minutes of their recreation time to help relieve some of the litter problem.

Couldn't you help the next time you have occasion to stop along the road for some reason or another? If each of us would donate a few minutes of our valuable time picking up litter, our roads would look 100 percent better than they do now.

Perhaps we can't stay ahead of the litterers, areas we cleaned in the morning were starting to collect litter again in the afternoon, but we are trying to get other clubs to do the same as we are... pick up litter.

## Michigan is for the birds

Ask any birdwatcher—Michigan is for the birds.

Michigan's bountiful waters and woods provide a natural environment for many species of wildfowl and the patience of birdwatchers is amply rewarded, according to the Michigan Tourist Council.

Areas in Michigan considered by wildlife experts to be the best for birdwatching include the Seney National Wildlife Refuge, Seney; Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge, near Saginaw; Deadstream Wildlife Flooding, near Houghton; Fish Point State Game Area, Tuscola County; Tawas Point State Park, Tawas and Pointe Mouillee State Game Area near Monroe.

At various times throughout the seasons, watchers may observe ducks, geese, swan, herons, osprey, terns, eagles, gulls and rails. In the shore bird category are plovers and sandpipers.

Literature describing additional things to see and do in Michigan is available free by writing the Michigan Tourist Council, Lansing 48926.

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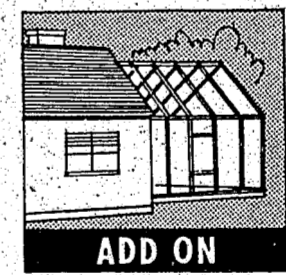


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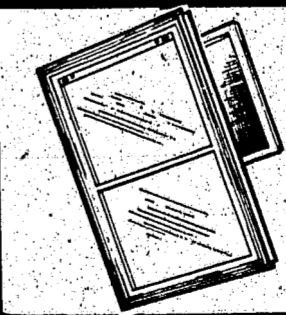
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Worship - 11:00 a.m.

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Worship - 11:00 a.m.

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Worship - 7 p.m.

THE SALVATION ARMY  
29 Buffalo Street  
Brigadier John Grindle  
Worship 2:45 p.m.

## A SPIRITUAL Message

By Rev. H. C. Cranston  
Drayton Heights  
Free Methodist Church

"Jesus saith unto him, 'Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed; blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.'"

Even though the Easter Season has passed, the Christian Church is still reflecting upon its meaning. Just what truths are learned from the first week after the resurrection? One of the most important is the lesson of belief. The disciples, except Thomas, were present in a room with closed doors when the risen Christ appeared. Later, Thomas was told of the appearance, but refused to believe unless he saw for himself the nail prints and placed his hand into the wounded side. Jesus did appear the second time to the disciples in the room with the doors shut after

eight days. Thomas being present. Thomas was given the opportunity to examine the wounds for himself that he might believe.

The Scriptures do not indicate that Thomas did this; but they do tell us that Thomas believed saying, "My Lord and my God." Jesus then said, "Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed; blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed."

Those who today believe that Christ is alive and accept Him as their Saviour are blessed of God even though they have never seen Christ in physical form.

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"If It Fitz . . ."

## The secretary's silly syllables



By Jim Fitzgerald

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## Children still get well weekends at Village

by Jim Sherman

December 1, 1966 I wrote the following about Children's Village of Oakland County.

"This was something more we just had to have. It was designed, and 3 houses were built for the retarded, crazed and troubled child. The units cost upwards of a half million dollars.

"I understand that they operate about 9 months a year with a good program and good personnel. But, all of a sudden, in June, these youngsters are cured while the teachers take vacations, then in the fall these same youngsters are sick again.

"They are also cured weekends, but need help the other 5 days a week.

"If this is all true, and I'm quite sure it is, administrators of these type schools should be flocking to Oakland county from all over the world to see this wondrous training program in action."

Following that article, personnel at the Village were questioned to see who knew me. They never contacted me, at least that I remember.

However, what I wrote then was true and it's still true today only something else has been added. There is still a movement to build more units at the Village yet one building for delinquents has been closed.

Some of the teenagers who have taken drugs, committed felonies, assaulted and are confined for various types of crimes have been put into buildings with the smaller children, some even toddler age.

This is true of both boy and girl violators, though I understand at the teen level they are separated, yet put with smaller children.

Still the students, who need help through guidance and instruction 5 days a week, are well and free to go home weekends. And in the summer the school is not in operation for these same kids.

P.S. I wrote the above on Saturday, March 23, 1969. I've been thinking about it since and held up publishing it until now.

In the meantime, I've been told word got to who ever is in charge of the Children's Village that some newspaper was going to write something about the delinquent home's being closed.

They then ordered it re-opened.

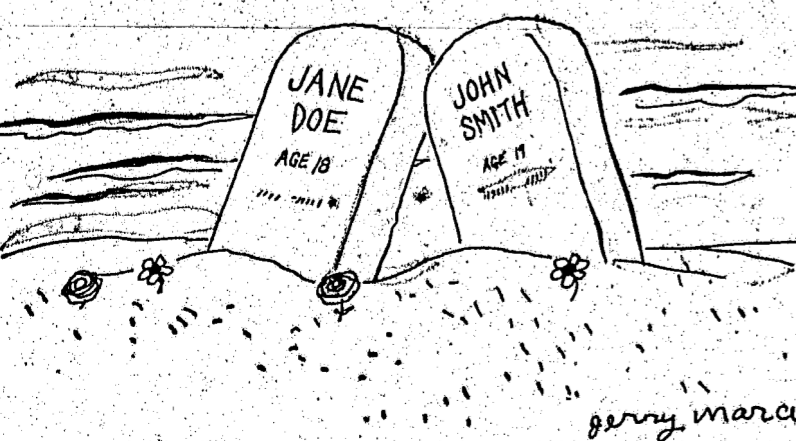
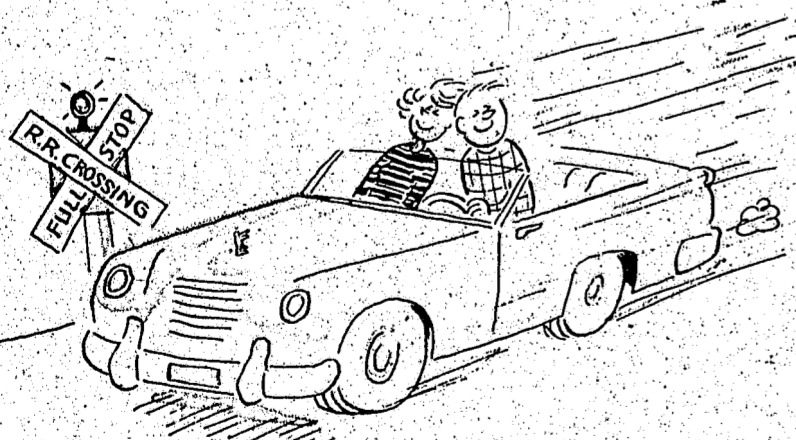
It certainly makes me wonder about the whole operation.

## It's deductible

The Wall Street Journal reports that downtown merchants get a boost from the Internal Revenue Service.

The service advised it would permit merchants to deduct voluntary payments to city authorities to help develop public parking facilities near their businesses.

The IRS promised similar treatment where merchants chipped in to remake a street. Their plans included ceramic tile sidewalks, a cobblestone mall and continuous canopies. The city would own and maintain all improvements:



erry marcus

## Kids just don't understand

By Haslett Hemmor



11:59, April 15

By Jean Sura

Not that my boy, Jack, is any different from the other high school kids today, he's just had it too easy. That's Effie's fault. He really does believe that the world owes him a living—and a very comfortable living at that. Like the rest of this generation, he needs to have the word "ambition" pounded into his thick skull.

My folks didn't hand me everything. Couldn't have if they'd been stupid enough to want to. Had to go to work in the cannery when I was 14 so I never really had a chance to get any place.

"Get your grades up," I told Jack last night and I wasn't yelling like Effie says I was. "Get them up and you'll get in college. Then let your profs know you're ambitious. They'll give you special attention. Be an engineer," I tell him, "or be a doctor—there's lots of dough in doctoring. Don't settle for a grubby teaching job or working for some lousy bank. Be ambitious. Shoot for the moon, kid. Get out on your own."

"Most of all," I tell Jack real strong, like, "most of all don't let nobody give you a snow job about how money isn't everything. Maybe, not, but if it isn't—the money will buy it. Be your own boss and set your own price. That's the ticket, kid. You got to walk on toes to get there. Got to be ambitious to make the big bucks."

Most unambitious guy I ever did know was a fellow back in Marystown called Dad Mitty. Half the time Dad couldn't pay the taxes on his crummy 10 acres. Still, he hacked away at his raspberry patch and always had time to talk about fishing and hunting.

Not that Dad was a great sportsman. Probably never fished much except down at Sutter's pond. He'd just set out there on the old dock and it was never long before somebody stopped to ask how it was going. Kids liked him because he always acted happy to see you.

Acted? Well, really he never did act. He just liked folks and everyone loved old Dad Mitty. Asked him once why he never got married. He told me that by the time he gave it a good think, he was too used to his own cooking to switch. He talked about hunting ducks too, but no one could remember Dad firing that antique shotgun of his.

Sometimes he shaved, but usually he didn't. On him the white stubble looked natural. Like the old wide-brimmed hat he always wore. Kind of round faced, he was. Without the hat, his shiny old dome looked pretty naked. Didn't wear it to hide

This middle-aged woman came into my office, obviously troubled, and she had some good questions. I couldn't give her any good answers.

Beautiful. What the man means is that we must kill the bad guys faster than they are being born.

Laird also said the U.S. has not yet achieved "the development of indigenous forces which would be capable of suppressing insurgency on their own if North Vietnamese and U.S. forces were withdrawn."

How about those syllables? No one is going to accuse our Defense Secretary of using 4-letter words. What Laird was saying is that if the U.S. and North Vietnam troops dropped out, the South Vietnam army would be smeared by the Vietcong.

And what it all amounts to is Laird's admission that, after 15 years of spending and bleeding in

Vietnam, the U.S. has not nearly accomplished its objective. Remember, we were going to send a few of "our boys" over there for a few months to train the South Vietnamese troops, to show them how to stop Communism from spreading (any closer than Cuba?). Sure, it was a civil war and really none of our business but, what the heck, it wouldn't take long for our military experts to get things going the right way. Remember the Bay of Pigs? The boys will be home for Christmas for sure.

You bet. Over 50,000 young Americans have had their last Christmas. Santa Claus failed them in Vietnam. Ten thousand American soldiers have been killed since the stuffed shirts sat down to talk peace in Paris. And if you think that's the worst of it, you should visit some military hospitals where there are teenage

boys who will never walk or talk or see or move again.

"Why does it have to be? When will the killing end?"

That's what the middle-aged woman asked me. She had brought me a picture of her son to go with the story I was writing about him. He had been killed in Vietnam the week before, 10 days after his 20th birthday.

She couldn't stop the tears. I couldn't give an answer.

Secretary Laird should be forced to mouth his bloody nonsense to the mothers of these dead boys. He should look them in the eye and tell them their sons are part of the necessary U.S. attrition if there is to be a successful infrastructure effort whereby indigenous forces may suppress insurgency.

I wonder if Laird could spout all those silly syllables with a mouthful of Vietnam mud? †

I have known it for three months. Gloomsville was coming to Suraville. It has arrived.

One look at my dear spouse and I know that the Ides of April 15 are upon us.

For weeks I've been preparing a defense. I have been wearing my oldest clothes. I have been refusing luncheon dates at McDonalds. I've switched to oleo. I've become a closet smoker.

Nothing works. The other day I thought, "This is foolish. Who was the guy that went around all year saying that millionaires should be tickled skinny to be paying all that money. Just think what their 'take-home pay' must be!"

Well, the flip-side is playing now. Old Uncle is breathing down our neck. But, that's just the beginning of a sad, sad, saga. Now, we are reviewing the years accounts.

Yes, I know that bill for electricity was high.—Remember, it was one of YOUR friends that kept beating time to the music with my candle mold.

I'm sorry, but the feathers were all disintegrating in the feather tick and after the canary died, I lost my supply of replacements. I know YOUR mother said it would last a lifetime when she made it for you.

Now wait a minute, that handkerchief was for YOUR Great-Aunt Emmy. Well, we

ALWAYS have given the kids a pair of socks for Christmas.

That new wash-board was NOT a luxury. I can't help it if you loaned my recipe for soap and YOUR sister didn't return it.

YOU were the one who didn't figure home brew would explode and mess up the whole wall.

Those maternity clothes were really old and I couldn't keep my tennies on without new laces.

Ad infinitum. I remember, well, one year. How could I forget? We got a refund. I'll never forget that one.

The forms were filled out and winging their way to Washington before the New Year baby had gotten back into his diaper. Things were really rosy.

But, sadly enough, Gloomsville has returned to Suraville.

There is an aura of expectant waiting. The moths have been routed from the checkbook. The gold pen has been laid out. The forms have all been filled. But the moon still isn't in the proper phase.

I miss not having the kids around. They used to help with the "count-up". 10th - 11th - 12th - 13 - 14th - and then, whoosh - 15th! We're off to the post office.

Just one more problem, I get so terribly cold standing there in front of the mailbox, waiting for the stroke of 11:59.

We do meet a lot of our friends and other nice people though.

## Say it like it is

A few decades ago, when advertising was in its bawling infancy, this story made the rounds:

"Gus Schmidt was a blacksmith in a small Ohio town. He specialized in repairing farm equipment, particularly wagons. When Gus fixed something, it stayed fixed. After he rebuilt a wagon, farmers agreed, it was better than new.

"When business was slow, Gus kept himself busy by building a few heavy-duty wagons of his own design. Decks were fashioned from well-cured white oak planks. Wheel spokes were labors of love, carefully shaved from fault-free hickory.

"Gus took particular pride in his ironwork. His eye for exactly the right shade of cherry red; his ability to beat glowing heavy metal into precise shapes marked him as a superb craftsman. In time, to meet the demand for his wagons, Gus trained his four sons and two nephews. A third nephew took care of the books and the limited correspondence with customers and suppliers. It was he who urged Gus to expand and to advertise.

"A local agency was called in to discuss the problems of advertising. The agency talked with Gus and asked him what was different about his wagons. They asked him how he would describe them if he had to tell the story in very few words.

"Well," said Gus, "I'm not so goot by the words, but I tink maybe I say 'they're not much for pretty but they're hell for strong!'"

"The agency had the account for ten years. They coined the trade names "Battle-Wagons," "Big Brutes," "Blue Brutes" and "Ten-Tonnors," but in copy they never used and never matched the simple eloquence of "Not much for pretty but hell for strong."

## PEEKIN' into the PAST

TEN YEARS AGO IN THE CLARKSTON NEWS  
April 9, 1959

The girls of the graduating class of Clarkston High School and their mothers will attend the Fashion Show at Clarkston's Town Shop being staged especially for them on Thursday evening, April 16. Guests at the W. H. Stamp home on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Ross D. Stevenson and children, Billy and Debbie, of Pinehurst Avenue, Ferndale.

Sunday afternoon, Mr. and Mrs. Don Harris gave a bowling party honoring their daughter, Donna's sixteenth birthday. Afterwards a supper was served to the sixteen guests.

This week eight badges were awarded to the following girls of Girl Scout Troop 200: Dancer to Rita Curtis, Carol Sage and Gaye Lynn; Mammal to Gaye Lynn; Star to Carol Kieft; Salt Water Life to Lariann Walter and Gaye Lynn; Bird to Lariann Walter.

25 YEARS AGO IN THE CLARKSTON NEWS—  
April 14, 1944

On Thursday afternoon of last week the Clarkston school was presented with a minute man flag from the U.S. Treasury Department. The flag is awarded to schools in which 90% of the students participate in the buying of war stamps over a period of one month.

From 2 until 5 p.m. this afternoon the Martha Circle of the W.S.C.S. is sponsoring a "Spring Tea." It will be held at the home of Mrs. L. F. Walter.

Among the college students who spent Easter at their homes here were Anne Russell, Margaret Ann Beattie, Helen Hodges, Mazy Wompole and Carolyn Carr.

The Sophomore class at Clarkston School is sponsoring the Spring Frolic to be held on Friday night, April 14. Everyone in the community is invited to attend. The music will be furnished by Bill Radoye and his dance band.

## Historic charm on Mackinac

Mackinac Island is a horse-and-buggy community consisting of a little more than 600 permanent residents, 500 horses and thousands upon thousands of summer visitors, according to the Michigan Tourist Council.

Many of the visitors come for just a day, via ferry, to explore historic sites, to take the carriage tours and sample the fudge for which the island is famous.

Those who stay longer will find nine modern hotels and 36 comfortable tourist homes from which to choose.

In addition to the modern accommodations, entertainment is offered, as well as a wide choice of recreational facilities. Fine food is one of the island's trademarks, served from the magnificent dining rooms of the large hotels down to the tiny tea rooms on the village side streets.

Autos are prohibited here and transportation is by horse carriage, bicycle or foot.

Information on additional places of interest and things to do can be obtained by writing the Michigan Tourist Council, Lansing 48926.

## Interesting People



Bob Wilkinson, 6th grade son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wilkinson, and poet laureate of the Bailey Lake School

This is a poem written by a boy here in Clarkston. He is in the sixth grade.

Room 13 by Bob  
Room 13 waits, alone and dark  
After the long, long night,  
For girls and boys to bring it life  
And make the morning bright.

The air-raid shrillness of the bell  
tells children to watch out,  
For now the teachers come down the  
hall,  
like referees for the bout.

The lunchtime smells and sounds will  
come  
to break a busy day,  
The room grows quiet and still again  
As the children go out to play.

The afternoon makes time drag on  
for drowsy brains and ears,  
The wiggling, squirming children think  
the bell won't sound for years.

The signal for the marching feet  
is heard throughout the school,  
Now Room 13 can rest tonight  
for tomorrow's coming duel.

Bob Wilkinson wrote his first poem  
in the 1st grade. As he remembers, it  
was about a bug, a bug who wanted to  
have wings.

He also has written some stories.  
"My folks told me that I always had  
a great imagination when I was little,"  
said Bob. "I may start writing for a  
hobby."

Bob's poem came to our attention  
when Mr. Kruger, his teacher in the  
6th grade at the Bailey Lake School,  
brought it in to the office with the  
comment, "I thought you might find  
this interesting."

It was interesting enough for us to  
go out to the school and talk to Bob.  
This is what we found.

Bob is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob  
Wilkinson. They live at 6729  
Northview Drive. Both of the parents  
teach in the Rochester School System.  
It seemed certain that he would say  
that they taught English or Literature.  
This was not so. His dad teaches  
history and his mother is a gym  
teacher.

He is a husky, healthy looking boy.  
He enjoys skiing, at which he is a  
beginner, as well as playing the piano,  
at which he is also a beginner.

Vacations in Arkansas, at his  
grandparents' home, make the  
summers attractive.

Bob is non-committal about his  
perceptive ability, typical of a boy in  
the 6th grade. Particularly when it is  
recess time and you are asking a lot of  
boring questions.

He is an interesting boy to meet.  
He'll be an interesting boy to watch.

## Junk cars, salaries, etc. at Springfield town hall

The annual Springfield Township meeting was held at 1 p.m. April 5th and approximately 35 citizens were in attendance. Reports for the fiscal year of 1968 were read and approved by the people present. The treasurer's report indicated an income of \$54,103.26 with disbursements of

\$51,319.81.

Approval was granted the Township Board to finish the new offices at the Township Hall and hire clerical help to maintain that office from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. daily and from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturdays. Approval was also given

the board to proceed with the necessary repairs required at the Township Hall.

A long, but orderly, discussion followed regarding township officials' salaries. It was finally decided that the supervisor's salary would remain at the present level of \$4,460.00 per year. The clerk's salary was increased \$1,000 per year to \$4,000 per year and the treasurer's office was granted an increase of \$500 per year to a total of \$3,500.

The budget as read by N. C. Van Natta, Supervisor, was approved as read and the Township Board was instructed to look into the feasibility of changing the present Zoning Board into a Planning Board. Several projects suggested by the supervisor were also approved by the citizens present.

The Township Board was instructed to enforce the ordinances now on the township books vigorously. Special emphasis was placed on the ordinance covering junk cars. It was ordered to give publicity to this ordinance at once and to conduct an immediate campaign to clean up the township. Citizens are being requested to report locations of all junk cars to the township offices.

## BOY SCOUT NEWS

### PACK 49 NEWS

The Red Skelton recording of his explaining the Pledge of Allegiance opened the Den 4 Webelos meeting of pack 49.

The theme of the April meeting was based on Indians, with Dens 1, 2, 3 and 5 dressed in Indian costumes they made. They did skits and a fire dance.

Awards were presented to Michael Bradley, Wolf, Gold and Silver Arrows; John Fletcher, Bobcat; Mike Burdick, Wolf, Gold and Silver Arrows; Dan Biron, athlete; Bob Rutherford, 2-year.

Also present was John Fry, Den Chief from troop 189 who has earned his den chief rope for helping Den 2. Earning awards, but not present, were Keith Bradley, Webelo and 2-year pin; Mike Olney, Gold Arrow and John Mays, troop 189 Den Chief rope.

After the meeting the finals in the pinewood derby were held. The winner was Jim Allard; finishing second, Tim Butler and third, Jim Falardeau.

The Cubs will be selling candy April 3-15 to earn money for the Pack.

### PACK 133 NEWS

Pack 133 held their March meeting at the Andersonville School last Tuesday night. Den 7 opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and the Cub Promise.

Den 5 followed the March theme of "Indian Lore." The Cubs did an Indian Dance in home made costumes and then explained the signs used to decorate their clothing. Den 8 followed with an Indian chant to the "beat" of home made tom-toms.

Cubmaster Zelenak presented the following awards: George Palmer, Bobcat pin; Webelo Color badge and Bear badge to David Vincent; Mark Zekenak, Billy LeMarbe, Mark Boynes and the Webelo Color badge to Karl Tressenreiter. Mark Boynes also received Gold and Silver Arrows.

Webelo awards for Achievements: Billy Carte and Kevin Phelps, Geologist; Alden, Palmer, Engineering

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## Davisburg OES plans two events

A luncheon and card party is one of the plans for Austin Chapter 396 of the Order of Eastern Star of Davisburg and a rummage sale is another. Williams Lake road, Waterford from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. March 17 the noon luncheon and card party will take place at the Masonic Temple in Davisburg. Bonnie Donofrio says there will be table and door prizes.

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To be rezoned from R-1A to RM  
CASE NO. 117  
J375D-T4N, R9E, Section 32  
That part of SE 1/4 of SW 1/4 lying SWLY of cen line of Andersonville Road exc that part lying SELY of cen line of Clinton River. 7A

To be rezoned from Agricultural to R-1A  
CASE NO. 118  
J164A-1-T4N, R9E, Section 18  
N part of E 1/2 of NW 1/4 desc as beg on N & S 1/4 line dist N 0 degrees 42' W 1008.30 ft. from cen of sec. th S 88 degrees 47' 20" W 1137.50 ft. th N 0 degrees 39' 50" W alg 1/8 line 1659.79 ft. th N 89 degrees 13' 50" E alg N sec line 1136.44 ft. to N 1/4 cor., th S 0 degrees E 1650.90 ft to beg 43.21A

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

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INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP  
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# The Clarkston News

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## Board accepts bids for Ad Building

The planning and study that has gone into the decision of the Clarkston Board of Education to build a new Administration Building moved another step toward completion, April 1. At their meeting, the Board unanimously elected to accept bids for construction.

Accepted were:  
General construction: P. D. Clawson Company of Bloomfield Hills, \$224,220.

Mechanical: C. R. Anderson Plumbing and Heating, Clarkston, \$55,540.

Electrical: Parker Electric, Brighton,

\$38,518. This will bring the total cost of construction to \$318,278, approximately 7.6 percent higher than the original estimates which were made 2 years ago.

It was pointed out that due to the escalation in cost of both labor and materials in the time elapsed, this increase seemed feasible.

School architect, Richard Prince, of Kalamazoo said that construction should begin 7 days after the contracts are signed, with completion scheduled in approximately a year.

Financing for the building is

available from money approved on the 1966 bond issue. Other money from this vote went for the North Sashabaw Elementary School, bus garage, and the new junior high school.

The new building will be built on the site on Clarkston-Orion road. Three acres of this property were sold

for the new township library, which is now under construction. Sufficient property still remains for the future location of an elementary school.

The proposed Administration Building will contain a general meeting room, 49x29, with seating capacity for 100. This room has the facility of being divided into 3 smaller units or meeting rooms.

There will be 8 administrative offices. Portable walls will enable the general office to accommodate 8 to 10 secretaries.

The data processing section is a 24x29 area with a connecting office. Other areas will include space for record storage, printing, furnace and mechanical machinery, a chilling room, and vault.

Provisions for landscaping are not complete at this time.

Almost tripling the space of the 10-year-old Administration Building, from 3000 feet to 8800 square feet, the new structure will more adequately accommodate the machinery and personnel required to service the Clarkston community, whose school population has increased by more than 2000 students in the past 7 years.



**MUCH WORSE THAN A BACK SEAT DRIVER** is your back seat buddy who neglects to lock his safety belt. What can happen to you in that case, if you happen to be a driver involved in an accident, is graphically demonstrated by Roy C. Haeusler, chief engineer, automotive safety, Chrysler Corp. The back seat dummy shows how a human being can become an unrestrained flying object, dangerous not only to himself but to all car occupants. A resident of Clarkston, Haeusler is a member of the Safety Belt Committee of the Traffic Improvement Association of Oakland County (TIA). Using the theme, "It's Lock-It-To-Me Time!" TIA, Clarkston area Jaycees and others are conducting a public education campaign to increase the use of safety belts in the county.

### Clarkston Jaycees cooperate

Clarkston's Jaycee chapter is participating in a cooperative effort with the current public education campaign of the Traffic Improvement Association of Oakland County (TIA) to increase the countrywide use of safety belts.

Dave Hodge, Clarkston Jaycee Chairman for the cooperative program, said, "Saturday, April 12, has been designated as 'Jaycee Lock-It-To-Me Day.'"

Chapter members will be stationed at North Point Plaza, Pine Knob Shopping Center, Howes Lanes, Independence Commons, and on Main

Street in the Village of Clarkston on that date to distribute "Lock-It-To-Me" bumper stickers and brochures.

"If a motorist requests it, we will even attach the bumper sticker for him," he added.

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The county board of supervisors has proclaimed April 12 as Oakland County Safety Belt Day. The proclamation called attention to recent surveys which indicate that the use of automobile safety belts in Oakland County is below the national average.

### Coin show in Fenton

There will be a coin show on Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Fenton Community Center, 150 S. Leroy Street. Admission is free and the public is welcome to come and bring any coins they wish to sell or have appraised.

Dealers from Detroit, Saginaw, Lansing, Flint, Owosso, Utica, Drayton Plains and St. Clair Shores will be present to buy, sell and trade coins. Also for the stamp collector, one dealer will have stamps and stamp supplies. And one dealer will have Indian arrowheads and other Indian artifacts.

If you come to this show, bring this clipping with you and present it at the kitchen for a cup of coffee "on the house."

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### Building values double here

The Independence Township Building Department reported 31 building permits issued during the month of March, 1969.

Construction value on the permits totaled \$390,850. This figure is more than double the total for the combined January and February period, during which 30 permits were issued.

Permits for 15 new houses carried a combined construction value of \$345,850.

9 permits for remodeling and alteration totaled \$27,500 in value.

Three garage permits totaled \$7,500 and 2 swimming pools were valued at \$7,000.

One commercial addition permit was issued totaling \$3,000 and 1 issued for demolition had no value.

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STALK  
**Celery** 29¢

**Reynolds Wrap** 2 59¢  
25 FEET

BETTY CROCKER PINEAPPLE  
**Upside Down Cake**  
20 OZ. 59¢

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**Coffee** LB. 69¢

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Tryouts for the Clarkston High School's presentation of "Oklahoma" were underway in the Little Theatre. Roles required that candidates have both singing and acting talent.



## SCHOOL MENU

CLARKSTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS MENU

April 14-18  
**MONDAY**—Hot Dog on buttered bun, potato chips, beets, blueberry pie & milk.

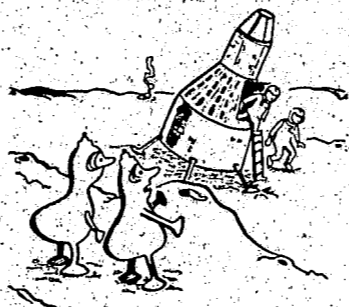
**TUESDAY**—Vegetable goulash, buttered carrots, tossed salad, bread & butter, ice box cake and milk.

**WEDNESDAY**—Meat Loaf, tomato sauce, mashed potatoes, green beans, bread & butter, cookie and milk.

**THURSDAY**—Baked beans & Franks, applesauce, bread & butter, fruit jello and milk.

**FRIDAY**—Tomato Soup & crackers, sandwich, buttered corn, cheese wedge, apple pie and milk.

## My Neighbors



"Look what's emerging from that egg!"

# No paycheck payday

Clarkston School employees are going to experience a new kind of "no paycheck" payday.

Employees were notified last week at a series of meetings. At each meeting, the plan was explained in detail. It was also explained that this would go into effect on a trial basis.

"We have announced the plan after careful study," said Dr. Greene. "A few objections have been raised but we feel a fair trial may prove that its benefits both to the employees and the administration will far outweigh any disadvantages it may cause."

"We feel that in this computerized day it may prevent a payless payday."

Under the new system the bookkeeping department will figure, as usual, the amount to be paid each employee. These statistics will then be taken to the computer center. The computer center will return each employee's stub (stating deductions, etc.) to the school, who in turn will distribute them to the owners.

At the same time the computer center will forward the information to the bank that will enable them to deposit in each individual's charge-free checking account the amount of their pay for the specified period.

The bank will then transfer this money from school funds directly into these accounts.

Each employee will receive a checkbook. He need not go to the bank, but can reconcile his account by means of the stub he will receive from the school.

The checking account will bear no service charge except if the owner overdraws his account, at which time a

regular charge will be made.

The administration points out that in handling a minimum of 1000 checks a month the savings to them will be in clerical time spent in reconciling lost or uncashed checks. It will also cover discrepancies which may arise if State-aid funds do not arrive on time, which would necessitate the school borrowing money to meet payrolls. It

would eliminate the necessity of mailing checks in summer.

The employee will benefit by the charge-free checking account, which under normal usage could amount to approximately \$60 per year.

The new method would not force any person to use the system beyond the point of writing the one check each payday.

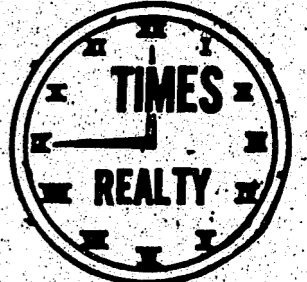
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### BOY SCOUT NEWS TROOP 105

On March 21, Troop 105 went on a three-day weekend camp-out at Haas Lodge at Camp Agawam.

While on the camp-out, tests were given on Scouting skills.

The boys played baseball, football and British bulldog.

On Saturday the parents joined the

boys and were treated to cake, coffee and hot chocolate.

Any boys who care to become scouts are urged to attend weekly meetings every Monday evening from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. They are held at the American Legion Hall, Post 377, at the end of Mary Sue street.

## Seymour Lake News

By Gladys Sherwood

The Seymour Lake WSCS meeting will be at the home of the Claude Woods on Granger road, April 16, for noon luncheon.

HN Bill Burr arrived at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Burr of Seymour Lake road on a 20-day leave from the Navy Hospital in Portsmouth, N. H. He will go to the west coast and expects to go overseas in a month.

Clark Miller has sold 40 acres bordering on Seymour Lake road.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Shubert and daughter, Jane, spent the weekend with relatives in Tenn.

Millicent Solley has returned to her office at Pontiac Motors and also to her home on Oakhill road.

Nine ladies from here attended the luncheon Thursday given by the Ortonville WSCS.

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To be rezoned from R-1A to RM

CASE NO. 115

J367A-T4N, R9E, Section 32

That part of S½ of S½ of NE ¼ lying WLY of US-10 Highway exc that part platted into "Waterford Hill Manor No. 1" also exc beg at cen of Sec, Th N 660 ft, th E 205.10 ft, th SWLY to beg, also exc that part along S-10 Highway, presently zoned Commercial.

376A-1-T4N, R9E, Section 32

Part of SE¼ beg at NW cor of E½ of SE¼, th ELY along ¼ line to NLY line of "Waterford Hill Manor No. 1" th SWLY, SLY, WLY & NLY along NLY boundary line of SD sub to E and W¼ line, th ELY to beg. 6.50A

J371A-Part of SE¼ beg at cen of Sec, th S 74 degrees 10' 34" E 14.83 ft, th N 2 degrees 53' W to E & W¼ line, th WLY along sd ¼ line to beg. 0.10A

To be rezoned from R-1A to RM.

CASE NO. 116

Part of J196-Part of the West ½ section 20, T4N, R9E, Independence Township, Oakland County, Michigan, described as beginning at a point located S 86 degrees 36' 26" E 1066.89 ft. from the West ¼ Corner of section 20, T4N, R9E; Th N 69 degrees 26' 55" E 305.59 ft. to the West Corporation line of the Village of Clarkston; Th along said Westery line S 80 degrees 03' 35" E 560.25 ft. to the Northwest Corner of Lot 1 of "Supervisor's Plat No. 1," as recorded in Liber 52, Page 20 of Plats of Oakland County Records; Th continuing along said line S 00 degrees 03' 35" E 535.34 ft; Th S 89 degrees 44' 52" W 329.41 ft; Th S 89 degrees 48' 31" W 137.69 ft; Th N 66 degrees 53' 31" W 162.21 ft; Th N 23 degrees 06' 29" E 168.14 ft; Th on a curve to the right (R= 400.00 ft, Δ=33 degrees 50' 00", LC= N 40 degrees 01' 30" E 232.78 ft.) an arc distance of 236.20 ft; Th N 56 degrees 56' 29" E 81.42 ft; Th on a curve to the left (L= 300.00 ft, Δ= 77 degrees 29' 34", LC= N 18 degrees 11' 00" E 375.52 ft.) an arc distance of 405.75 ft; Th N 20 degrees 33' 05" W 105.58 ft. to the point of beginning. Containing 8.54 acres.

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

Howard Altman, Clerk  
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## SERVICES

# Remarks on Woodhull Lake, police and dogs at annual town meeting

Annually, the Saturday before the first Monday in April, Michigan townships have their annual meeting or town hall meeting, Saturday over 50 people attended Independence's meeting.

The elected board sat at the head table, however, supervisor Duane Hursfall pointed out at the beginning that it was not a township board meeting, that it was the people's meeting.

He said it was their meeting to speak up. They did work from an agenda and set the meeting dates again as the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 7:30 in the township hall. The same bank depositories for township funds were also named.

First to speak out was George Woody, a resident of Woodhull Lake subdivision. He said, "A year ago I spoke up on the deplorable conditions of Woodhull Lake hoping to get publicity and action to clean up the area."

He then showed the audience copies of Clarkston News coverage of the area. He said, "The township officials are aware of the problems but they don't have the ordinances to deal with them. They have seen evidence of raw sewage all over the terrain; know the conditions and need your help to correct the situation."

Hursfall said there are many buildings condemned in that area and as soon as each is vacated we are trying to eliminate it. "We are working with our attorney," the supervisor said, "to see what we can do to have homes razed, but there is a need for a place for these people to move to. If lights are ordered discontinued our building inspector has to be contacted before they are turned on again."

Woody pointed out that absentee owners, renting sub-standard houses, is the problem.

He went on, "I've compared salaries with other townships in Oakland and found we compare favorably. We are fortunate to have competent elected officials."

Someone else wondered if the township had checked with a contractor to see if he would build low-income housing in Independence with Federal assistance.

Mrs. Ingrid Smith talked on the need for the township to have its own police force or re-establishing payments to the county for additional sheriff's deputy coverage.

She said the young people, out drinking, are littering the countryside and speeding and there is a need for police presence to both catch the suppliers of the drinks and establish a fear in the young people that the law

is around.

Hursfall said the township gets just as good police protection now as when they paid \$1,000 a month to the county for deputy patrol here. "I am pretty sure, however," he said, "that it won't be too long before we have a police force in the township."

He also said the township was putting more money in the recreation program to get more and more young people involved and keep them busy in the off-school time.

Another suggestion from the audience was that parents are not accepting their responsibility to their youngsters.

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A question asked, but not answered, was could the township do anything

about the dog problem. Albert Peterson of Orion road said he had all kinds of problems with dogs. "I've built fences to try to keep out dogs, but during that season of the year nothing I do can keep the dogs off my place."

He ended his comments on the season of dogs by saying, "What I say about dogs is true of some people, too."

Hursfall remarked, "We'll have to wait until the next annual meeting to hear the minutes to know just how our clerk writes this up."

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Following these comments the audience considered the proposed township budget. This is covered in another story in this issue.



Army Private First Class Raymond H. DaRussel (right), 20, son of Mrs. Delores V. DaRussel, 6795 Lindor Drive, Clarkston, receives the Bronze Star Medal during ceremonies here March 3. Pvt. DaRussel received the award for heroism in action against enemy forces in Vietnam. The private, a medic with Company A, 2nd Battalion, 501st Infantry of the 101st Airborne Division, entered the Army in May, 1968 and was stationed at Ft. Sam Houston, Tex., before arriving overseas. His father, Howard R. DaRussel, lives at 45520 Hecker St., Utica. Pvt. DaRussel is a 1966 graduate of Waterford-Kettering High School in Drayton Plains, Mich.

## McDONALD IN WASHINGTON

### A newsworthy demonstration

In Columbia, South Carolina, the student body at Allen University is demonstrating—but their demonstration isn't making news.

They are Negro students, and they are demonstrating to the people of Columbia and surrounding communities that there are young people on the Nation's campuses who are interested in building, not destroying.

Allen University will be 100 years old in 1970. It has slightly more than 950 students. It is poor.

Recently, the students held a news conference to announce that instead of protesting and throwing bricks and bottles they had decided to join hands with the University President to help pay off the university's \$350,000 debt. They said they hoped to raise \$100,000.

No nationwide headlines followed the students' press conference. No television cameras recorded the event and these young people's determination to do something constructive for education.

But word did reach Congress, where funds are being donated quietly and privately to this great effort, by members and their staffs.

It will be interesting to see how many people who complain about campus disorders sit down, address an envelope to Allen University and enclose a dollar or a five-dollar bill. Will you?

## Letters to the Editor

Dear Clarkston News,  
My name is Charles Underwood and I've been stationed in Vietnam since February 10, 1968, where I've been receiving the Clarkston News weekly throughout most of my tour.

March, I graduated with the class of '66 at Clarkston High School.  
Thank you,  
Charles W. Underwood

I would like to continue my subscription to your paper once I'm out of the service, which will be in two weeks.

### Card party

Please stop sending the paper to my present address and send it to my home address at 5680 Hillsboro Rd., Davisburg.

Also, send me a note telling me where I stand as far as paying you. My parents had the paper sent to me at my request.

I expect to arrive home from Vietnam either the 11th or 12th of

The Oakland County Association, Order of Eastern Star, will hold a card party on April 12 at the First Federal Savings and Loan, at 761 W. Huron in Pontiac.

Starting at 7:30 p.m., there will be cards, food and fun. Mrs. Richard Young of Hummingbird Lane, who is 1st vice president of the County Association, is the chairman of the party.

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