Condemnation opens way

for Stoney Creek drain

special commissioners.

Deckerville

Work along the Decker-ville Road portion of the east of Hoadley Road. The Stoney Creek Drain project in Evergreen township got underway last Thursday, following awarding of a settlement in a condemnation proceeding the previous

day. Work was able to begin after a three-member board of special commissioners awarded \$10,002 total settlement for the three parcels needed along Deckerville for the drain project.

The board, appointed by Sanilac County Probate Judge George Benko, accepted the appraisal submitted by a private appraiser hired by the three property owners involved.

The condemnation hear-Keyes upheld his contention ing was necessary after that the drains only had to be Sanilac Circuit Judge Allen a minimum of 16½ feet from E. Keyes ruled in November the road, as required by in a suit filed by the Sanilac state law. The Road Commission had wanted all County Road Commission that in clearing the drain, it drains when running paralhad to be set back 26 feet along Deckerville for about feet.

Germania Road paving ahead?

Continued from page one

doing the repaving, the firm could also blacktop some of the unpaved roads at less cost than if a contractor had to come in just to do the dirt roads.

The meeting last Wednesday was also supposed to cover a possible program to begin rebuilding some of the county's dilapidated bridges, but that subject wasn't discussed.

The unspoken consensus, those contacted by the Chronicle agreed, was that the unpaved roads for which there are contracts for blacktopping should get paved before tackling the bridge problem.

The man who finds himn and out soon finds

cost is still within that amount. setback distance is from the

However, the legal costs road centerline to the top of because of the court suit and the slope closest to the road. the \$10,002 condemnation Needed for the added setcost are in addition to that, back was taking of 12.1 acres and Armstead must decide of land. The three property whether to spread those owners refused to sign an costs against property owneasement, which necessiers along the drain, towntated the condemnation ships, state highway departhearing before the board of ment or county-at-large (all of whom receive the regular Its accepting of the apassessment), some of the praisal enabled contractor four or all of them. Gordon Johnson of Rich-

mond and his crew to start assessment won't appear on work the next day along tax bills until December of this year. Armstead said he Other than that portion, Drain Commissioner Stuart Armstead was the winner in spread the added costs. the Road Commission's suit.

complaint

Keyes' ruling, except for the Deckerville Road portion. The total project consists of cleaning, deepening and some straightening of approximately eight miles of the drain and its branches, mostly in Evergreen, but partly in Lamotte township.

All of the drain cleaning is completed north of Decker-

ville Road and about twothirds of it south of there. Leveling of dirt, clearing away of brush, seeding of banks and cutting across roads where new culverts are needed will probably wait until spring.

If the mild weather holds, work will continue through the winter. If so, according to the contractor, the entire project may be done in May or June.

Johnson was the successful low bidder for the project in June, 1978, and the project would have long since been completed had it not been for the Road Commission suit

Armstead had based his drain assessments on the \$187,000 bid price plus con-

Since the third and final

still has several months in which to decide how to **Board** files labor union

lel to the road set back 26 Work started right after Continued from page one Natural Resources will pay the other 50 percent through

a federal grant. The request was made by the Tuscola County Firemen's Association and Kros-

wek A new workers' compensation policy, previously approved, was signed with Corporate Service, Inc. The county will have to pay any claims up to \$100,000, but the 1980 premium will be \$29,425, compared to \$141,000 in 1979 under the old completely insured policy.

The county Community Mental Health Services agency renewed an old request to have the county provide the money to buy the materials for construction of a new PATCH House, to be constructed by county build-

*ing trades students. The home is for children suffering mental, emotional or behavioral problems. A liken and legislative leaders facility is presently being have left no doubt that

rented. monumental tasks await the The request is now under executive and legislative branches of government as onsideration by the board's the 1980 Legislature con-



CASS CITY CHRONICLE-THURSDAY, JANUARY 24, 1980

DIGGING OUT -- Work got underway along the **Deckerville Road portion of the Stoney Creek Drain project** last Thursday, which had awaited settlement of condemnation proceedings. Behind the controls of the machine cleaning out the only portion of the drain that is already the required 26 feet back from the road is the contractor, Gordon Johnson of Richmond.

Michigan Mirror

Governor William G. Mil-

Governor pledges

no new taxes

vened By Warren M. Hoyt Mich, Press Association

Milliken, in his annual state-of-the-state address, declared it was good but put forth a long list of priority items for 1980.

The governor declared early in his address he would be proposing no new taxes

Announce winter community ed. classes

Psychology is being taugh by Jerry Pasquantonio, sec retarial refresher-by-Judy The Cass City Public Schools Department of Community Education is offering its winter program of enrichment, recreational and high school completion classes. Registration began Jan. 14.

Enrichment classes begin the week of Feb. 4. Adult high school completion classes begin next week. Community Education Director Kathleen O'Donnell

said the second year of adult high school completion shows a substantial increase in enrollment with a projected graduating class in 1980 of about 16 students. Classes the second se-

mester will be psychology, career education, contemporary issues, U.S. history, American government, communication skills, secretarial refresher, typing, woodworking, basic English and biology.

The winter enrichment program is open to youth age 16 and adults with several offerings for youngsters such as Socc'er To Me taught by veteran soccer coach Jim McIntyre and Disco for Kids offered by Sally Porritt. The community education

office is offering numerous "joint ventures" with local business and agencies. Schneeberger's will be offer-ing a free series of micro-wave cooking classes. Police Chief Wilson will present a mini-session on everyday self-defense for women Wednesday, Feb. 20, free. Jane Mitchell, RN, from Hills and Dales General Hospital will present two

free workshops, cardiopul-monary resuscitation (heart

saver) starting Thursday,

Feb. 28, and a 3-week basic

life support class starting

March 6. John Haire of the

Cass City Chronicle will join

Prior to the governor's WKYO-WIDL Radio in pre-

with Jim McCloskey of

skills by Susan Shaw and typing by Cheryl Kilbourn. A class on Polish language and culture is being offered cooperatively with Sagınaw Valley State College's Insti tute of Polish Studies. Instructor for this non-credit class is Mark Witczak. Hypnotherapist Jame Hoke will present a series of four clinics to help people

communication

Brown,

stop smoking, lose weight, build up their self-confidence or overcome an inability to relax and control their emotions.

Registration for the winter program continues through Jan. 28 for high school completion and through Feb. 8 for enrichment classes.

Community Education Office hours are 8 a.m.-9 p m, Monday through Thursday, and 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Fridays Call 872-4151.

Driver cited after local accident

Douglas R. McArthur, 18, | of 6733 E. Main Street, was ticketed by Cass City police on a charge of failure to stop within an assured clear distance after a 9:35 pm accident Saturday.

Officers reported Mc² Arthur ran into the rear of a vehicle driven by Kenneth A. Nicol, 20, of 7314 Deckerville Road, Deford, westbound on Main Street, who had stopped for a car in front of him which was turning left onto Leach Street.

Elva May Freeman, 69, of 4916 State Street, Gagetown, was westbound on Bay City-Forestville Road, two miles

ungency of signify more his friends are up and away. than 10 percent. The project finance committee.



for 1980. He said in order to avoid any tax hikes, more than ever, government must adjust programs and activities to live within restricted limits as each resident of the state must live within personal limits.

The list presented to members of the legislature by the governor cited more then 350 specific administrative or legislative steps the governor deems as necessary this vear. THE STATE'S ON.

hudget, the governor said he would propose some reduction and even elimination of programs while proposing substantial increases in funding for the "vulnerable populations." including those persons in the mental health system.

He said his budget would more than triple the funding for mental health community placement programs, adding \$42 million to aid the developmentally disabled and mentally ill.

Milliken said his budget also would include a special \$40 million program for so-called distressed cities and the start of a \$300 million program of matching grants to local governments for solid waste management programs over the next five years.

Declaring that business cannot stand more years of added cost of doing business, Milliken said the current workers' compensation system must be reformed to increase benefits to deserving persons while protecting business and industry from abuse and fraud.

THE GOVERNOR ALSO said he would establish a special organized crime commission to implement a statewide strategy to prevent and control organized

THEY CAN

Senate Majority Leader William Faust outlined their legislative priorities for the 1980 session. Those priorities were not

as an energy source.

unlike the governor's.

crime, call for legislation to

reform the state's horse

racing industry and sponsor

a conference to search for

ways to effectively use the

renewable forest products

Crim predicted an economic recession will prove a major challenge to the Legislature during 1980. He added, that despite falling revenues and a drain on state services, the state should not raise taxes in an effort to make up the revenue shortfalls.

THE SPEAKER SAID the Legislature must put on the November ballot a tax shift proposal, shifting taxes from residential property to an increase in the sales and use tax.

Crim reiterated that solving the workers compensation reform problem will be his number one non-budget priority for 1980.

Other items listed cleaning up toxic dump sites, beginning to improve correction facilities and increasing funding of state pension programs.

Faust, meanwhile, listed Wayne county reorganization, Blue Cross-Blue Shield Community teachers comreform and racial steering ing from out of the area prohibitions in real estate include Cindy Blair, adult ballet: Donald Hockentransactions among his top berry, beginning bagpiping; legislative priorities.

of energy resources.

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He also called for enact-Linda Forbes, dried flower ment of a Department of and barnwood, and the Energy to centralize in a Bruessows teaching polka single department the redancing. sponsiblity of administering All of the academic the procurement, distribu- classes taught in the high tion and equitable handling school completion program

annual message, House senting "Writing The News Speaker Bobby Crim and Release." Marian Keating Release.'' Marian Keating of Sunnyside of the Street and Tom Sutter of Konrad's Bakery will offer classes in beginning needlepoint and cake decorating respective-

Sally Porritt will host three "disco" classes and Rev. Harry Capps will present a workshop on effective communication. The Clelands will return with a class in chair caning, Janet Linsmier with dog obedience, and Teresa Moore with conversational Spanish. Cindy

Atkins will teach creative crewel, Don Finkbeiner will teach how to build a muzzleloader rifle and Dan Dertiny will teach architectura! drawing. Tore Nilsen will teach cross country skiing and Mrs. Guza will teach the Native American art of

beadwork. A bench warrant has been issued for the arrest of Jeff Cass City teachers will be: Bob Gengler, Introduction to Auvil, 21, who failed to appear last Wednesday for Photography, Joe Guza, yoga; Mike Gogola, adthe start of a scheduled trial vanced men's and women's on charges of entry without golf; Karen Wallace, waterbreaking with intent to comcolor painting; Laura Seimit larceny and receiving bert, aerobic dance, and Ronand concealing stolen prop-Lomasney, carpentry and erty over \$100. woodworking.

Both charges are in connection with the June 27 or/ 28, 1979, break-in of the Quaker Maid Dairy Store in Cass City.

The warrant was issued at 4 the prosecutor's request by Circuit Judge Joslyn.

Auvil has had Cass City and Snover addresses in the past year. As of early Wednesday, he was still at large, according to the sherare open to the public. iff's department,



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east of M-53 in Sanılac county, at 5 p.m. last Wednesday when a deer ran into the driver's side door of her car. The deer got up and ran off. Tuscola county deputies investigated, apparently as their car was the nearest of any police unit At 8:15 p.m. Saturday, according to deputies, Richard Greer, 22, of Troy, was westbound on Bevens Road, west of Clothier Road, when his car collided with a deer Issue bench warrant for Jeff Auvil



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