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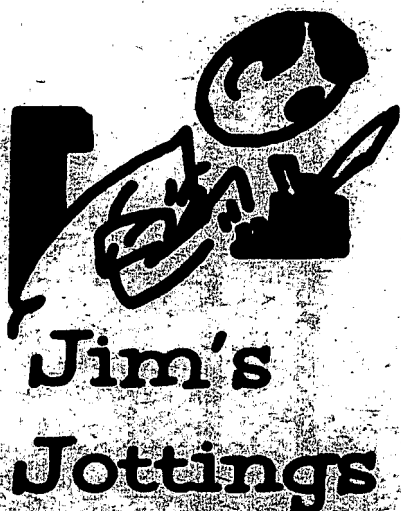
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*Happy
Valentine's Day*

As fine a pair of Valentines as any in town, Jennifer Kratt and Christian Gillis, get in the holiday mood. Jennifer, 3, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Kratt of Lakeview and Chris, 3, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Gillis of East Washington.



By Jim Sherman

We were at a township meeting a few weeks ago when a citizen, objecting to school taxes, said, "We'll soon be through with that

Just as soon as the Supreme Court finds using property tax for schools is illegal."

When discussing the proposed no-fault insurance plan being promoted by politicians, among others, it was mentioned that premiums would be cut in half. "They were in Boston," he said.

Well, readers, we have both lived long enough to know that taxes aren't going down... maybe the collection and distribution methods will change.

And, a car insurance policy that costs \$430 in Boston costs the Detroit driver \$203.50. What is going down in Boston is the portion of a policy, about one-third of it, that deals with bodily injury.

Costs of repairs continue to climb, along with everything else in

the economy. These will be reflected in insurance premiums.

Generally, when states adopt no-fault insurance laws it is compulsory that insurance companies broaden their coverage, taking high risk drivers, among other things.

The premiums aren't lessened, the coverage is broadened.

And, for those who think they will not be paying for schools if property tax is not allowed for operation and maintenance... who do you think will pay for the teachers, lights, keeping the floor clean, etc.?

The other guy?

All this brings budgets and appropriations to mind. When the President, governor, your county commissioner, supervisor, village president, school superintendent or other elected officials talk of

expenditures for something, they are talking about your money.

Yours and mine. State aid to schools is your money. Road building and repairs by the county or state is your money.

Building the jail, repairing the court house, paying county salaries, inspecting sanitation facilities or building sewers is your money.

That county school facility at the county service center, along with all those other buildings were built with your money.

When we print township or village ordinances it's paid by your money. As are their attorneys, professional planners, and engineers.

Whatever a school district spends is your money.

It's not the other guys. You ARE the other guy to someone else.

Ex-spiritualists will speak here

Converts from spiritualism will speak in four services Sunday, February 13, at First Baptist Church, Clarkston.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Missildine, who presently direct the "Christian Witness to Jews" in Detroit, will discuss renewed interest in the scriptures and the Messiah by Jewish people at the 9:45 and 11 a.m. services.

"Ouija Boards and Wizards" is the topic for the 6 and 7 p.m. services. Mrs. Missildine, who once communicated with the spirit world through a medium calling himself "Father John," will speak at the 6 p.m. service; and her husband, a student of extra-sensory perception, para psychology and hypnotism, will speak at 7 p.m.

The public is invited to all services. The church, pastored by Clarence Bell, is located at 5972 Paramus.

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Kim's a winner again

Kim Blasey, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Blasey, 7156 Holcomb, is second runner-up to Michigan's Junior Miss chosen Saturday in Pontiac from a field of 24 contestants.

Kim, who plans to enter Hurley Hospital School of Nursing in Flint next year, was awarded \$350 in scholarships and several gifts.

A crowd of 900 saw the pageant, including about 70 people from Clarkston, according to Ron Rule, local Jaycee pageant chairman.

Kim was chosen Clarkston's Junior Miss last Thanksgiving, winning a \$700 scholarship at that time.

Her Raggedy Ann pompom skit was once again a winner.

Finalists were chosen on the basis of scholastic ability, talent, physical fitness, appearance and personality.

Missionaries speak

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Legg, missionaries to Nigeria, Africa for the past 25 years, will speak at 7:30 p.m. February 15 at the First Baptist Church in Clarkston.

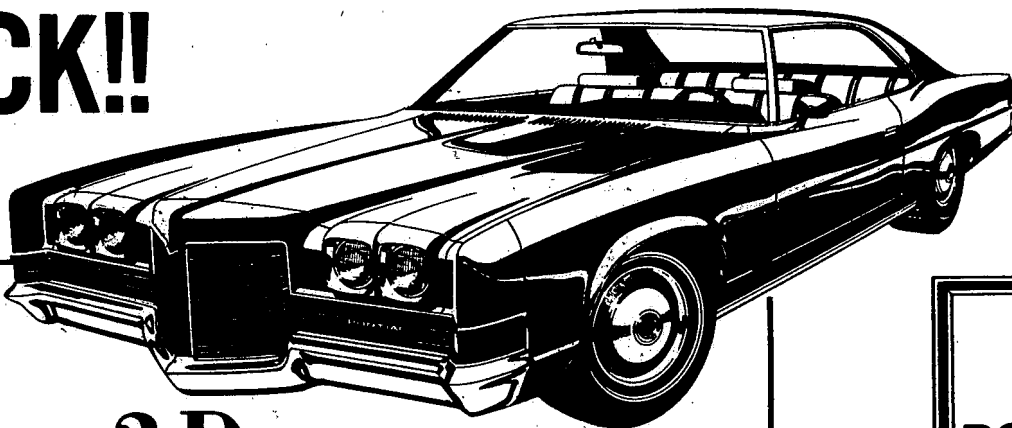
The program will consist of a skit, display of curios and film showings. Members of Calvary Baptist Church, Pontiac, have been invited to attend the program which is also open to the public.



Kim Blasey

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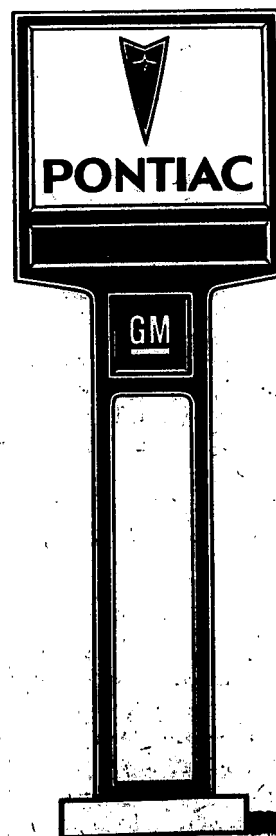
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Township attorney Richard Campbell — No question about registration validity

"There is not and has not been the slightest doubt in my mind that the registrations... are valid," says an opinion presented Tuesday night by Township Attorney Richard Campbell to the Independence Township Board.

Campbell cited several statutes governing the township registration situation in his six-page report upholding his contention that residents registered to vote since December 6 in the township are validly registered.

There have been accusations made in the township that registrations accepted since the resignation of former township clerk, Howard Altman, are illegal.

The accusers contend that since John Shiff was not allowed to continue serving as deputy clerk once Altman had resigned, the same statute which governed that action applied to the five women in the township office who were empowered to handle elections.

A move to reaffirm the validity of the registrations in a special meeting January

27 also caused criticism for the manner in which it was called.

The accusers, active in the recall movement against Supervisor Gary Stonerock, said several of the newly registered citizens had signed the recall petitions and that their signatures on the petitions could be legally challenged.

"If they appear to vote, they must be allowed to do so even if challenged. If their names appear on recall petitions, they must be duly counted as registered electors."

"Further, the registration assistants and acting clerk appointed pursuant to the statutes above cited, are properly serving," Campbell said.

He concluded, however, "Realizing that a challenge, even if improper, could be embarrassing to the person so challenged, the Board could, to avert that possibility, advise to those electors registered between December 6, 1971, and January 27, 1972, of the problem and suggest to them that they may

re-register if they wish," the attorney said.

He continued, "The Board must recognize that any such notice of the opportunity to re-register will no doubt give rise to the same kind of attack made on the registration clerks, and the accusation that the Board is trying to 'cover up', when this is not at all the fact."

"It, therefore, must be emphasized that the suggestion of re-registration should in no way be construed as raising the question of the registration validity; it is only intended to eliminate harassment of the electors," the attorney pointed out.

The full text of his opinion appears in The Clarkston News this week on page 19.

Village hears county planners explain 'partners' program

Tuesday night the Clarkston Village Council got a look at the "partners in planning" program initiated by the Oakland County Planning Commission.

The plan was announced about 7 months ago. Since that time representatives of the county commission have been explaining it to village, city and township planning commissions and boards.

This was the first time Clarkston could be worked into their schedule.

Oakland County was divided into quadrants for the commission's purposes. One man was appointed to cover each quadrant. It is his responsibility to act as liaison man between the county and local planners. He explains the moves of each, to the other.

Fred Falls, this quadrant representative, said the county planners are involved on a county basis in coordinating zoning changes... they do not do the work of the private planning companies.

Their interest appears to be in preserving as much open space properties as possible, yet recognizing the growth factors.

Several of the 9 county planners present explained portions of the board planning done by them. Road systems (transportation) drew Council interest when the Road Commission's plan was shown with the wider right-of-ways.

The planners said they do studies on what areas would be like if developed in different ways—single family, multiple, cluster, high rises—which included schools, business and industry.

They also analyze areas and forecast

development by reviewing trends and suggest possible ways to accomplish the desires of the people.

The planners said they like to work with the people in an area, finding out first how they want their area to look and grow.

The Council's planning committee, Mrs. Jerome Wilford and Mrs. Ruth Basinger, agreed to review the partners in planning program and to see if there was need or interest in the village becoming more actively involved with the county planners.

Progress report is underway

Independence Township is a fast growing area. The problems encountered by its governments and that of the Village of Clarkston are growth problems.

New housing, new jobs mean more people and the services necessary to accommodate them.

The Clarkston News, in attempting to get a good look at business, government and civic services, will print a special "Progress Edition" next month. Businessmen and local officials are now being interviewed by a two-reporter team from The News.

Robin Ridley and Julie Wilford, students at Clarkston Senior High School, have been employed to conduct the special interviews. They may soon be calling on you.

Election help okayed

Independence Township will seek to acquire the services of Mrs. Mabel Child, retired county elections director, to properly conduct the February 28 special primary election for township clerk and the special clerk's election March 20.

She will be paid at the hourly rate accorded her by the county prior to her retirement last December.

Besides the services of Mrs. Child, the township board has appointed seven others, including an 18-year-old high school student, to accept registrations.

Ordinance for well drillers considered

Independence Township Attorney Richard Campbell will be asked to investigate the possibility of implementing a well driller ordinance to control operations in the township.

Such an ordinance has been proposed by Mrs. Ingrid Smith whose family was without water for three months while she endured a series of misfortunes occasioned by the seeming impossibility of getting anyone to repair her well.

Water is now running, she reported, thanks to the efforts of the well drillers' association.

She said that nowhere is there regulations for well drillers. The state charges \$50 a year plus \$10 a machine as a license fee, but there is no enforcement, she reported. She contended it should be up to the local area to provide policing.

Robert Ward, a well driller, spoke in opposition to controls. He said the state does have the power to enforce compliance, but that no action is taken even on complaints brought by well drillers, themselves.

He said such an ordinance would be almost impossible to enforce because of the fact that water is not a guaranteed item and that wells are difficult to inspect. He said the well drillers had attempted to get action against the one driller who accepted \$1,000 of Mrs. Smith's money without completing the job.

The possibility of requiring permits and the posting of bonds to work in the township was discussed, however, it was pointed out that such action would be better on a county-wide basis.

It might be impossible to get a well driller in the township if only independence were to have such requirements, said Mrs. Donna Buhl, a member of the audience.

Mrs. Smith contended that if it's possible to regulate septic tanks—also a county function—it ought to be also possible to regulate wells.

Kyle Anderson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cap Anderson of Middle Lake Road, will be accepting registrations at Clarkston Senior High School from those students who are 18 years old and residents of the township.

In announcing her appointment Tuesday night, Supervisor Gary Stonerock said Kyle is "probably the first young person in the township to be imbued with this power."

Registrations will also be accepted evenings and Saturdays at the township hall and the two major shopping centers in the township by a team of six—three Democrats and three Republicans—appointed by the board.

Serving in the volunteer jobs will be Ron Herron, Donna Buhl, Colette Kloc, Phyllis Braun, Virginia Leonard and Norma Ford.

It was anticipated that the team would work 7 to 9 p.m. week nights and from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. February 14 is the last day for registering for the primary election and February 18 is the final day to register for the March 20 election.

The new assistants' oaths of offices will be administered by Acting Clerk Robert Vandermark.

GOP to meet clerk candidates

Republican candidates for the office of township clerk will appear before the Independence Township Republican Party at 8 p.m. Monday at the township hall.

The meeting is scheduled for the evening of the deadline for filing nominating petitions for the special primary, February 28.

7-man board?

Residents of Independence Township may be asked at a forthcoming election whether they want their five-man township board extended to a seven-man board.

Trustee Tom Bullen moved and Trustee Keith Humbert seconded a motion that the question be put on the ballot, prior to the November election, if possible.

Bullen said expansion of the board would provide greater representation of the people and a broader scope of ideas.

Humbert pointed to the other duties such as service on the planning commission and the zoning board of appeals required of township trustees.

Clerk candidate "his own man"

Robert J. Garner, 18, 4930 Cecilia Ann, a political science student at Oakland Community College, is the first candidate to file nominating petitions for the clerk's election in Independence Township.

A special primary has been scheduled February 28 and a special election March 20 to fill the clerk's position. Primary registration deadline and the deadline to file nominating petitions are February 14. The clerk's office will be open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, February 12 and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, February 18, final date to register.

Garner contends that though he will run on the Democratic ticket, he is not politically tied and ought to be able to bring an objective outlook to deadlocked situations on the township board.

While as yet unprepared to give his position on those issues, he said he will be studying and preparing a position paper within the next few weeks on such items as sewers, roads, and public safety.

"My candidacy should not be taken as a challenge to any existing Democratic party member, but as an alternative," Garner said. "I'm not a Stonerock Democrat or a Humbert Democrat. I'm



Robert J. Garner

my own man," he explained.

"My position is we'll have to work together on the township level and that's why people have backed me," he said.

Several other nominating petitions are in circulation.

Them's spending words

Last week Lawrence Pernick took over the reigns of chairman of the Oakland County Board of Commissioners. His acceptance speech reminded us very much of campaign promises.

In both before and after situations certain words ring spending bells in our memory.

Words like: Create. Expand. Adopt. Strengthen. Provide. Hire. Seek.

When these words are blended properly, by an angling politician or a conscientious individual or do-gooder, they can convince us of need and make us willing to sacrifice.

Mr. Pernick, a Southfield Democrat, made 15 points in his speech, according to our count. The aforementioned words were 'blended'. Note that in all cases they do not necessarily suggest an increase in spending, but in the majority they do.

1. Support legislation that would PROVIDE a central county executive.

2. STRENGTHEN our administrative capabilities by forming an administrative council composed of department heads.

3. EXPAND commitment to SEMCOG.

4. Make boards and commissions directly responsible to Commissioners.

5. SEEK Federal assistance in financing county government.

6. Improve communications with local governments and with representatives in Washington.

7. Meet transportation needs by asking state to PROVIDE capabilities for the county road commission.

8. ADOPT a growth plan.

9. STRENGTHEN health departments.

10. EXPAND drug abuse control plan.

11. Coordinate social services and CREATE voluntary social services council.

12. Bring forth new concepts for youth and senior citizens in recognition of our responsibility to them.

13. Mobilize educators, county, state and local governmental agencies to meet some employment needs.

14. Have concern for ecology.

15. CREATE the position of public information officer.

Like we said, some points ask for an increase in spending, (more tax money) and some don't. Some will be adopted, some won't.

It's interesting to read a speech or listen very carefully to see how words have been woven to make an increase in spending sound necessary. And, as we nod our heads, budgets climb to new levels.

In Lansing

Is and ought

by Jim Briney

Apportionment is an issue of intense interest to legislators these days. Every decade, the legislature must be reapportioned to accommodate shifts in population.

The population movement and growth is determined by the Federal Bureau of the Census. Based on its data, the new legislative districting plans are currently underway.

It is a long and tedious task to redraw legislative district lines, and too complicated and detailed a process for most of us to bother with.

This is why incumbent legislators are given the advantage over challengers after apportionment.

It is understandable that an incumbent legislator would have the advantage over a challenger providing that he had served the district well and had made an effort to become known.

But the odds are calculated at 11-1 in favor of an incumbent, regardless of who it may be... regardless of what has been accomplished during the term of office... and regardless of the kind

In theory, apportionment - conducted without concern for political realities - gives a challenger a more equal footing at election time. The districts should come out differently enough every ten years that even the incumbent will have to foray into new areas to be questioned anew and challenged anew.

That is the way it ought to be. This is not the case in Michigan.

According to the State Constitution, an apportionment commission is set up by the major parties, comprised of four members representing each major party equally.

At a cost of \$150,000 this time, the commission has produced and submitted umpteen plans for consideration without being able to agree on a single plan. (Sen. John McCauley of Wyandotte calls this system "an invitation to stalemate.") He suggests that instead, each party appoint two members who in turn select one additional person to make certain that a deadlock will be less likely.)

If the partisan commissioners cannot agree after 180 days of meetings, then the final, most serious plans are submitted to the State Supreme Court for decision. This may be one reason why the Democrats felt strongly enough to run two former governors of our state for the Supreme Court last time.

Because of their election the court is "controlled" by a Democrat majority. Given this circumstance, many political observers agree there is little doubt as to which plan - Republican or Democrat - will get the nod from the court this year.

It's a year and a plan that will, for all practical purposes, determine the outcome of legislative races for the next ten years.

EDITORIALS

Stadium tax support nixed

In case you wondered, we are completely opposed to paying for any athletic arena by any method other than receipts at the gate or hot dog stands therein. Taking race track money might be all right.

In no way do we want any of our tax money to go for supporting a stadium in Pontiac or the waterfront of the Detroit River.

We're not opposed to someone building a new stadium. The plusher the better. Though I also don't see a darn thing wrong with Tiger Stadium.

If the men with means want to

loan their money to a stadium authority, great.

Or, when the owners can pay a half million dollars for a player who plays a few minutes of a few games because he gets hurt, he can afford to build a store of his own.

It would be better if he did. Other private enterprises do it and are successful. The owners are in sales, aren't they?

Promoters of the stadium, private and political, delight in spewing figures on what it will do for the economy.

If something happens to

General Motors no stadium will pull us out of a recession. In fact, the stadium might be a burden on the economy.

Oakland County hardly suffers from lack of growth, industrial, commercial, or residential. We may suffer more from too much growth in these areas.

We suggest a new stadium might do more TO an area than what it would do FOR an area. Our tax money would be more judiciously spent on roads, sanitation, education, health and the dog pound.

"If It Fitz . . ."

I am Howard Hughes

By Jim Fitzgerald

Yes, I am Howard Hughes.

I am revealing my true identity at this time as a public service. It is not that the public has any constitutional right to know who I really am. But the public does have a right to read something in newspapers and magazines except a lot of silly speculation on the present location of the guy who built Jane Russell's bra.

I am stepping forward now only to end the controversy and thus clear space on the nation's front pages for more important news. I have long shunned publicity and it is ironic that now my modesty has created enough publicity to crowd World War 3 onto the comic pages. (No, S.O. Plenty is not Howard

Hughes. I am.)

This news will not startle everyone. My wife has been suspicious for a long time. Just the other evening, for instance, there was a huge Chamber of Commerce banquet in town and everyone who is anyone was there. But I took my wife out of town to dine in a romantically dim restaurant where I wouldn't have to fret about anyone recognizing me.

"How come we always have to eat in Coney Islands?" she asked.

"Because people don't expect to see a man like me eating in hot dog joints," I explained. "I don't have to worry about strangers sitting down and trying to buy my casinos or airlines."

can holler for catsup without influencing the price of Del Monte stock."

"I think I married Howard Hughes," she said.

"Heh, heh," I said.

Anyway, I have not sold my autobiography to Life. When my autobiography is ready I am going to have it read over TV by Orson Welles on Saturday night right after Archie Bunker. I want an audience. Nobody reads the words in Life and millions of women won't have it in their homes because they're afraid of snakes.

The most incredible rumor is that I died 15 years ago and have since been lying around in a Westinghouse freezer with Sara Lee. The idea is that eventually

someone will discover a remedy for whatever killed me. Then I will be thawed out and cured. Don't you believe it. No way am I going to put my life in the hands of some doctor who hasn't been born yet. He may turn out to be a latter-day Marcus Welby who only has time for pregnant waifs with heroin habits and no money. If I'm going to be ice picked I want it to be by an old-fashioned doctor who invests in real estate and wants to own the world.

So, I hope this clears everything up. I am Howard Hughes. Now the world will have time to worry about important things.

And if Jane Russell needs any repairs on her harness, she knows who to see.

Letters to the Editor

A bird attraction

Dear Editor:

The Dean Granzows over in Springfield Township on the Dixie (U.S. 10) west of Clarkston have attracted birds to a feeding area established in front of their home for some fifteen years or more.

It is understandable that the Granzows are feeding many species of birds because, although they cultivate a 3-acre vegetable garden for which they are anxious to have the birds' help in combating insect pests, they have reserved 2 acres for wildlife back of their house, an area through which a rivulet flows both winter and summer; to cross the footbridge over the stream is to find oneself in a woods of tall trees, some "den" trees, some fallen trees: oak, maple, chokecherry and a variety of low bushes, especially junipers which have 44 wildlife users. Their "pride and joy" is the early blooming shadbush,

15 feet in height, so named by the Easterners because it blooms when the shad begin to ascend the tidal rivers. It is infrequent in Michigan where it blooms at the time that the "newly acquired smelt" ascend our rivers in great numbers. "Smelt bush" would hardly be appropriate for such a delightful tree is the thought of one of Michigan's naturalists. The shadbush, also called

serviceberry or juneberry, blooms in April and fruits in May. The birds consume the fruit so quickly that humans hardly ever get any. It has 58 users. The tree serves as an excellent nesting site too.

Besides the variety of foods on trees and bushes, their hillside down to the stream, about 400 feet, offers gravelly soil and weeds; they need grit as chickens do. Then at the feeder they get tidbits aplenty: bacon grease on bread slices, small grains, dried corn-on-the-cob, sunflower seeds, gravies served on bread squares. The birds ate the skeleton of their Thanksgiving turkey to the bone last year.

This year, January 14 to be exact, they had a visit from a Purple Finch and the same day 50 or so Cedar Waxwing quietly came. Their latest exceptional visitor was a White-crowned Sparrow. On February 12 in 1969 they were the only ones to witness a flock of some 300 Redpolls eating weed seeds on their neighbor's lot; Redpolls returned to their area recently in hundreds.

It is a joy to be in their living room where a large picture window overlooks the wooded area and another gives full view of the feeding area. Birds settle unafraid on the window sill.

Very truly yours,
Rose C. Baird

You gotta have heart —

by
Carl W. O'Brien

The Mayor of Hamtramck has gone broke and personally I consider it a disgrace. His public service to that charming Polish-American community rewards him to the miserly tune of five grand per annum, and since he lost his job in the private sector some months ago, the poor fellow just can't make ends meet.

It's a disgraceful symptom of this modern way of doing things. In the old days the honorable mayor would have been taken care of. Some big-wig Wayne county Democratic politician would have simply seen to it that His Honor was appointed assistant to a road commissioner and the man's financial dilemma would have been resolved.

He would have probably botched the job and put all the roads in the wrong places but at least his personal problem would have been taken care of.

Nowadays we do things differently. All the cushy, do-nothing jobs are filled by highly trained and qualified experts. They botch the job, too, and put all the roads in the wrong places, but with their impressive qualifications they are hard to knock.

There is another significant difference between the old-time political appointee and the sophisticated up-to-date modern bureaucrat. The political hack knew he didn't know much and was only on the payroll because of political favoritism, so he worked cheap and was thankful for what he received.

Not so with today's governmental administrator. Regardless how trivial the chores are he handles he feels that with all his years of study and specialized training, the taxpayers are fortunate to have him in their service at any price. Consequently, he demands an ever-increasing rate of pay, a government-owned car assigned to him for his private use, attractively appointed offices, a

staff to do his errands and sufficient fringe benefits to make a Teamster business agent envious.

Moreover, since the advent of civil service systems and merit systems, there is little chance of ever dumping him regardless how incompetent he might prove to be.

The political appointee, of old, on the other hand, expected to get the ax as soon as he fell from political favor or his patron was defeated at the polls. He knew his days were numbered and that very knowledge made a humble man of him.

And if he was lucky enough to have a government car assigned to him he drove it about furtively and hid it in the garage from the envious eyes of neighbors at night, almost as if he thought he might be pulling something slightly shady.

And if you had suggested that he should get a pension plan or an insurance policy paid for by the taxpayers, he would have boosted you bodily from his shabby little office out of fear that you were employed by the grand jury and were trying to pin something on him.

No — the old-time political patronage boys did not know much. They were certainly not akin to these haughty, high-priced experts we employ by the endless number these days. Many of them couldn't even write enough English to pad out an expense account. Our present day administrative type (just returning by jet from a highly informative technological conference of government officials in Acapulco) would sneer at such an ignoramus in contempt.

But I liked the old type better. Besides, they worked cheap and were seldom the ingrates these fellows from the new school are.

In short, I vote to give the Mayor of Hamtramck a cheap little political berth to get him out of his predicament and to put a little of the old heart back in government.

More on snowmobiling

To the Editor:

Dear Karen McCann:

You wrote to Mrs. Saile (Jan. 27, 1972) saying that your family enjoys snowmobile safaris because, "there is so much beauty that hasn't been polluted yet!" Well, I share your appreciation for wildlife and unpolluted woods. Why don't you and your family try hiking through the woods on foot, so that my children and their children can enjoy that same beauty in years to come?

Because you see Karen your snowmobile and the fumes it gives off are

destroying that beauty! You are choking and smashing the very thing you claim to love!

By walking you are getting the exercise you need, you are able to enjoy the beauty more closely, and you are not missing the beauty of the stillness of winter.

Please, don't forget about pollution by adding to it and you will be able to enjoy all the beautiful things about life.

Sincerely yours,
Linda Marie Dallan

Planning objectives

Dear Editor:

A planning commission was established in this township many years ago, pursuant to an Act of the Michigan Legislature.

As a matter of fact, if we don't do our own planning, the "Super Government" can establish one for us. To fulfill our obligation we pay up to \$180 a meeting to the planning commission members.

There are usually two meetings a month, more as needed. The consultant is paid over \$1,000 a month, and we use the services of the overworked township attorney as needed.

All these bills are paid for by taxpayers' hard earned tax dollars.

Zoning is not only here to stay, but it is becoming more critical as we approach our "middle years" as a township. When we reach the 90,000 people the township is currently zoned for, it will be too late.

What is good zoning? To a certain extent it is like beauty — it is in the eye of the beholder. But more so it is in court decisions and a general development plan.

Independence Township has an excellent plan that is available at the library. It could stand some updating, but in the main it is relevant. If we stick to the plan in the Northwest section for example, the courts will say the plan is valid if we get in a court case somewhere else in the township.

The elimination of non-conforming uses must eventually be phased out. How? Time. Either the business outgrows its site or usefulness. The neighbors help also. These are the silent majority until an expansion is contemplated.

An excellent book on planning is "The Last Landscape." It is a well-written, inexpensive book available among other places at the Township Hall.

I would recommend it to the casually interested and to the professional.

To evaluate the present administration, you might look at what has not happened. I believe that it is quite significant that there has been not even a murmur of discontent over rezoning in the last year, yet some significant things have happened.

Let me make an open invitation to all to attend the planning commission meetings the second and third Thursday in each month.

Ask questions. We are there to serve you, the citizens. We are trying to plan for an orderly growth.

No one will ever erect a statue to the commissioners, but when this township reaches the 90,000 people in approximately the year 2,000, I hope someone can say, "Back there somebody did a good job. They learned from past mistakes."

Keith A. Humbert, trustee
on the planning commission.

Legality questioned

Dear Editor:

To the Independence
Township Board

I would like to voice my objections to the approval of the minutes of the Special Board meeting held January 21, 1972, due to the deletion from those minutes of a motion made by Keith Humbert and the conclusion of that motion.

I question the legality of the Special Board meeting of January 27, 1972 for this reason. It is clearly stated that at Special Meetings of the Township Board when all members of said Board are not in attendance, no business may be transacted unless same has been stated in the notice of the meeting. This requirement was not complied with by Acting Clerk Robert Vandermark.

I further question the legality of retroactive appointment of voter registrars. I believe that it is necessary to

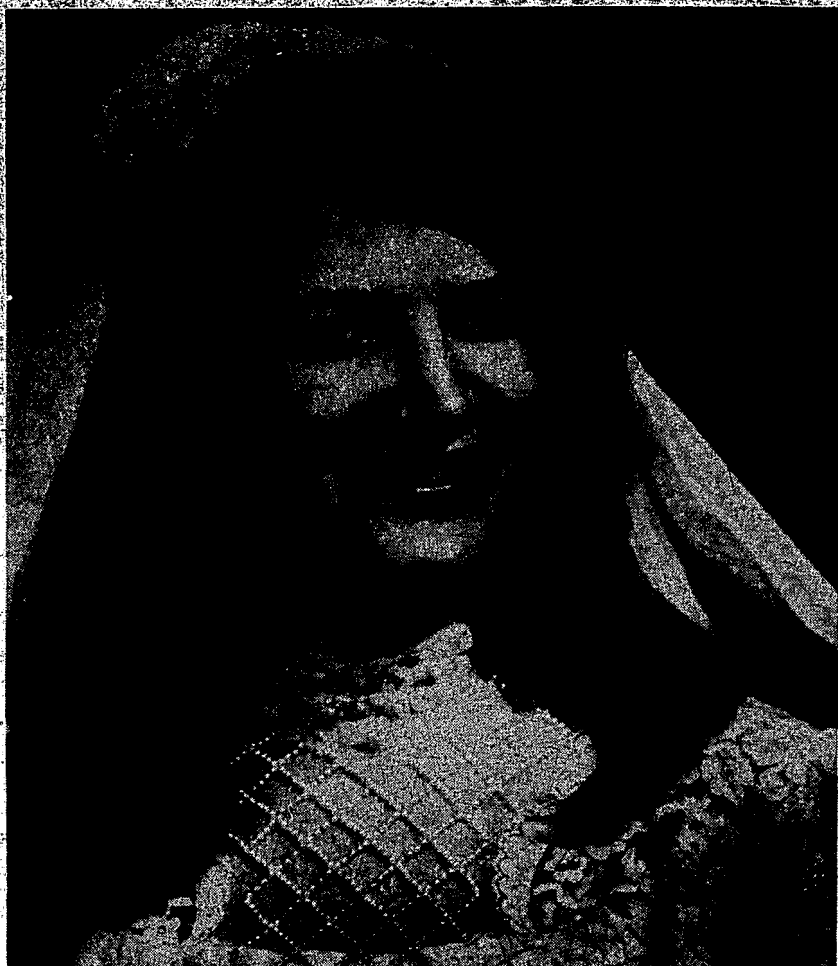
notify each individual registered in this Township since December 7, 1971 of the possible invalidity of their registration to avoid disenfranchisement by re-registering, after the registrars are properly appointed.

I question the legality of the forthcoming elections in this township due to the failure of the Township Board to appoint, in the absence of the Clerk, a qualified person "to perform necessary functions in connection with registrations, nominations or elections." At the present time there is no one to whom to present a nominating petition or who will handle the election.

I sincerely hope that immediate action by the Board will be taken to correct this situation and to preclude the possibility of legal action by the citizens of this Township.

Very truly yours,
Julie A. Smith





Wed at All Saints

Dorothy Ten Eyck Wilson became the bride of Richard Paul Schuster of Birmingham in a February 5 double ring ceremony at All Saints Episcopal Church in Clarkston. The Rev. George Widdifield officiated before the 250 guests.

The bride, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Wilson of Clarkston, wore a gown of ivory satin featuring a Victorian period bodice of pearl embroidered peau d'ange lace with dutchess neckline. Her A-line skirt featured scalloped lace and a chapel train. The veil was attached to a matching Camelot lace cap. White roses made up the bouquet.

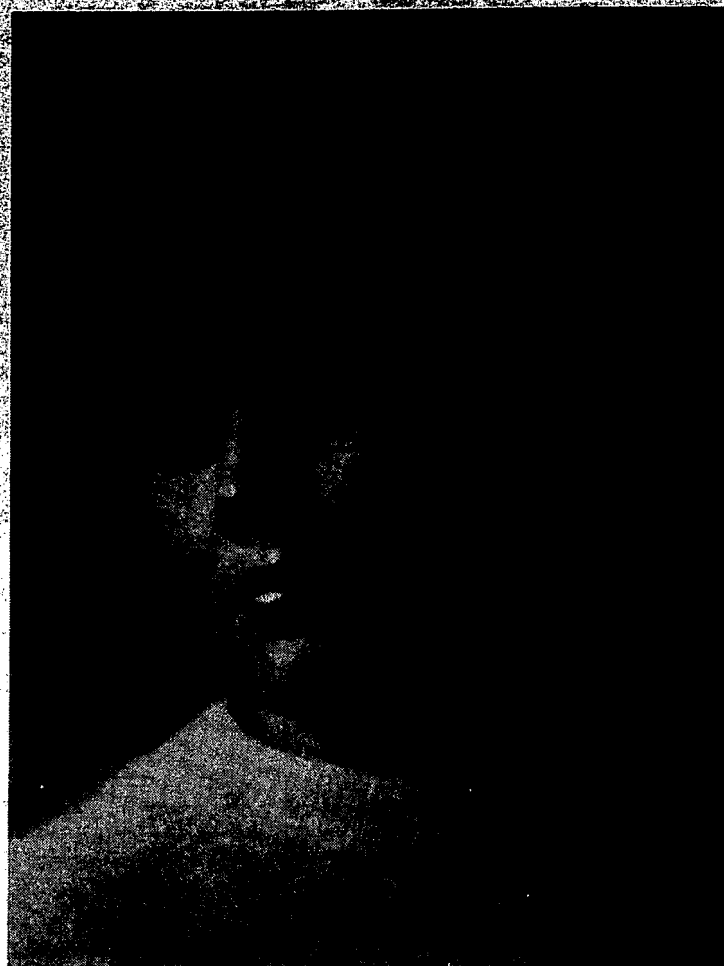
Mrs. Charles B. Spaulding of Lake Forest, Ill., served as her sister's matron of honor wearing a long purple velvet skirt with empire waist and a bodice of embroidered white chiffon. She carried red carnations in a cascade arrangement. Bridesmaids, similarly attired, were

Mrs. Jerry L. Hridel, another sister of Chagrin Falls, Ohio, Sandra J. Hensel of Massillon, Ohio, and Elizabeth Shohayda of Boston, Massachusetts.

The groom, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Schuster of Drayton Plains, was attended by Charles Fletcher Fox Jr. of Troy as best man and Donald Schuster, his brother of Drayton Plains, Robert W. Champion, his brother-in-law of Metamora, Jerry L. Hridel, the bride's brother-in-law of Chagrin Falls, Ohio, and John Schoonover of Minneapolis, Minn.

Mrs. Wilson wore a blue crepe floor length gown with lace bodice for her daughter's wedding, while Mrs. Schuster was attired in a yellow floor length dress with gold lame bodice.

A reception at the Bloomfield Hills Country Club preceded their trip to Jamaica. The couple will live in Birmingham.



Engagement announced

A March 4 wedding is planned by Janet Carol Martin and David Alan Myers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Myers of Mary Sue. The bride-to-be is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James C. Martin of Oakvista. Both are Clarkston High School graduates.



CHICKEN-DRESSING BAKE

By Pat O'Dea

- 1-7 oz. pkg. herb stuffing mix
- 1-10½ oz. can cream of mushroom soup
- 2-c chicken broth
- 2 well beaten eggs
- 2½ c diced cooked chicken or turkey
- ½ c milk
- 2 tbsp. chopped pimento

Toss stuffing with half of the soup, chicken broth and eggs. Spread mixture in 11x7x1½ inch baking pan. Top with cooked chicken or turkey, combine remaining half can of soup, milk and pimento. Pour over all, cover pan with foil and bake in moderate oven 350 degrees for 45 minutes. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

Around the Township

Returning home

by Delilah Peterson

The Mathew Hubchen family are new residents in our community. For one member of the family, Mrs. Anne Hubchen, the move is really a return home. Anne is the daughter of M. T. Russell, of 61 N. Main. Mrs. Hubchen attended Clarkston High School, and went on to college in Ann Arbor.

The Hubchens have moved here from Berea, Ohio, and are tentatively living in Greens Lake Apartments, while planning a new home on the Lake.

Other members of the family are their son, Paul, 17, and daughter, Katie, 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Becker of 6450 Snowapple Drive had the past weekend brightened up by the visit of two attractive young girls. Their daughter, Carol and her friend, Sharon Olson of Detroit took a weekend off from their studies at Michigan State University.

Thirteen-year-old Cynthia Lee Burrill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Burrill of Plum Drive has returned home after a short stay in Pontiac General Hospital. With the return of Cynthia from the hospital, her friend Patti McVeigh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cleon McVeigh of 6550 Transparent, entered the hospital.

Five Clarkston area students at Michigan State University have been named to the school's honor list for the fall term.

Congratulations are in order for Larry W. Duncan, 9274 Big Lake Road, Kevin Dushane, 5383 Winell, Ann E. Latoza, 5920 Warbler, Lynn M. Race, 10000 Allen Road, and Karen A. Thompson, 4 Phelan Drive.

Clarkston Eagles No. 3373 members and guests will be gathering at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, February 15, for a March of Dimes benefit dinner at the Aerie, 6696 Dixie Highway. More information is available from Gil Warden or Buck Matson at 625-9820.

More evening grosbeaks are reported by Mrs. Thomas Bass of Goodrich. She reports the birds flock to the pole feeder in their backyard, and that the walnut trees there seem to attract them too.

The most they've seen at one time is 20, but the Basses also entertain up to eight cardinals, chickadees, and three different kinds of woodpeckers, including a red breasted variety which also features a red stripe on the back of his head. There's also bluejays and nuthatches, Mrs. Bass says.

Boy Scouts of Troop 341 enjoyed an afternoon of ice skating activities Saturday at the home of Randy Cummings. The troop is sponsored by Church of the Resurrection and leaders, Don Hagadone and Seth Cummings, invite all boys 11 years and older to join them. If interested, call 625-3209.

Miss Judith Marie Vanaman, a senior at Bob Jones University, Greenville, S.C., is doing her student teaching this semester at Paris Elementary School. She is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Paul S. Vanaman of 6600 Almond Lane.

Girl Scout Troop 286 with its leaders, Mrs. David Wenzel and Mrs. William Cross, enjoyed an ice skating party January 31st at the home of Leola Cross. A progressive dinner followed with the main course served at the home of Sharon Cummings and dessert at the home of Tammy Sasse. The troop is now planning a "World Games" party Valentine's Day.

A Valentine's Day celebration of love, as expressed in the song and dance of early music, will be performed by the Oakland University Renaissance Ensemble at 8 p.m. Monday in Varner

Recital Hall. Admission is one valentine.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Kimball, 72 Main, have received word of the birth of a grandson, Nelson H. Morse, January 31 in New Orleans, La. Son of Dr. and Mrs. Edward V. Morse, he joins brother, Brent, at home. Dr. Morse is a professor with Tulane University.

Charter members of a new flying club, being eyed with interest by the 50 members of Clarkston Composite Squadron Civil Air Patrol, are Gerald Lawrence, Robert Higgins, Charles Goerecki, all of Clarkston, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Blevins of Lake Orion.

Since the partners are all senior officers in Civil Air Patrol, the boys have hopes of conning some free flying time in the 1962 Cessna 172 Skyhawk recently purchased by the group.

The Clarkston Elementary PTA will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, February 10, at the Clarkston Elementary School. A representative from Independence Township will present and discuss a survey for a possible township park site and activities building.

Sashabaw Presbyterian a historical church

Sashabaw United Presbyterians are leaving a lot of history behind as they prepare to move Sunday into their new Christian Education Building across the road at 5300 Sashabaw Road.

The old church, one of the first in Oakland County, had its origins in 1830, organized as the "Church of Orion and Independence" with Presbyterians and Congregationalists cooperating. The Presbyterians did not take it over alone until 1843, at which time it began meeting in Sashabaw School and Marcus Riker's barn.

It wasn't until 1855 that a church building society was formed, composed of E. T. Beardslee, George Beardslee, J. M. Fair, John C. Fisher, Philip Miller and Peter Vorheis. Farmers of the area contributed timber from their lands, labor and as much cash as could be spared.

According to a history prepared by the pastor, Mark H. Caldwell, "Thus arose for a cost of \$3,000 the 'neat frame' church with spire and green shutters and with a seating capacity of 300.

"It had handmade box pews which were rented to the families. Old hanging oil chandeliers now converted with electric bulbs provided illumination. A high balcony such as might be seen in many old Scottish homes of worship was equipped with folding doors to close it

off at will.

"Two pot-bellied stoves in the rear corners had long pipes running the entire length of the ceiling to a chimney at the south end. The church was fenced and a shed for horses was added in the yard in 1863.

"In 115 years of use, this building

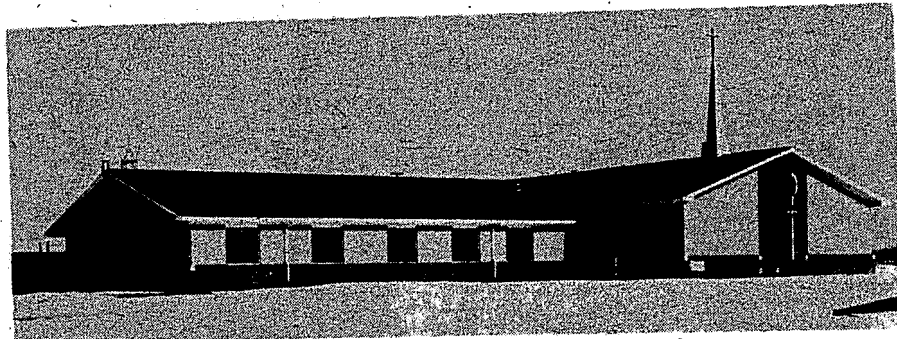
stood silent witness to many ups and downs of its people. Its door was closed for 14 years, but reopened in 1946 with new hope for 25 more good years of service."

In a history of the church delivered last October to members of the Clarkston Pioneer Club, Mrs. Theodore Cleveland

attributed the organization of the congregation to a traveling Presbyterian minister from Pontiac.

"As the story goes, he spent more time in his missionary work than with his home church in Pontiac and the congregation there became dissatisfied with him," she said.

Presbyterians to dedicate new building



Sashabaw United Presbyterian

The new Sashabaw United Presbyterian Christian Education building, 5300 Maybee Road, will be dedicated in services at 3 p.m. Sunday.

The Rev. Francis R. Nagy Jr., associate for church development, will represent the Michigan Synod at the service in which Warren Pastor Eldon F. Beery will preach.

Financing for the building was arranged by the synod. Architects Merritt, Cole & McCallum of Farmington designed the multi-purpose structure and it was built by Kerner Construction Inc. of Utica at a cost of \$127,000.

Elder Loren B. Rumsey of 5348 Sashabaw was local chairman of the planning committee.

Participants in Sunday's special service will include Mary Proctor, church school

teacher; Mary Bass, Women's Association vice president; Joseph Fry; Gordon Dean, scout leader; Linda De Armond, Deacon Robert Cameron and Elder Bernard Speace.

Former pastor, Clifford H. Haskins of Lapeer will be present. Choir selections

will include "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" under the direction of Gracia Porter.

Frank A. Cozadd, pastor of First United Methodist Church, Clarkston, will extend greetings from Independence Township pastors.

AREA CHURCHES AND THEIR WORSHIP HOUR

NEW HOPE BIBLE CHURCH
5311 Sunnyside
Rev. Roy Cooper
Worship — 11:00 a.m.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION
6490 Clarkston Road
Rev. Alexander Stewart
Worship — 8:00 & 10:00

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH
6805 Bluegrass Drive
Rev. Robert D. Walters
Service 8 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

FREE METHODIST CHURCH OF DRAYTON HEIGHTS
5482 Maybee at Winell
Rev. Clancy J. Thompson
Worship — 11:00 a.m.

ANDERSONVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH
10350 Andersonville
Rev. Wallace Duncan
Worship — 11:00 a.m.

ST. DANIEL'S CHURCH
Holcomb at Miller Rd.
Father Francis Weingartz
Masses: 8:30 & 10:30

SPIRITUALIST CHURCH OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN
5401 Oak Park off Maybee Rd.
Rev. Allen Hinz
Wed. & Sun. Worship 7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST
5972 Paramus
Rev. Clarence Bell
Worship — 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

DIXIE BAPTIST CHURCH
8585 Dixie Highway
Rev. Paul Vanaman
Worship — 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.

MARANATHA BAPTIST CHURCH
5790 Flemings Lake Road
Rev. Philip W. Somers
Worship — 11:00 a.m.

CLARKSTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
6600 Waldron Road
Rev. Frank Cozadd
Worship — 10:00 a.m.

SASHABAW UNITED PRESBYTERIAN
5331 Maybee Road
Rev. Caldwell
Worship — 11:00 a.m.

SEYMOUR LAKE UNITED METHODIST
Sashabaw at Seymour Lake Rd.
Rev. W. Howard Nichols
Services at 9:15 and 10:30

THE SALVATION ARMY
29 Buffalo Street
Brigadier Mary Aspdon
Worship — 11:00 a.m.

CLARKSTON CHURCH OF GOD
54 South Main
C. J. Chestnutt
Worship — 11:00 a.m.

Spiritual Message

Robert D. Walters, Pastor

Controversy isn't new — the Bible recounts the story of Cain and Abel in the fourth chapter of Genesis. Sadly, that ended in murder.

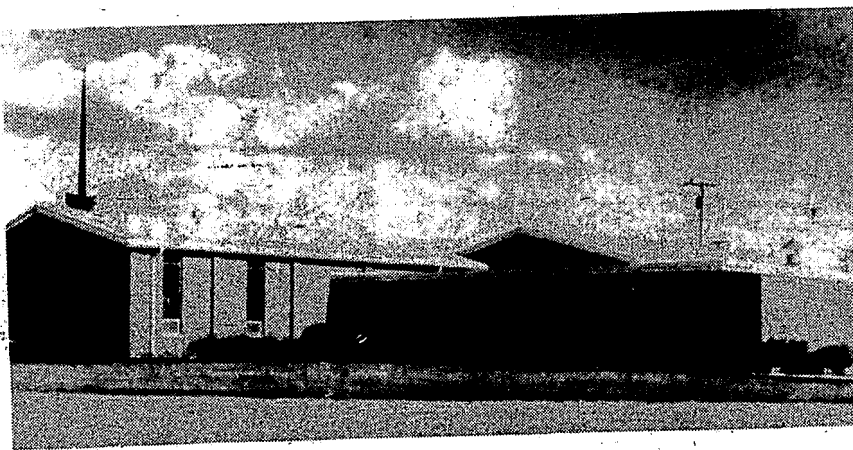
Peter and Paul, the apostles we sometimes forget were human too, went at it, according to Paul's account in Galatians. They locked horns in a critical controversy. By God's guidance, they worked out a compromise that benefitted the people they were called to reach. Peter concentrated on the Jews and Paul went to preach to the Gentiles, thus staying out of each other's hair. Whether they liked each other in the process or not is not known and really not important, because they served the people in God's name.

I'm praying the elected leaders of Independence Township will consider these examples. When I read the accounts of their

controversy and their letters in these pages, I cringe (when I'm not laughing or crying). From a second-hand viewpoint, it looks like personality murder is more important than serving the people they've been elected to represent.

I'm not overly concerned about how they feel about each other, but I am concerned about police protection, enlightened land-use planning, the preservation of our water and air, seeing ourselves realistically in the perspective of the metropolitan area of which we are a part, and the many other issues that our elected officials must deal with for the sake of all of us who live in the Township.

I pray they may take stock and forge a working compromise if they care more about us than political revenge and assassination. If you agree, join me in telling them what we hope for.



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"Be mine - Valentine"

by Jean Saile

Remember—

"Roses are red,
Violets are blue,
Vinegar stinks,
And so do you."

Such sentiment delivered on Valentine's Day by a dirty-eared boy was once enough to send a 10-year-old girl into complete rapture.

She knew what he meant, even if he didn't exactly say it.

The Valentine she made him was probably concocted out of a crayoned heart, with a lopsided arrow shot through it, and pasted on a paper doily.

But what did we write on those Valentines? I can't remember. I know there were verses appropriate to all occasions, and I tried to fill the gap by plagiarizing some of the commercial ones at the friendly drug store.

What I found there were lots of really gooey cards — sentiment's back in style — and a few suggestive ones like the big black number that proclaimed, "This Valentine is for adults only." Inside it read, "And now that I have your undivided attention, I'd like to wish you a Happy Valentine's Day."

I know we didn't have that kind when I was a kid. At least I never saw them if we did.

There was also a sly lion, "I'm yours," he said, "Lead me astray." That wasn't one of them either.

And another — "Valentine, you're my kind of person, you silly savage." Nope, again.

A white cupid flirted with me and then let me down. "It's February 14, and you know what that means," he suggested. "It's eight days until Washington's Birthday."

It wasn't at all what I had in mind.

Another — "Looking for a Valentine, try the Yellow Pages." Nope.

And then I chanced to light on a scruffy looking boy hiding behind a big red heart. "On Valentine's Day, who do I choose?" he winked. Inside it said, "Youse." It hit just the right note.

And there's the woman in our office who says the verse starting, "Roses are red, violets are blue" actually ended with "Sugar is sweet and so are you."

Not in my neighborhood, it didn't. Not for boys to give girls in elementary grades, or for girls to give boys.

Maybe for girls to give girls, a dumb, sticky verse like that was okay.

Bigger families in the township

New census data released by the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments reveals there's almost one more person per family in Independence Township than there is in Clarkston.

Average family size for the village is 3.47 while in the township the average family consists of 4.07 people.

In Springfield Township the average family size is 3.91.

The median age (meaning there are as

many older as there are younger) for the village is 25.9 for males and 30.2 for females. In the township the median age is 21.6 for males and 22.4 for females.

In Springfield Township the median age is 23.6 for males and 23.4 for females.

The median value of a home in the village is \$24,950; in the township it's \$21,694. In Springfield the figure is \$17,708.

NOTICE

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CLARKSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT WILL BE MONDAY, FEB. 14. AT 8 P.M. AT THE BOARD OFFICE, 6389 CLARKSTON RD.



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Pine Knob approval given

Hit acts promised for Pine Knob

Visions of a \$60 million condominium complex bordering a championship 18-hole golf course off Sashabaw Road north of I-75 has prompted the Independence Township Planning Commission to recommend rezoning approval to the township board.

The development, to be known as Pine Knob Village Estates, is proposed by Indusco Co. of Troy through its owners, Joseph J. Locricchio and Gary D. Francell.

The company is currently engaged in development of an industrial park at 15 Mile and Maple roads in Troy.

About 75 people, approximately a dozen of them Indusco employees, showed up for the public hearing on the rezoning question Thursday night at the township hall. Not all of the project's future neighbors were as pleased with the idea as the seven planning commission members who voted in its favor.

Township Trustee Keith Stonerock abstained from the vote. Norman Sholler was absent.

The development, to be located on 492 acres will include 200 acres of condominiums, housing units which will be purchased by occupants for \$40,000 to \$70,000. Four five-story units are contemplated besides the more familiar two-story structures.

The residential development is proposed winding along side an 18-hole golf course which covers most of the south end of the property.

In addition, there are sports facilities such as tennis courts, an indoor skating rink, two racket clubs, a dredged lake, in addition to the existing ski facilities, planned.

Site plan approval was also given by the commission for construction of a \$1 million amphitheater which will feature 12 top name acts a year.

The old Waldon Estate, presently occupied by the Pine Knob Nursing Home, will be preserved along with 15 acres of surrounding woods for a gourmet restaurant, the commission was told.

Locricchio said plans are to extend the Independence sewer system from Clintonville Road to the development and to service the area with 300-foot deep community wells.

A 10-acre parcel, screened from Sashabaw Road by a 30-foot wide tree line, has been proposed for a neighborhood shopping center.

In an attempt to insure that proposed plans will be carried out, Indusco attorneys offered the township planning commission a "declaration of intent" which, combined with ordinance protection, would give the township the right to allow rezoning to revert to present agricultural and recreation status within five years.

The declaration also included the company's promise to provide



Joseph J. Locricchio and Gary D. Francell, partners in Indusco Co. of Troy, look over a three-dimensional model of proposed development for 492 acres at I-75 and Sashabaw Road. Independence Township planning commission has recommended rezoning approval to allow the construction of 1,000 condominium units, a 10-acre commercial development, a golf course, and sports and entertainment facilities. The township board was to consider the matter Tuesday night.

maintenance "in perpetuity" for the roads, golf course and open space within the development.

The golf course, which should be in playable condition in two years, would be open to membership among condominium owners, but if they were unable to attain 500 memberships, it would be thrown open to nearby residents, Locricchio said.

Stress was placed on the idea that as much of the natural wood and vegetation as possible would be retained, and that lake dredging would be accomplished in cooperation with the fishery division of the Department of Natural Resources to insure continued fish life.

Opposition to the proposed development was expressed by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kluesner, 7350 Pine Knob Road. While expressing general approval for the plan, they said the noise presently caused by snowblowers at the ski resort was an irritation and that a green belt promised by the ski resort had so far failed to materialize.

Del Hall of 7165 Sashabaw, questioned what community wells would do to existing water supplies. He was told deep wells as opposed to the average 80-foot well in the area would be dug, and that the present residents' water supply should not be affected.

Harold Mersino of Sashabaw Road questioned the "staying value" of condominiums. He suggested some of them have become "blights" on their areas, and Larry Burkhart, township planning consultant, agreed that some put up under federal housing programs have deteriorated quickly. He said, however, that because of a low two-unit-per-acre density in Pine Knob, the trouble should

not occur here.

Mrs. Arthur A. Nowakowski, 7520 Pine Knob, said she feared noise and traffic created by the amphitheater, and Township Trustee Tom Bullen questioned the permission of five-story unit construction. He was told that would be a matter for the Zoning Board of Appeals to decide.

Approval was accorded providing developers provide another access to the east in addition to entrances of Waldon and Sashabaw and that the tree line on Sashabaw be 30 feet wide.

CLARKSTON NEWS

Section 2

The Clarkston (Mich.) News

Thurs., Feb. 10, 1972 9

Springfield residents ask zoning protection

By Gloria Bellairs

Six young families from Robert Bruce Subdivision in Springfield Township came to the Springfield Township Board meeting last Wednesday with petitions asking for a zoning change to protect their property.

The six contend their homes are being downgraded because lower priced homes are being built on the remaining vacant lots in the subdivision.

Mrs. Carolyn Chamberlain said they paid \$23,000 to \$35,000 for homes in an R-4 zoning area which specifies a minimum 800 square foot dwelling.

All but two present residents of the subdivision have agreed to a rezoning, she said, in an effort to prevent 12 smaller homes, now under contract, from being built there.

Supervisor Claude Trim told the residents that as long as the builder meets present zoning requirements and the lots meet the requirements of perk tests, etc., the township cannot get involved between the builder and the individual buyer.

The Springfield Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on the proposed landfill ordinance at 8 p.m. February 14.



Gloria Bellairs

your
Springfield
reporter

County center for bottles?

A resolution to establish county wide coordination for the volunteer collection and disposal of glass, paper, metal and other materials in various communities has been scheduled for committee study by the Oakland County Board of Commissioners.

The resolution, introduced last Thursday by Frank Richardson, R-Waterford Township, asked that the commissioners accept the responsibility for coordinating the volunteer groups by designating a county official to take charge.

Independence Township's Bottles for Building was the first recycling program initiated in the county and is now a year old.

County help in the program was requested last fall by Mrs. Carolyn Place, local program leader.

Bottles bring \$6,302

Clarkston Bottles for Building was one of 42 organizations that shipped used jars and bottles to the Owens-Illinois glass manufacturing plant in Charlotte, Mich., for recycling in 1971.

The project, directed by Mrs. Carolyn Place, received \$6,302 for 315 tons of glass representing about 1.4 million used glass containers.

A total of \$174,210 was paid by Owens-Illinois for 8,710 tons of glass during the calendar year. The payments averaged approximately \$20 per ton or about one-half cent per bottle.

More

Letters to the editor

All must be heard

Dear Editor,

Independence township stands at the threshold of a new beginning and we are all caught up in the sadness of the parting and the excitement of a new start.

There are many of us who have been in the township most of our lives and a great number who were born here. Our rolling hills, lakes, streams, fields, our peaceful village with its well preserved homes that speak to us of our beginnings and our cottages nestled around our lakes are ingrained in the essence of our beings. But does progress have to be chaos?

I have been following the township proceedings of late and I must say the politics are getting hot enough to melt the snow off Pine Knob. Looking at the situation as a whole I believe we all want the same things — a well ordered community, that is attractive to look at and safe to live in, where each person has an equal voice, for the least amount of money possible, which is what our ancestors probably wanted when they first huddled together in their caves.

Civilization has, fortunately for the meeker of us, progressed to the point where instead of all of us going up to the township hall with our clubs and megaphones to vote on each issue, we can put our faith and trust in our governmental officials.

We are facing many problems today and it is important that each voice in our community be heard, not just Woodhull Lake, the Village, Walters Lake, etc. While all of these groups are important, they are still only a part of the whole, and if you'll drive the byways you'll find new neighbors sprouting like mushrooms.

We may have a problem finding 40 acres for a park in the center of our township large enough for ballgames, tobogganing, picnics, hikes, and limited to the township populace in the not too distant future — which would force us to accept small neighborhood parks with their noise, litter, policing problems and other problems that go with people having fun, right in our back yards if we are going to have parks at all.

I was shocked to read that our voice is being threatened, although our attorney, Mr. Campbell has assured us our registrations are legal, and has even gone to the extent of calling a special meeting to reaffirm voter registration to stop the rumors and reassure the voters that our elections will not be challenged for this reason. There are still some who would attempt to deprive us of the most treasured possession of a free people, our vote!

There are enough township officials available at the township office to take care of any business which might arise in the absence of a clerk.

It is difficult enough to make a fair decision that will benefit all of the people when you have all of the facts without being handicapped with rumors and half-truths — for instance that we are going to sewer the entire township in 1980 — fact: The Phase II of the Sewer Plan provides us with financial help from the federal government if we need sewers in the north half of the township by 1980 or 90.

If we turn this down now the people in the north half will have to foot the entire bill for sewers ourselves at a cost to us of \$5,500 each compared to the \$2000 to \$3000 the people in the South part are paying. Accepting Phase II will not give us sewers, it will give us financial aid in the event sewers become necessary. Not being fortune tellers it would be nice if we could leave ourselves a freedom of choice.

Let's all scrape the mud off our boots and join hands in making our community a place where each small voice can be heard by supporting the men who will make decisions for the benefit of the entire township not just a select few and preserve our "freedom of choice."

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Buhl
9383 Eston Rd.
Clarkston, Mich.
394-0108

New member for the club

Dear Editor:

I would like to join the Township Pen Pal Club. I qualify under the current requirements — I have rocks in my head. This can be verified, as I am secretary of an area rock and mineral club.

Tom was put into the position of ignoring the childishness of a letter or answering as an adult the idiosyncrasy perpetrated by the letter to him from Keith. No one is forcing me to write. But several are forcing me not to join the Club. The Womens Lib in me won out — (and I am not even for Women's Lib).

A group of us had plans for a syndicate to become "Big." We would incorporate, get TV coverage, collect admission at the Main St. entrance to the Township Hall and put on "All In The Township", patterned after "All In The Family" without having to pay the "Cast."

Then we discovered IRS would get a big bite of our profits which would in turn find its way back to our townships in Grants. Then too, we were tipped off that the County Clerks's office would have had us committed for filing papers as a "Monkey Business" firm.

So there went our big dreams, plus a chance for the township to get federal monies for grants.

Too we would have created another fight as to which of our two men would be Archie, thus having to stick Tom or Keith with the title of "Meathead." They are pretty nice guys, so they would have been left out of our classic venture title roles. But the Ethel would have caused another squabble as to who would do it. So I will just "stifle" my dreams and join the Club.

Oh, I am not a traitor to my township — I am like so many who have attended the meetings — I get too disgusted to attend on a regular basis. We have been put into a submissive state by the "Archie" attitudes and come away from the meetings with an "it can't be happening" feeling, after sitting there for the long hours.

I, too, feel the meetings should be published. But, publishing how the vote goes does not tell all the bickering, tantrums, or illogic arguing before a vote. It takes the letters to tell one of the members you sit with at a meeting how you feel. They certainly tell how voting goes. Thank someone for the other members' sense of humor in taking this public ridicule.

I will be "blistered" for this letter via the good old newspapers, phone call or a personal visit. The last time I opened up I

asked to be on the agenda to question the White Lake Rd. - Dixie area shopping center. I was paid a personal visit by a trustee, with my husband and neighbors as witnesses, and asked not to bring this out in the open and get people upset as it wasn't ready to be made public.

Yet the letters in the paper by township officials, family and friends stated there was to be one. Another time a neighbor who has an unlisted phone spoke against paying Keith's \$100 deductible and the next a.m. at 8:20 another neighbor with a name remotely similar had a call asking if she was the lady who spoke up the night before — saying the lady calling was calling from the Township offices and it was urgent to contact the lady who dissented.

We elect officials to act for the majority of the people. Government is FOR and BY the people. In business you get FIRED for insubordination and insolence — in government we can only fire at election time or by recall. This is not a dictatorship country and yet we have smear campaigns and the go to H-attitude in our township to the point of telling us we have no right to choose — that we have the party in office they choose. Smacks of paying off a financial debt to some group doesn't it?? Note I did not say Party.

Once, years ago we in the township got fed up and formed a slate of both parties and had a landslide victory. WE DID NOT HAVE MUD SLINGING OR PERSONALITIES CUT TO RIBBONS. So it is sad to have to reduce our thinking to such a level to compose this letter, but speaking with an intelligent sounding mind is not the way it is obviously done to get attention.

So fire away at me — I haven't read any dirty or funny books lately so need to be reminded I only get that type reading from letters such as mine to the papers.

Marge Runkle
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New chairman Lawrence Pernick

Which way, the county?



Lawrence Pernick, new county board chairman

County government has had a change in leadership. Lawrence R. Pernick, former Democratic caucus chairman, has succeeded William M. Richards as commissioner chairman. Pernick, 40, is in the insurance business in Southfield.

Pernick's acceptance speech, delivered Thursday, outlined many county problems and his hopes for their resolution. The direction county government takes will have a bearing on those of us who live in the outlying areas.

Here, then are excerpts from his talk.

We have many problems which have been with us for a long time. For example, the problem of county organization. It is true that in its legislative and administrative areas, Oakland County has a good service record. But there is definitely room for improvement and I believe that tightening up of basic organization and channels of responsibility is in order. I urge support of the concepts contained in the county reorganization legislation which is now before the state legislature and which would provide a central county executive, as well as boards and commissions directly responsible to the elected Board of Commissioners. I also plan to institute regular meetings with the chairmen of the present boards and commissions, so that our respective efforts can best be co-ordinated.

Also, in order to strengthen our county administrative capability, I shall ask the Board of Auditors to form an administrative council composed of department heads. Through regularly scheduled meetings, our top executives will have a continuing opportunity for the discussion and exchange of mutually beneficial ideas.

In addition, our commitment to the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments must be expanded. SEMCOG brings us hope that we may join together with our neighbors to avoid repeating past mistakes, to build at the lowest possible cost and to plan for

future growth.

In the area of county financing, to date our programs have been principally funded on the basis of increased growth of assessed valuations. However, we must seek a more equitable means for financing county government. I urge the Federal government to recognize the serious financial needs of counties. National priorities must be shifted to provide guarantees that the essential "nuts and bolts" services we provide are adequately funded. To this end, I urge renewed efforts by the Congress to adopt national revenue sharing legislation. In addition, the congress must recognize that the costs of social service programs are directly related to a national economy over which the county has no control. Therefore, the financing of our social services budget MUST be federally funded.

Our relationship with other levels of government—local, state and federal—is also of prime importance. We must work together to eliminate duplication of services and determine at arms length which level of government can best perform a particular service and then cooperate in the implementation of necessary changes. I believe cooperative programming can be especially effective in the areas of employment, computer utilization, law enforcement and assessing. Also in order for 1972 is increased communication with our representatives in Lansing and Washington in order to bring about a better understanding of the county's problems.

Among the problems—and therefore the challenges—of more recent vintage is that of meeting the transportation needs of all the people of Oakland County. Senior citizens, the poor and commuters as well rank this problem near the top of their list of priorities. The dramatic upturn in traffic deaths, injuries and property damage accidents in 1971, and the tragic example of 7 youths killed in the Milford-Highland area in January of this year require immediate action on the part of our state legislators not for the "tax increase," but for providing the capability for the Oakland County Road Commission to meet minimum road needs.

The adoption of county growth and development policies is also important. We shall shortly be considering a proposal from our planning commission relating to the future growth and economic development of Oakland County. Let us recognize the need to plan for the future by the adoption of a comprehensive blueprint for progress.

In the field of law enforcement, we cannot afford to sit back with satisfaction as we look out upon our new law enforcement complex, trustee camp and helicopters. Indeed, the recent statements from our county bench concerning the level of compensation in the Prosecutor's office must receive immediate positive response. We must secure adequate financing for all our law enforcement departments.

Health needs remain a major concern, and our delivery systems need expansion and decentralization. Our drug abuse control department is already achieving national recognition, and efforts to expand this department should be undertaken as rapidly as finances are available. Also, public health matters, such as communicable diseases, have been of major significance in the past, and health department records indicate that the old problems still exist even as new ones are developing. Our deep concern with mental health, as expressed by our close relationship with the Community Mental Health Board, must continually be strengthened.

Important on any list is the alleviation of poverty. We must co-ordinate the many social services, both public and private, in order to maximize our joint budgets and provide efficient and effective delivery of service. To achieve this goal, I call for the creation of a voluntary Oakland County Social Service Council.

We must recognize our responsibility to our youth and also to our senior citizens, especially in the areas of nutrition, employment and health. New concepts of service for these groups will be brought forth. Let us listen, deliberate and act positively. We must mobilize educators, county, state and local government agencies as well as the private sector to meet the employment needs of the undereducated and the unemployed as well as those who are just now entering the employment market.

A problem of long standing, but only recent urgency, is that of ecology and the need to conserve our natural resources.

Our consideration of the Adams Woods project and our responses to recycling projects must signal a preview of our concern in this vital area.

County government has long been called the "invisible" government. Our tasks have been "bread and butter" services, our finances hidden in mortgage company escrow deposits and in the past our county supervisors insulated from the public by the appointive process. In order to communicate the role of county government, we should proceed immediately to create the position of public information officer. Direct links of communication between those who need services and those who provide services are essential. Along these lines, special attention should be directed to making communication bi-lingual so that the Latin community can be effectively served.

We in Oakland County have vast and varied resources—both human and physical—at our disposal and these resources are a constant challenge to us. They provide us with a unique opportunity to demonstrate what good government can accomplish for, and with, its citizens. With your help, we shall successfully meet that challenge.

Weed control

County maintained weed control in lakes has been proposed to the Oakland County Board of Commissioners. Frank Richardson, R-Waterford Township, has introduced a resolution—referred for committee study—empowering the county to investigate and consider the purchase of necessary weed harvesting equipment and machinery.

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Band does well at festival

The Junior High Solo and Ensemble Festival at Oakland University Saturday was rewarding to students from Sashabaw Junior High.

A baritone solo by Daryl Smith Doty received a I rating by his judge, Dr. Falcone, former director of bands at the University of Michigan.

II ratings were earned by a clarinet trio including Tami Keating, Cindy Johnson and Debbie McArthur—two cornet solos by Pam Benzing and Mike Foss—a sax quartet played by Cindy Beadle, Alan Baker, Mike Smart and Brian Davis.

Those students receiving III ratings were Holly Smith, Kerri Frick, Jean Brown, Tammy Grammer, Diane Stevens and Alan Baker.

Cindy Rumsey, Robyn Harrod, Denise Prevo and Joni Miller did not receive a grade due to the fact that they lost their score.

Sashabaw's Band will be working for the next month on the music they will be playing at the Band Festival the first

weekend in March, where they will be looking for a high rating for the entire band.

The director at Sashabaw is Doug Doty.

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Oakland County Republicans will meet for the 23rd annual Lincoln Banquet Thursday, February 10, at the Raleigh House, Southfield.

James Day Hodgson, Secretary of Labor, will address the gathering. Also expected to be present are Reps. William

Broomfield of the 18th District and Jack McDonald of the 19th District.

A pre-dinner reception with Secretary Hodgson plus dinner is \$15, dinner alone is \$7.50. Further ticket information is available from ticket chairman, William Kish of Royal Oak.

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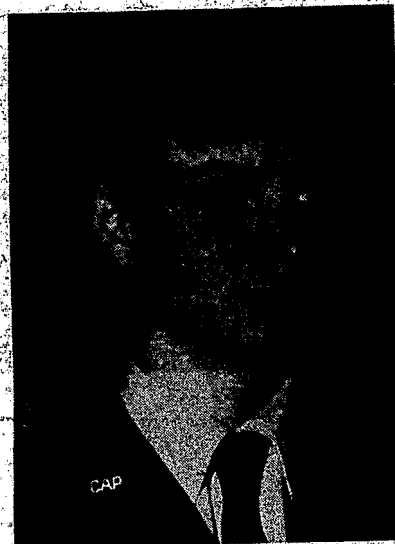
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Teen of the week



Michael Saile, Clarkston Youth Assistance group's Teen of the Week, has hopes of attending the U.S. Air Force Academy.

Active in Civil Air Patrol, he serves as cadet executive officer with the rank of 1st Lieutenant and has participated in the squadron's search and rescue missions for missing aircraft.

Mike, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Saile, 6290 S. Main, Clarkston, is acting president of Clarkston Senior High School student government. He is a junior there.

Mike has also belonged to the school's debate squad, its ski club, and he's assisted with Bottles for Building.

HOWE'S LANES MENS & WOMENS HANDICAP BOWLING TOURNAMENT

Dates: Feb. 20 & 27, 1972, Howe's Lanes, Dixie Hwy., Clarkston, Mich.

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Mail all entry forms to Jerry Powell, 22 East Church Street, Clarkston 48016. (Entry fees must accompany entry form). Entry forms submitted by mail must be postmarked no later than February 15, 1972. After February 22 or any time before entry forms and fees can be submitted in person at Howe's Lanes.

SQUAD STARTING TIMES:

Sunday, February 20, 1972 10:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m. and 3:00 p.m.
Sunday, February 27, 1972 10:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m., and 3:00 p.m.

TOURNAMENT RULES

1. Bowlers must present their highest final league average as of the end of the 1970-71 season closest to April 30, 1971.
2. If bowlers have no final 70-71 average, highest current average for 27 games, as of time of entry must be presented. If current average is 10 pins or more higher than final 70-71 average, it must be used. All others must bowl scratch.
3. Falsifying average will mean disqualification, forfeiture of entry fees and prizes. It will be reported to the ABC and WIBC.
4. Tournament manager reserves the right to reject any and all entries.
5. Tournament is in adherence with ABC and WIBC rules.
6. No substitute entries.
7. Bowlers can reenter as often as they wish at squad times designated.
8. Bowlers are eligible for only one monetary prize in the tournament.
9. Bowlers should check with ABC re-rating rule 27, pertaining to change of average, if entered in five or more tournaments in the past year.

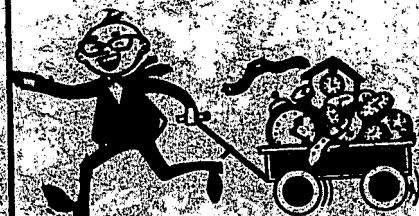
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Help offered taxpayers

Taxpayers in the Pontiac area can obtain assistance with their 1971 Federal income tax returns Monday through Friday each week at the IRS office here. This announcement was made today by Mr. Edward Hancock, local District Director's Representative for the Internal Revenue.

In announcing the 1972 tax assistance days, Mr. Hancock pointed out that Internal Revenue does not actually prepare returns for taxpayers, but rather provides whatever answers, instructions or information individuals need to prepare their own returns.

Mr. Hancock also discussed under what circumstances the IRS will compute the tax for individuals in accord with a change in procedures introduced last year.

Taxpayers must fill in specified portions of their return if they wish to have IRS compute the tax. The information required is explained in the Form 1040 instruction booklet. These returns should then be sent to the

Internal Revenue Service Center, Cincinnati, Ohio 45298 where the tax will be computed.

Mr. Hancock suggested that area residents make note of this information for future reference. He also said that most taxpayers will be able to obtain answers to their Federal tax questions by phone on the designated assistance days. The assistance phone in Pontiac is 338-7101.

obituaries

Mrs. Spencer dies

Mrs. Roy (Edith P.) Spencer, 84, died suddenly the evening of February 1 at her home, 49 N. Main.

Born in Springfield Township April 9, 1887, she lived all her life in the county. She was a member of Clarkston Pioneers and the Clarkston United Methodist Church.

Surviving are three children, Roy of Waterford, Stanley of South Lyon and Mrs. Lawrence McKay of Birmingham; five grandchildren; and a sister, Mrs. Stanley Darling of Highland Park.

Funeral services were 1 p.m. Friday from Sharpe-Goyette Funeral Home with the Rev. Frank Cozadd officiating. Burial was in Lakeview Cemetery.


Briefly told

Oakland Community College students on the Highland Lake Campus will present New York attorney, Florynce Kennedy, at 8 p.m. Friday at the Sheraton Motor Inn as a climax to their "Women's Week" program. Nursing, men's liberation and abortion are other topics to be covered during the noon meetings next week on campus.

Footlights and fantasy will fill the ground floor gallery of the Detroit Institute of Arts South Wing when "La Scala: 400 Years of Stage Design" from the Museo Teatrale alla Scala of Milan, Italy, opens Tuesday, February 1, at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

Fine original stage designs from the 16th to the 20th century are shown in more than 150 watercolors and drawings. The exhibition depicts the evolution in theatre design from the 18th century fantasies of baroque and rococo through romantic scenery of grand opera to the detailed realism of the early 20th century.

Parents of boys who might be interested in touring Alaska this summer have been invited to contact Edward J. Kuhn, 2295 N. Lake Angelus Road, Pontiac. Kuhn has taken a group of boys by bus, train and steamship to the far north for 15 years in a row. Cost for the non-profit trip is \$575 for boys under 12 and \$675 for boys over 12. The trip lasts three weeks.



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Clarkston youth task force gets together on some of the problems affecting young people.

County art show slated

County artists, 16 years and over, will have the opportunity to display their talents in the tenth annual Oakland County Art Show March 31 to April 8 at the Pontiac Mall.


Mrs. Robert Belknap, a Pontiac painter and sculptor presently preparing for a one-man show in Detroit, is show chairman. She is a member of the Pontiac Society of Artists, the Pontiac Creative Art Center and the Waterford Gem and Mineral Club.

Other committee members include Mrs. Lloyd Hoyt, a Drayton Plains painter and sculptor, and Mrs. Arthur Hoover of Drayton Plains, a seascape artist.

The only requirement for entries is that they have not been previously displayed in the show. The show is not open to crafts, but paintings in all mediums and sculptures will be accepted, members said.

Intersection to be widened

The Michigan State Highway Department says it will construct a center lane for left turns on US-10 (Dixie Highway) at the Hatchery Road intersection in Waterford Township. The improvement is expected to cost \$100,000 and be completed in August of this year.



Behind the Counter
From Keith Hallman

Back pain

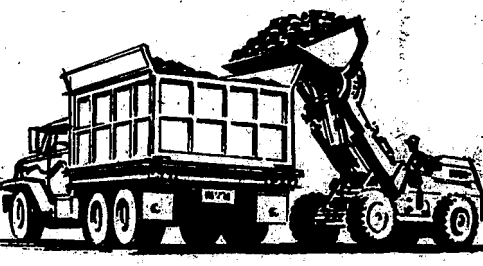
Back pain is not always the sign of poor health; it is often caused by poor posture and fatigue, and can be prevented. A Seattle specialist offers these suggestions:

- 1) To prevent strain and pain in everyday activities, it's restful to change from one task to another before fatigue sets in. When you're bored, you feel tired.
- 2) Housewives can often lie down between chores, for a few minutes. Others should check their body positions often, drawing in the stomach, flattening the back, and bending the knees slightly.
- 3) When working in a standing position, use a low footrest to relieve "swayback." Putting one foot up slightly will straighten the spine.
- 4) When lifting an object from the floor, bend the knees and hips—not the waist. In fact, never bend over without bending the knees.
- 5) Hold heavy objects close to you, rather than with your arms outstretched.

Good posture is a byproduct of good health. You'll put less stress on your back muscles when you're well-rested, when you're not overweight, and when you get regular exercise.

However, you should also remember that prolonged back pain can be the symptom of many disorders, either in the muscles and bones of the back, or in various internal organs. It may also reflect some types of infection, or emotional stress which brings about spasms of the back muscles.

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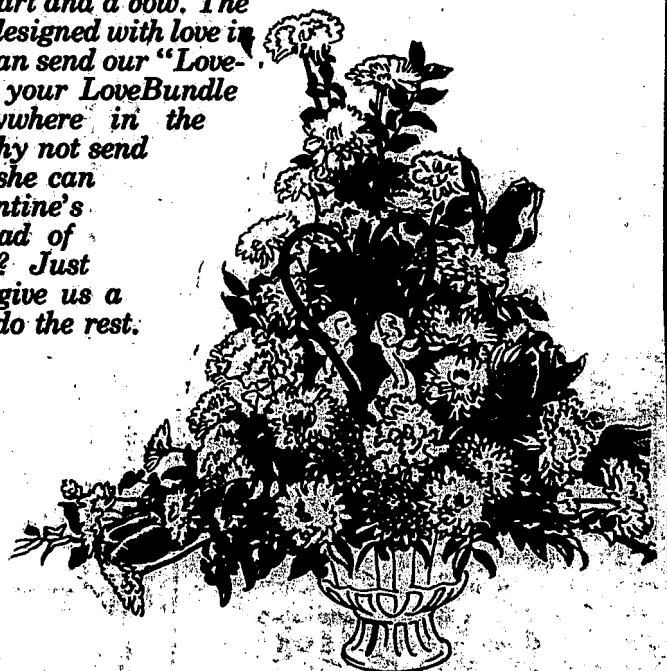
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Wolves win 1, lose 1

By Craig Moore

Clarkston's Varsity Wolves added a win and a loss to their season tally last week.

Bay City Central's Wolves took full command right off and handed Clarkston a cool 105-71 loss on Tuesday, February 1.

Central had Clarkston outscored 18-1 in the opening three and a half minutes of the game and Bay City didn't give an inch in the following play. By the quarter's end, Bay City led 36-13.

Central's Wolves were all fired up and Clarkston could find no means to cool them down. Meanwhile, Bay City controlled the boards and capitalized on every Clarkston mistake.

At the half Bay City led 60-32. The third period proved no different in result and the Wolves came out down 85-48.

Clarkston's cagers took 40 free throws as a result of fouls but put in only 17. Had the Wolves fared better at the foul line the game could have been closer.

The Wolves sank 23 points to Bay City's 20 in their second non-league game with Central.

Coach McDonald pins the blame for the loss on himself saying, "I didn't have them properly prepared for this one."

Gary White and Bill Craig scored 18 points apiece for the losing cause.

McDonald, however, had much to be proud of the following Friday, February 4.

Clarkston defeated Waterford Kettering's Captains 97-89, however, the Wolves required a double overtime in which to do it.

Kettering opened right up and left Clarkston lagging 20-9 in the first quarter, but the Wolves snapped out of it in the second quarter and scored 26 points to Kettering's 14 for a slim 35-34 lead at the half.

A fierce battle for the lead resulted in the third quarter and it came out in a 60-all tie.

The lead went back and forth in the final period, neither squad gaining a sizeable lead. Clarkston led 80-78 in the last seconds of the game and it looked bad for Kettering but Ernie Bragg pulled it out for the Captains causing the game to go into a three minute overtime to break the 80-80 tie.

In the first overtime, Clarkston stayed neck and neck with Kettering. This time Bill Craig put in a last second basket to tie the game, 85-85, meaning a double overtime.

The Wolves took it all this time, scoring 12 points in the second overtime.

Coach McDonald commented, "The team played real well, but so did Kettering! By far this is our best played game of the season." He continued, "Dave Partlo and Larry Miracle played outstanding games, Bill Bildstein played a beautiful floor game, but the credit for the game goes to Partlo."

Both Partlo and Craig scored 22 points, Partlo with 5 buckets and 12 of 15 free throws and Craig with 12 baskets and 6 of 7 free throws. Gary White had 6 baskets and 7 of 9 free throws for 19.

Partlo led in rebounding with 14 and Miracle added 10. Bildstein did a fine job of setting Craig and Partlo up for scores and was credited with 5 assists.

The win boosts Clarkston's Wayne-Oakland League record to 6-1 and the Wolves are 9-4 overall.

The Wolves travel to Bloomfield Hills Andover for a league battle with the Barons on Friday, February 11. JV game starts at 6:30 p.m. and the Varsity game follows at 8:15 p.m.

Community Calendar

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10

Clarkston Elementary PTA Planning Commission
Independence Township Firefighters Story Hour
Clarkston Eagles No. 3373, 8 p.m.
Clarkston Eagles Aux., 9 p.m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11

Basketball at Andover 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14

Rotary 6:30 p.m.
Clarkston School Board 8 p.m.
Jobs Daughters 7 p.m.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

Township Board 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16

CAP 7 p.m.
Cub Scout Pack 49
Cub Scout Pack 126
General WSCS
Clarkston Jaycees
DeMolay 7 p.m.

Two more wins for the "machine"

Clarkston Junior High's Green Machine continued its trip down victory lane by defeating Bloomfield Hills Junior High by the score of 61 to 55.

The win was the fourth in a row for the team, and avenged an earlier loss to Bloomfield Hills.

The Wolverines jumped to a 6-0 lead, increased it to 15-2 and kept a 15 to 20 point lead for the next 3 quarters until heavy substituting at the beginning of the fourth quarter allowed Bloomfield to cut the lead to 6 points.

The first string returned in the last minute to hold off the rally and cinch the victory for Coach McGrath and his team. The Wolverines presented a balanced scoring attack with George Porritt getting 17 points, the "Miller twins," Randy and Barry with 11 points each, Randy Limbaugh, 10 points, and Mike Coulter, 8 points.

The machine rolled to its fifth victory by defeating East Hills Junior High 57-48. The win avenged an earlier overtime loss

by the Wolverines and evened their record at 5 wins and 5 losses.

The Wolverines led 11-3 at the end of the first quarter and 28-13 at the half. East Hills made a comeback attempt in the fourth quarter but the Wolverines held them off to preserve the win.

Leading scorers were: George Porritt, 16 points, and Mike Coulter and Randy Limbaugh, 15 points each.

Hagen scores for Flyers

Undefeated Royal Oak defeated the Clarkston Flyers on February 3rd with a score of 8 to 1. The Flyer's goal was made by Jack Hagen.

The next game will be in St. Clair Shores on Saturday, February 12th at 11 p.m. against Southfield. Sunday, February 13th the Flyers will play in Port Huron at 3:30 p.m.



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Fri.	Jan. 21	Milford	Home
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Tues.	Feb. 1	Bay City Central	Away
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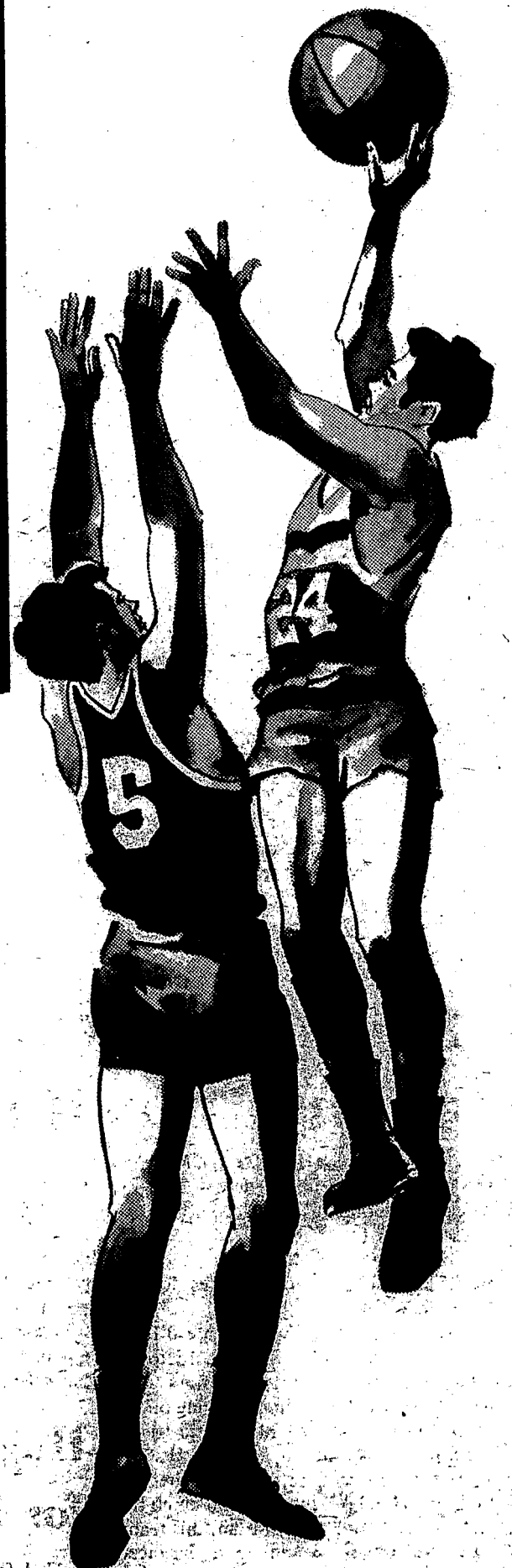
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Refolding the tent used in a recent overnighter involves Mike Glowzinski (from left), John Racicot, Tim Jones and Jeff Thayer as Troop 126 meets at the United Methodist Church.

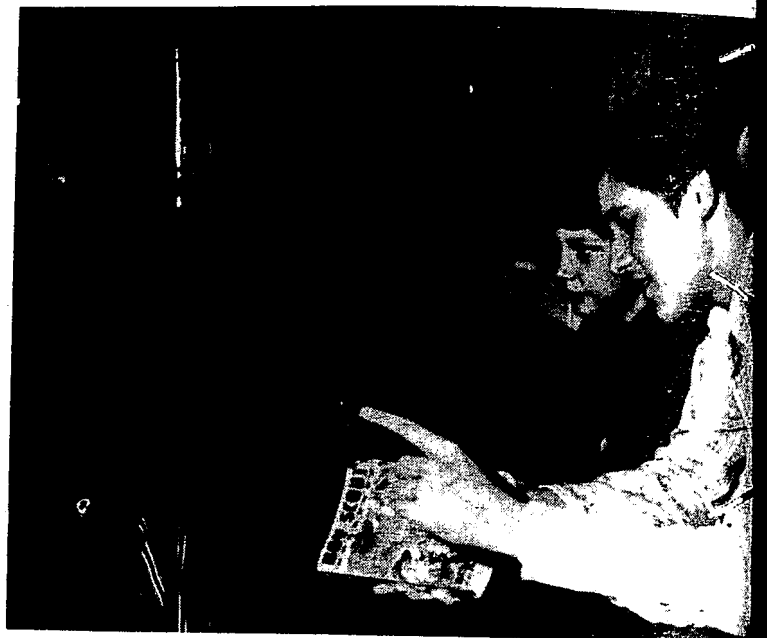


A fast game of "steal the bacon" involves Gary Peltier (from left), Gary Walker, Tom Peltier and Jerry Walker as Troop 105 meets at the American Legion, Chief Pontiac Post No. 377.



Checking out their Klondike Derby sled are Rick Hagadone (from left), John Teal, Troop 341 Assistant Scoutmaster Don Hagadone, Mark Hall and Gary Godziebiewski. Steve Finch gets an inside look. The troop meets at Church of the Resurrection.

It's National Boy Sco



Webelos Fred Profitt and Steve Whesol get an introduction from Erick Letto, Dennis Loba and Paul Zelenak of Tr Calvary Lutheran Church. The younger boys are anticipa birthday and full Scout membership.



Gordon Dean and Jim McDermott gathered here just prior to dismissal at Church.

out Week



Sounding off in harmony is Troop 49's three-month old band, directed by Dennis Boberg. Scoutmasters of the troop which meets at the old library are Stan Roosa and Jim Allard.



Steve Kaines gets the full first aid treatment from Troop 199 at the Oakland County Sportsman's Club. Ed Ball oversees the work.



Explorer Scouts Albert Domroese, III, Dan DeLongchamp and Pat Humphreys plan some of the outings for Manito District Scouts and for their own post, which is advised by Albert Domroese, Jr. An explorer must be 14 and in the ninth grade, and while both Albert and Pat have been in scouting for nine years, previous scouting membership is not a requirement. The five-member post is sponsored by the Clarkston Rotary Club.

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Educating the bright child is a challenge

One of the greatest challenges facing educators today is the bright child who, in spite of an average or above average IQ, cannot learn to read.

What accounts for this? And why are many of the top readers unable to get the hang of science or math? Are intelligence and learning even related?

Prof. Harold W. Stevenson of the University of Michigan, a noted psychologist, explores these questions in "Children's Learning," published this month by Appleton Century Century Crofts. He is a Fellow in the U-M Center for Human Growth and Development and a professor of psychology in the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts.

Stevenson refutes theories that learning is "a unitary function that operates the same way across different types of learning tasks" or that "performance on these tasks is more than moderately related to intelligence."

"learning" instead involves a series of factors, including attention, motivation, memory of past knowledge, as well as the structure and content of the test used to measure it," Stevenson maintains.

As head of the nationally famous Institute for Child Development at the University of Minnesota for 12 years prior to joining the Michigan faculty this fall, Stevenson uncovered many clues to the individual differences that exist in learning. But every breakthrough underlines the complexity of the process and the mysteries that still surround it.

Personality is one of the most intriguing variables and the least understood, Stevenson notes. "We know that tension, restlessness, short attention span and poor motivation are very common clinical symptoms of poor learning, but we have little insight as to how these effects arise. We also know little about which types of learning are disrupted by them."

Camp fire council elects

Officers recently elected by the Pontiac Area Council of Camp Fire Girls include Mrs. Bernard Stickney of Avondale, president; Mrs. Donald Devoe of Rochester and John Lusk of Pontiac, vice presidents; Jack Fitzgerald of Waterford, secretary; and Eldon Gardner of Waterford, treasurer.

New board members are Mrs. Richard Reagan of Oxford, Mrs. Robert Potere of Rochester, Rev. David Chilkott of Pontiac, and Mrs. Doris VanderZee of Pontiac.

The annual dinner meeting featured Herbert Olson, director of the Northwest Oakland Vocational Education Center, as speaker. The program committee included Mrs. Rudy Blago of the Clarkston-Ortonville area.

"One exception is anxiety. Questionnaires have been developed to tap various commonly accepted symptoms of anxiety, presenting statements like: 'my hands feel sweaty' and 'before a test, I get a nervous or funny feeling.' The child who agrees with a high number of these statements shows a high level of anxiety."

"Many researchers have sought to prove that anxiety is irrelevant to learning, that it merely speeds up all existing habits. This can be true if the child is asked to perform a task he has already well memorized. But if he's offered competing alternatives, anxiety impedes his response."

"So the studies support the common sense assumption that anxiety and ease of learning are related, but offer few suggestions about how the effects are mediated," Stevenson says.

"On other characteristics, such as diligence, self esteem, need for approval, and independence, we have only a little insight. One interesting aspect of the studies, although few exist, is the differences they reveal between boys and girls."

For example, Stevenson says, in a group of fifth and sixth graders, boys with high self-esteem tended to make fewer errors than those with low self-esteem; the difference was not significant for girls.

A study of third and sixth graders showed boys who had a high need for approval were rated slower learners, while another study showed that seventh grade boys who tend to put more effort into their work learn faster. These traits also had little effect on the girls' work.

However, when a teacher rated the same seventh graders on self-reliance, the independent girls did significantly better in several learning tasks than the dependent ones. For boys, there was only a small correlation.

"Though this information is sketchy, it makes us optimistic about the possibility about discovering further connections between personality and learning," Stevenson says.

"But the question of cause remains unanswered. If we say a child is uneasy, has a low need for approval or is too dependent upon adults, does this mean he pays less attention, is less able to retain information, or that he does not profit from experience? Until we understand how these behaviors enhance or interfere with learning, we'll have only statistics."

Another relevant area which psychologists know little about is the effects of parental upbringing on children's learning, Stevenson says. And although intelligence tests have proven valuable in predicting how well a child will do in school, they are still geared to the background and concepts of the middle class white child, and so their usefulness is limited.

Stevenson has recently been named chairman of the National Advisory Committee on Child Development of the National Research Council of the National Academy of Sciences. The group will study various programs in the United States in an effort to improve early child care and development. His committee will evaluate the national programs such as Head Start, formulate policy and advise on what new programs might be considered.

"What is important in the early years is making learning fun and exciting," Stevenson believes. "Watch any two-year-old... they are eager to learn about everything."

"There is something wrong if, by elementary school, the teacher has to spend half her time getting her pupils' attention."

"The psychologist has much to offer the educator," Stevenson concludes, "because before one can decide the best ways to apply learning, the process of learning must be understood."

PEEKIN' into the PAST

10 YEARS AGO IN THE CLARKSTON NEWS
February 8, 1962

Our Lady of the Lakes Rosary Altar Society will hold their annual Pre-Lenten card party. Mrs. Harry Fahrner will be the chairman of the event.

Miss Maureen Nancy O'Mara has been named the winner from Clarkston High School of the 1962 Betty Crocker Search for American Homemaker of Tomorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. Elma Moore of Orion Road announce the January 25th birth of their 6 lb., 4 oz. daughter, Karie Lynn at Pontiac General Hospital.

The Junior High gym classes have just finished basketball skills testing program. Most valuable players were 8th grade David Isgood and 7th grade Tom Allen.

25 YEARS AGO IN THE CLARKSTON NEWS
February 7, 1947

Mrs. Keith Leak entertained at a family dinner on Sunday honoring her sister-in-law, Mrs. Charles Perry on her birthday.

At the Clarkston Methodist Church school last Sunday morning Marie Bennett and David Saxman each observed their fifteenth birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jones and son have returned to their home on Robertson Court after vacationing in Florida for the past three weeks.

On Wednesday afternoon Mrs. William Mansfield and Mrs. T. S. Boyns entertained the Mary Circle of the W.S.C.S. at the Mansfield home. Adele Thomas assisted the hostess.

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RE: Voter Registration

Gentlemen:

A number of questions have been presented concerning the validity of voter registrations following the resignation of Howard Altman as Township Clerk. The questions raised, as I understand them, are as follows:

- 1) Do the assistants appointed by the clerk for the purpose of voter registration lose their status upon the resignation of the clerk?
 - a) If the answer to this question is yes, then for that period following the Clerk's resignation, what is the status of those persons registered by these assistants?
- 2) What was the purpose and effect of the special meeting of the Township Board held January 27, 1972?
- 3) The validity of the special meeting above referred to.
- 4) The status of Robert Vandermark.

In addition to the above questions, there has been some feeling that had the deputy clerk been allowed to serve, the problem would not have been encountered.

I will first answer this last issue. As a general statement, if the deputy clerk had continued to serve, all of his actions would have been invalid. This would have resulted in problems much more severe than those now encountered. The many cases on the subject leave no doubt that the deputy clerk is an agent of the clerk, his principal, and without that principal there can be no agent, except as provided by statute. No one sought the removal of the deputy—he was removed by virtue of Mr. Altman's resignation.

The registration assistants are not appointed by virtue of the same statute that authorizes the appointment of the deputy clerk. Rather, the statute authorizing the appointment of election assistants reads as follows:

†6.1029. Appointment of assistants by township, city and village clerks; powers, oath, compensation. Sec. 29. The clerk of each township, city and village is authorized and empowered to appoint such number of assistants as may be necessary to carry out the general provisions of the election law. Such assistants shall possess only the authority conferred upon them by the township, city or village clerks appointing them, and shall perform only such duties that are assigned to them by such clerk. Each such assistant, before he enters upon the discharge of his duties, shall take and subscribe to the oath of office as provided in section 1 of article 11 of the state constitution, which shall be filed in the office of the township, city or village clerk and shall be properly instructed by the city, village or township clerk in the duties he is assigned to perform. Such assistants shall receive such compensation as shall be fixed by the township board or legislative body of the city or village.

I wish here to note that these persons are referred to as "assistants" and not "deputies." The World Book Encyclopedia Dictionary defines "assistants" as, "1. a person who assists another; helper. 2. a thing or device that helps or aids" "Deputy" is defined as, "1. a person appointed to do the work of or act in the place of another" Further, assistants have been defined as, "one who stands by and aids or helps another; AND IS NOT AN AGENT. WELLS-DICKEY CO. v. EMBODY, 82 Mont. 150. (Emphasis supplied). The distinction between a person who assists, and is not an agent, and one who acts for another, and is an agent, would seem obvious.

There are many assistants hired or named to aid the clerk: his secretary, his typist, and other SPECIAL DUTY or SPECIFIC DUTY assistants. This limited or special duty category includes election assistants. None of these persons lose their capacity with the resignation of the clerk. They are limited authority persons whose authority is created by statute and whose authority will continue until they are removed or resign. This is a far different role than that played by the deputy clerk, who has ALL the powers and duties of the clerk. The deputy clerk's authority flows from the clerk. The assistant's authority does not, but rather results from a specific duty assigned in accordance with statute.

In support of this argument, liberally interpreting the statute, the only relevant Michigan case interpreting the election assistant statutes contains the following language:

The object of a registry law, or of any law to preserve the purity of the ballot box, and to guard against abuses of the elective franchise, is not to prevent any qualified elector from voting, or unnecessarily to hinder or impair his privilege. It is for the purpose of preventing fraudulent voting. In order to prevent fraud at the ballot box, it is proper and legal that all needful rules and regulations be had to that end; but it is not necessary that such rules and regulations shall be so unreasonable and restrictive as to exclude a large number of legal voters from exercising their franchise. NOR CAN THE LEGISLATURE, IN ATTEMPTING, OSTENSIBLY TO PREVENT FRAUD, DISFRANCHISE LEGAL VOTERS WITHOUT THEIR OWN FAULT OR NEGLIGENCE. The power of the legislature in such cases is limited to laws regulating the enjoyment of the right, by facilitating its lawful exercise, and by preventing its abuse. The right to vote must not be impaired by regulation. (Emphasis supplied).

The provisions referred to in sections 497 and 498 are obviously designed to secure the maximum registration possible and to thereby accomplish maximum popular participation in the electoral process.

EDWARDS v. FLINT CITY CLERK, 9 Mich. App. 367 at 370 and 371.

I further add that in my opinion, if the registration of an elector is in fact correct, i.e., the elector is one that can properly be registered, the authority or lack of authority of the registering officer is a moot question. I believe the registration would stand as valid even if the registering officer was acting with apparent, though without actual, authority. I again quote from the EDWARDS case, p. 372:

The basic inquiry on the issue of a person's right to vote is whether that person possesses the qualifications to vote. As the quote above indicates, the basic question is one of qualification, and

not one of procedural niceties.

There is not and has not been the slightest doubt in my mind that the registrations taken during the period in question are valid. My recommendation to the Board that they reaffirm this appointment was intended to ease the mind of the community, and further provide the assurance of Board appointment. It was not intended to raise any question concerning the validity of the registrations. Unfortunately, apparently because of reasons not relevant to this question, the resultant effect was contrary to that intended by me.

The special meeting was regular in all respects, and was regularly called. The notice requirement contained in the oft quoted Michigan statutes is as follows:

†5.64(1). Same; regular meetings to be held in addition to, time and place to be provided for by resolution; special meetings; notice; publication of proceedings in certain townships. Sec. 72a. In addition to the annual meeting of the township board as provided under Section 72 of this chapter, the township board shall provide, by resolution, for the time and place of its regular meetings, and shall hold at least 1 regular meeting every 3 months. If any time set for the holding of a regular meeting of the township board shall be a holiday, then such regular meeting shall be held at the same time and place on the next secular day which is not a holiday. Special meetings of the township board shall be held at such times as may be fixed by the board at any meeting or when in the discretion of the supervisor it appears advisable. Upon call of the supervisors the township clerk shall give notice of the time and place of such meeting to each member either in person or by leaving a written notice at his address.

No business shall be transacted at any special meeting of the township board unless the same has been stated in the notice of such meeting. However, if all the members of the said board are present at any special meeting thereof, then any business which might lawfully come before a regular meeting of the said board may be transacted at such special meeting.

Such notice was given as required. There is no requirement that any public notice, if public notice is required, contain the proposed agenda, as is made additionally obvious by the last sentence in the above quote.

Finally, at the time of Howard Altman's resignation the need for some person to perform the duties of clerk was immediately recognized, both by the Board and by me. In response to that need, Robert Vandermark was appointed under the following statute:

†5.42. Temporary appointments; appointees' duties. Sec. 58. Whenever there shall be a vacancy, or when the incumbent shall, from any cause be unable to perform the duties of his office, in either of the township offices, except that of justice of the peace and township treasurer, the township board may make temporary appointments of suitable persons to discharge the duties of such offices respectively; and such persons, so appointed, shall take the oath of office, or file the notice of acceptance required by law, and shall continue to discharge such duties until the office is filled by election, or until the disability, aforesaid, be removed. (CL '48, †41.58; CL '29, †997; CL '15, †2107; How †729; CL '97, †2328; CL '71, †693; CL '57, †550.)

In accordance with the power placed in the Board by this statute, I recommended to the Board that a replacement be appointed to discharge all the duties of the clerk's office other than voting at meetings of the Board. Robert Vandermark was so appointed. Since one of the principal responsibilities of the clerk is the registration of electors, it seemed obvious then, and seems obvious now, that Robert Vandermark has the authority to perform such registrations.

In summary, there is no question that those persons registered since Howard Altman's resignation are properly registered and are properly qualified electors. If they appear to vote, they must be allowed to do so even if challenged. If their names appear on recall petitions, they must be duly counted as registered electors. Further, the registration assistants and acting clerk appointed pursuant to the statutes above cited, are properly serving.

Realizing that a challenge, even if improper, could be embarrassing to the person so challenged, the Board could, to avert that possibility, advise to those electors registered between December 6, 1971, and January 27, 1972, of the problem and suggest to them that they may re-register if they wish.

The Board must recognize that any such notice of the opportunity to re-register will no doubt give rise to the same kind of attack made on the registration clerks, and the accusation that the Board is trying to "cover up," when this is not at all the fact. It therefore must be emphasized that the suggestion of re-registration should in no way be construed as raising the question of the registration validity; it is only intended to eliminate harassment of the electors.

Sincerely,

Richard A. Campbell

Township highlights

The Independence Township Board postponed until next Tuesday action on a contract with the Oakland County Sheriff's Department to provide police protection for the township.

A 4-percent penalty fee on property taxes paid after the February 14 deadline was waived by the township board until February 29. Residents thus have two more weeks to pay their property taxes without being charged extra for the delay.

Township Attorney Richard Campbell will investigate operations of the American Stone Co. at Sahabaw and Waldon roads to see if owners have the right to continue with the non-conforming use of the land as a sand and gravel operation.

Members of the township board engaged in political training Tuesday night at the point where Trustee Keith

Humbert told Trustee Tom Bullen to "shut up." He accused him of "lying" and "twisting" facts in a discussion of whether the township Democrats receive any help from union political coffers. Denials of such help were made by Paul Derryberry and Ron Herron.

Supervisor Gary Stonerock reported that a check of the licensing of vehicles used by him in his business of Airland Surveys conducted by the Secretary of State's office revealed "nothing wrong."

The township will seek to collect court costs in a case brought against it by three township citizens who contend Stonerock's pay raise, accorded at last April's meeting, is invalid.

Independence Township is fertile ground for attorneys, as revealed last month. Services provided by township Attorney Richard Campbell amounted to \$3,095.

Our calendar is a mix

Magic and religion were mixed in with timekeeping in pre-historic times. The priests took it upon themselves to tell the people when it was wash day and when Saturday night rolled around.

Around 3000 B.C., the Sumerians, who built the tower of Babel, also developed a method of writing on soft clay tablets with a stylus. Evidence has been uncovered that the Sumerians had a calendar of 7 days. The whole day of 24 hours was divided into 12 periods, each period being equal to 2 of our present hours. Nations rose and fell. Babylonia, Assyria, Chaldea, Persia and Egypt, with their cultures and knowledge, perished.

Keeping of the time became the special domain of priestly astrologers and a few people of royal blood.

Then came the Romans and they set up a system. King Romulus, founder of Rome, issued an edict, setting up an official calendar. The year was divided

into 10 months, beginning March 25, according to our calendar, and ending about January 24, making a year of 304 days. The balance of 61 days, from January 25 to March 24, were too cold and valueless to count.

The names that the priests gave to the 10 months are still with us, Martius after Mars, god of war; Aprilis to suggest budding leaves and flowers; maius after Maia, goddess of growth; Junius for Juno, youth; and the other 5 from numbers, Quintilis (fifth), Sextilis (sixth), Septembris (seventh), Octobris (eighth), Novembris (ninth), and Decembris (tenth).

King Numa succeeded Romulus in 713. He introduced a calendar based on lunar cycles, adding 2 new months to make a full year of 12 months. He called one new month Januarius, after Janus, guardian of the heavens, and placed it ahead of Martius. He called the second new month Februarius, named for Februalia, meaning repentance, a period when sacrifices were to be made to the gods for offenses committed during the year. It was made the last month of the year, following Decembris.

King Numa's calendar began the year at the vernal equinox. It was soon discovered that the year had only 355 days and that caused farmers to plant their corn too soon. An extra month of 22 or 23 days was introduced into the calendar every other year. It was called Mercedonius.

In 450 B.C. the Council of Decemvirs, under Appius Claudius, reshuffled the months and placed the keeping of the calendar under the Pontifical College. Februarius was taken from the end of the calendar and placed between Januarius and Martius, making the year end with Decembris.

But there were no printed calendars. The calendar was kept by priests, who announced the time for celebrations, for collection of taxes, interest and rentals. The number of days in various months was changed at will, just as FDR attempted to change Thanksgiving.

When Julius Caesar seized power in Rome he assumed the office of Pontifex Maximus, and thus became head of the state religion. He imported Sogigenes from Egypt to straighten out the Roman calendar. Caesar proclaimed a year of 445 days for the first year to adjust the calendar to the seasons. The Julian calendar, adopted in 47 B.C., was adjusted to the Egyptian calendar.

Caesar changed the name of the fifth month, Quintilis, to Julius in his own honor. After Caesar was killed the priests began tinkering with his calendar and

soon had it out of order. Augustus Caesar in 8 B.C. ordered a correction. It was made and the old month of Sextilis became Augustus.

Not until 532 A.D. was the calendar again changed. The Abbott of Rome, Dionysius Exiguus, named March 25 as the date of conception of Jesus Christ and determined His birth date to be December 25. But the calendar of Augustus was based on the assumption that a year was 365.25 days in length when actually it is 365.2422, a difference of a full day in 128 years.

In 1582 the Council of Trent authorized the Pope to make a correction. After consultation with many astronomers, Pope Gregory changed the beginning of the year from March 25 to January 1.

England and her colonies (America being one) refused to change to the Gregorian calendar and still kept on celebrating New Year's Day on March 25. Not until 1752 did England and America adopt the new calendar. That was just before the American Revolution.

The change eliminated 11 days. There is no U.S. date between Wednesday, September 2, 1752, and Thursday, September 14, 1752.

It was long after adoption of a calendar that days of the week were named. While the Romans named the months, the names of the days came from the north country, from the names of Saxon gods.

Dyed-in-the-wool Quakers refuse to speak the names of heathen gods, so they call Sunday, first day; Monday, second day; and so on to Saturday, seventh day.

So when you hang up the new calendar later this month, reflect that it is a work of the ages and is still not quite correct. It is off 26 seconds a year, which will add up to a whole day in 3,323 years.

Nature center plans dinner

Drayton Plains Nature Center will host its annual gourmet dinner beginning at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, February 26, at the Oakland County Sportsmen's Club, 4770 Waterford Road.

The menu for this year will include roast beef, roast turkey, rabbit stew and some wild game meats plus vegetables, a salad buffet and a variety of cakes for dessert.

Donations are \$3.50 per adult and \$2 for children under 10. Family tickets for two adults and two children may be purchased for \$10.

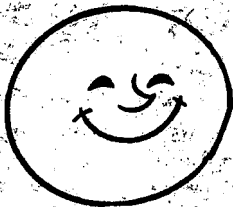
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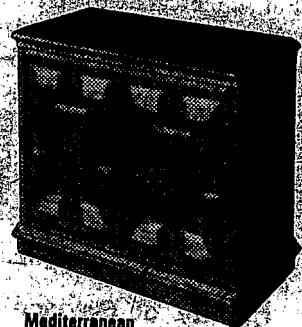
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Vets offered career workshop

Unemployed veterans of the 61st District are being offered a free week-long career workshop to acquaint themselves with vocations that their aptitudes and interests point them toward.

State Representative Loren D. Anderson (R-Waterford) is urging area unemployed veterans to make themselves available for the unique program offered by Ferris State College in Big Rapids, Michigan.

The week includes vocational preference and aptitude testing, intensive counseling, information about G.I. benefits and financial aids, and most importantly, an opportunity to visit classrooms and laboratories to see first-hand what given occupational education programs are like. A summary session at the end of the week attempts to help them integrate the test results and their own "hand-on" experiences into a

new individualized career orientation.

Unemployed veterans in the 61st District who are interested in benefiting from this type of program should write James Young, Assistant Dean of Student Services, Ferris State College, Big Rapids, Michigan 49307 or contact Representative Loren D. Anderson in care of the State Capitol in Lansing, Michigan 48901.

Milzow elected

Forrest Milzow of Clarkston has been elected treasurer of the North Oakland County Builders Association. John Gorang of Drayton Plains is president.

POSTER BOARD - white and colors, felt pens, red, blue and black, Clarkston News, 5 S. Main St.

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Spaghetti's on

The Junior Methodist Youth Fellowship of Clarkston United Methodist Church will serve a spaghetti supper from 4:30 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, February 19, at the church.

NOTICE

Voter Registration for qualified electors of Independence Township for the Special Primary Election to be held on February 28, 1972 will be taken at the Independence Township Hall, 90 N. Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan on the following dates and time:

Regular Office Hours - 9:00 a.m. to 12 Noon

1:00 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Monday through Friday

Special Hours - Saturday, February 12 - 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Monday, February 14 - 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

LAST DAY TO REGISTER FOR SPECIAL PRIMARY ELECTION: MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1972

NOTICE

Last Day to File Nominating Petitions for the Special Primary Election: File not later than 4:00 p.m. on February 14, 1972 at the Township Hall, 90 N. Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan. Office hours 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Robert Vandermark

Acting Clerk

Independence Township

ELECTION NOTICE

To the qualified electors of the Township of Independence, County of Oakland. Notice is hereby given that a Special Primary Election will be held in the Township of Independence, in the County of Oakland and State of Michigan, on February 28, 1972, for the purpose of nominating or electing candidates for the office of Clerk of Independence Township.

Robert Vandermark

Acting Clerk

Independence Township

REGISTER TO VOTE

February 28 will be the primary election for the office of Clerk of Independence Township, with the general election following March 20.

Regardless of whom you would like to vote for, you can't, unless you're registered.

If you can't get out to register, call OR 3-2437

for free transportation Saturday, February 12.

Remember to register and vote.

PAID FOR BY

CITIZENS FOR

ROBERT J. GARNER

NOTICE

SPECIAL ELECTION

TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
MARCH 20, 1972

Registration for residents of Independence Township for the Special Election, March 20, 1972 will be taken at the Township Hall, 90 N. Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan on the following dates and time.

REGULAR OFFICE HOURS

9:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon

1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.

Monday thru Friday

SPECIAL HOURS

Saturday, February 12 - 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Friday, February 18 - 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

LAST DAY TO REGISTER

FOR THE SPECIAL ELECTION ON MARCH 20, 1972

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1972

Robert O. Vandermark

Acting Clerk

Independence Township

classified ads get the job done

FOR SALE

PIECE QUILTS, rugs, furs, furniture, Duncan Phyfe table and buffet, chairs, picture frames, clothing, sewing machine, misc. 628-2489.†††23-2

LATE MODEL snow blade, fits any late model truck. All hydraulic. \$400. 1952 Allis Chalmers tractor, also has blade, \$450. 625-3363.†††24-1p

WHITE AUTOMATIC zig-zag sewing machine—deluxe features, maple cabinet. "Early American" design. Take on monthly payments or \$49 cash balance. Five year guarantee. Universal Sewing Center. FE 4-0905.†††52-1c

FEBRUARY Sell Out of Colonial Furniture and accessories. Save now. Winglemire Furniture Store, Holly.

FOR VALENTINE'S Day, give a gift from our many items in our Gift Department. Winglemire Furniture Store, Holly.

GIVE A Lane Cedar Chest to your Sweetheart on Valentine's Day. 20% off on any in stock. Winglemire Furniture Store, Holly.

BEAUTIFUL 2 pc. Living Room Suite in gold and green brocatel. On sale for \$261.10. Winglemire Furniture Store, Holly.

BEDDING SALE now in progress. Save on all our in stock Mattress & Box Springs. Winglemire Furniture Store, Holly.

2 PC. PRINT Colonial sectional. Maple corner table and end table. Colonial lamp. 625-4240.†††24-1p

FOR SALE: Hay, 90c a bale, for horses and cows. 634-8301.†††24-3c

SMALL HORSE, gelding, 5 years, 13½ hands, Chestnut, gentle but spirited, 4-H trained. Large pony 46", 13 years, well trained pleasure horse. 625-4077.†††24-1c

TWO-BOTTOM PLOW, 2 discs, trailing wheel disc, tired wheels. 625-4077.†††24-1c

4 SLATE professional pool tables, national brands. Manufacturer's representative and dealer's samples. Still in crates. Balls, cues and equipment. Must sacrifice \$210. One 8 ft. special \$150. One 7 ft. used with equipment, \$100. Can deliver. 646-5514.†††23-2c

SINGER ZIG ZAG sewing machine. Cabinet model. Automatic. "Dial model" etc. Repossessed. Pay off \$53 cash or monthly payments. Universal Sewing Center. FE 4-0905.†††52-1c

REDUCE excess fluids with FLUIDEX, \$1.69. LOSE WEIGHT safely with Dex-A-Diet, 98c at Wonder Drugs.†††23-3*

FIREWOOD FOR SALE. Will do tree trimming and removal. Light trucking. Phone 625-4747.†††29tfc

FOR SALE: Seasoned firewood. Tree removal — light hauling and odd jobs. 625-2784.†††4-tfc

Wedding invitations and accessories quickly, precisely printed at the Clarkson News, 5 S. Main, Clarkson. 625-3370.

PETS

TROPICALS GALORE
Tropical Fish and Supplies
Over 100 Varieties
6561 Transparent Drive
Clarkston. 625-3558
16tfc

AUTOMOTIVE

1967 GMC TRUCK. 4 wheel drive with blade. \$1600. 625-3045 after 3 p.m. or 673-0811.†††24-1c

1967 TEMPEST, 2 dr. hard top (cordova), auto, transmission, power steering, radio, heater and snow tires. Call 625-3992 after 3 p.m.†††24-1p

SEE ROY HASKINS at Haupt Pontiac for both new and used car deals.†††50tfc

CLARKSTON AUTO PARTS
625-5171 6 North Main
Open 9 to 9
New and rebuilt auto parts
25tfc

WANTED

JUNK CARS, free tow. Will buy certain models. 334-2148, 628-3942.†††47-tfc

WANTED TO RENT: house, year around cottage — anything on Deer Lake. Waterfront only. 1-777-2499.†††23-2c

WOMAN DESIRES day work in Clarkston area. 625-3324.†††24-1c

WANTED: Woman's left-handed golf clubs. 625-3599.†††24-1c

INTERLAKES SALVAGE
Auto and Truck Parts
Cars wanted — Pay top \$
Serving N. Oakland County
free towing
625-2227 625-4021

HELP WANTED

HAVE PART TIME A.M. work in apartment complex. For further information call 623-0591.†††24-1c

HELP WANTED: Women, enter the fascinating world of beauty and show others how to be more beautiful. Flexible hours and high earnings. National company. Call 673-2621 between 4 and 8 p.m.†††24-1c

EXECUTIVE SALES CAREER. We will recruit several people for a position in our sales department. We will pay a large salary, furnish a new car and gas, and offer many fringe benefits. We prefer someone over 25 with at least a high school education. Experience is not necessary. This could be your opportunity of a lifetime. If interested, please apply immediately. Russ Johnson Pontiac, Lake Orion, Michigan. 693-6266.†††24-1c

TAX SERVICE

COMPLETE TAX SERVICE — Federal, State, City. One stop for all three. Experienced personnel to handle your Confidential return. 7150 Dixie Hwy. Phone 625-4118.†††20-14c

INCOME TAX SERVICE. Reasonable. Call after 4 p.m. 625-2789.†††23-10c

SERVICES

FURNITURE REFINISHING. Excellent work, reasonably done. Glenn & Sara Currier. 627-3815. Chair caning and seat rushing.†††49tfc

A-1 SERVICE. Basements, septic installation. Free dozing with 10 loads or more of fill. Call 625-3735.†††23tfc

SNOW PLOWING, specializing in driveways & parking lots. Marv Menzies. 625-5015.†††15-tfc

EXPERIENCED all breed dog grooming, day and evening appointments. Chien Belle Grooming Service. Call 625-2665.†††12-tfc

WALLPAPER HANGING and painting. Custom color mixing and staining. Personal service. Bob Jensenius. 623-1309.†††49tfc

PRECISION ICE SKATE SHARPENING. Hockey, 50c; figure, 75c. 5543 Hummingbird, 625-1762.†††23-2c

PILE IS SOFT and lofty, colors retain brilliance in carpet cleaned with Blue Lustre. Rent electric shampooer, \$1. Bob's Hardware, 60 S. Main St.†††24-1c

SNOW REMOVAL. 394-9803.†††14-tfc

HORSESHOEING, prompt and reliable. Corrective shoeing. Bill Schuyler, 678-2725.†††17-tfc

FILL DIRT DELIVERED, Clarkston Village area. \$1.25 per yard in 100 yard lots. Phone 625-2331.†††32tfc

YOU BE THE CONTRACTOR, we'll do the work. Plumbing, heating, electrical, carpentry, masonry, additions and remodeling, fire damage. 693-8154, 693-1822.†††22-3p

FOR RENT

APARTMENTS AVAILABLE, suburban atmosphere. 2 bedrooms, carpeting, drapes, laundry facilities, air conditioned. Off Mill Street, 1 mile east of M-15 in Ortonville or call 627-3173.†††13-tfc

NOTICE

LAPEER STOCKYARDS

UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT. Livestock sales every Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. Horse sales every Friday, 7:30 p.m. Consignments welcome.†††26tfc

HOSPITAL PAYMENT PLAN of Michigan Surgery, room and board, maternity prescription. Roger Nielo CLU 338-6481.†††24-4c

We Make

HOUSE CALLS

52 Visits for \$5

The Clarkson News

LEGAL NOTICE

Wallace D. McLay, Attorney
1012 West Huron Street
Pontiac, Michigan 48053
No. 108,110

STATE OF MICHIGAN
The Probate Court for the
County of Oakland

Estate of Myrtle Mae Green, Deceased.
It is Ordered that on March 1, 1972, at 9 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom, Pontiac, Michigan a hearing be held on the petition of George E. Green for the appointment of an administrator of said estate and to determine who are or were at the time of death the heirs at law of said deceased.

Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.
Dated: January 24, 1972

Eugene Arthur Moore,
Judge of Probate.

Feb. 3, 10, 17

Paul M. Mandel, Attorney
207 Pontiac Mall Office Bldg.
Pontiac, Michigan 48053
No. 108,098

STATE OF MICHIGAN
The Probate Court for the
County of Oakland

Estate of Leona Fox, Deceased.
It is Ordered that on February 23, 1972, at 9 A.M. in the Probate Courtroom, Pontiac, Michigan a hearing be held on the petition of Richard Fox for the appointment of an administrator of said estate and to determine who are or were at the time of death the heirs at law of said deceased.

Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.
Dated: January 24, 1972

Norman R. Barnard,
Judge of Probate.

Feb. 3, 10, 17

Jack L. Banycky, Attorney
810 Pontiac State Bank Building
Pontiac, Michigan 48058
No. 108,056

STATE OF MICHIGAN
The Probate Court for the
County of Oakland

Estate of George F. Beecher, Deceased.

It is Ordered that on February 22, 1972, at 9 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom, Pontiac, Michigan a hearing be held on the petition of Edward T. Beecher for the appointment of an administrator of said estate and to determine who are or were at the time of death the heirs at law of said deceased.

Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.
Dated: January 19, 1972

Donald E. Adams
Judge of Probate

Jan. 27, Feb. 10, 17

Powell, Peres, Carr, Jacques, Batchik and Schmidt, Attorneys
3505 Elizabeth Lake Road
Pontiac, Michigan

NO. 107,201

STATE OF MICHIGAN
THE PROBATE COURT FOR
THE COUNTY OF OAKLAND

Estate of John A. Bonacci, deceased.
It is ordered that on February 15, 1972, at 9 a.m. in the Probate Courtroom Pontiac, Michigan a hearing be held on the petition of Ruth P. Bonacci for the appointment of an administrator de bonis non of said estate and to determine who are or were at the time of death the heirs at law of said deceased.

Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.
Dated: January 12, 1972

Donald E. Adams
Judge of Probate

Jan. 20, 27, Feb. 10

FOR SALE

FOR SALE: Hollywood bed, \$50.7097
Tappan Dr. Clarkston. 444-24-1p

PETS

FREE TO GOOD HOME, 7 months old
cat. Mother pure Siamese.
625-5039. 444-24-1c

LEGAL NOTICE

COONEY, BERTUCCI & GAVETTE
Attorneys for
Capitol Savings & Loan Assn.
810 Pontiac State Bank Bldg.
Pontiac, Michigan 48058

MORTGAGE SALE

DEFAULT having been made for more than thirty days in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by James A. Hall and Geraldine Hall, his wife, to Capitol Savings & Loan Association, a Michigan Corporation, dated the 20th day of March A.D. 1967, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Oakland and State of Michigan, on the 22nd day of March A.D. 1967 in Liber 5006, on page 54, Oakland County Register of Deeds Records on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of Four Thousand Two Hundred Ninety-Eight and 83/100 (\$4,298.83) Dollars, and an attorney's fee of Fifty and 00/100 (\$50.00) dollars, as provided for in said mortgage, and no suit or proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the moneys secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof;

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and the statute in such case made and provided, on Tuesday, the 9th day of May, A.D. 1972, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, Eastern Standard Time, the undersigned will, at the main and southerly entrance of the Court House in the city of Pontiac, Michigan, (that being the place where the Circuit Court for the county of Oakland is held), sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount so as aforesaid due on said mortgage, with 7 percent interest, and all legal costs, charges and expenses, together with said attorney's fee, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned necessary to protect its interest in the premises, which premises are described as follows, to-wit:

Lot 91, Harris Park, a subdivision of portion of Northwest 1/4 of Section 5, Town 3 North, Range 9 East, Waterford Township, Oakland County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 27, Page 20 of Plats, Oakland County Register of Deeds Records.

Dated October 22, 1971

CAPITOL SAVINGS & LOAN
ASSOCIATION
Mortgagee. 24-13

SEMCOG wants speaking dates

Groups and clubs in Southeast Michigan concerned with public affairs are invited in 1972 to schedule a "Time for Dialogue" with representatives of the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG).

The process will be part of an expanding effort by SEMCOG officials to talk about regional problems and how SEMCOG can help to solve them, and to hear from residents ideas about how SEMCOG should function.

Besides briefly reviewing SEMCOG's history and its relationship in the existing governmental framework, speakers will describe specific elements in the SEMCOG program as requested.

Requests should be made to SEMCOG Speaker's Bureau, 8th Floor Book Building, Detroit, Michigan 48226.

By Attorney General Frank J. Kelley
(This is a public service article explaining in general terms a provision of Michigan law. Individuals who wish to determine the effect of any law upon their private legal affairs should consult a private attorney.)

An area of Michigan law about which little is known by the public is the regulation of cemeteries. This lack of knowledge about what is and what is not required and permissible in the sale of cemetery lots makes people vulnerable to high pressure sales tactics by persons who sell cemetery lots.

There are a few important things of which everyone should be aware. First, there is no state law which requires that a casket be placed in a sealed vault.

Many salesmen attempt to sell to their customers these high-priced vaults based on the representation that they are required by state law.

This is blatant misrepresentation. In some cases vaults might be required by local ordinances or by the rules of the cemetery involved, but you should not take the salesman's word for this—instead check it out on your own.

Secondly, there is no state law requiring markers or memorials on graves. It is true that the cemetery must be able to locate a grave space, but this does not mean that the person purchasing such a burial space has to provide a marker.

Thirdly, there is an increasing tendency on the part of some cemeteries to sell burial spaces based on a so-called "veteran's program." The veteran's program involves a sales pitch based on the fact that a veteran is entitled to a free burial space. This is true enough; however, the salesman involved intentionally leads the customer to believe that they are in some way affiliated with the Veteran's Administration.

The Veteran's Administration does not send people out soliciting veterans to receive their free burial space, nor does it authorize any other group or cemetery to do so on its behalf.

Once these salesmen have gotten in the door with their offer of a free burial space they then attempt to sell the customer vaults, markers, memorials, and other burial spaces which, of course, are not free.

Cemeteries in Michigan are regulated by the State Cemetery Commission. The Commission has no authority over cemeteries owned by a governmental unit or by a religious organization.

All other cemeteries, however, are registered by the Commission. The Commission also licenses and regulates people who sell burial spaces.

If you have any difficulty with a cemetery, or cemetery salesman, you should contact the State Cemetery Commission, Lansing, Michigan.

Peanut butter

Don't apologize for peanut butter, says Sheila Morley, MSU consumer marketing information agent.

"Kids love it; it's convenient and easy to use, and nutritionally it's a winner," notes Mrs. Morley.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Independence Township Treasurer's Office will be open Saturday, February 12, 1972 from 9 to 12 for collection of taxes and purchase of dog licenses.

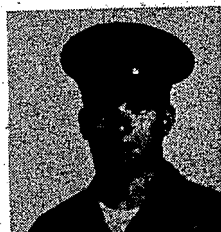
K. L. Johnson, Treasurer

23-2c

Men in Service

Airman David A. Kerby, son of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Kerby of 6315 Road, has completed his U.S. Air Force basic training at the Air Training Command's Lackland AFB, Tex. He has been assigned to Sheppard AFB, Tex., for training in

the civil engineering mechanical and electrical field. Airman Kerby is a 1971 graduate of Clarkston High School.



Happy reading new friends.

Ken Crowder
Leonard Bullard
Gerald Carney
Mr. W. McClean
Mathew Hubchen
Tim McNulty
Niles Olson
Jim Seeterlin

Welcome back old friends.

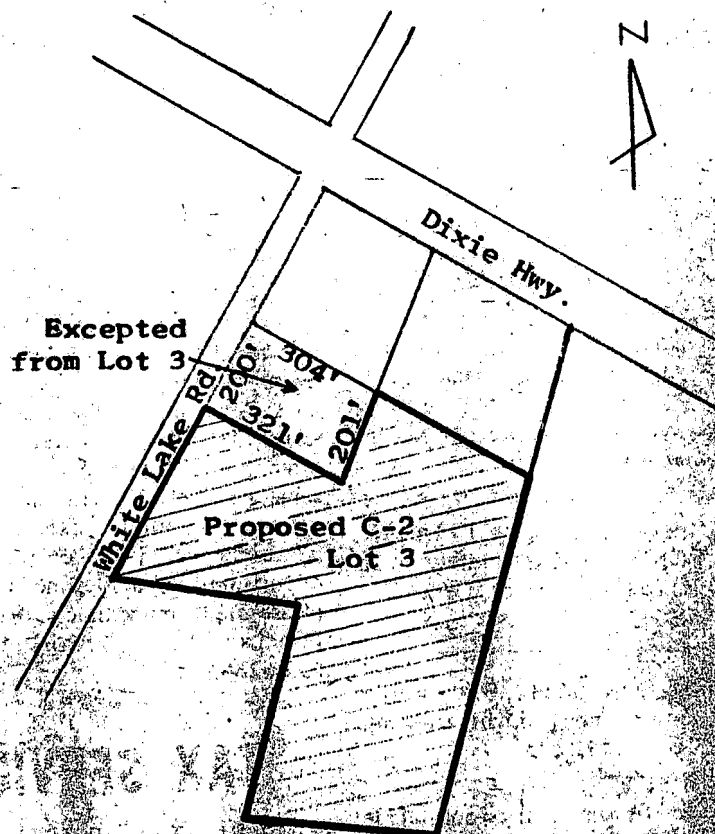
Leonard Topolinski
Charles Smith
Janet McCord
Mrs. Ann Seeterlin
Mrs. Charles Carr
Milton Green
Charles Broadway
Robert L. Jones
E. Nelson Kimball
Margaret Best
Douglas Birkett
Richard Seeterlin
Shirley Sheldon
Clayton Roth
Douglas Foyteck
Robert Arend
Donald Hagadone
Edwin Stevens
Arnold Schalte

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Planning Commission of Independence Township, Oakland County, Michigan, will hold a Public Hearing on February 17, 1972, 7:30 p.m. at the Township Hall, 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan, to consider the following change in Township Zoning Districts:

CASE NO. 150 — To rezone from R-1A (Single Family Residential) to C-2 (General Business):

Lot 3, excepting therefrom that part described as beginning at the northwest corner of said Lot 3 and proceeding thence along the Westerly line of said lot; said line being the East line of White Lake Road 66 feet wide, thence South 27 degrees 56' 25" West 200 feet; thence South 60 degrees 26' 05" East 321.42 feet; thence North 23 degrees 9' 55" East 201.17 feet to the Southeast corner of Lot 2 of said Supervisor's Plat No. 3, the last described course being the extension Southerly of the Easterly line of said Lot 2; thence along the South line of said Lot 2 North 60 degrees 26' 05" West 304.67 feet to the point of beginning, Supervisor's Plat No. 3, being a part of the East 1/2 of Section 30, and part of the West 1/2 of Section 29, Town 4 North, Range 9 East, Independence Township, Oakland County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 66, Page 29 of Plats, Oakland County Records.



CASE NO. 150
Location Map

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

Mel Vavra, Chairman
Independence Township
Planning Commission



Arnold, the Pig draws the admiration of second graders, Teresa Cassin, Karen Davis and Adam Merelez.



Sally Hitchcock, Jodi Allen and Gary Rowden feed Snoopy, equipped with a house of his own and a mail box.

Winter carnival time at Clarkston Elementary

Thursday's "good packin'" snow was irresistible to students at Clarkston Elementary School and a winter carnival, sanctioned by teachers, became the order of the day.

Snoopy, a dinosaur, turtles, rabbits, a lion, a pig and innumerable snowmen and snow forts emerged under talented fingers.



Karen Newman and Billy Singleton and Leo, the Lion.



Mrs. Anita Davison's kindergarten students were inspired by the display.



Jean Bigger and Terry Goyette admire the dinosaur created by Bruce Rogers' sixth grade room.



Sheryl Hamlin, Connie Mortimer and Don Lanpher have some fun with a turtle. They're third graders.