

Snow, fog cause of numerous accidents during past week

Three persons were injured in an early Sunday accident in Ellington township.

Injured were Shelia I. Sockow, 19, of Caro, the driver, reported in good condition Tuesday afternoon at St. Luke's Hospital in Saginaw, and her passengers, Earl A. Sockow, 40, no address listed on the accident report, was reported in serious condition there, and Rodney L. Diener, 40, of Akron, was treated and released from Caro Community Hospital.

Caro state police reported their auto was northbound on Hurds Corner Road. The driver failed to see that the road ended at Gilford Road, crossed Gilford and ran into an embankment on the north side.

Ms. Sockow was cited on a charge of violation of the basic speed law. The accident took place at 1:30 a.m.

Michael R. Gaszcynski, 23, of 441 Ale Street, was treated and released from Hills and Dales General Hospital after a mishap at 7:12 p.m. Sunday.

Cass City police said he was riding his bicycle eastbound on Main Street and rode into the side of a car, northbound on Oak, which was turning left onto Main.

Driver of the car was Frederick John Tuckey, 16, of 4353 Koepfgen Road, who told officers he looked both ways before turning.

M-46, headed west, and collided with the westbound vehicle of Kevin J. Richter, 17, of 6611 E. Sanilac Road, Kingston.

The drivers told officers they couldn't see each other because of blowing snow.

At 3:45 p.m. that day, according to deputies, Beverly Ann Lieder, 47, of Elkton, was northbound on Cemetery Road at Merchant Road.

She attempted to stop when she saw the taillights of the car in front of her come on, but was unable to do so and slid into the car, driven by Janice Kay Betson, 25, of Sebawaing.

Ms. Betson had stopped because the driver in front of her, who was unidentified, had stopped on the roadway to clear his windows.

A passenger in the Liedke car, Kim Carr, 25, of Elkton, sought her own treatment for injuries.

Joseph W. Kaplaniak, 50, of Caro, sought his own treatment after an 8:30 p.m. accident Saturday.

He told deputies he was southbound on Colwood Road, north of Cass City Road, lost sight of the road edge in the heavy fog, went off the east side of the road into a ditch.

He was given a ticket charging him with failure to report a property damage accident.

OTHER ACCIDENTS

At 4 p.m. Dec. 2, Cass City police reported, Ronald G. Cody, 22, of 4375 Doerr Road, was eastbound on Milligan Road, east of Cedar Run Road, and ran into an unknown vehicle stalled in the snow.

At 11:30 a.m. Dec. 2, Tuscola deputies reported,

Charity Ann Corolan, 19, of 4180 Cemetery Road, Kingston, was northbound on E. Dayton Road, north of Riley Road.

She lost control of her car on the slippery surface on a curve and slid off the west side of the road. The car rolled over onto its top in a ditch.

At 4 p.m. last Wednesday, according to deputies, Linda L. Edwards, 31, of 4804 Center Street, Gagetown, was northbound on Dodge Road, south of Milligan, couldn't stop in time on the icy surface, and slid into a vehicle backing from a driveway.

The other driver, Dailey Parrish, 36, of 4868 Dodge, told officers when he saw the car wouldn't be able to stop, he tried to pull ahead, but couldn't get traction in time because the driveway was icy.

At 6:45 p.m. that day, deputies said, Carl G. Gibbard, 21, of Bad Axe, was northbound on Colwood Road, north of Dickerson Road, lost control on ice, and slid into the east side ditch.

John A. Fladzinski, 28, of 2133 S. Van Dyke Road, Bad Axe, was ticketed by Caro state police on a charge of failure to yield after a 1:10 p.m. accident last Thursday.

He was eastbound on Lanway Road, he told troopers, and couldn't stop in time at Cemetery Road because of the icy road surface. With a southbound car approaching, he attempted to speed up, but his car hit the left side of the other auto.

Driver of the other car was Theodore W. Thayer, 35, of 6510 Kelly Road, Cass City.

At 7:35 a.m. last Thursday, according to deputies, the car of Michael M. Sa-

gash, 25, of Caro, was westbound on Cooklin Road, and the car of Robert C. Smith, 56, of Caro, was eastbound.

The roadway was narrow due to snow along both edges and the vehicles collided in passing each other. The mishap took place east of Hurds Corner Road.

Caro state police reported that at 2:35 a.m. Friday, Julie Larkin, 21, of 3140 E. Deckerville Road, Cass City, was northbound on Hurds Corner, south of Tin Bill Road.

She told officers she lost control of her car when forced off the road by an oncoming car. Her auto went off the west side and struck a tree.

At 5:15 p.m. Saturday, according to Cass City police, Jeanne M. Auten, 53, of 4647 N. Seeger Street, was pulling away from a parking place on the south side of Main Street, east of Maple, and ran into the right side of an eastbound car.

The other driver involved was Paul D. Freiburger, 26, of 5770 Greenland Road.

Alan L. King, 24, of 2350 Clothier Road, Deford, was ticketed by Caro state police on a charge of not having a taillight or slow moving vehicle sign on his tractor after a mishap at 10 p.m. Saturday.

Troopers said Susan Bezemek, 28, of 5541 W. Snover Road, Decker, was eastbound on Bevans Road and swerved to the left to go around King's tractor, but her car struck the left outside tire of the tractor.

CAR-DEER

Peggy McConnell, 32, of 2977 Dodge Road, Cass City, was eastbound on Decker-ville Road last Wednesday

night, east of Colwood Road, when her car struck a deer.

At 10:25 p.m. Saturday, Willard M. Thane, 19, of 5937 McComb Street, Deford, was headed southeast on E. Dayton Road, southeast of Albin Road, when his car collided with a deer.

Joan D. Merchant, 51, of 5449 N. Cemetery Road, Cass City, was northbound on Greenland Road, north of Reed Road, when her car struck a deer.

Sheriff's deputies investigated all three mishaps.

Morley rejects job with village

Willard Morley, hired by the Cass City village council Dec. 1 as wastewater treatment plant superintendent, has decided not to accept the position, according to village Supt. Lou LaPonsie.

Morley will remain at Gladstone in the Upper Peninsula, where he holds a similar position.

The No. 2 choice and the only other person to be interviewed, Rick Mohr, 25, of Saginaw, has been now of-

fered the job and has accepted, LaPonsie said. He will start Jan. 5.

Mohr has seven years' experience in sewage treatment and is presently employed at the Saginaw treatment plant. He has a class B operator's license and a D-1 water treatment license. The reconstructed sewage plant, now Class C, will be Class B when completed.

Mohr is married with two children. He will receive

\$21,000 a year. His appointment will have to be confirmed by village council at its Dec. 29 meeting.

Be extra cautious when carrying bulky, heavy awkward loads. Use sturdy step-stool, step-ladder or ladder for climbing not a chair or other makeshift.



DARK DAY -- It was so dark Sunday, buildings like these on Spence Road didn't start emerging from the fog until after noon.

New horse race law ok'd

The Legislature has completed action on legislation to reform the state's horse racing laws, designed to clear the air of any questionable activities surrounding the sport in Michigan.

By revising and recodifying the horse racing laws, the Legislature made sub-

stantive changes in the powers and duties of the racing commissioner, the issuance and revocation of racing licenses, track security, use

of drugs in connection with racing, allocation of racing revenues, taxes on racing meets and penalties.

The measure requires licensing of nearly all persons involved in racing.

Licenses would be prohibited for any person convicted of a felony within six years or a misdemeanor within two years of the application if the conviction was related to the person's ability and likelihood to serve the public in a fair, honest and open manner.

Track security could be beefed-up by order of the racing commission if it is determined security is necessary.

Allocations to local units of governments from racing revenues must be used to cover security in track areas and not just around the track and during non-racing meets.

To promote breeding and raising of thoroughbreds in Michigan, allocations to thoroughbred racing associations would be increased from 10 to 16 percent during the first year and would eventually reach 20 percent.

Harness race purses would be raised to a maximum of \$40,000 to attract big events to the state. Harness revenues would pay no more than 75 percent of the purses at fairs and special races at fairs and special races at licensed tracks.

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SCOTT HOBART, a Cass City Future Farmers of America member, won a Michigan Sugar Co. premier grower award, based on record keeping and yield for one acre of sugar beets he grew. Prize was a calculator and free banquet with other premier growers.

Gain less

An article in last week's Chronicle about the Novesta Township Board meeting said the township gained 393 residents in the 1980 census. The correct gain was 240, from 1,098 residents counted in 1970 to 1,338 this year.