

Meredith Auten remembers



I think my home life as a child was quite unique.

There was a pipe with whistles on both ends running from the master bedroom to the kitchen below. If Mother wanted to talk to the maid, she blew through the pipe, which blew the whistle. The talking was perfectly plain.

Our maid was paid \$2.50 a week and we had some good ones.

The maid never ate with the family. There was a button on the floor which Mother would press if she wanted the maid to clear the table for another course.

Father was an inveterate worker, frequently arising at 4 a.m. Breakfast was quite a meal, buckwheat pancakes and syrup, or cornmeal gems, or johnny-cake, or oatmeal gems. Oatmeal was also served.

Dinner at night was quite formal. Mother always had some interesting conversa-

Parsell heads Sanilac board

Stuart Parsell of Lexington was elected chairman of the Sanilac County Board of Commissioners last Wednesday.

Commissioners elected Donald Albrecht of Carsonville as their first vice-chairman and Donald Decker of Deckerville as second vice-chairman.

The vote electing Parsell was unanimous. He takes over from 1979 board chairman Harold Hobson of Sandusky.

Change in Social Security

The Social Security tax rate will stay at 6.13 percent for 1980 but there will be an increase in the earnings base, according to Susan Ludwig, Social Security field representative in Saginaw.

The earnings base is the maximum amount of annual earnings subject to the Social Security tax. The base will be \$25,900 in 1980, compared to \$22,900 for 1979.

Workers who earn less than \$22,900 will pay no more tax in 1980 than they did in 1979. Those who have earnings of \$25,900 or more in 1980 will pay an additional \$183.90 in Social Security taxes.

The maximum 1980 Social Security tax will be \$1,587.67 for workers with annual earnings of \$25,900 or more. The maximum tax for 1979 is \$1,403.77.

The tax rate for self-employed people will stay at 8.1 percent for 1980. Ms. Ludwig said, but the higher earnings base will mean a bigger tax bill for those with earnings of more than \$22,900.

Schluckebier heads Farm Bureau drive

LeRoy Schluckebier of rural Frankenmuth, has been named chairperson of the Tuscola County Farm Bureau's 1980 membership campaign by Margaret Boyne, president of Tuscola County Farm Bureau.

Under the leadership of Schluckebier, volunteer farm leaders will aim at a goal of 2,318 member families, Tuscola county's portion of the Michigan Farm Bureau state goal of 65,940 family memberships.

Assault center sets meeting

The Tuscola County Assault Crisis Center will hold its next meeting Tuesday, Jan. 15, in the basement of the Tuscola County Advertiser, State Street, Caro, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Training sessions for volunteers will be planned, as well as future fund-raising activities.

For further information, call 673-7688.

Don't find fault -- until you first find a workable remedy.

Big Brothers/Big Sisters

Having trouble expressing her feelings, this 13-year-old needs a Big Sister who is a good listener. She comes from a family of four and lives in Caro. This child enjoys swimming, shopping and sports.

An energetic 15-year-old from Unionville would like a

TEN YEARS AGO

John Ballard, Cara Prieskorn, Ken Hampshire, Roger Horak, Louis Papp, Greg Hampshire, Charles Tuckey and Joanne Eskilsen were selected to compete in a WNEM-TV Science Quiz program.

First baby of 1970 finally arrived Jan. 13 at Hills and Dales General Hospital. The proud parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Reed Jr., have named him Jeffrey Lynn.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Hagar and Mrs. William Simmons returned home from Panama City, Fla., after spending the holidays with Mrs. Hagar's son, Don A. Simmons, and family.

District Judge Richard F. Kern has upheld Novesta township's junk control ordinance in a case involving outside storage of junked cars.

The Cass City School Board, in discussing finances for 1970-71, is pondering whether a millage increase will be needed. The district presently levies 14 mills for operations.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

At the annual meeting of the Holstein Breeder's Association, Grover Laurie was elected president for 1955. Maynard McConkey will serve as vice-president and Foster Hickey as secretary-treasurer.

George Roblin was honored with a party celebrating his 91st birthday, at the home of Kenneth

Down Memory Lane

FROM THE FILES OF THE CHRONICLE

FIVE YEARS AGO

Billy Costin, Cass City, construction supervisor for General Telephone, recently completed the company's labor relations course at Norton Shores.

Rick Gould, 15, of Cass City, enjoys writing songs and hopes to publish a song called "Loser." He also writes poems.

General Telephone announced it will close its S. Seeger Street office because of the limited number of people using it.

Jim Fritz returned Dec. 27 from South America where he spent two months in Paraguay and Peru. He is now back at Michigan State University.

The Tuscola county unemployment rate in November, the latest month for which statistics are available, was 9.2 percent, compared to 7.2 percent in November, 1973.

Churchill.

Douglas Gingrich and Stuart Little, both of Cass City, were among 38 boys who received medals at a Boy Scout court of honor in Saginaw for completing a Lincoln Trails hike last summer.

Some prices from local markets are cod, haddock or perch, 29 cents a pound; ground beef, three pounds for \$1; boneless beef stew meat, 59 cents a pound; mild cheese, 49 cents a pound; frozen raspberries, 12 oz. package, 43 cents.

THIRTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hull of Novesta township announce the engagement of their daughter, Ina June Gaylord, to Corp. Raymond C. Hall,

son of Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Hall of Pontiac.

Forty friends and neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. William Patch of Evergreen helped them celebrate their silver wedding anniversary with a party at the Patch home.

The residence of Dr. P.A. Schenck on S. Seeger Street has been sold to Mrs. Ernest Hutchinson of Caro who plans to use it for a convalescent home.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Butler announce the engagement of their daughter, Elizabeth to Pvt. Dane Guisbert, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Guisbert, of Cass City.

Cass City men scheduled for induction are William Burns, Claud Wright, Harold Hulbert, Alex Tyo, Charles Walmsley and Ferris Rush-10.

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