



SWORN IN — TUSCOLA County Circuit Judge Patrick R. Joslyn Monday administered the oath of office to elected county officials, including District 2 Commissioner Elsie Hicks of Deford (above).

Disaster aid for corn farmers may be of very little help

Thumb area farmers are applying for federal assistance in the wake of a disastrous growing season in 1992.

But the program won't help many producers hit hardest by a cold, wet summer, according to Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service officials, who say an increasing number of producers are pursuing another option: loans.

ASCS office directors in all 3 Thumb counties report they're seeing applications for relief through the federal government's Phase III Disaster Assistance Program.

The deadline to apply is Feb. 12.

"We've received applications and money is going out into the community," said Dave Claerhout, executive director of the ASCS office in Tuscola County.

However, Claerhout pointed out, very little of the money is going to corn growers because few sustained losses large enough to make them eligible.

"The disaster program is production oriented and not quality oriented," he said. In other words, he explained, the program doesn't take quality into consideration, and while area farmers harvested a poor quality crop, yields were good.

In order to be eligible, Claerhout continued, farmers "would have to absorb a 35 to 40 percent loss depending on whether they had crop insurance."

Claerhout's observations were echoed by John Porath and Herb Clarke, executive directors of the Huron County and Sanilac County ASCS offices, respectively.

"We've had quite a few (applications), but we're finding about the same thing," Porath said. "The (corn) yields are really good,

but the quality is very poor, and we can't make adjustments for quality."

"If you look at it from a quantity point of view, we had a good year; if you look at it from a quality point of view, we had a total loss."

SOME WILL QUALIFY

Clarke agreed many farmers will be left out in the cold regarding the federal disaster program, but predicted some corn growers will qualify for assistance.

"We have corn that barely made it out of the milk stage. We have a lot of substandard crop, I mean severely substandard," he said, adding dry beans were also hurt and soybeans were affected by dismal weather.

Short-term, low-interest loans through ASCS offices are an alternative for producers who participate in the wheat and feed grain program but who don't qualify for federal aid.

"It's a really good option at this point," remarked Porath, who said it appears many farmers are pursuing the 9-month price support loans for the first time.

"A lot of them in my county are taking out loans. We're

getting a lot of new faces," he added. "We normally do around 150 (loans per year), and we're expecting to break that easy" this year.

Porath said he's already handled more than 120 wheat and corn loans in the current fiscal year. Farmers have until May to seek the loans.

Claerhout also has observed increased loan activity. Clarke indicated he hasn't noticed a big increase in loan applications, but said, "I think there's going to be because they're going to be looking at anything to get their hands on to get some cash flow."

Whether federal officials are going to make changes that would translate into disaster assistance for corn growers remains a question, although the feeling among several county officials is that it won't happen.

In the meantime, many farmers remain stuck between the proverbial rock and a hard place, wondering how they'll pay to plant next spring.

BAD SITUATION

"They're in a bad situation. If the price of corn was \$4,

you wouldn't have anybody complaining at all," Claerhout said. However, with prices of \$1.75 to \$1.80, he added, "If an individual gets \$1 after drying and shrinkage, (he's) doing well."

The resulting financial crunch could put some farmers out of business, Tuscola County Cooperative Extension Director Dennis Stein acknowledged.

"In some cases, it's going to cause some farms to be extremely stressed as far as cash flow," he said.

Good quality corn can be sold for a number of commercial uses, from corn syrup to alcohol, and its exportable. But the poor quality corn farmers have this year is limited to use as livestock feed, Stein explained.

The result is farmers are having to seek out a market for their crop, and that takes time, which is a scarce commodity for those farmers who need cash right away.

On a positive note, Stein pointed out, there's quite a demand for corn as feed because a number of Michigan producers were unable to harvest their crop.

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A bona fide miracle

Kristy Wood on road to complete recovery

It's been more than 3 months since Larry and Sally Wood nearly lost their 15-year-old daughter, Kristy, in an auto accident about 3 miles north of their Deford area home on a foggy Saturday morning.

Despite suffering critical injuries, the teen, seated between her mom and dad in the family's living room Monday, grinned and remarked she "feels fine."

The feeling is shared many times over by her parents, who haven't stopped counting their blessings. Blessings which, they say, have added up to a bona fide miracle.

"It makes us feel really fortunate because Kristy has rebounded so quickly," Sally commented. "There's always been progress, and it's been dramatic."

The family's life isn't back to normal yet, and Kristy has more rehabilitation ahead of her, but the Cass City High School sophomore appears to be well on her way to a full recovery.

The happy ending is more than the family was told they could expect after the Sept. 26 collision.

The memories of that

morning remain vivid for Sally and Larry, who explained Kristy and a friend, both of them co-captains of the high school gymnastics team, left together to attend a practice session.

It was foggy, "but it didn't look that bad," Sally said, adding she felt apprehensive when the girls left, "but there have been lots of times when my children would go somewhere and I would feel apprehensions."

"Then, that morning, we got the call that all parents dread."

It was 9:18 a.m., and an acquaintance who lives near the accident scene — Crawford and Deckerville Roads — called the Woods to say the girls' car had collided with another vehicle.

"IT'S BAD"

"I remember asking how bad, and she said, 'bad,'" Sally recalled.

The couple rushed to Hills and Dales General Hospital in Cass City, arriving before the ambulance carrying their daughter.

At the hospital, Larry remembers hearing emergency personnel talking

over a scanner while en route to the hospital. Kristy, who was bleeding internally, wasn't responding.

"I thought, oh God, this is something that happens to other people," he said.

Kristy was transferred to St. Mary's Medical Center in Saginaw, where doctors told the Woods their daughter had suffered several injuries, the most serious of which were a traumatic brain injury, a bruised lung, broken pelvis and internal bleeding.

The couple pointed out they were fortunate in that every specialist needed in the case, from a neurosurgeon to lung and orthopedic specialists, was on hand at the hospital, which typically isn't the case on weekends.

That afternoon, Kristy underwent surgery to repair a ruptured spleen and bladder, Sally said.

Kristy had some things going for her, including her youth and good physical condition, according to the Woods, who have 3 other children, Katie, 10, and Daryl, 20, and Brent, 22, both students at CMU.

But there were no problems.

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Kingston school addition progressing on schedule

Construction of an addition at Kingston Elementary School is progressing nicely, according to school officials.

The new building is part of \$1.36 million in improvements that are "moving right along," school Supt. Jerry H. Laycock commented Monday. "With the weather that we've had, we're very pleased," he said.

Brick and mortar work on the 15,000-square-foot ad-

dition is completed and the windows are going in this week, Laycock said, adding workers have installed roofing over new classrooms, a kitchen and gym. Plumbing and electrical service have also been connected.

L.A. Construction Co. of Mount Morris is the general contractor for the project, which is being funded by a 25-year bond issue approved by voters last spring. The work calls for the addi-

tion of 4 new classrooms and lavatories, and a new multipurpose room that will include a kitchen and serve as a cafeteria, gymnasium and auditorium.

In addition, renovations, scheduled to get underway once school is dismissed for the summer, will create a new library on the main floor, restructure some small classrooms to accommodate special needs, and create science and computer

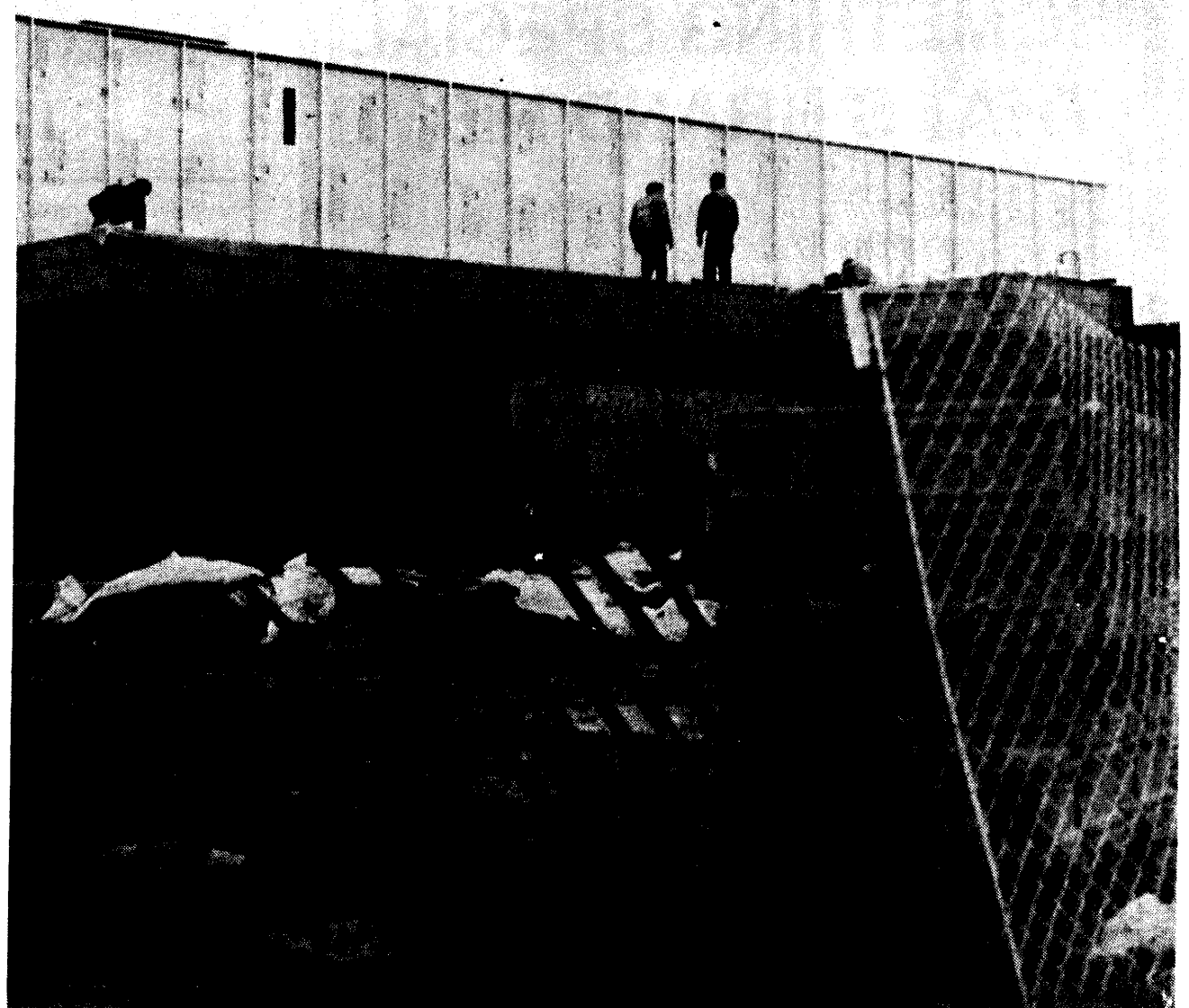
labs, conference areas and storage facilities.

Goals behind the project include updating the school's science and computer facilities, and relieving crowding in the existing building, which houses some 425 students in pre-school through the sixth grade.

Laycock said the work will be completed in time for the start of the 1993-94 school year.



KRISTY WOOD, 15, is continuing her dramatic recovery from critical injuries suffered in an auto accident last September. "She doesn't remember (the crash), and I guess that's a blessing," said her mother, Sally, seated above with husband Larry and Kristy.



CONSTRUCTION OF an addition at the Kingston Elementary School is progressing nicely, school officials say. The \$1.36 million project, which includes renovation work that will get underway in the summer, will be completed in time for the start of the 1993-94 school year.

Cold Weather Workouts

Winter is here but that doesn't have to mean the end of outdoor exercise - dressing warmly is the key. A common mistake made is wearing too much clothing! Experts agree that wearing several layers of thin loose fitting clothing is best. This helps to insulate you by trapping heat and you'll be able to remove a layer if you get too warm.

The first layer should be thermal underwear made of a fabric that draws sweat away from your skin. Polypropylene is one such fabric. Cotton is not a good choice as it holds moisture next to your skin and can make you feel cold and clammy.

The next layer can be a wool sweater, turtleneck, sweatpants or shirt, or lycra pants. Then top it off with water-proof, wind-resistant jacket and pants. These should be of a breathable fabric (such as Gortex) so moisture isn't trapped inside.

And don't forget to wear a hat since much of your body heat is lost through your head.

Merchant graduates from CMU

Heather Merchant, daughter of William and Marlene Merchant of Cass City, graduated Dec. 19 from Central Michigan University, Mt. Pleasant.



Heather Merchant

Merchant, who majored in accounting, earned a bachelor of science degree in business administration. She is employed at Walbro Automotive in Auburn Hills.

Boating classes scheduled

The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, Sebawaing Flotilla, announces boating classes to begin Jan. 12 at USA High School starting at 7:00 p.m.

Cost of the classes is \$17.00 for the first person and an additional \$8.00 for each member living in the same household. Payment is expected the first night of class when books are issued.

For more information, call after 6:00 p.m. 375-2470, 673-4734, 269-6614, 674-8658, or 883-2843.

Cass City Personal Items

Call your local news to the Chronicle office - 872-2010

Stanley Fay and daughter, Mrs. Cheryl Egges of Drayton Plains, and Patti Timmons spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord LaPeer. Debbie Timmons and Wayne Curry visited the LaPeers New Year's Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Boudoin and Kelly Jo of Clifton, Va., visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Nemeth, over the Christmas holidays.

Born Dec. 26 to Roger and Jeanette Hooper of Decker, a baby girl, Kali Alexandra.

Greg and Sherry (Hillaker) Williams of Livonia are the parents of a baby girl, Emily Nicole, born Saturday, Jan. 2. She weighed 8 pounds, 2 ounces and was 19 1/4 inches long. Grandparents are Russ and Elaine Hillaker of Cass City and Vance and Kay Williams of DeWitt.

Mr. and Mrs. John Brewton and Kimberly of Taylor were holiday guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Nemeth.

Born Dec. 26 to Jimmy and Laura Waltons of Cass City, a baby girl, Terrica Francis.

Mary Kirton left Thursday, Dec. 24, to spend the Christmas holiday with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William Jones of Livonia. A family Christmas was celebrated Friday, and Saturday they were dinner and evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Jones of Westland. Mrs. Kirton returned home Sunday.

Clair and Virginia Auslander and Arthur and Janet Severance were Sunday dinner guests of Arthur and Mabel Ichue of Fraser.

Lake Huron Chorus sets guest night

The Lake Huron Chorus would like to extend to the ladies of the area an invitation to join them Monday, Jan. 11, at 8:00 p.m., for a special introduction to the barbershop style of singing. The chorus will be meeting in the cafeteria at the Huron Medical Care Facility in Bad Axe.

Marriage licenses

William Alan Lear, Norwich, Conn., and Lisa Dawn Hines, Caro.

Donald Eugene Hoover and Florence Ann Klein, both of Reese.

Jeffrey Allan Kinsella and Jeanine Marie Strauss, both of Reese.



The house is empty and quiet again.

The sound of the laughter of young people has faded.

The Christmas tree now serves as a haven for the birds in the back yard, and the furniture is back where it belongs.

Until some future time when they will again be appreciated, the leftover turkey and ham have been wrapped and stored in the freezer.

The supply of towels that seems endless the rest of the year but never quite adequate when the family is home has been laundered and put away.

The playpen and baby swing have been folded up, and those special baby sounds I keep hearing are only memories.

It's time to get things back in order again.

The house is empty and quiet — and it's good. Good in the sense that we've had another wonderful holiday with our children home. Good in that after periods ranging from 5 to 15 days of intense togetherness, we parted not only speaking to one another, but still loving each other enough to hope we can do it again next year, if not before.

It's good in knowing that we've had this special time, but that our children, being independent, are safely back in their respective places.

Sometimes it's hard being a long-distance mom and grandma, but there are also advantages.

If our kids lived across

town, I wonder if we would have those times of intense togetherness. Maybe it's what some refer to as "quality time."

Would I cherish going for a walk with my son, or playing word games and singing with my daughter?

Would conversations with my daughter-in-law get beyond surface level?

Would the six of us ever get together to play Taboo or Pictionary?

Would I miss out completely on those soft, cuddly times when our grandson first wakes up in the morning? How often would I tuck him in at night if he lived down the street?

When you see family members only rarely, you're willing, even eager, to put other things on hold in order to spend time with them. That might not be true if it were commonplace.

Another advantage in being long distance relatives, of course, is the opportunity to visit them and enjoy experiences and places we otherwise would miss.

It's a bonus that both our son and daughter and their spouses live where the weather's more desirable than Michigan's, especially during the long, bleak period between the first of the year and spring.

If I had my druthers, maybe we'd live closer to our kids. But since we don't, we'll just continue trying to make whatever time we do have with them as special as possible.

Gerald Erard is deployed to Somalia

Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Gerald Erard, son of Milton C. Erard of Decker, recently deployed with Beachmaster Unit-One, Naval Amphibious Base Coronado, San Diego, to Somalia in support of the international relief effort, Operation Restore Hope.

Operation Restore Hope is a textbook example of the Navy and Marine Corps team exercising their traditional expeditionary roles. On short notice, naval expeditionary forces are poised to respond to crises in distant lands, from the sea.

Beachmaster units support amphibious operations by establishing landing zones on the beach, directing vehicles and personnel coming ashore from landing craft, as well as assisting vehicles and landing craft that become mired in the surf or shallows.

Erard joined the Navy in November 1975.

Sr. Citizens' Menu

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Jan. 11-13-15

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Wednesday - Vegetable Beef Soup, Cheese Sandwich, Tomato Salad, Tropical Fruit, Crackers.

Friday - Pot Roast with Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Cole Slaw, Whole Wheat Bread, Coconut Cake.

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The first step in helping the skin is to increase the humidity in the house. Use a vaporizer or humidifier. Lowering the temperature also helps — the more you heat, the more you dry the air.

A person should bathe less frequently and use a superfatted soap such as Basis, Dove, or Caress which helps replace oils and keep the skin moist.

Keri Lotion or Eucerin are other oils that can be added to the skin after a bath. If the oils are added to the bath water, they make the tub very slippery and dangerous. You should pat your skin dry after a bath or shower and then apply the bath oil.

Carmol and Nutraplus are lotions which draw water into the skin and help hold it there.

If the itching becomes too bad, antihistamines can be used. They are especially useful at night when itching always feels worse. Antihistamines may cause drowsiness which can help you sleep through the night. But drowsiness during the daytime can be troublesome. Cortisone creams will help if there is any inflammation of the skin, and help to moisturize the skin if they are in an ointment.

Using these products, either singly or in combination, will help stop the winter itch.

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Clerk

"If It Fitz...."**1992 in review**

By Jim Fitzgerald



In the tradition of not working hard this week, 1992 passes in review...

January: Calling me one of the area's most "recognizable local celebrities," the Detroit Auto Dealers Association invited me to sign autographs at the North American International Auto Show. The invitation was mailed to me at the Detroit News.

February: A cigarette-puffing reader wrote: "If in today's enlightened world we can find understanding and extenuation for the dope user, the prostitute, the corrupt public servant and the rap singer, surely we can allow a smidgen of commiseration to the poor soul who is victimizing himself with tars, nicotine and public odium." And I explained

that an odium is an arena that smells bad from wrestlers sweating and people smoking.

March: At a fancy restaurant, the valet parker delivered our car, giving Terrible Jean, my much older sister, an opportunity to demonstrate her commanding presence. "We'll sit 3 in front and 3 in back," she commanded. We all began shuffling around, attempting to do as ordered, but it was impossible because there were only 5 people in our party. To avoid crossing Terrible Jean, the valet parker volunteered to go home with us.

April: I wrote that my granddaughter strapped 2 Velcro baseball gloves to her feet and became stuck to a rug. A Velcro executive retorted that I should have attached an asterisk to Velcro and added a footnote saying Velcro is a registered trademark. Refusing to be too uncouth, I suggested the executive kiss my footnote, but not my asterisk.

May: Because I couldn't read the type on the video screen attached to my computer terminal, I paid \$250 for more powerful bifocals. Which enabled me to see that, due to office remodeling, there was a coat of dust on the screen. After I wiped it off, I didn't need the new glasses.

June: At a Hart Plaza circus, the announcer kept urging the crowd to thank Mayor Coleman Young for the free entertainment, and I couldn't resist commenting that any money required to subsidize plaza attractions came from taxpayers, not the mayor's overflowing campaign chest. It's annoying enough to see Young's name plastered on our buses, parks and construction projects. It's too much for our money to be spent on advertising His Highness to a captive audience in Hart Plaza.

July: At a clinic counter, my wife achieved the zenith of a lifetime of determined

spousal monitoring by correcting me as I read my own Social Security number from my own Social Security card. If I am ever suspected of a crime, she will give police my fingerprints.

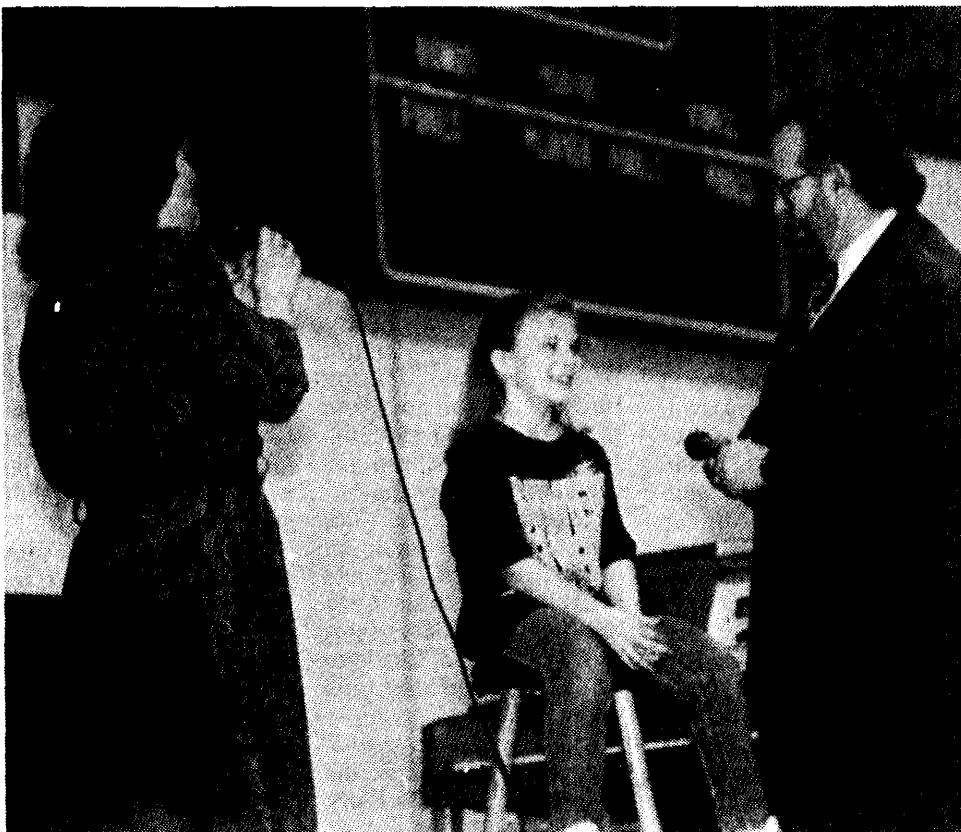
August: While walking downtown in my light blue cotton summer suit, I was reminded of how important it is to keep well-informed by watching television. A man drinking out of a paper bag hollered at me: "Hey, man, lookin' like Matlock." If I hadn't known Andy Griffith wears the same suit on the TV show, I would have felt confused all day.

September: General Motors admitted it loaned a Long Island car dealer \$6.25 billion to finance the purchase of thousands of vehicles that never existed. For 6 years, GM didn't notice this slight deviance from regular procedure. If it had, GM probably would have congratulated the dealer for devising a foolproof solution to the parking problem.

October: My granddaughter Emily's birthday party, scheduled for a public swimming pool, had to be canceled because of state health regulations and unexpected defecation. Now you know the precisely correct definition of a "party pooper."

November: Actress Suzanne Somers, obviously a medical expert, said the best way to get rid of pimples is to spread toothpaste on them. I'm too old for pimples, but now, to fight arthritis, I floss my joints.

December: The Department of Natural Resources said deer hunting was down this season because of cold, wet weather. "Many hunters we contacted last weekend said they slept in because the weather was so bad," one DNR biologist said. Another DNR biologist said the department "held a hunting season and nobody came." I added that nobody came because it was snowing and all the hunters went inside a nice warm, dry slaughterhouse to have fun killing.



GOSPEL SINGERS Les and Linda Green of Charlotte, N.C., invited Jennifer Montgomery, 8, of Cass City, to join them on stage for one of their numbers during the Cass City Laymen's Club's 26th New Year's Eve concert, held in the Cass City High School gym. The Greens, along with the Calvarymen Quartet and the Foster Family, sang to a crowd of several hundred people.

Starting Jan. 19**Slate 'brown bag' seminars**

Great Lakes Junior College will begin a program Jan. 19 called "Brown Bag Lunch Seminars" that will allow individuals to attend workshops during their lunch hour. The workshops will be held once a month from 11:50 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the library at the Bad Axe campus.

The first seminar is scheduled for Jan. 19. Everyone is welcome to attend this informative session on "Raising a Teenager in Today's World." Future workshops will include topics such as building your self-esteem, financial planning, making your own will, and planning your career.

These seminars are open and free to students and the community. Just bring a sack lunch. Call the college

so they will have room for everyone. Additional information is available by calling Rhonda at 269-9288.

Sheep breeders meeting set Jan. 14 in Sandusky

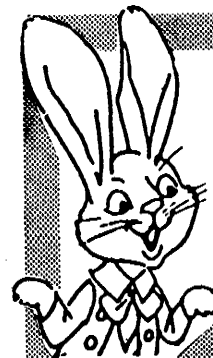
Dr. Michelle Kopcha, Veterinarian for Large Animal Clinical Services at Michigan State University, will visit with sheep producers and discuss general flock health Jan. 14.

She will focus on lambing tips, hypothermia in lambs, common sheep diseases and parasite control.

The presentation will be the highlight of the Thumb Sheep Breeders Association meeting. There will be an optional Dutch-treat dinner at 6:30 p.m., with the formal meeting at 7:30 p.m. The program will be held at the Westpark Inn in Sandusky.

All new sheep producers and enthusiasts are welcome to attend. There is no charge or pre-registration.

For more information, contact the MSU Extension Office in Bad Axe (517-269-9949) or Sandusky (313-648-2515).

**Rabbit Tracks**

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help.)

Small world department. The Bill Wallaces of Cass City spent New Year's in California and attended the Rose Bowl football game. While milling around in the crowds they met Ron Nurnberger, now a principal at Mason County Eastern Schools at Custer, Mich.

Nurnberger left the Cass City school system a year and a half ago after a long, distinguished career as coach.

If you don't like these rain splattered dank and dreary days, cheer up. The long range forecast is for a colder than normal January.

The Michigan Lottery is 20 years old and reached an all-time high in sales in its last fiscal year. In Tuscola County in 1991-92 a total of \$1,392 million was awarded in prizes. It's a success story unless you stop to consider that some of that money was siphoned from low income families. The \$5 billion given to the school system in the 20 years has done little to help the schools. The percentage of schools' expenses paid by the state has declined, not increased, while the lottery has operated.

It's all in the genes. Spotted at the Willow Tree Restaurant in West Branch Sunday were a couple both eating left-handed.

Taking a chance, I asked if any of their children were left-handed. You noticed that, they laughed. We have 3 grown children and 2 of them are left-handed and the third, ambidextrous.

Incidentally, we had a champagne brunch there. It was good with prime rib, stir fry, baked ham, sausage and sauerkraut, scrambled eggs, omelets made to order, juice, a variety of desserts and salads, milk and coffee. Total bill for 2, \$16.00 plus tax and tip.

The Weather

	High	Low	Precip.
Tuesday	40	36	.32"
Wednesday	47	43	.73"
Thursday	43	18	0
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Monday	52	30	.2"sn

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The stuff hit the fan the other day in the Kalkaska School District. Perhaps you read about it. Two millage attempts failed and the school was left with a \$1.5 million shortfall. Instead of cutting curriculum, the school board voted to close Mar. 31, about 2 months early.

Who's to blame? I'd guess that there's enough to go around for everyone. What's certain is that no one really was communicating, if, in fact they really tried.

Kalkaska, with 2,300 students, is slightly larger than the Cass City District. When the county board removed eight-tenths of a mill from the school, the total school tax dropped to 26.64, less than the 27 mills needed to qualify for state aid.

Someone can't be telling the story in Kalkaska. Cass City, for instance, raises 31.5 mills and our district raises less money per pupil than all but 12 of the 524 districts in Michigan.

Could it be that the taxpayers there are mad because the amount paid to the school was decreased but their taxes have not changed at all? Do they feel that the county board is trying to blackmail them into voting a school tax? I would, given the circumstances.

It appears that the board is taking a hard-nosed stance. The Detroit Free Press quoted Mel Cooke, a Kalkaska board member, as saying it cost the school \$53,000 a day to operate and \$6,000 a day if the school is shut down. No mention of the effect on the students.

Supt. Doyle Disbrow calls the rule that requires the district to raise a minimum of 27 mills to be eligible for state aid a carrot held out by the legislature to keep the schools from slashing millages.

He goes on to say that a 180-day school year with program cuts is more detrimental than a 140-day year with the full curriculum.

I part company there with the superintendent if that's the way he really feels. Challenging the state's method of paying school districts could enter into the decision.

If not, then it's hard to see how playing athletics, taking bus rides to school, and other similar activities can compare with the basic courses needed to further the kids' education.

The kicker in this whole affair is that the state will not allow the district to close early. It threatens to go to court, take over the district and run it in receivership.

So there appears to be blame enough to go around for everyone connected with the district.

The irony of the whole affair is that the kids were getting a good education at a cost less than the vast majority of districts in Michigan. Now everyone has their backs up and the kids are suffering.

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Huron County Bean Day slated Jan. 13

The Annual Huron County Bean Day will be held Jan. 13 at the K of C Hall, west of Bad Axe. The program will start at 10 a.m.

Among the speakers scheduled to participate in the program are: Greg Varner, research director for Dry Bean Research Advisory Board; Jim Byrum, executive secretary, Michigan Bean Commission, and Jack Sturm, Huron County Bean Commission representative.

Mark Uebersax, Food Science Department, Michigan State University, will review and discuss characteristics of various dry bean varieties. Canned samples will be available for growers to visually inspect following the presentation.

Other topics and speakers include white mold disease control by Pat Hart, plant pathology, MSU, and dry bean weed control by Harold Rouget, regional extension field crops agent.

A market update will also be provided during the program.

A second highlight of this year's program will be a discussion of GATT and NAFTA led by Dr. David Schweikhardt, Agricultural Economics Department, Michigan State University. He will present an update on the status of each trade agreement and review the impact on various Huron County crops.

The Huron County Bean Day is co-sponsored by the Huron County Bean Growers, Huron County elevators and MSU Extension Huron County.

A \$3 admission fee is charged to help cover meeting expenses. For more information, contact the MSU Extension - Huron County office in Bad Axe at (517) 269-9949.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ben Meske of Port Hope, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Maurer, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Moorman, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hagen, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Hagen and sons and a friend were Christmas Eve dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Hagen.

Jeff Roberts and a friend from Saginaw, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Drake and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Glaza were Christmas Day dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Roberts.

Kevin Sweeney of South Lyon spent from Thursday till Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Martin Sweeney.

Mr. and Mrs. Clem Heleski of Rochester, Minnie Pratt, and Mrs. Earl Schenk were Christmas Day dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. David Hacker, Don and Chris.

Christmas guests of Melvin and Charlotte Particka were Matt and Roxann Particka, Stephanie and Brad of Tipton, Mich., Ted and Michelle Particka and Greg Reed of Madison Heights. Other Christmas dinner guests were Felix Osentoski and Mary Beno.

Connie and Vicky Robinson of Warren, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Robinson and Gary of Cass City, Mr. and Mrs. Kevin O'Connor, Danny and Shane of Minden City, Mrs. Al Anthes of Arcadia, Fla., Kevin Franzel, Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Robinson, Tracy and Chris were Christmas Eve guests of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Robinson and daughters.

Christmas Day dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Doerr and Jeff were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Haas of Toledo, Ohio, Shigey Yokokawa of Bay City, Wendy Rickett, Cory and Caitlyn, Jamie Doerr and Courtney and Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Mr. and Mrs. David Dickens and family of Warren, Jeff Hallock, Janet and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Boland, Mr. and Mrs. John Walker and son John, and Agnes Kanaski and friend Jim were Christmas Day dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Walker.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Bartle and Tom of Cass City and Barb Salowitz were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Farrelly.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Walsh were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Evans Gibbard.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Ross and family of Arcadia spent from Friday till Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hewitt.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Hagen were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Meske at Port Hope.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hoxie, Beth, Rob and Ryan, and Emily, Justin and Matt Miller left Thursday to spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ackerman in Illinois and came home Monday.

Christmas weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Cleland were Mr. and Mrs. Marty Chockley of Algonac, Beth Cleland and Paul Wiese of Saginaw. Other Christmas guests were Ann McCartney of Bad Axe and Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Shawn and Jim Sandage of Rochester, Mike Farrelly of Detroit, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Bartle and Tom of Cass City and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Farrelly were Christmas Eve guests of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Farrelly.

Jason Baker and Tiffany Silver of Saginaw, Lindsay Silver of Vernon and Reva Silver were Sunday Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Silver in Bay City.

Mr. and Mrs. Evans Gibbard attended a graduation open house for Mrs. Michael

Otulakowski at St. Pancratius Catholic Church in Cass City Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. William Rees of Filion, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bredow, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hewitt were Christmas Eve guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jelinak for a luncheon and Christmas gift exchange.

After church services Christmas Eve, guests of Mary Beno were Ted and Michelle Particka and Greg Reed of Madison Heights and Melvin and Charlotte Particka. After dinner, gifts were exchanged.

Mrs. Al Anthes of Arcadia, Fla., spent a week at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Robinson and Gary, Mr. and Mrs. Kevin O'Connor and sons and Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Robinson, Tracy and Chris.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cleland Jr., Bob Cleland and Stacy Cleland and friend Jeff of Waterford, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cleland and family of Walld Lake, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Osentoski were Christmas Day dinner guests of Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming.

Mr. and Mrs. John Mergyl and family and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bukowski and family of Lake Orion were Friday overnight and Saturday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rumpitz.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Laming and family of Union Lake, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Horning and family, Sue Spencer and Corey and Walter Laming, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Laming and girls, Becky and Cheryl Laming, and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Laming and family were Christmas dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Laming and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Ross and family of Arcadia, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Karg and Jaimie and Randall Knowles of Canton, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Corbishley, Charles and Christopher and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bredow of Bad Axe were Christmas Day dinner and overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hewitt.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Sweeney and Kevin Sweeney were dinner and evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Brian Sweeney and family Christmas Eve.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Andersen Sr. of Westland were Sunday guests of Mrs. Earl Schenk.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hill, Adam and Andrea of Parisville and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Maurer were Christmas Day dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Greg Gordon and family.

Mrs. Ray Michalski was a Christmas Day dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Michalski and family at Deford.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Tittjung and girls of Sterling Heights, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bukowski and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Mergyl and family of Lake Orion, Mr. and Mrs. Don Kulish and family of Flushing, Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Grika, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Olshove and family and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Rumpitz and family were Christmas Day dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rumpitz.

Lindsay Silver of Vernon is spending 3 days with her grandmother, Reva Silver.

Mr. and Mrs. Evans Gibbard were Sunday evening guests of Stella Leszczynski.

Lois Cardenas and Mrs. Larry Konkel and Marney attended a bridal shower for Sara Hill at the home of Marcy Twist at Deckerville. Games were played and prizes given.

Mr. and Mrs. Don McKnight of Bad Axe were Wednesday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hewitt.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Hagen were among a group who attended a farewell potluck dinner for the Rev. Lydia Rapoport at Fraser Presbyterian Church. Rev. Rapoport is going to Hilton Head, S.C.

and Mrs. Randy Rutkowski and family, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Depcinski and family, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Depcinski and Ervin, Wilfred Depcinski and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Laming and family were Christmas Day dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Iseler and family at Port Hope.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sturgil and David of North Carolina, Mr. and Mrs. Marty Chockley of Algonac, Mrs. Jerry Cleland and Beth, Paul Wiese, Shigey Yokokawa, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Cleland, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Cleland and Karen, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cleland, Candian Nicki, Wendy Rickett, Cory and Caitlyn, Courtney Doerr, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Doerr and Jeff enjoyed a potluck supper and gift exchange at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Doug Cleland and family Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Farrelly were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Farrelly.

Reva Silver was a Wednesday afternoon guest of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Hind.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Hill and Sara and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Konkel, Marney and Lois Cardenas spent Wednesday in Saginaw.

Dean Kreh of Burton was a Monday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hewitt.

Alex Particka was a Sunday dinner guest of Melvin and Charlotte Particka and families.

Mrs. Clem Briolat of Cass City, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Leppke of Warren, Bradley Michalski of Bay City, Doug Michalski of Argyle, Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Robinson, Chris and Tracy and Kevin Franzel were Christmas Day dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Michalski.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sturgil and David of Fayetteville, N.C., were Wednesday supper and evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Salowitz and family were Christmas afternoon guests and Mr. and Mrs. Mark Farrelly, Grant, Heath and Lee were Christmas night guests of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Farrelly.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Gibbard and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Gedert and girls, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Taylor and Brian, Mr. and Mrs. Greg Moore and family, and Kim Gibbard were Christmas Eve dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Evans Gibbard.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Powers and Kent of Highland, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Karg and Jaimie, Randall Knowles of Canton, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Ross and family of Arcadia, Mich., Mrs. William Rees of Filion, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie

Corbishley, Charles and Christopher, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bredow were Sunday evening guests of Mr.

and Mrs. Jim Hewitt. Roger Bouck visited Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Jackson Thursday afternoon.

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Jan. 8	Lakers
Jan. 12	Ubyly
Jan. 15	Bad Axe
Jan. 19	USA
Jan. 22	Marlette
Jan. 29	Lakers
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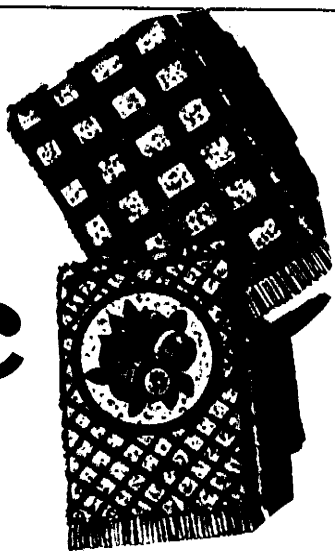
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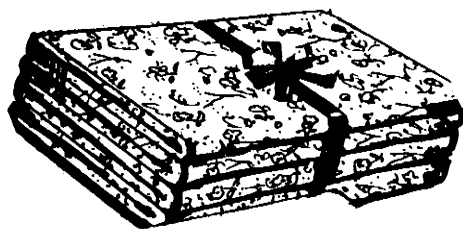
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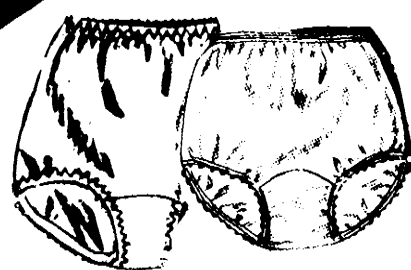


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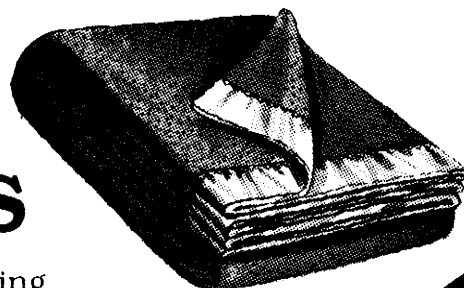
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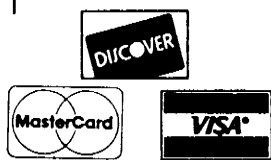
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640.
Men's High Game: M.
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212.
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Weltin 671 (234-217-220),
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Zawilinski 669 (234-244),
M. Lutz 663 (210-227-226),
J. Krol 631 (236), C. Com-
ment 628 (216), R. Kerkau
618 (228), Doug O'Dell 617
(222-216), T. Comment 607
(225), D. Miller 599 (219),
C. Bellew 596 (225), L.
Tracy 576, K. Koch 242, J.
McIntosh 223, E. Patch 222,
C. Repshinka 220, C. Zim-
merman 219, R. Rabideau
221, P. Brown 215.

High Team Series: Miller
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High Team Game: Cole
Carbide 1020.

High Team Series: Pizza
Villa 2278.
High Team Game: Pizza
Villa 811.

MERCHANTS' "A"
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Charmont Motel 23
Mathewson 17
Charmont 16
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New England Life 15
Kingston State Bank 15
Summers 14
Gilligan's 13
Kritzmans' 13
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CHARMONT LADIES
Dec. 29

Cass City Tire 18
Charmont 18
Live Wires 18
Elmwood What Knots 16
Thumb Nat'l Bank 16
Wild Johns 16
Cable-ettes 15
Board's 13
Smart Graphics 12
Deford Country Gro. 11
Pizza Villa 10

High Series & Games: G.
Robinson 697 (255-225-
217), D. Miller 681 (266-
212), M. Jackson 680 (258-
212-210), J. Milletics 643
(256), C. Anthes 620 (234-
212), W. Smith 614 (214-
213), L. Tomaszewski 614
(210-210), T. Comment 612
(210), J. Putnam 601 (240),
K. Beachy 574 (222), L.
Summers 574, C. Comment
572 (211), M. Lutz 568
(221), L. Spiekerman 568, J.
Storm Jr. 550, R. Diebel
217, M. Grifka 215, R. Ra-
bideau 211.

High Team Series: Char-
mont Motel 2774.
High Team Game: Bren-
twood 986.

MERCHANTS' "B"
Dec. 30

Micro EDM 7
Board Chrysler 7
Hyatt, Inc. 5
Charmont Motel 4
Mac Tools 3
Charmont 3
Gilligan's 2

CHARMONT LADIES

Live Wires 16
Cable-ettes 15
Cass City Tire 15
Charmont 15
Thumb Nat'l Bank 15
Elmwood What Knots 13
Wild Johns 12
Deford Country Gro. 11
Smart Graphics 11
Board's 10
Pizza Villa 10

High Series & Games: T.
Comment 708 (238-237-
233), M. Lutz 685 (235-234-
216), R. Rabideau 655 (229-
214-212), G. Riccardi 629
(227), C. Comment 612
(214), M. Weltin 600 (226),
B. Rutkowski 582 (235), R.
Kerkau 561, B. Fischer 559,
C. Russell 552.

High Team Series: Wild
Johns 3094.
High Team Game: Wild
Johns 1083.

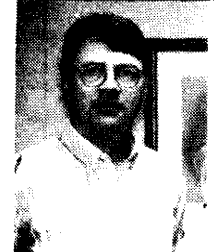
High Series: P. Corcoran
647, L. Comment 485, M.
Moore 486, S. Badder 476,
D. Sweeney 483, E. Romain
497, F. Witherspoon 473.

High Games: P. Corcoran
227-224, E. Romain 219, B.
Kilbourn 205, S. Badder
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Hoppe only Hawk tourney winner

Coach Don Markel's grapplers opened the new year with a disappointing showing Saturday at the Bad Axe Invitational.

The Hawks finished 5th in the 10-school meet, which was won, as expected, by the Blue Bay League leaders, Marlette Red Raiders.

The team totals were: Marlette - 168, Crosswell-Lexington - 144, Sandusky - 105, Vassar - 103, Cass City - 102, Flushing - 73, Bad Axe - 69, Brown City - 62, Memphis - 57, Marysville - 24.

The Hawk effort was led by Matt Hoppe, who captured the squad's only first place finish. Also earning points for Cass City were: Bob Davis - 4th; Jeff Mathewson - 4th, Domonick Vargo - 3rd, Ed Nizzola - 2nd, Tom Davis - 3rd, and Ken Dubay - 4th.

The Hawks' next match is slated for Thursday at Marlette. Saturday Markel's troops will travel to Sandusky to compete in an invitational tournament.



THE BUCKS stop here — Mike Otulakowski, Cass City, bagged probably the area's last deer of the 1992-93 deer hunting campaign. He arrowed this 7-point, 150-pound buck just before dark Friday, the last day of the season.

Plays basketball, not soccer

Lloyd finds Cass City friendly

Ask an American if they know anything about accents spoken in England and it's sure that if they know one it will be cockney spoken in London.

That's probably all changed now for many students at Cass City High School, who have gotten to know Richard Lloyd. Lloyd is a Rotary exchange student from Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire, England, and has been in Cass City since Aug. 9.

What the students at Cass City are hearing is English with a "Potteries" dialect. For midwestern ears it seems like a soft, rapid slurring English that at times is hard to understand.

Lloyd says, in turn, that to him everyone "talks down their nose" in the community.

Basketball fans are apt to learn much more about him as the boys' basketball season swings into action. Strangely enough, basketball is a number one sport with him even though the sport is a distant second to soccer in England. He

started playing when he was 12.

At home I play in a gym about a quarter of the size of

the one here and the walls are just a foot away from the baskets, he explained, and very few spectators come to

watch. But basketball is just now catching on and is growing.

Still, when England played Belgium for the title recently, only about 3 to 4,000 watched.

Lloyd played for the Birmingham Bullets in a league with players of all ages that represent various cities. The level is just below that played by the national team. How good is that? Lloyd places it a notch above the area high school teams. Our high school teams are not nearly as good, he added.

SCHOLARSHIP

Lloyd would like nothing better than to be noticed by a college in the United States that would be willing to give him a scholarship and enable him to get a degree in manufacturing technology. That's what a buddy of his did. Attended a high school in Ohio and was granted an athletic scholarship. That's one of the reasons that I applied for one of the Rotary grants, he explained.

If that doesn't work out, Lloyd will return home and attend a university, which he is qualified for. There is no cost to me, he said, and as much as I would like to attend a school in the states, I couldn't unless I get help.

To be eligible for college, he earned 5 "O-level" credits and then 2 "A level" credits.

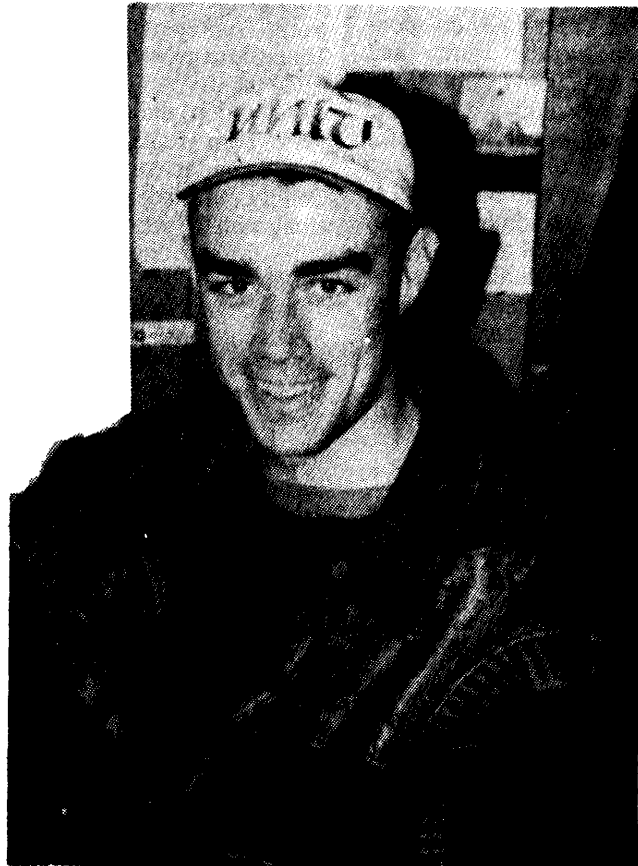
As for most exchange students, the English visitor has found much of the class work here is a review. School in England is harder,

he feels. That didn't surprise him and much of the rest of what he found here was about what he expected. Before he came to Cass City, he had visited and travelled over much of Europe and became exposed to various cultures.

One thing, he said, people are more hospitable here, more friendly. One reason for that may be because Cass City is a very small town compared to what he is used to.

Lloyd lives in a community of about 250,000 persons. His parents run a small hat selling business. He has a 19-year-old brother who is expected to come and visit before he returns home.

Before returning, though, the odds are great that he will experience large, enthusiastic crowds and play on big floors with no danger of banging into walls after a drive to the basket.



Richard Lloyd

CPS upsets O-G in tourney

Live by the sword, die by the sword.

Coach Brian Wright's cagers during the Tom Thumb tourney was the foul

line.

Although an 11-17 showing at the stripe helped Owen-Gage post a 51-42 win in the consolation game Monday against Caseville, freebies cost the 'Dogs an opening round victory against Carsonville-Port Sanilac Saturday, when they blew a 7-point lead and went down 56-52 at Port Hope.

The Bulldogs will try to return to their winning ways Friday when they host North Central Thumb League foe Akron-Fairgrove. Owen-Gage now stands at 3-2 on the year, but has yet to surrender in conference play.

In Monday's game Owen-Gage jumped out to an 18-12

advantage behind Brent Fritz's 10 first period points and were never headed. Fritz recorded game scoring honors with 17 markers.

A much improved Caseville team was led by center Ed Gaether's 12 points, but couldn't overcome a 1-12 effort from the foul line.

Also scoring in double figures for the losers were Sam Borsky and Kevin Gettle, who split 20 markers.

Joe Garza and Matt Mandich scored 12 and 10 points, respectively, for the winners, while Eric Susalla pitched in a team high 13 rebounds.

Against CPS, a 2-4 effort

down the stretch from the charity line prevented Owen-Gage from posting its second win over CPS this season.

Despite double digits from Mandich (19), Fritz (14) and

Garza (11) on Saturday, Owen-Gage couldn't surmount its foul woes or the hot hand of Scott Paterson, who notched 12 of his 16 tallies in the final quarter for CPS.

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Teams set to return to action

Cass City High School teams swing back into action this week as the basketball squad was scheduled to play twice at home and the volleyball squad will entertain Kingston Thursday.

Coach Jeff Hartel's cage squad will be seeking to prove that its upset loss to Bad Axe just prior to the holidays was a fluke and not indicative of the team's talent. They were to have played Marlette Tuesday and Lakers Friday.

The volleyball team has shown strength in early matches and should be favored against Kingston. A true test of the team's strength should come Saturday, Jan. 16, at Bad Axe in the Hatchet Invitational.

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Calendar of Events

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Friday, Jan. 8

College financial aid meeting, 9:30 a.m., Owen-Gage High School.
Lakers at Cass City in basketball. Freshman game starts at 5 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 9

The Y.M.C.A. Thumb Dance Club meets at 8:30 p.m. at Sandusky Maple Valley School.

Monday, Jan. 11

Cass City PTA meeting at 7 p.m. at the High School Library.
Lake Huron Chorus guest night, Bad Axe School Cafeteria, 8 p.m.
Elkland Township board meeting at township fire hall at 7 p.m.
Owen-Gage School board 7:30 p.m. at Owendale High School.

Tuesday, Jan. 12

American Association of University Women meeting at Jordan College, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 13

Duplicate Bridge, 7 p.m. at Charmont. Everyone welcome!
The 22nd Founder's Day Celebration Dinner of the Watrousville-Caro Area Historical Society will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall at 6:30 p.m. Reservations for the dinner must be made by Friday, Jan. 8 to L. Sayers, 673-4650.
Chamber of Commerce meeting at Hardee's, 7 a.m.
Huron County Bean Day, 10 a.m., K of C Hall, Bad Axe.

Corn production meet set Jan 21 at Colony House

The Colony House near Cass City will be the sight of a corn production meeting set for Jan. 21.
The program is co-sponsored by the Huron and Sanilac County Corn Growers associations and MSU Extension of Huron, Sanilac and Tuscola counties.
The program will begin at 10 a.m. and adjourn at 3 p.m. A variety of topics will be covered, including a discussion on the various growth stages of corn, and what the maturity ratings really mean, by Gary Brinkman, agronomist, Pioneer Hi-Breds.
Roger Swartzendruber, extension agricultural agent, and Beth Doran, extension livestock agent, will review corn utilization problems and concerns as they relate to feeding dairy and livestock.
A variety of fertilization-related topics, including nitrate-ammonium soil testing, mineralization rates, fertilizer application on reduced tillage and soil phosphorus movement, will be reviewed by Maury Vitosh, MSU Crop and Soil Sciences Department.
Doug Landis, MSU entomologist, will discuss herbicide - insecticide relationships and how they might affect corn production. He will also review the results from a state-wide corn rootworm survey that many Thumb area growers participated in.
In addition, the results of 1992 corn rootworm research conducted in Huron County will be presented along with the proper procedures for scouting for rootworms.
The program will be completed with presentations by Tim Harrigan, MSU tillage specialist, and Jeff Wherley, Yetter Manufacturing Co. They will review spring tillage options following a wet fall and how to utilize residue managers to prepare a better seedbed in high residue situations.
The cost for this program is \$10 per person. This will include a lunch and several bulletins and publications related to the topics being presented. Some seed corn company representatives will provide sponsorship for some of the publications and have displays at the Colony House.

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- Why Dietary Guidelines?

People who are interested in healthy weight reduction can benefit from this home study course. According to Barbara Neuman, Extension Home Economist, there will be a weight loss contest. Anyone enrolled in Eating Right & Light is eligible to participate. Participating in the contest is an option, not a requirement. The person losing the most weight will win a pedometer.

The cost of the Eating Right & Light home study course is \$15. To enroll, send your check for \$15 made payable to "MSU Extension - Huron County" to 104 county Building, Bad Axe, MI 48413. For more information, call 517-269-9949.

5 YEARS AGO

The first baby of the year was born at Hills and Dales Community Hospital at 12:51 a.m. Sunday. Matthew Arthur Terrill Jr., the son of Matthew and Louise Terrill of Reese, weighed 7 pounds. A host of prizes from Cass City merchants are waiting for the baby and his parents.

Betty Mahmoody, who has relatives in Cass City and was a captive of her husband in Iran for 18 months, will speak in Cass City Feb. 11 about how she and her daughter, Mahtob, 8, escaped from Iran. She has written a book about her ordeal titled "Not Without My Daughter."

The family of Lillian Otulakowski will honor her 90th

Cass City School menu

JAN. 11-15

Monday - Ravioli w/roll, peas, fruit, milk.

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Wednesday - Chef salad w/breadsticks, fruit, milk.

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Down Memory Lane

From the files of the Chronicle

10 YEARS AGO

A barn fire northwest of Kingston that started Friday evening took the Kingston Fire Department, aided by firemen from Cass City and Caro, approximately 19 hours to extinguish. The barn was owned by Gary and Cathy Somerville.
Katie Crane ended her 63-year career Friday. She had worked for several businesses in downtown Cass City during her career. Her last job was at Kritzman's Clothing Store, where she had worked for 21 years.
Cass City Floral's "Great Lady" award goes to Mrs. Phoebe Klunkman this week and she will receive the Great Lady Bouquet.
Rarer than snow in June was a grass fire Jan. 1, which was extinguished by Elkland Township firemen. It started when strong winds blew sparks from a trash barrel at a home on Beechwood Drive and spread all the way to Cemetery and Milligan Roads before it was extinguished. It took 80 minutes to extinguish.
The Village Council debate continues over erecting a memorial cross in the village park.

25 YEARS AGO

Increased rates for all classes of mail except parcel post and international mail will go into effect Monday, Postmaster Grant Glaspie reminded postal customers today. The new rates are 6 cents for first-class, 10 cents for air mail; 5 cents for post cards, and 8 cents for air mail post cards.
The most widely circulated column in Michigan will appear in the Chronicle beginning this week. It is "If It Fizz" written by Jim Fitzgerald, editor of the Lapeer County Press.
Keith Albert Czekai, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Czekai, was the first baby born in the new year at Cass City Hospital. He was the Czekais' fourth son.
The home of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Stadleberg on M-53, about 8 1/2 miles south of M-81, was completely gutted by fire recently.

Damage Controlman Fireman William F. Powell, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Powell of Cass City, is serving aboard the attack aircraft carrier in the Gulf of Tonkin off the coast of North Vietnam.

35 YEARS AGO

All but a few of the 1,000 boxes of candy packed for free distribution to area children by the Cass City Gavel Club were distributed Monday evening. It was one of the largest distributions made by the club.
Interest in Cass City's Christmas displays was as great this year as it has been in previous Christmas seasons, judging by the number of cars that passed over the counter at the Cass City Recreational Park. Through Monday morning, a total of 13,176 cars was counted.
Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Taylor and children left Christmas Day on a 3-week trip to California.
The engagement of Marjorie Ann Kelley and Richard James Hanby has been announced. No date has been set for the wedding.
Cass City Community Hospital will become a reality when \$19,000 has been raised by cash or pledges, M.B. Auten, treasurer, announced this week.
Bill Muller, county 4-H extension agent, announced this week that arrangements have been completed for organizing a 4-H club in Cass City this winter.

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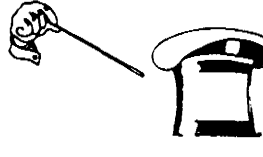
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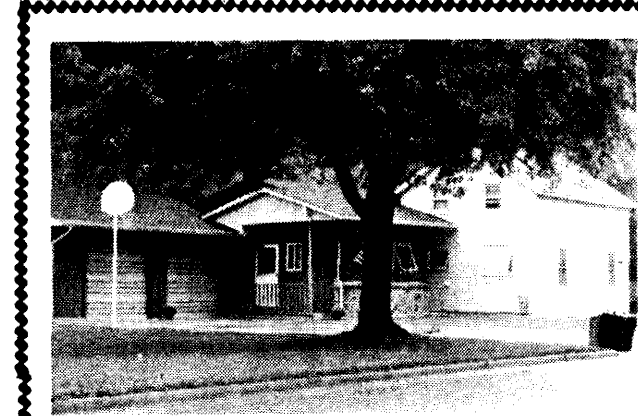
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Baby!

Former Chronicle New Year's babies now raising families, working, studying

Former area "New Year's" babies are busy doing everything from attending college classes to raising families of their own to running businesses.

Mothers and their newborns — the first baby born in Cass City each year — have been featured on the front page of the Chronicle for some 40 years now.

The tradition, started back in the early 1950s, has evolved into a welcome of sorts sponsored by local merchants, who annually shower the area new year's first baby with a host of gifts. Most of the newborns also get their picture in the paper.

The Chronicle recently tracked down a handful of former new year's babies in an effort to learn what they're doing now.

What follows are bits and pieces of what's become of 7 of those babies, all born in Cass City in the first week of January, 1953 through 1971.

•Ralph Lewis Retherford, born at 5:30 p.m. Jan. 3, 1953, at the old Cass City Hospital.

Retherford has remained a lifelong Cass City resident. He graduated from Cass City High School in 1971 and today is carrying on a tradition of business — Fort's Confectionery Store — started in the late 1920s

by his grandfather, Alfred Fort, and later continued by his parents, Philip and the late Betty (Fort) Retherford.

Ralph, who has been active in the community as a member of the Cass City Lions Club since 1978, says he can't remember a time when he didn't work at the store, located at 6468 Main St.

•Debra Kay Loomis, born at 6:54 p.m. Jan. 3, 1956, at the former Pleasant Home Hospital in Cass City.

The daughter of Anita and Don Loomis of Cass City, Debbie is a homemaker today in Kentland, Ind., where she and her husband, Henry Cooklin, are raising 3 children, Amy, 12, Aaron, 9, and Angela, 3.

Henry, also a former Cass City area resident, is employed as manager of 2 grain elevators for Demeter Inc., Goodland, Ind.

Debbie, a 1974 graduate of Cass City High School, is a former nurse aide, both at Hills and Dales General Hospital, Cass City, and in Indiana.

•Darrell Lee Fader, born at 12:15 a.m. Jan. 1, 1957, at Pleasant Home Hospital.

"That's where I spent New Year's Eve," recalled Fader's father, Jerold "Jerry" Fader of Caro, who said he remembers Pleasant Home Hospital and Dr. H.T. Donahue, who delivered Darrell along with hundreds of other babies over the years.

Today, Darrell resides in West Branch with his wife, Gloria, and the couple's 4 children. Darrell, a 1975 Caro High School graduate, is employed in sales at Central Michigan Lumber in Kawkawlin.

•Ronald James Guinther, born at 6:13 a.m. Jan. 3, 1966, at Pleasant Home Hospital.

Guinther, a 1984 Cass City High School graduate, is a former truck driver who now sells insurance through the

Aid Association for Lutherans in the Bad Axe area, where he resides with his wife, Trina.



Ronald Guinther

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Guinther of Cass City.

•Shelley Lynn Ellicott, born at 7:46 p.m. Jan. 4, 1967, at Cass City Hospital.

Shelley graduated from Owen-Gage High School in 1986 and has since worked with the handicapped at Birchview AIS/MR Ranch in Pigeon.

She and her husband, Paul Binder, reside in the Unionville area with their daughter, Tara Lynn, who was a New Year's baby 4 years ago. The couple are expecting their second child in early March.

Shelley is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Ellicott of Owendale.

•Keith Albert Czekai, born at 5:02 p.m. Jan. 1, 1968, at Cass City Hospital.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Czekai of Cass City, Keith resides in the Auburn area today and is currently in his senior year at Northwood University, where he's working towards a bachelor's degree in computer science.

A 1986 Cass City High School graduate, he also is employed in the computer center at Mid-Michigan Regional Center, Midland, and teaches computer classes through Bullock Creek Adult Education.

•Kelly Lynn Barrios, born at 8:52 p.m. Jan. 2, 1971, at Hills and Dales General Hospital, Cass City.

Today, Kelly is a dean's list student at the University of Michigan, where she's a senior majoring in business, with a concentration in accounting, and minoring in computer science. She is also employed at IBM, Flint, through a co-op program.

Aside from classes, Kelly is a former Miss Lapeer County (1991-92) and was recently crowned Miss Flint-Genesee County. She will make her second run for the title of Miss Michigan next summer.

Kelly is the daughter of David and Nancy Barrios of North Branch and the granddaughter of John and Mary Adamczyk of Kingston.

Aid program not offering much hope

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Putting livestock producers who need corn in touch with growers who could sell the grain as high moisture corn is the goal of the newly established Michigan Corn Information Exchange (MCIE).

The MCIE has a free listing of growers who have grain to sell, as well as the name of grain haulers who would like to deliver corn between farms.

Producers who would like to obtain a free copy of the list or to be placed or deleted from the list of corn sellers can do so by calling (517) 336-1555 or 1-800-968-3129.

Farmers with questions about federal disaster assistance and loan programs are urged to contact their county ASCS office.

In Tuscola County, call 673-8173; in Huron County, 269-9549, and in Sanilac County, (313) 648-2998.

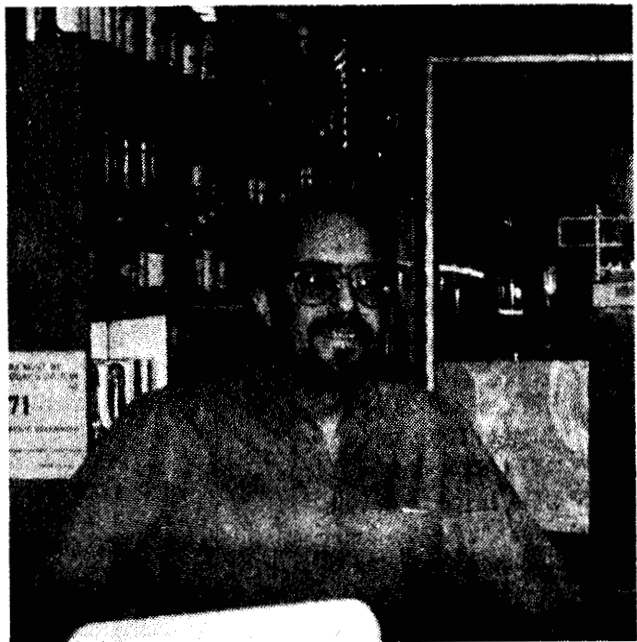


DARRELL Fader, the Chronicle's 1957 New Year's baby, is pictured above with his wife, Gloria, and the couple's children, (left to right) Ginger Yantz, 12, Emily, one, Richard Yantz, 14, and Vern, 3.



KELLY LYNN Barrios was the Chronicle's first baby of the new year in 1971. Today the University of Michigan honor student is preparing for a career and a second run at the Miss Michigan title.

DEBRA KAY Loomis, the Chronicle's New Year's baby in 1956, today lives in Kentland, Ind., with her husband, Henry Cooklin, and the couple's children (left to right) Amy, Angela and Aaron.



RALPH RETHERFORD is continuing a tradition of business in Cass City started by his grandfather, Alfred Fort, in the late 1920s. Retherford was the Chronicle's New Year's baby in 1953.

Kristy Wood of Deford

Teen's recovery dramatic

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ises. "The first 72 hours was real critical," Sally said. "They do everything they can to prevent brain damage."

The couple acknowledged it was a shock when they first saw all the tubes and equipment connected to their daughter. "It was scary, and it was scary for anyone that went to see her," Sally commented. "You realize how serious the situation is."

SLIGHT IMPROVEMENT

She recalled going in to see Kristy on the third day and being told there had been slight improvement. Her heart sank when the nurse explained that only meant Kristy had made it through another day without complications.

"Those first few days were just extremely difficult," she said, adding no one knew exactly how the head injury would affect her daughter.

Larry nodded in agreement. "They would just tell us we have to take one day at a time and see what happens."

After 10 days in the neuro-intensive care unit, Kristy opened her eyes and was able to follow simple commands. "At first she couldn't speak, and her face was really blank," Sally recalled, but "I felt pure joy that day."

Kristy was moved to progressive care 2 days later. During her stay at St. Mary's, she underwent several procedures, including a tracheotomy and surgery on her pelvis, which had been fractured in 5 different places.

As the days passed, the teen continued to improve. Her speech began to return, and she regained the ability to sit upright.

After 3 1/2 weeks, Kristy was transferred to Mary Free Bed Hospital and Rehabili-

tation Center in Grand Rapids, where she spent the next 2 months undergoing intense rehabilitation therapy. She was discharged Dec. 23, and Monday began outpatient rehabilitation in Midland, where she'll undergo therapy 5 days a week at first. The honor student plans to return to school for half-day sessions soon.

RECOVERY

Recovery has been slow but sure for Kristy, who has no memory of the accident. Her short-term memory was affected most, according to her mother, who said Kristy's long-term memory is improving.

Both she and her family stressed they received a lot of support over the past several weeks, and not just from skilled medical personnel. Kristy, alone, received 175 cards from family, friends and even strangers.

"She had a lot of people praying for her," Larry pointed out.

"The community support was just touching," Sally agreed.

Kristy seems to be getting back to her old self again, according to her father. "She's the same spunky gal," he said. "She wants to get right in and do everything again."

"She doesn't have the strength or flexibility or even the coordination" she had before, but she is improving physically, Sally noted. "She'll be able to be active, and we're hoping with her studies, that she will come back in that area, too."

"With a head injury, it just takes time, and that's the hard part," she added.

That isn't a complaint. "We feel really fortunate, not only because she survived the accident... but being there at Mary Free Bed, we saw that the outcome (could have) been different," Sally said.

OES to meet

The Order of the Eastern Star will hold a school of instruction Friday, Jan. 8. The regular Eastern Star meeting will be Jan. 13.

Bruce named to ASCS committee

Jesse Bruce, a well-known Tuscola County farmer in Kingston Township, was named to the county Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation committee by delegates to the county ASCS convention Wednesday, Dec. 16.

Arno Keinath of Millington Township was elected vice-chairperson and Lynn Schriber of Almer Township was elected as a regular member. These persons will serve for the coming year.

Walbro board member dies

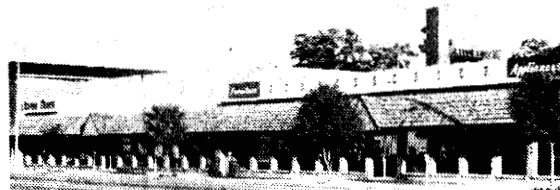
Warren E. Jones, a 32-year member of the board of directors of Walbro Corporation, died in Chicago Dec. 21.

Mr. Jones was associated with Walbro Corporation since its inception in 1950, and was elected to the board in 1960.

"Warren Jones contributed to the success of Walbro Corporation since its earliest days," said Walbro Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer L.E. Althaver.

Record year?

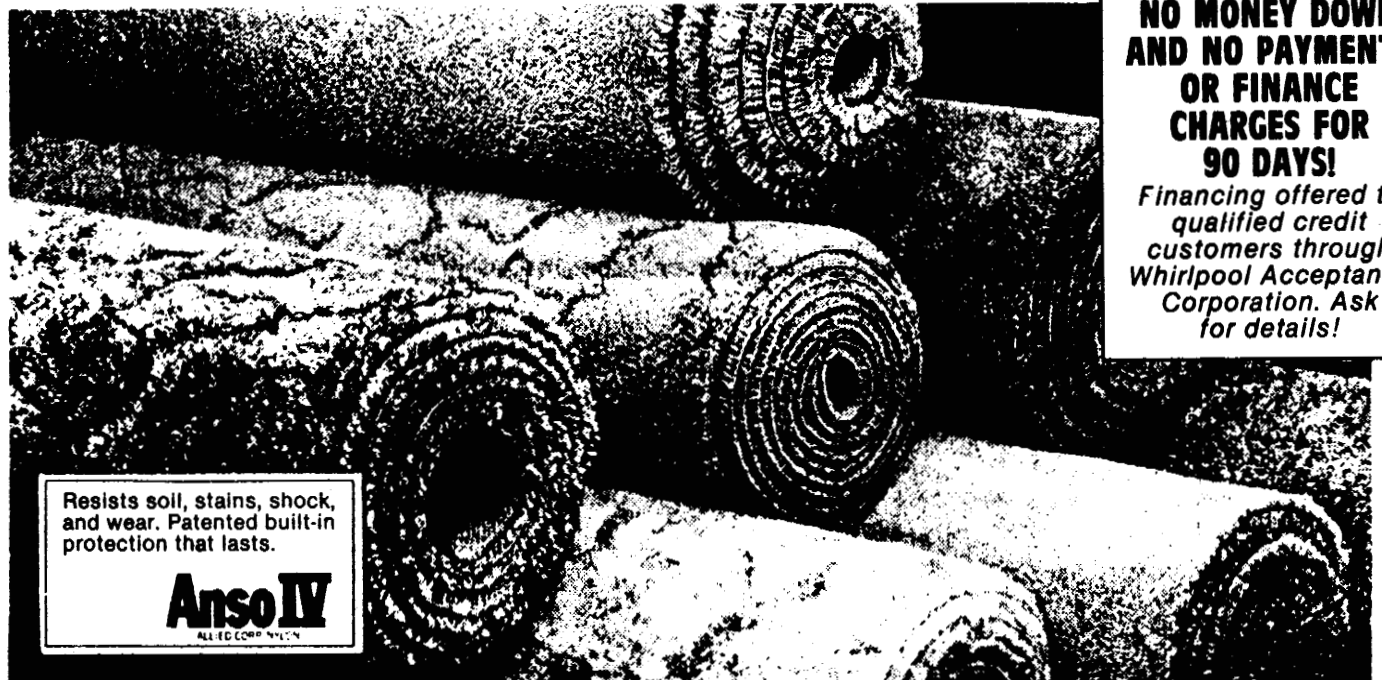
U.S. red meat and poultry farmers could set record production levels in 1993. Pork output will be up 3 percent, and broiler production will rise nearly 4 percent. But beef output will go up only one percent.



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