

Your Neighbor says

Federal budget should be balanced

The House of Representatives and Senate in Washington have each passed their own version of a balanced budget for the 1980-81 fiscal year that starts Oct. 1.

Hessel Venema thinks it is about time. "I think we should balance the budget. That's what I have to do at home. Try to, anyway." Limiting the federal government to spending no more than it takes in, he continued, means "maybe they'll have to spend a little less. Maybe we've overspent ourselves."

As for where the government should cut back, Venema couldn't say, other than that reductions shouldn't be made in defense spending.

He had no doubts that there is room in the federal budget for cutbacks, that if individuals can reduce their spending, so can the government. "If I spent \$1,000 on gasoline last year, I have to drive a little less (this year)," he commented.

Venema also feels reductions could be made in state

and local government budgets. The difficulty, he said, is that people "have too many wants."

A dairy farmer, Venema milks 65 cows on his Phillips Road, Deford, farm. He and his wife Ruth have five children. Stuart married Brenda Little Saturday. Maryke attends Calvin College. At home are Stanley, Martin and Robert.



AROUND THE FARM Forage Expo

By William Bortel

"Ag Expo '80 - Forage," a statewide event open to the general public, will be held July 22-23 at Michigan State University.

It is sponsored by the MSU College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, MSU Cooperative Extension Service, and the MSU Department of Agricultural Engineering.

Expo will operate on more than 150 acres at MSU, 80 of which will be used for harvesting and variety plot demonstrations and 30 set aside for exhibits, the remainder for parking.

Activities begin at 9 a.m. each day, with plot tours, sod seeding demonstrations and visitations to commercial exhibits. Plot tours will feature 28 varieties of alfalfa, along with birdsfoot trefoil and crown vetch, in order that farmers can make comparisons of variety vigor and potential yield per acre.

Field demonstrations will run from 1-4 p.m. daily. Featured will be operations for mowing and conditioning of hay, baling (conventional, large package), chopping, and operations of related hay handling equipment.

Along with the more than 200 commercial exhibitors

will be special "tent clinics." These will feature a hay judging clinic, in which producers can bring samples of hay for analysis, exhibits of plants that are toxic to animals, and a large series of displays showing types of insects that are damaging to alfalfa stands.

There will be a variety of energy conservation demonstrations and exhibits including the MSU gasohol still, solar water heating units and wind generating electrical displays.

Tours of the MSU horse, dairy and beef barns will be available throughout both days of Expo.

Fiddlers at Port Hope Saturday

The Original Michigan Fiddlers Association is sponsoring a fiddlers' jamboree and old-time square dance Saturday in Port Hope.

To be held at the AmVet Hall, 1 mile south on M-25, the jamboree will get underway at 1:30 p.m. The dance will start at 7 p.m.

Fiddlers from all over the state will take turns throughout the afternoon, playing favorite tunes. In the evening, all musicians will provide music for old-fashioned square dancing. Anyone who plays a fiddle or other non-electrified musical instrument is invited to bring it and play along. Callers and dancers are also welcome.

"We want to meet old-time style musicians and callers, to help provide an opportunity for them to learn new tunes from other musicians who play the same style of music," notes Lois Bettsworth, secretary of OMF.A. "There is no admission charge to our events, be-

cause we want as many people as possible to attend and enjoy themselves."

The Original Michigan Fiddlers Association was

founded in 1976, and has over 750 members, all musicians. Hall rental, printing of posters, and other expenses are defrayed through donations.

Cynthia A. Cherniawski now Navy officer

Navy Ensign Cynthia A. Cherniawski, daughter of Alex Cherniawski Sr. of 1756 Deckerville Road, Caro, and Laura B. Cherniawski of 2002 English Road, Deford, has been commissioned in her present rank upon graduation from Officer Candidate School.

OCS, located at the Naval Education and Training Center, Newport, R.I., is designed to prepare students to assume the duties and responsibilities of commissioned officers.

During the 19-week

course, candidates studied the principles of leadership, manpower management techniques, navigation and communications. They also studied Navy history, traditions and missions, structure and organization of naval commands, military courtesy, uniform regulations, seamanship, and the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

A 1974 graduate of Kingston High School and a 1979 graduate of Michigan State University with a bachelor of arts degree, she joined the Navy last October.

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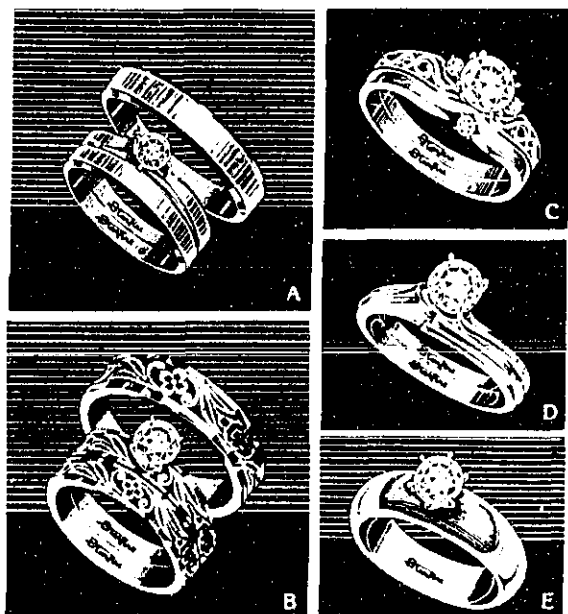
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Galbraith graduates from CMU

Donald Galbraith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Little of Cass City, graduated Saturday from Central Michigan University with a bachelor of science degree.



Donald Galbraith

An elementary education major, he did his practice teaching at Coulter and Fuerbringer schools in Saginaw and is now seeking a teaching position.

He is a 1974 graduate of Cass City High School.

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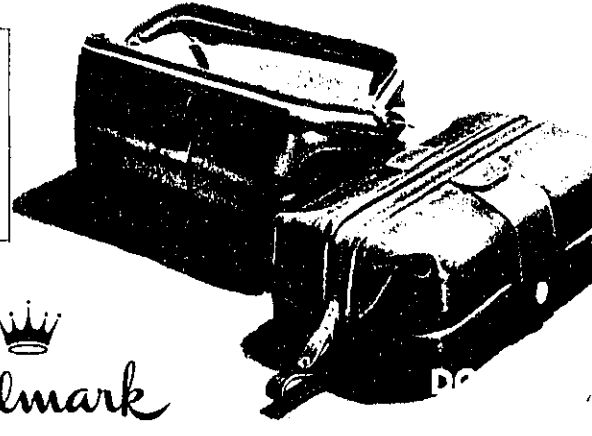
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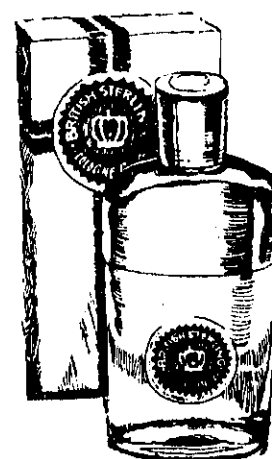


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