PEDALING AROUND Nobody is perfect

By Mike Eliasohn

This seems to be a time for dwelling on our mistakes -that is, those of the Chronicle and other newspapers (See last week's and this week's letters to the editor.) Hopefully, newspapers' errors are of the type that

laugh about later. The worst mistake I remember making (hopefully, there haven't been worse ones I have forgotten about) was when I worked for the

Three Rivers Commercial.

one can either forget or

It was a story about a school board setting its millage rates. In computing the total, I added the operating millage and the debt levy millage and then mistakenly added the allocated operating millage, (9 mills), which was already included with the extra voted millage for the total operating levy. I thus ended up reporting the grand total as being 9 mills higher than it actually was, something like 36 mills instead of the actual 27.

What made the situation somewhat amusing was that the other daily in the county and a weekly "borrowed" my story, so they also published the wrong amount. The Commercial printed a correction. I don't know what the others did.

Also in Three Rivers, I once did a preview story about an upcoming public Learing in one of the area townships about a controversial issue. The lead of my story was something like: "Tuesday will be a public hearing..." But when I wrote the headline, I said the public hearing would be on a Monday.

It's only on small newspapers, by the way, that geporters get the opportun-'y (sometimes) to write heads for their own stories. On larger newspapers, editors do the headline writing (and maybe on real big papers, they have persons who only write headlines). In the rush of getting the

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paper out, it happens that on occasion the editor writes a headline that says something opposite from what the story says. Editors usually don't have time to read the whole story, so write the head after reading only the

first few paragraphs. One of the great goofs at the Three Rivers Commercial was done by someone other than myself. It was on the social page, on which there were two photographs, both the same size. One was of a couple celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary and the other was of a couple who had just been wed.

As you can no doubt guess, the pictures got in the wrong place -- the wedding photo with the anniversary story and vice-versa.

What made the situation so embarrassing was that the new bride in the photo was one of our staff reporters -- and the fellow who actually put the photo negatives in the wrong holes on the page negative had been wedding (as a to the spectator).

The mistake was noticed as soon as the first papers about 30 feet away, and yelled, "Stop the presses!" normally only in Hollywood which happens movies about the newspaper

business. The presses were stopped and the photo negatives put in their proper places, which is more complicated than it sounds. A correction, with the photos in their proper places, was run the next day for the benefit of persons who received early editions. As for the reaction of our

reporter -- well, she actually wasn't our reporter any longer as she had quit to move to another state with her new husband.

Hopefully, they have all three versions (the wrong one, the right one and the correction) in their wedding scrap book and can laugh about it now

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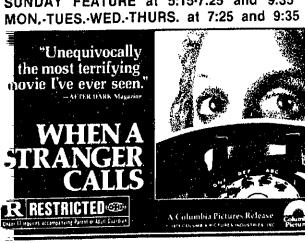
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FIVE GENERATIONS TIMES TWO-There were two sets of five generations at a Christmas gathering at the home of Edward and Margie Schwartz, 4234 Seeger Street. Left photo: standing next to Edward Schwartz is his daughter Peggy Schwartz, whose son, Jason, 4, is being held by Josephine Schwartz of Gagetown, Edward's mother. Seated next to Josephine is her mother, Cecilia Lenda, 92, of Caro. Right photo: standing next to Edward is son John Schwartz of Deford, whose son, Jeffery, 3 months, is held by Josephine Schwartz.

Cow and gasoline among as soon as the first papers came off the press and our society editor immediately ran to the pressroom, only

Theft of a 212-year-old Holstein cow from his barn was reported to Caro state police Jan. 8 by Francis DeLong of Englehart Road, Cass City.

DeLong said the heifer was stolen the night of Jan. 2-3 and was worth \$1,500.

gasoline was removed from a 15,000 gallon storage tank in Ubly between Dec. 28 and Jan. 2, according to police in that village.

The tank belongs to S.T. & H. Oil Co. of Bad Axe. The loss was discovered by an employee, Raymond J. O'Henley, who found a pipe coupler next to the valve on the tank loose. Further investigation found about 900 fewer gallons of gasoline in the tank than there should have been.

nesday morning, Jan.9.

Marie Viau of 2809 English Road told deputies two windows were broken out in the front of her house prior to 7:30 a.m. Damage was estimated at \$25.

James S. O'Brien Jr. of Silvernail Road reported eight tires on two vehicles parked outside his home were punctured. The damage was done prior to 6:30 a.m. The tires were worth a total of \$440, but

were believed repairable. What was originally reported to be an assault with a knife in Gagetown turned out to be something less, but still serious. The incident took place at 11:12

Village police officer Bill Sovey said two juveniles who had been drinking got in a fight and one knocked the other to the ground. The youth landed on some broken glass and suffered a

severe cut, which reportedly required 40 stitches to mend. He was treated at Hills and Dales General Hospital.

About \$900 worth of

freezing.

Sheriff's deputies believe two acts of vandalism committed in Kingston township the night of Jan. 8-9 may been have committed by the same person or persons as identical tire tracks were discovered at the scene of both incidents. Both were reported Wed-

p.m. Friday.

The fight stemmed from a party that got out of hand, Sovey indicated. Saturday morning he was called to the Lincoln Street residence where it was held to investigate some fuses being loosened, which caused the furnace to go out, which resulted in some pipes

Saturday night in Gagetown, a person at a residence overdosed on a combination of alcohol and pills, according to the officer. The victim was taken to Hills and Dales and was kept overnight.

Cathryn Marie Anker of 5242 N. Cedar Run Road. Cass City, reported to sheriff's deputies last Thursday that the battery, worth \$60, combination AM-FM radio and 8-track tape player, \$180, and two stereo speakers, value unlisted, were stolen from her car sometime from Jan.

The car had been in an accident and was parked at Elbers Ford Sales in Reese when the theft occurred.

John Misico of Pike Street, Ubly, recently reported to village police there that 20 white pine and spruce trees on his property had been cut down or damaged. They were worth \$300.

Lawrence Rutkowski told Ubly police various tools worth a total of \$110 were stolen from his pickup while parked outside his residence on Weaver Street.

Cass City police arrested Timothy G. Phillips, 74, of 4533 West Street, at 2:35 a.m. Sunday on a charge of driving under the influence of liquor. His car was stopped on Main Street near the railroad tracks.

He was taken to the county jail in Caro and released later that day on bond pending appearance in district court.

Richard Shaft of William-



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ston reported to Cass City 4-by-8-foot sheets of plywood police Sunday morning that the magnetic mount citizens band radio antenna was 11:30 a.m.-noon outside Cass stolen from his car during City Auto Supply. The the night while it was parked behind Bigelow's Hardware. \$20.

It was worth \$40. village police Sunday afternoon that the CB antenna was stolen from his bus, parked by the intermediate school since late Friday afternoon, Loss was put at \$25.

Ricky Hartwick of Bay City-Forestville Road relast Thursday that five he's going.

were taken from his pickup while it was parked from plywood was worth a total of

Theft of a Cass City school bus containing five or six record driver Henry Ciesielski told albums from his mailbox was reported to the sheriff's department last Wednesday afternoon by Mike Armbruster of 5859 Bevens Rd., Kingston. The records were worth \$30.

The world makes way for ported to Cass City police the man who knows where

The weather

	High	Low	Precip.
Wednesday	20	17	02
Thursday	43	2	0 .
Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday Monday	50	0,	1 .
Saturday	22	2	08
Sunday	38	19	0
Monday	40	20	0
Tuesday	38	25	0
Tuesday(Recorded at Cas	s City wastewa	ter treatme	nt plant.)

*(Snow recorded as melted water · 10 in. snow = 1 in. water);

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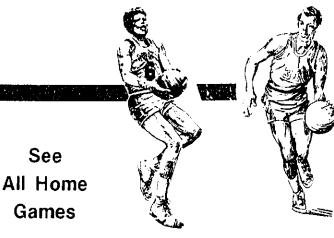
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