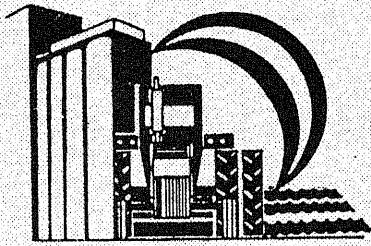


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**CASEVILLE PERCH FESTIVAL
 STARTS NEXT WEEK IN THE THUMB**

**Laker millage hike
 loses, 1312 "No"
 to 1182 "Yes"**

SEE DETAILS ON PAGE 3

Dresslers were married in 1917...

70 years of married love for Herb & Martha

By RICH
 SWARTZENDRUBER

"The marriage of Martha Volz and Herbert Dressler, popular young people of Sebewaing, was solemnized at Emanuel Lutheran Church Monday afternoon by Rev. C.J. Umbach. The bride's attendants were Lorena Volz and Edna Gruehn, with Aaron Schlemmer and Otto Volz attending the bridegroom."

That modest little notice published in The Sebewaing Blade in 1917 took on special significance last Sunday, when the Dresslers celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary with family and friends at Scheurer Hospital's Long Term care unit in Pigeon, where they both now reside.

The couple was married April 9, 1917. Herb also just celebrated his 94th birthday last Wednesday on April 1.

Martha was born Oct. 24, 1894. Their family included three children Ruth Roemer and Victor Dressler of Sebewaing and Harold Dressler who passed away in 1983. They also have nine grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.



THE SECRET? "God must have helped us," says Herb about the couple's formula for staying together 70 years.

"(Martha) was a very good cook too," he adds.

MANY CHANGES: Many changes have been observed by Dresslers in their near century-long lives.

Following the wedding, a

meal and celebration at the home of Martha's parents lasted until midnight.

There was no honeymoon trip to Niagara Falls (or anywhere else for that matter), the couple says.

"In the morning we got up and went to work (on the farm)," Herb remembers.

SAY WHAT? Communication is important to any cou-

ple, but the Dresslers' situation is different than most today.

They conversed in German for many years and still speak to each other in that foreign tongue to this day.

"I was confirmed when I was 13 and I didn't speak a word of English," recalls Herb. At that time, services at Emanuel Lutheran were all conducted in German, as was the Dresslers' wedding ceremony.

Another difference is noted in the specialized farms of today, which stand in contrast to the rural life the Dresslers knew.

Herb says many different types of animals were raised on the farm, including many geese and ducks and even a few peacocks.

He also remembers when electricity was hooked up at the farm and a toilet was installed in the house.

The 10 acres of sugar beets grown on the Dressler farm were carefully worked by hand.

"We thinned beets on our knees," he remembers.

Corn was also planted

carefully and slowly. Herb marked his corn field with a one-horse field marker, first and south, then crossed the field east and west. He then walked the field with a hand planter, dropping corn seed at every intersection.

FAMILY RECALLED: Herb is the son of Mr. and Mrs.

Robert (Hulda) Dressler, and had one brother Lendon, now deceased.

Martha's parents Mr. and Mrs. Gottlob (Louise) Volz, had a family of four daughters and five sons, of which Martha and one sister and one brother survive.

Farvers, Rathjes have 100-year farms!

Two Western Thumb Area farms are among 33 certified this week as Centennial Farms, as announced by Michigan Secretary of State Richard Austin.

Clifford Farver owns the first farm, located at 2664 N. Farver Road, Elkton. The Farver farm has been in that family since Aug. 1, 1883.

Alvin Rathje owns the second farm, located at 170 Brown Road, Pigeon. It has been in the Rathje family since March 13, 1887.

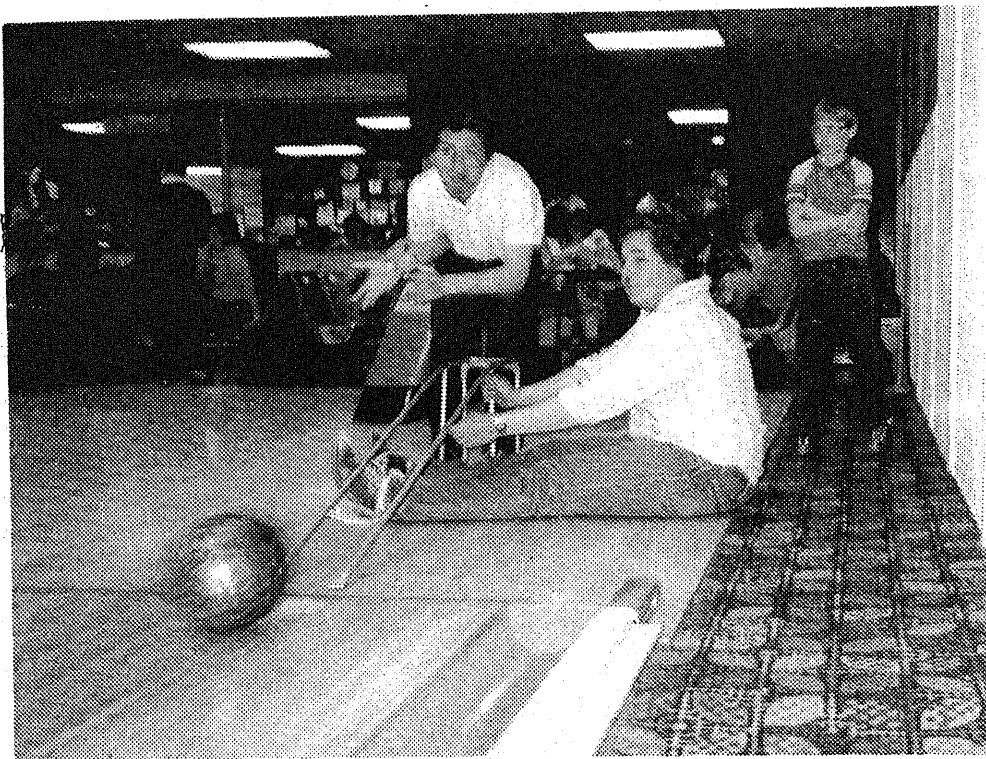
"We have placed more than 5500 farms in our program since it began in 1948," Austin says. "We are most pleased to recognize the

Farver and Rathje families for their commitment for over a century to Michigan agriculture."

A Centennial Farm is 10 or more acres of farm land owned by the same family for at least 100 years. Owners receive a Centennial Farm Certificate from the Department of State's Bureau of History and a marker for display at the farm.

Detroit Edison and Consumers Power Company provide the farm markers. For a Centennial Farms application, contact the Department of State's Bureau of History, Lansing, 48918, or call 373-0510.

Parents, handicapped children have a (bowling) good time!



A SECOND FOR TOM! - Tom Deming of Bay Port won second place honors, in four weeks of bowling at Sebewaing Lanes by nine local handicapped children and their parents.

Awards were bestowed on the bowling achievers by Family Support Rep. Dean Dorman, on the final bowling outing Sunday, March 22. A luncheon was served to the children and their families.



BOWLERS PICTURED, include from left, Brooke Robinson, Jim Law; second row, Carl Vobbe, Krissy Leitch, Tina Robinson, Dean Dorman, Bruce Brady, David, Tim Baur, Tom Deming.

COMMUNITY CAMERA PHOTOS

INSIDE: The snow storm of '47. Now THAT was really a storm!

SEE PAGE 12
 INSIDE FOR DETAILS!

As we see it editorially

Is Dr. Mudd's quest completed?

You have to give a great deal of credit to Dr. Richard D. Mudd of Saginaw, grandson of one of America's most famous medical doctors. Dr. Samuel A. Mudd was the country physician who set the leg bone 27-year-old actor John Wilkes Booth fractured after jumping from box seats to the stage of the Ford's Theater in Washington, D.C., on Good Friday, April 14, 1865.

Well, the grandson -- Dr. Richard Mudd -- is 87 years old and he's been working nearly 50 of those years to clear the name of his grandfather. And, maybe he has indeed reached his goal.

You see, Booth had fatally wounded President Abraham Lincoln with a single gunshot to the head only minutes earlier. As he escaped, he broke his leg and literally limped to the nearest doctor he could find, who happened to be Dr. Samuel Mudd.

Dr. Mudd had casually known Booth prior to the assassination, but he was in no way involved in the murder or any cover-up. Dr. Richard Mudd reasons. No telephone or radio wires carried the message of the murder, and Dr. Mudd only performed his job of helping an injured person.

That act nearly cost Dr. Samuel Mudd his life.

In the fervor to overcome Lincoln's tragic

death, a military commission found Dr. Samuel Mudd guilty of conspiracy -- and sentenced the 32-year-old doctor to life imprisonment in a Florida prison. Luckily, President Andrew Johnson commuted his sentence after four years, when Samuel Mudd's fellow prisoners petitioned for his release after he helped control a yellow fever outbreak at the prison.

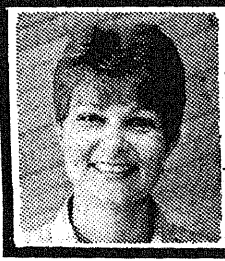
But, Dr. Richard Mudd explains, his grandfather has never been PARDONED from all wrong-doing in the matter. And that's been the essence of Dr. Mudd's fight since the mid-1930s. President Jimmy Carter perhaps came the closest, writing Dr. Richard Mudd a letter in 1979 saying he believes Samuel Mudd was unjustly accused and imprisoned -- even though President Carter did not have the authority to grant a pardon of a military commission's verdict.

And, seven states -- including Michigan -- have passed resolutions backing Dr. Samuel Mudd's innocence.

That presidential admission is good enough for today's Dr. Mudd. He has given most of the family files and handmade furniture made in prison by his grandfather to the U.S. Department of Interior's efforts to make a new museum in his grandfather's former home in Maryland.

In the meantime, some of the Mudd collection will be shown to the public at Saginaw's Castle Building, 500 N. Federal, from April 15 on.

Even though his family is involved, you have to admire Dr. Richard Mudd's persistence. In his attempt to keep the family name clean, he's shown an element of American fabric which has made this land what it was in 1865 and continues to be in 1987...



From Under The Willow
Putting in the seed

By WANDA EICHLER

"How Love burns through the Putting in the Seed," writes the poet Robert Frost. How the fuel and midnight oil will burn this spring as planting time begins in the Thumb. Fall's soggy reminders -- here a bean field that is now rubble, there a rotten sugar beet patch -- are few and far between. Many fields met with late fall and winter plowing or will shortly be turned over. Flocks of swirling seagulls, flashing white as they soar and catch the sun, will mark in the air the sure and steady rows that the farmer plows into the land.

Some will feel spring in a different way! There is that crazy desire to clean the garage or fix up the boat or get out the canoe or start grubbing around in the garden. Like the farmer, the town dweller has that love of spring burning, although its expression is more likely to result in neatly trimmed lawns, freshly painted houses and a newly planted garden.

The poet says we are slaves "to a springtime passion for the earth," and I suppose that he is right. Spring and fall both bring for me a restlessness that I don't have at other times of the year. The fall restlessness I associate with going to school for 17 years and then teaching for three years. Come late August, the call of the classroom beckons and I even have days when I feel guilty shopping during school hours -- almost like I'm playing hooky from where I'm supposed to be!

Springtime restlessness is a different package, though. It is tied to the land, the earth, the creation. The reawakening of shrubs and bulbs, the maple sap rising, the yellowing of a willow from afar off, the arrival of lambs, new growth on the winter-dry rose canes, the smell of the earth as it is being turned -- these are all a part of spring's package that tantalizes and calls and cajoles and teases.

Since farmers must feel that pull strongest of any in our society, I am wondering about, even hurting for, the farm families who will not be planting this year. Something deep inside says that this will be a very difficult year for them.

Oh, I know that in many cases people needed to get out of farming. I understand all the economic factors involved. You can only hang on so long running in the red, only so long before the jobs in town clearly support the farm, and then a decision has to be made.

And I understand that lots of people have found other employment and are now beginning the process of making their way back into the economic health that they lost through dedication to farming.

I understand all that. But something still tells me that when one has planted every spring for a lifetime, that first spring of not tilling the soil, of not pulling a plow, of not overseeing the lambing or the calving or the milking, of not hauling seed home from the elevator, that could be a rough time. Something in me sees the auction notices hanging like obituaries in the lobbies of banks and hallways of restaurants and peppering newspapers with signs of endings.

"How Love burns through the Putting in the Seed." How land calls to us! How spring pulls on us! How much understanding and compassion are we called upon to show and share with those who leave the land this spring!



Pete Progress says:

"Once, parents tried to bring up their children. Now, they try to KEEP up with them!"

Letters to the Editor Policy:

We welcome your letters to the editor, on subjects of general interest to Progress-Advance readers and local residents. All letters should be received by 5 p.m. Friday for consideration to be published in the following Wednesday's issue.

Submission grants the right to reasonably edit or condense such letters, while maintaining the direction, style and purpose of the writer's intention.

We will not publish copies of letters sent to other newspapers, nor do we publish photo-copies of such letters. Please include an address and phone number for verification.

Thank you!

Retired USAF Officer supports Caseville Airport Issue

TO THE EDITOR:

I would like to commend you on the fine editorial about the proposed Caseville Airport. Both sides can be faulted in their beliefs and support.

That is why these things are better left to our representatives, since they can become closer to the issues and seek expertise in exercising their decisions.

Supreme power still rests with the citizens entitled to vote for these representatives and would normally be exercised at the end of their term of office. Just as you would not judge the coach in the first quarter you should not remove a trustee over an issue that you are not sure of.

What the CCC did to the Caseville Township Board was an aberration.

We need an airport. Where are the jobs to come from if we do not have an attraction for a small industry? An airport is part of that attraction.

The Leaders of the Concerned Citizens of Caseville state that we are a retirement community, but what are we going to retire from in the future? The high employment in the auto and auto related industry is no longer with us.

Where are the young men going to work? The family farm as we know it today is becoming a thing of the past. How many farmers do you know that do not require

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RECOLLECTIONS
of By-Gone Days



By GEORGE KEIM

DEAR EDITOR,

Some people asked me if I never go out and always just think about olden days, what I did or others did almost 100 years ago.

Well, if a person lives alone and doesn't go out once in a while and just thinks about his mistakes and sins that they did long ago, they get all mixed up and get funny ideas.

Things have changed and people live a lot different than they used to and they live a lot longer and are a lot bigger than they used to be.

I can still remember when a man who was six feet tall was the biggest man around, but now there are a lot of men around six feet tall and over. I often wonder how those little men could harness up those big horses.

I have been in some museums where there were some armors that those old warriors used to wear and I couldn't begin to get into them. And, some of those big horses that they rode were a lot bigger than the horses I used to see when I was a little boy.

I remember how the town used to be full of horses, buggies and wagons on Saturday. Now see all the cars, trucks and pickups. It's no wonder a person sees a clear different world!

Once I was to Washington, D.C., and I went to Ford Theatre where President Lincoln was shot. They claimed there were 250 people there that night.

There were a lot of chairs with sides on them like some of the captain's chairs we have around these days.

additional jobs to keep their farms? some of it to the west side of Huron County.

Jobs must be provided within our county. We must seek small growth in the Thumb and it's time to bring

Better representation needed

TO THE EDITOR:

Governor Blanchard (4-2-87) was justly pleased with the State's \$152.6 million balance at the close of the 1986 fiscal year.

In the preceding article in the same news column, two senators introduced a resolution for a "constitutional amendment to impose a statewide property tax of 17 mills and a sales tax increase to 6% (a

I squeezed into one of them and our guide saw me and said, "I see you've got a job getting in there and you wonder how so many people could get in this place."

"Well," he said, "everybody today is at least three inches wider than they were back 100 years ago and I know now that everybody is a lot bigger than they used to be."

My son-in-law that came down from the Netherlands went with me to Cass City to the cattle sale and he just couldn't believe how big the men and women were.

Last Sunday after I came from church, I went to the Dutch Kettle for dinner. Late with Elmer Gettel and Oscar Stemple from Marlette.

I was the lightest one in the group and we had a real good time talking about old times and what we used to do, because we're getting to the age where we can't talk too much about the future.

After dinner I drove over some back roads to Bad Axe and went to the museum and saw a lot of old things they have there. I had a good visit with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lenehan, who take care of the museum.

In Prov. 22:1 it says, "A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches and loving favor rather than silver and gold."

Well, that doesn't mean a good last family name, but if a man lives a good honest life people will matter how rich or poor he is -- and that's worth a lot.

SINCERELY YOURS,
GEORGE KEIM

(EDITOR'S NOTE: A wonderful story was published on the front page of the April 13, 1987 Progress Advance, which we're reprinting here for your information. Even though it occurred 70 years ago, it's still fascinating now...)

ROBERT GOTTS TELLS OF EARLY DAYS
Robert Gotts, of Lake, was a pleasant caller at the Progress office Tuesday and renewed his subscription.

Elktion hosts historians

The second quarterly meeting of the Huron County Historical Society is planned this Thursday, April 9 at 7:30 p.m. in the Elktion Village Hall, to be hosted by the Elktion Chapter.

Slides of Alaska will be

Mr. Gotts is some reader. He takes 10 papers and five monthly magazines.

Mr. Gotts says that this is the first time in 50 years that he has not been holding a township office. He was the first clerk of Lake Township, which at that time comprised what is now Lake, Chandler and Oliver.

In 1888 he was elected treasurer of Lake and the total amount collected from

"in the territory that is now Oliver, there were only two resident taxpayers and from one of them he did not collect the tax because it would have taken him four days coming and going and his fees would have only amounted to eight cents..."

resident taxpayers in what is now the three townships was \$119.00.

In that year, the territory that is now Oliver there were

only two resident taxpayers and from one of them he did not collect the tax because it would have taken him four days to make the collection, going and coming, and his

fees would only amount to eight cents.

He mentioned another case which happened his first year as treasurer, when he levied on a cow for a tax

of 30 cents. The then supervisor of the township went good for the 30 cents and Mr. Gotts states that the supervisor never was paid the 30.

Mr. Gotts has served the township as clerk, treasurer, justice of the peace and on the school board for these many years. He retired as clerk at the last township election, having held the office for the past eight years.

Mr. Gotts is 78 years of age.

Steinman named to summer art class

James Steinman of Caseville is one of three Thumb Area students selected to attend the Michigan State Board of Education Summer Institutes for the Arts and

Sciences. The summer school is conducted in cooperation with the Huron Intermediate School District and five universities. Tenth and 11th graders are nominated and selected on the basis of academic talent first by their high school and then by each intermediate school district. Final selection is made at the state level.

Steinman is a sophomore at Caseville High School, and is the son of Lee and Sherrill Steinman.

His summer institute will focus on natural sciences and visual arts under the theme "Valley of the Grand: A Natural Sculpture of Wind, Water and Ice." It will be hosted by Grand Valley State College July 12-25.

Other area youth attending are Kevin Gauth of Bad Axe High and Sarah Landeryou of Ubyly.

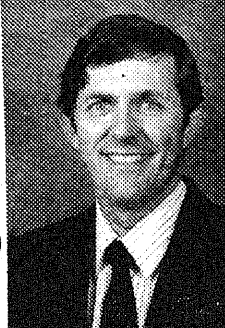
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ART WINNERS: These students from grades 3-6 of Caseville Public School submitted the winning entries in an art contest sponsored by Eagles Auxiliary 3690. Pictured here are: Kneeling from left, Carrie Hawlott, Danny Duffy and Chris Stahl. Second row, Kris Sambarsky, Randy Britt, Bobby Thomas and Nick Bednorek. In back, Art Contest Chairman Ruby Pennington, Dale Ruth, Mique Parilkow, Lewis Williams, Sue Smith and Auxiliary President Doretta Douglas. Missing from photo was Aaron Bouverette.

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Pigeon's "Meals on Wheels" program has openings for home-bound persons in surrounding areas, who are in need of home-delivered meals. Call 453-3406 or 453-2205. Thank you.

My message on SOUND-OFF concerns the Caseville Airport: I think instead of a bunch of little school kids running around with petitions, why don't they put it up to a vote? That would get the honest opinions of the people.

Call 453-2323 anytime, 24 hours a day, so we receive your call by 10 p.m. each Sunday. Or, write your comments to SOUND OFF, P.O. Box 589, Pigeon, MI., 48755, or drop them off at The Progress Advance office.

Now they are afraid to put their honest opinion on a piece of paper, because of their jobs and friends and relatives. Thank you, a Caseville resident.

Loved the April Fool's stories. You'd think those fishermen would have helped the old lady having a baby! I guess folks just aren't as friendly as they used to be.

We hope Hugo Leipprandt's birthday was very happy. We enjoy hearing his stories around the table.

To the owners of the large dog which roams around this town, especially in the morning, you should keep your frightening dog under better care. The dog warden will be called if he persists in scaring people innocently walking or working outside.

Lakers win at state!

Laker High School musicians competing in-state solo and ensemble competition at the University of Michigan, Flint Campus, won a series of nine "I" (first division) ratings and six "II" (second) ratings, during the event Saturday, March 28. "I" ratings were awarded to:

- Holly Swartzendruber, piano solo;
- Andrea Maust and Julie Leipprandt, piano duet;
- Mary Kay Smith and Brenda Schulze, piano duet;
- Julie Leipprandt, piano proficiency I;
- Beth Henry, flute proficiency II;
- Carleen Kauffman, flute proficiency II;
- Carleen Kauffman, piano proficiency II, and;
- Mary Kay Smith, piano proficiency I.

Second (II) division medals were won by:

- Andrea Maust, piano prof. I;
- Phil Schadd, trumpet prof. II;
- Phil Robison, trumpet prof. II;
- Heather Pudney, bass clarinet prof. II;
- Jill Kasserman, flute prof. II, and;
- Brass quintet, Phil Robison, Phil Schadd, Michelle Gayari, Greg Frazho and Carl Heiden.

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Kirkpatrick wins top MSU aid award

A Huron County farmer and two industry leaders received Distinguished Service to Agriculture Awards on March 26 from the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources at Michigan State University.

Elwood Kirkpatrick of Kinde, a partner with his two sons and father on a 1,600-acre dairy farm in Huron County, joined Jon Haindle of Cooks and Jordan Tatter of Watervliet, in receiving the awards from James H. Anderson, dean of the MSU College of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

Kirkpatrick, who serves as president of the Michigan Milk Producers' Association, is credited with successfully guiding MMPA through extremely troubled times for farmers and has been cited for his service to agriculture on the state and national levels. At Gov. James Blanchard's request, he has served as a member of the Governor's Financial Crisis Council and as co-chairman of the Governor's Conference on Agriculture. He has been a strong supporter of the MSU College of Veterinary Medicine and the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

The awards are presented annually to people who have made significant contributions to the advancement of Michigan agriculture through their professions and through education in cooperation with the MSU Agriculture Experiment Station and the Cooperative Extension Service.

Elwood Kirkpatrick of Kinde was re-elected president of the Michigan Milk Producers Association at the organization's annual state delegate meeting in East Lansing on March 21. Delegates representing District 9 to the MMPA Advisory Committee for two-year terms are Bruce Protzman of Caseville and Earl Braun of Harbor Beach. Also at the convention, Bruce Anderson of Pigeon was honored for belonging to the MMPA for a minimum of 35 years.



Elwood Kirkpatrick

Huge '87 crop seen for beans

There's a prospect that 1987 may see one of the largest dry bean harvests in history, according to Jim Byrum, executive secretary of the Michigan Bean Commission.

From predictions made thus far, Byrum says indicated acreage in Michigan is 500,000 acres, about 104% of the 1986-87 plantings. Across the nation, reports show that farmers intend to plant 1.838 million acres of all dry bean classes this spring, compared with 1.673 acres in 1986.

OTHERS UP, TOO: In addition to Michigan's expected 20,000-acre increase, Byrum said that North Dakota growers indicate 50,000 more acres than last year, Idaho 60,000 more and Minnesota 10,000-acre boost.

Byrum warns, "Farmers in other parts of the US better realize that bean prices this fall and winter were caused by unprecedented weather problems last fall. In all likelihood, these problems won't be repeated, and we could see a glut of beans on the market."

The survey on which Byrum based his estimates was taken before recent Navy Bean price adjustments, so he added that continued price fluctuations will impact the number of acres that actually end up being planted to dry beans.

He added that Michigan's plantings in 1986 were 440,000 acres and 1985 was 480,000 acres.

MORE NUMBERS: Michigan's estimated 500,000 acres for 1987 are followed most closely by North Dakota 340,000, Nebraska 220,000, and Idaho and Colorado 200,000 acres each. In sixth place is California with 155,000 acres projected. Idaho's 43% projected increase in acreage is the biggest in the country.

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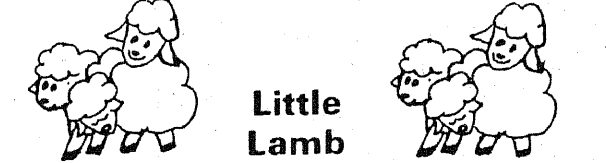
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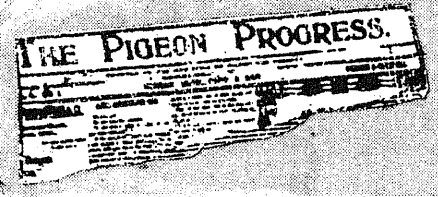
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80 YEARS AGO APRIL 12, 1907

Some of our farmers have sown oats.
Bay Port News: Born to Mr. and Mrs. John Haug April 8, a son; to Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Kuhn March 31, a son. An addition is being built to the Central Hotel, Bay Port, which will give it 16 more rooms.

Rev. and Mrs. N. Frye are leaving this week for their new home in Manchester, where they will retire on a farm. Rev. Frye has been pastor of the Pigeon Evangelical Church for the past four years.

Rev. Hexheimer is the new pastor at Pigeon Evangelical Church. He comes from Kilmanagh where he has been for the

past two years.
Will pay \$100 to anyone who can find more than one last year's suit in our store. They sell too fast. Black's Dept. Store, Berne, ADV.
Owendale News: Judge Armstrong is on the sick list. Our rural mail carrier Simon Walsh is getting ready to build a new home in Owendale.

70 YEARS AGO APRIL 13, 1917

Mrs. Samuel Voelker, 28, nee Maggie Wettlaufer, died at her home in Brookfield Twp. She leaves a husband and three children.

Gay Webster has purchased a new truck to use in his dray business in Pigeon. The contract for Pigeon's new school building was let on Thursday to a Saginaw

firm for \$43,577. This does not include heating and ventilation which is expected to be about \$10,000.
Miss Saloma Weidman and Stanley Smith, Pigeon, were united in marriage last Wednesday.
Mr. and Mrs. W.S. Gregory have moved from Pigeon to the farm they recently purchased southwest of Pigeon.

Miss Dorothea Yackle and William Ebert, Pigeon, were united in marriage on April 10.

60 YEARS AGO APRIL 8, 1927

Mrs. R.J. Reynolds, 28, nee Arlie W. Harder of Bay Port, died at her home in Chicago. She is survived by her husband and parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Harder, Bay Port, a sister and two brothers.

Members of Pigeon Fire Department report that about \$5,000 has been subscribed by farmers in the Pigeon area for the purchase of a fire truck. It is proposed that the village of Pigeon maintain and furnish storage quarters for the truck.

Fred Stueck, 76, died at his home in Linkville. He is survived by his wife and a stepson.

Sebawaing Products Co. is the name of a new \$25,000 corporation in Sebawaing which will manufacture malt extract and soft drinks in the old brewery building. Pius Pfaff, former brewmaster for the old Huron County Brewing Co., located in the same building in pre-prohibition days, will have charge of the new plant.

50 YEARS AGO APRIL 9, 1937

William Stein was re-elected supervisor of Winsor Twp. for the 30th consecutive year.

Michigan Sugar Co. made a payment April 1 of \$46,000 to sugar beet growers in the Sebawaing territory. The is the second payment on the 1936 crop, supplementing the

first payment of \$421,000 made Dec. 15, 1936.

Herman Clabuesch, 64, formerly of Winsor Twp., and a Sebawaing druggist for 37 years, died at his home in Sebawaing. He is survived by his widow, two daughters and two sons. He formerly operated a drug store in Kilmanagh.

Odelia Gonwicka, eighth grade pupil in the Red School, Bloomfield Twp., had a perfect score on the 100-word written test to win the rural spelling championship of Huron County. Loren Dinkel, Quarry School, Winsor Twp., was second.

40 YEARS AGO APRIL 11, 1947

Roland Bean of Pigeon sold his 160-acre farm in Oliver Twp. to Edwin Baker.
Mrs. John Diefenbach, 87, nee Caroline Finger, passed away at her home near Pigeon. Besides her husband, she leaves two sons and a daughter.

About 45 members and guests of Scheurer Hospital Auxiliary attended the second annual luncheon and business meeting Tuesday at Hotel Vollmer, Pigeon. New officers elected are Mrs. Adolph Buchholz, Mrs. Frank Davis, Mrs. H.O. Paul, Mrs. Arnold Heckman and Mrs. Alfred Wagner.

Pigeon village council granted building permits to the following for erection of new houses: Leo Luedtke, new house on Paul St.; Arthur Luedtke, Donald Dast and Wesley Dast, new houses on James St.
Waigle Canning Co. was granted a permit for an addition to the south end of the canning plant.

30 YEARS AGO APRIL 11, 1957

Beverly Geiger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Geiger, Pigeon, and a senior at Pigeon High School, was crowned Huron County Dairy Princess for 1957 at the annual spring meeting of Huron County Farm Bureau. Members of the queen's court are Barbara Himmel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Himmel, Caseville and a senior at Elkon High School and Joan Essmacher of Harbor Beach.

George Wakefield will be feted with an open house Sunday at his farm home in Chandler Twp. in honor of his 90th birthday. He has seven children.
Elaine Trost, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Trost, Pigeon, was awarded a scholarship to Capital University in Columbus, Ohio.

Parents were honored at the first annual Pigeon FFA-

FHA banquet in Pigeon High School auditorium. Robert Baur, FFA chapter president, was program chairman and Donna Smart, FFA president, gave the welcome.
Construction started on a new building on the main business corner in Bay Port, to house offices of the Wallace and Morley Co. and the Bay Port office.

20 YEARS AGO APRIL 13, 1967

Completely remodeled inside and outside since the fire on Jan. 13, Forster Hardware at Elkon is holding a grand opening this weekend. Formerly named Elkon Hardware, the business was purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Roger Forster last summer.

A Pigeon woman, Mrs. Georg Graf, was winner of a \$100 prize in a contest sponsored by Pigeon A & P Store. Store manager Clifton Witkovsky presented the check.

William H. Rathje, 62, Pigeon, passed away April 4. He is survived by his widow, five daughters and four sons, a stepdaughter and two stepsons.

Harold Deming, 52, Fraser, a Bay Port native, died April 11. Surviving are his wife, two sons and two daughters.

10 YEARS AGO APRIL 14, 1977

A 40-acre farm owned by Mrs. Ella Mae Perry of N. Sturt Road, Caseville, was designated a Michigan Centennial farm and Mrs. Perry was presented a plaque by Detroit Edison Co. and Michigan History Division of Dept. of State.
Fourteen seniors of Caseville High School will leave April 18 on a five-day trip to Washington, D.C. and New York City via United Airlines.

Caseville High School will graduate 22 seniors at commencement exercises on Saturday, June 11.
Joan Blakely, Bay Port, Joan Vollmer, Mark Voss, Pigeon, plus Mark Gettel and Marsha Kuhl, Sebawaing, were included on the dean's list for the fall semester at WMU, Kalamazoo.

John W. Miller, Bay Port, passed away April 10 on his 21st birthday. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Milan Miller, a sister, Kimberly and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Wernicke, Frankenmuth.

Mrs. Henry Carson, 86, nee Nellie Severn, Caseville, died Sunday. Surviving are five daughters.
Lee Rockefeller, 68, Owendale, died Friday. He leaves his wife, two sons and five

daughters.

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FROM THE ELKTON ADVANCE FILES 51 YEARS AGO APRIL 16, 1936

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Sol Eidt, Elkton, was the scene Saturday evening for a family reunion. A total of 24 out of 28 were present.
The fourth annual music festival of the 13 Thumb District High Schools will be held tomorrow at Elkton High School, with about 600 musicians taking part.

Albert Bailey, of a Detroit advertising agency, has been working on a bean marketing proposal to improve the market price of Michigan beans.

Mr. Bailey advocates a grading regulation to improve the quality of Michigan beans marketed and an advertising budget raised jointly on a public educational campaign to explain the economic food value of Michigan beans.

44 YEARS AGO APRIL 15, 1943

A new business in Elkton went into large scale operation with the unloading of a carload of small electric motors which are to be rebuilt. The new concern, with Kenneth Ginter and Riley Quinn as owners, is located in the former Elkon Electric Store in the Beechler building. The firm now employs 15 persons, mostly women and girls, who place new windings in the motors.

M.L. Ackerman, cashier of Elkton State Bank, has been appointed chairman of the Elkton-Oliver second bond drive by Alfred H. Sauer, county chairman.
In honor of Ensign and Mrs. Raymond Ebbing, who were recently married, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ebbing, Elkton, entertained 50 relatives at a dinner and reception in their home Saturday evening.

Max Mayhew, son of Mr. and Mrs. C.A. Mayhew, Elkton, a freshman at Central Michigan College, Mt. Pleasant, was pledged to Alpha Beta Sigma, an educational fraternity.

37 YEARS AGO APRIL 20, 1950

According to Elkon VFW commander Paul Beaver, work on the veterans' new home will be finished within a month.

Pupils in the Elkon, Pinebog and Canboro Schools will have the tuberculosis patch test April 21. Parents are requested to return the permission cards promptly so students may have a part in this precaution service. All Huron County pupils are to be given the tuberculosis patch test in conjunction with the mobile x-ray unit which will be in the county May 15-20.

Pigeon notes

On Friday, Pastor and Mrs. Ernst Henkelmann visited Ruth Clabuesch at the Lutheran Home in Frankenmuth.
Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe McArdle were Mr. and Mrs. Mike DeNay and sons of Bay City.
Recent visitors of Mrs. Mabel Clark were Mr. and Mrs. John Depner, Sr., of Caseville.

Couple united in Owendale

Suzette McCallum of Owendale and Philip Cochrane of Mississauga, Ont., Canada, united their lives in marriage on Sunday, March 15, 1987 in the Owendale Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.



Elder Dennis Herbert officiated at the double-ring ceremony.
The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Olson McCallum of Owendale, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. F.M. Cochrane of Mississauga, Ont.
Music selections included "Thy Word" and "Doubly Good to You," both by Amy Grant. Organist was Becky Bacon of Cass City, and Michelle Wright was soloist. The altar was decorated with a unity candle.
Given in marriage by her father, Olson McCallum, the bride chose a formal length gown of white malte taffeta and chantilly lace, featuring a high Victorian neckline with short elbo pouf sleeves, a slightly raised waistline and a full multi tiered chantilly ruffled hemline. An English illusion veil was fingerling length and was held by a matching pearl trimmed headband.

Michelle McCallum of Owendale, sister to the bride, was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Charla Utterback of Perry Iowa, and Cheryl Jensen of Kansas City, Mo., both friends of the bride.
They wore ankle length dusty rose dresses with couf sleeves and full skirts.
Brian Loewin of Ontario was best man for his friend. Groomsman were Mike Lyons and David Brown, both of Ontario and also the groom's friends.
Ushers were Scott Herbert and Scott Vollmer, both

Mr. & Mrs. Philip Cochrane

friends of the couple and Pigeon residents.
The bride's mother wore a smoky blue street length dress. Her corsage was white and blue grey-trimmed carnations.
The groom's mother wore a pink street length dress, and her corsage included white and pink carnations.
After the ceremony, a reception was conducted in the church's lower

auditorium for 200 guests attending from Huron County, Canada, Iowa, Missouri and Bay City.
The bride is a senior in elementary education at Graceland College, Lamoni, Iowa. The groom is a music and voice teacher and senior at Graceland College.
After a week-long honeymoon in Florida, the new Mr. and Mrs. Cochrane will reside in Lamoni, Iowa.

Service news

Airman Scott C. Sturm, son of Don and Linda Sturm of Pigeon, has graduated from the U.S. Air Force munitions maintenance course at Lowry Air Force Base, Colorado.
During the course, students were taught to inspect, assemble and dispose of explosive munitions. They also earned credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.
Sturm is a 1986 graduate of Laker High School, Pigeon.

Air Force Staff Sgt. Lynda S. Witty, daughter of John and Betty Gilbert of Pigeon, has been named training manager of the year.
Witty is a training manager with the 2037th Information Systems Squadron at Luke Air Force Base, Arizona.

The selection was based on the individual's exemplary duty performance, job knowledge, leadership qualities, significant self-improvement and other accomplishments.
Witty is a 1985 graduate of Park College, Parkville, Mo.

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Kretzschners observe 50 years



Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Kretzschmer

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Kretzschmer of Owendale celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary recently with a family dinner at Frankenmuth, hosted by their children.

Elizabeth Kovach and Lloyd Kretzschmer were united in marriage on March 31, 1937 in Owendale, by the Rev. W.D. Hayes. Their attendants were Rosella (Powell) Kretzschmer and the late William Kretzschmer.

They have farmed and lived in the Owendale Area all their lives.
Their family includes two children, Joyce and Robert Goodman of Grand Ledge and Charles and Geraldine Kretzschmer of Owendale. They also have five grandchildren.

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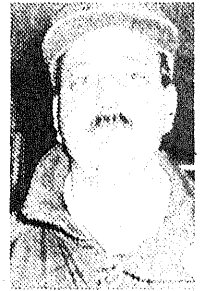
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Christy Jablonski
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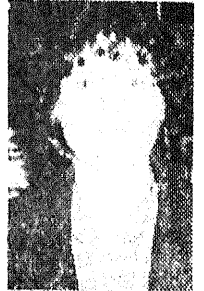
President Kennedy, because I think he was the best president we ever had.

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Abraham Lincoln, because I think he was probably the most important president we've had in our country.

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The Apostle Paul, because I have a lot of questions about the meaning behind certain statements he made.

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John Lennon, because he was a good musician.

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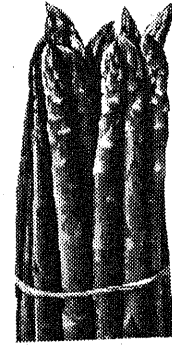


Abraham Lincoln, because he was such a good president.

Barbie Peck
PIGEON

Asparagus, ham & eggs good buys this month, says Extension

The outlook for asparagus, Michigan's second crop of the year, looks favorable at this point, according to Ada Shinabarger of the Cooperative Extension



Service in East Lansing. The recent warm weather could have made the crop more vulnerable to the current cold snap if the 60 degree weather had been of longer duration. It looks like the crop will be on schedule for a normal year, with the first of the crop due May 1.

HOLIDAY PEAK: Look for fresh home-grown asparagus to peak in supply around Memorial Day. Quantity packs of 10-30 pounds will be marketed in selected markets during this harvest peak.

Inquire at your supermarket now if you are interested, she advises. The

crop should be about 5% larger than last year's crop, weather permitting, Shinabarger says.

SAP RUNNING: The maple syrup harvest is nearing completion. The sap stopped running freely when the night-time temperatures warmed up, so the harvest may be less than expected, but greater than last year's.

HAM, TOO: April means shopping for an Easter ham in many households. Look



for features close to last year's prices. The just-released USDA Quarterly Hog and Pig Report showed numbers have slightly increased.

This will have little effect on processed pork prices in the short run. Retail prices for fresh pork could be affected during the second quarter, especially if the trend continues.

BEEF PRICES: Most retail beef cuts continue to be attractively priced. Look for prices of tender cuts to increase as the outdoor-grilling season approaches, advises Shinabarger.

OTHER FOODS: Poultry, fish

and seafood continue to set new per capita consumption records at the expense of red meats.

Shoppers will find some fish and seafood features this month, but don't look for much discounting.

The 1987 production of farm-raised catfish has increased 10% over 1986 production and prices are a tad lower, she says.

EGGS-ACTLY: Eggs are



plentiful and prices reflect it. Pre-Easter April prices will be a little higher than March prices, but the difference will be less than usual.

Demand will taper off after Easter, clearly putting wholesale egg prices below the cost of production.

Prices for frozen orange juice concentrate have increased since additional duty was added to the imported product, Shinabarger adds.

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Sudden storm of '47 brings some 'bitter' memories

Spring is nearly a month old, and weather in the past weeks has been pleasant.

Some folks have begun lawn raking, and with farm fields drying well, field work may be expected to begin any day.

So, Spring is here to stay! Or is it? Just 40 years ago, newly-arrived Spring was kicked out by returning Winter, bringing one of the fiercest storms seen for many a year.

1947 RECALLED: It started with rain in the early evening of Monday, March 24, after a balmy, sunny weekend.

By 10 p.m. Monday, the rain was turning to sleet — and then a fierce, driving wind came in from the north, changing the sleet to snow.

Continuing through the night, the wintry blasts piled up more snow, and Tuesday morning found roads drifted and closed.

Snow plowing, on a much smaller scale than now, fought a losing two-day battle against wind velocities of 40 to 60 miles per hour.

NO ELECTRICITY: Power lines sagged and broke, wiping out electrical service to towns and farms throughout the Thumb and mid-Michigan. Telephone lines, too, swung wildly in the wind, with loose ends and lost service reported in most areas.

Charles Kerwin, then Detroit Edison manager at Bad Axe, dispatched men and materials from Bad Axe and Marlette to Owendale by plane because roads were impassable.

Damage in many areas was so heavy that several flights were needed to bring in ruined and missing parts

refuge and safety in their homes.

Most business places resembled ghost stores, and whole sections of Thumb towns seemed as abandoned as though a plague had visited the area.

In Sebawaing, power lines remained intact, as Sebawaing Light and Water Department's generators continued to produce current.

Pigeon was, without electric service for 12 hours, restored shortly before noon on Tuesday. Orrie Kauffman, hatchery manager, reported that no damage was caused by the outage, even though 7,000 chicks

1:50 p.m. Wednesday. Herb Kreh, owner of Greenview Hatchery, said that service at the hatchery was off only three hours and that no damage was caused.

HARDEST HIT: Owendale was one of the hardest-hit communities in the Thumb, with electrical service off for nearly 48 hours, causing many residents to take extraordinary steps to keep warm.

Livestock in the farming areas suffered from lack of water, as water pressure went to zero when pumps could not operate without electric power. Some damage was reported from

water pipes that froze up. Owendale's water supply ran dangerously low as the municipal pump could not operate without electricity.

Road conditions were particularly difficult in the area, and the village was isolated, as all roads leading to and from Owendale were blocked. Telephone lines remained intact, so communication with the outside could be maintained.

NO MILK TODAY: Milk haulers, accustomed to pushing through many storms and plugged-up roads were stalled by the Great March Storm of 1947.

Milk trucks, often abandoned by drivers who were helpless in the face of the storm, were visible on many country roads. With no milk coming in from the hundreds of farms that supplied milk to the Producers Dairy Company at Sebawaing, the management sent their workers home and closed shop.

SUGAR COMPANY WAREHOUSE LOSES ROOF

When a large section of the roof on the old warehouse at Michigan Sugar Company plant in Sebawaing blew off during the early hours of the storm Tuesday morning, five million pounds of bagged sugar were exposed to the elements.

Packed in 5- and 10-pound bags and sealed in paper cartons, the sugar was buried in snow that whirled in from above.

Wednesday afternoon an Army plane flew in from Detroit to deliver tarpaulins and canvas to cover the exposed cartons. Six times the plane passed over an open section near the factory, each time dropping a large roll of covering.

Before the arrival of the plane, workmen at the factory had moved about 500,000 pounds of sugar to the main plant for storage.

So strong was the wind that it hit the warehouse, that a 70x100-foot section of the roof was blown off and fell onto the nearby railroad siding. Then a section of the north wall of the 45-year-old warehouse collapsed, spreading bricks and debris over the stored sugar cartons.

ONE FAMILY RECALLS...

That 1947 storm remains imprinted in the memories of many residents, but probably it is the Claude Hornbacher family of Gettel Road, Sebawaing, to whom the memories mean most.

Here is what happened to them during that 1947 storm.

By 10 pm roads had begun to drift shut, a matter of no small concern to Clara and Claude Hornbacher, living in Kilmanagh, and expecting the birth of a baby.

They got into their car, intending to drive east toward Scheurer Hospital in Pigeon.

Before they had driven one block, they realized that visibility was so poor that they could hardly see the side of the C.P. Woldt Store, where they had pulled to a stop.

Earlier, Claude had met some bowlers returning from league play, who warned them that they will "never get to Pigeon."

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LOOKING BACK: A year ago, Carl Bumhoffer of Sebawaing wrote an article recalling that storm from his own perspective — that of a truck driver for an egg route.

For five years, Carl drove the egg truck route around Elkton and Pigeon, and he said he learned that "great snows produce soft roads, and muddy roads mean trucks that got stuck and egg crates that tipped over as drivers pushed ahead and

reversed in an effort to free themselves."

Carl recalls that he "always carried a camera," and during that storm and in the days immediately following, he did a lot of photo-taking.

He showed not only the usual plugged-up roads, but he also shot pictures of neighbors helping neighbors and unusual storm activity scenes.

ONE FAMILY RECALLS...

That 1947 storm remains imprinted in the memories of many residents, but probably it is the Claude Hornbacher family of Gettel Road, Sebawaing, to whom the memories mean most.

Here is what happened to them during that 1947 storm.

By 10 pm roads had begun to drift shut, a matter of no small concern to Clara and Claude Hornbacher, living in Kilmanagh, and expecting the birth of a baby.

They got into their car, intending to drive east toward Scheurer Hospital in Pigeon.

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Thumb schools offer peer tutoring to students

By RICH SWARTZENDRUBER

"Do not wait until you are failing," warns the sign in the Laker Junior High Counselor's office.

The remedy offered is a tutoring program which pairs students who need extra help with another older student who is well acquainted with that subject.

Programs featuring student tutoring are growing in popularity in Thumb area schools. In addition to Lakers, OwenGage, North Huron and Bad Axe all offer student tutors for other students needing assistance.

PAYMENTS MADE: The various programs are similar, but the Laker program is the only one in which the student tutors receive a \$3.50 fee from the student

receiving help for each 50-minute session. The tutoring is scheduled immediately before or after the school day.

"The caliber of student doing the tutoring is well worth the fee. But I also feel the fee makes all concerned take the situation more seriously," says Laker Junior High Counselor Todd Bigger who created and coordinates the program.

He also points out money is available through fundraisers at the school to provide the service for students who need extra help but can't afford it.

NOT FOR ALL: Although he is pleased with the results so far, Bigger quickly adds the program isn't for all students who need academic help.

Those who are very deficient in their work or suffer

from special problems are referred to professional adult tutors.

At the present time, seven Laker High tutors are helping 12 younger students through the new program.

SEVEN HELPERS: "It's a good experience. Everybody's doing fantastic," says junior tutor David Soper, who averages about three sessions per week with other students.

Dann Killion is happy with the help he received through the tutoring program. "It's helped me a lot with my math," he says and adds, "The tutor helps me study for tests."

STUDY TIPS: Bigger stress to his tutors to not only help their clients with specific concepts, but also to improve their study habits so they can upgrade their performance on their own as well.

FREE HELP: The tutor program at OwenGage is slightly different from the one at Lakers in several respects. It offers the help free of charge, involves more than one student per tutor at the same time and is scheduled during the school day.

Student tutors Gabe Milbocker, Heather Dorsch, Susie Salcido and Mike Bolzman receive academic credits for the one school hour per day they spend with other students needing assistance.

The OwenGage program, initiated by Counselor Ron D'Aoust, is providing academic help to about 50 students at the present time. He notes OwenGage teachers are responsible for



GROUP HELP: From left, OwenGage eighth graders Jeremy Rocheleau and Fred Ondrejka get a hand from student tutor Susie Salcido as sophomores Tonya Haldane and Nancy Cummins work independently after receiving assistance from Salcido.

classes each of the six hours during the school day and have no "conference hours," which makes the tutor program very valuable.

"Our teachers here don't have a lot of time to individualize," D'Aoust says about one factor leading to development of the program.

ADULT AID: Teachers, however, provide plans for the tutor to follow in the 30-minute sessions, he adds.

"The tutor acts as a rein-

forcing agent for the teacher," the counselor points out.

D'Aoust likes to have the tutors working with no more than two other students at one time, but occasionally that number is increased to three or four.

"I could use tutors every hour of the day and still have room for more," he says about the popularity of the program.

NO HASSLES: Salcido says she enjoys being a tutor most

of the time, and the students she helps generally don't give her problems.

"I like the program because I get a chance to help kids. They don't give me a hard time because they're down here because they want some help with something they're having trouble with," says the student tutor.

Both Bigger and D'Aoust agree the program is effective due to the influence of peers among teenagers.

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Children view hospital in action



LAB LOOKERS: The Scheurer Hospital Laboratory was a popular place to visit on a tour last week by these fifth graders. Cheryl Brooks' class from Unionville Elementary visited various departments of the hospital with assistance by Community Relations Director Frank Francomb and In-Service Director Mary Jane Voelker. The class is pictured here during a tour of the Scheurer Hospital Laboratory. Students enjoyed a close-up view provided by the microscope as Lab Supervisor Gary Mitchell, right, explains what can be seen through the optical instrument.

Thanks A Million



You may write to Percy Ross in care of The Progress-Advance, P.O. Box 35000, Minneapolis, Minn. 55435. Include a telephone number if you wish. All letters sent to Mr. Ross are read.

DEAR MR. ROSS:
I know I'm young, but I hope you will take me seriously. I'm 17 and don't have my driver's license. I finally got my permit but don't have the \$130 to pay for my six hours of behind the wheel training.

My parents won't pay for it because they say it wouldn't be fair to my other brothers and sisters. They all had to pay for it themselves. I tried to get a job but it didn't work out because both of my parents work and don't have time to take me back and forth to work.

You must see my problem, please help! — P.H., Chicago, Ill.

DEAR MISS H.:
I see your problem, but not quite in the same way you do.

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legs far surpass that of an automobile. I suggest using the former until you can afford the latter.

DEAR MR. ROSS:
I'm an 18-year-old male — the oldest of four kids. Since my father's crippling car accident two years ago, I was forced to quit high school and get a job to help my mom pay the bills.

Without a high school education, I haven't been able to get a very good job or even hold on to those which I did get.

I recently found out about a review class offered to help pass a high school equivalency test. My problem is it costs \$135 and we can't afford that right now.

I think I can get a good job if I could pass this test. I don't know where else to turn. — G.O., Asbury Park, N.J.

DEAR G.:
I'm always impressed with young people who have the ability to look beyond the immediate moment and see what they need to do, in order to move ahead.

You are more than deserving of the \$135 you requested. Good luck and I hope you pass with flying colors!

DEAR MR. ROSS:
Tax time is closing in again. I'm seriously considering listing my two dogs and a cat as dependents, in order to get the deductions I need. Do you think I can pull it off? — M.T., Fort Myers, Fla.

DEAR MR. T.:
The only deduction most

people get from their income tax is that the government costs too much. I suggest you play it straight, file on time and forget the crime.

DEAR MR. ROSS:
I live in a mobile home park and have enjoyed knowing a wonderful, caring group of people — ladies who call themselves the "Happy Hookers." They knit and crochet for the patients at Agnew's State Hospital.

They make hats, scarves, mittens, socks, etc. They do not get paid for their work and usually the hospital supplies them with the materials with which to work.

Lately, none has been furnished. These ladies love their work, plus it keeps them agile and busy. It would be wonderful if you could supply them with enough yarn to carry on their work. It would bring a lot of sunshine to a lot of people. — Mrs. C.W., San Jose, Calif.

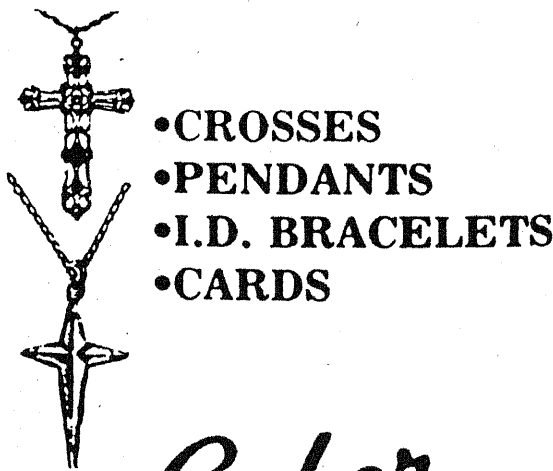
DEAR MRS. W.:
In order that these ladies can keep on hookin' by UPS they will be receiving an ample supply of assorted yarn.

CHANDLER TOWNSHIP:

The Chandler Township Spring Zoning Board Meeting will be Tuesday, April 14 at 8:00 p.m. at the Chandler Township Hall.

Bruce Protzman, Chairman
Chandler Township Zoning Board

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Thumb Obituaries

EUGENE F. WALTERS
1926 - 1987

Eugene F. Walters, age 60, passed away Tuesday, March 31 at his home in Owendale. He was born Nov. 15, 1926 in Cleveland, OH, son of the late John and Susan (Gommel) Walters. He was a World War II United States Air Corps Veteran. Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Louis (Hilda) Kovach of Romulus and Miss Margaret Walters of Ann Arbor; two nephews and one niece. Two sisters, Edith and Geraldine Walters preceded him in death.

CHARLES E. WYMAN 1918 - 1987

Charles Eugene Wyman, 68 of Bay Port, passed away Sunday, April 5, following a brief illness. Mr. Wyman was born Dec. 30, 1918 in Bay Port, son of Raymond Emerson and Stella (Mona) Wyman, and was a Bay Port resident all his life. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II, and was a retired commercial fisherman. He is survived by one son and daughter-in-law, Eugene and Nancy Wyman of Caro; two granddaughters, Stacy and Tricia Wyman of Caro; his mother, Mrs. Stella Wyman of Bay Port, and three sisters, Mona Kunisch of Cass City, Eythel Jahr of Sebawaing, and Mrs. Eldon (Donna) Preston of Avoca. One sister, Betty Roebber, preceded her brother in death in 1968.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 7 at 3 p.m. at Dinkell Juengel Funeral Home, Sebawaing. Elder Ervin Haley of Bay Port will officiate, with burial in the New Bay Port Cemetery.

Gertrude Jennings, 79, of Palm Springs, Calif., formerly of Unionville, passed away Mar. 1. Raymond H. Page, Sr., 65, of Granger, Iowa, formerly of Harbor Beach, passed away Mar. 24. Bruce Scott, 79, of Fairgrove, passed away Mar. 24. Madeline E. Menzel, 76, of Unionville, passed away Mar. 25. Margaret (Brill) Atwood, 90, of Santa Fe, New Mexico, formerly of Caro, passed away Mar. 25. Adolph Surayne, 75, of Caro, passed away Mar. 26. Margaret A. Risky, 75, of Sebawaing, passed away Mar. 27. George C. Kinde, 76, of Lincoln Township, passed away Mar. 27. Esther M. Sales, 88, of Caro, passed away Mar. 27.

Mary Rothery, 84, of Bad Axe, passed away Mar. 28. Mona I. Buchman, 83, of Caro, passed away Mar. 28. Edward G. Schwartz, 58, of Cass City, passed away Mar. 29. Sylvester D. Kociba, 79, of Bloomfield Township, passed away Mar. 29. Dominick F. Lukasavitz, 83, of Cass City, passed away Mar. 29. Charles E. Oberowsky, 88, of Cass City, passed away Mar. 30. Peter Zoll, 75, of Cass City, passed away Mar. 30. Eva Shoemaker, 87, of Deford, passed away Mar. 30. Eugene F. Walters, 60, of Owendale, passed away Mar. 31. Kenneth J. Morell, 44, of Grand Blanc, formerly of Bad Axe and Uby, passed away Mar. 31. Edward J. Abraham, 84, of Port Austin, passed away Mar. 31. Irene Hoskin, 70, of Oak Park, formerly of Paris Township, passed away Apr. 2.

News That Counts From

HURON COUNTY



from Huron County Clerk Helen Lemanski

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS Week of March 30
Jon B. Collis & Regina M. Czuchowski

ASSUMED NAMES Week of March 30
NO. 4357 REVIVE, 4394 Maple #3, Cass City, MI 48726. By: Donald Dohn, 4394 Maple #3, Cass City, MI 48726. Filed: 3/25/87.

NO. 4358 ALLEN'S, 14 E. Main, Sebawaing, MI 48759. By: Allen J. Ziehm, 261 W. Sebawaing, Sebawaing, MI 48759. Filed: 3/27/87.

NO. 4359 TIME OUT, 8736 Lake Street, Port Austin, MI 48467. By: Brian Knoblock, 2559 N. Van Dyke, Bad Axe, MI 48413. Filed: 3/27/87.

DISSOLUTION: INTERIOR HOME DESIGNS, 8846 S. Unionville Road, Sebawaing, MI 48759. By: Carl Linzer & Peggy Linzer. Filed: 3/30/87.

DISSOLUTION: ALLEN'S COLOUR BOUTIQUE, 26 N. Center, Sebawaing, MI 48759. By: Allen J. Ziehm, Sebawaing, MI 48759. Filed: 3/27/87.

DISSOLUTION: INTERIOR HOME DESIGNS - FLOOR COVERING DIVISION, 8846 S. Unionville Road, Sebawaing, MI 48759. By: Dale R. Thick & Pamela L. Thick, 9783 Pine St., Bay Port, MI 48720. Filed: 3/30/87.

NO. 4362 S.V.S. ENTERPRISES, 2605 Pt. Austin Rd., Caseville, MI 48725. By: S.V. Schell, 2605 Pt. Austin Rd., Caseville, MI 48725. Filed: 3/30/87.

NO. 4363 FLOWER BOUTIQUE BY JOANN, 110 S. Huron Ave., Harbor Beach, MI 48441. By: Joann M. Talaski, 8300 Purdy Road, Harbor Beach, MI 48441. Filed: 3/31/87.

JUDGMENTS OF DIVORCE
Dwayne Bress vs. Kimberly Bress
Ervin L. Harder vs. Susanne L. Harder

from County Register of Deeds Frances Holdwick

WARRANTY DEEDS March 25 - April 1
William L. Waldner and Lorraine G. to Ellis H. Neal and Marlene M., a parcel of land located in Section 11 of Caseville. Izzit Warchock and Mary Ann to Randy J. Schroeder and Marcy A., a parcel of land located in Section 34 of Verona Twp. Mary Ellen Tait to Mary Ellen Tait and Orville R. Tait; a parcel of land located in

Section 35 of Oliver and Colfax Twp. Robert Heck and Helen B. to Robert E. Schneck, a parcel of land located in Section 20 of Hume Twp.

Greg Tait and Rene M. to David J. McDonald and Tina M. Gwisdella; a parcel of land located in the City of Bad Axe. John Ross and Hannah to Jari A. Ross and Kenneth L. Ross; a parcel of land located in the Village of Uby.

William B. Theide and Karen D. to Gerald C. Gross and Lucille B.; a parcel of land located in Section 8 of Sebawaing. Steven Bamback and Eleanor to Ronald L. Krohn and Donna J.; a parcel of land located in Section 30 of Meade Twp.

Laurinda A. Kelley to Ivan R. Burkhardt; a parcel of land located in Section 15 of Lincoln Twp. Homer Glynn Thompson and Cynthia A. to Carl W. Heichel and Carole A.; a parcel of land located in Section 14 of Lake Twp.

First National Bank of Bad Axe to Raymond R. Erer and Tonda; a parcel of land located in Section 34 of Lincoln Twp. Altha A. Hebler to Raymond Erer and Tonda; a parcel of land located in Section 34 of Lincoln Twp.

Raymond R. Erer and Tonda to Gary Ormski and Susan M.; a parcel of land located in Section 34 of Lincoln Twp. Melvin A. Nowiski and Mildred V. and John Ginter and Bernadette; a parcel of land located in Section 30 of Verona Twp.

Alisa Susalla to Janet Bischer; a parcel of land located in Section 1 of Paris Twp. Estate of Lulu C. Gettel, deceased, of Bay Port, File 26,504. Supervised Probate. Order filed.

Estate of Norman E. Witherspoon, deceased, of Harbor Beach, File 28,470. Independent Probate. Will filed. Petition for Commencement of Proceedings filed. Testimony Interested Parties filed. Supplemental Testimony Interested Parties filed. Register's Order filed. Bond of Fiduciary filed. Letters of Authority filed. Claims Notice filed.

Estate of Della B. Potter, deceased, of Caseville, File 28,004. Independent Probate. Inheritance Tax Receipt filed. Estate of James J. McDonald, deceased, of Bad Axe, File 28,343. Supervised Probate. Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed.

Estate of Clifford B. Bailey, deceased, of Pigeon, File 28,452. Independent Probate. Proof of Publication filed. Estate of Julius Sussler, deceased, of Owendale, File 28,165. Independent Probate. Certificate of Completion filed.

Estate of Julius Sussler, deceased, of Ruth, File 28,124. Petition and Order for Assignment. Estate Net Exceeding \$5,000 filed.

Estate of Joseph Grolou, deceased, of Port Austin, File 28,200. Independent Probate. Final Account of Temporary Personal Representative filed. Order Allowing Account filed. Order of Discharge filed. Estate of Luella A. Richmond, deceased, of Pigeon, File 28,166. Independent Probate. Inheritance Tax Receipt filed.

Estate of Wilfred E. Lange, deceased, of Port Hope, File 28,152. Supervised Probate. Inheritance Tax Receipt filed. Estate of Hannah E. Ross, deceased, of Uby, File 28,444. Supervised Probate. Proof of Publication filed.

Estate of Peter F. Koss, deceased, of Harbor Beach, File 27,039. Supervised Probate. Order of Discharge filed. Estate of Barrietta V. Mason, deceased, of Pigeon, File 28,472. Will filed. Affidavit of No Estate to Probate filed.

Estate of Patrick James Rogers, deceased, of Caseville, File 27,845. Supervised Probate. First and Final Account of Personal Representative filed. Waiver and Consent filed. Copy of Judgment filed. Notice of Hearing filed.

Bad Axe, File 27,858. Supervised Probate. Final Account of Temporary Personal Representative filed. Order Allowing Account filed. Order of Discharge filed.

Estate of Ida M. McAllister, deceased, of Harbor Beach, File 28,274. Independent Probate. First and Final Account of Personal Representative filed. Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed.

Probate, Order of Discharge filed. Estate of Barrietta V. Mason, deceased, of Pigeon, File 28,472. Will filed. Affidavit of No Estate to Probate filed.

Estate of Patrick James Rogers, deceased, of Caseville, File 27,845. Supervised Probate. First and Final Account of Personal Representative filed. Waiver and Consent filed. Copy of Judgment filed. Notice of Hearing filed.

from County Probate Judge Neil MacCallum

PROBATE COURT Week of March 26 - April 1

Estate of Lena M. Arutz, deceased, of Bad Axe, File 28,469. Supervised Probate. Petition for Commencement of Proceedings filed. Testimony Interested Parties filed.

Estate of Leon Keith Bisler, deceased, of Indiana, File 28,354. Supervised Probate. Testimony Interested Parties filed. Supplemental Testimony Interested Parties filed. Order Determining Heirs filed. Final Account of Personal Representative filed.

Estate of Larry M. Gusa, deceased, of Harbor Beach, File 28,640. Supervised Probate. Inventory filed. Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed.

Estate of Ida Johnson, deceased, of Port Hope, File 28,318. Supervised Probate. Petition for Leave to Pay Claims filed.

Estate of Blanche Guild Hinton, deceased, of California, File 27,704. Supervised Probate. Amended Order Allowing Final Account and Assigning Residues filed. Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail and By Personal Service filed.

Estate of Harold J. Peterson, deceased, of Kinde, File 28,079. Supervised Probate. Witness List filed. Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed. Witness List. Proof of Service by Ordinary Mail filed.

Estate of Christian J. Neill, deceased, of Port Hope, File 26,659. Supervised Probate. Petition for Commencement of Proceedings - Small Estate filed. Testimony Interested Parties filed. Supplemental Testimony Interested Parties filed. Will filed.

Estate of Mary Horetzki, deceased, of

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Ed Fraidenberg will be caller and guests are always welcomed to attend.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON APRIL 13, 1987

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing will be held during the regular meeting of the Fair Haven Township Board on Monday, April 13, 1987, at 8:30 o'clock p.m. at the Fair Haven Township Hall, Bay Port, Michigan, regarding the request of Doug Germaine, Vice President/General Manager of Pioneer Cablevision, for Fair Haven Township to grant a franchise to Pioneer Cablevision to bring cable television to Fair Haven Township. The Fair Haven Township Board will act upon that request at said meeting.

DATED: March 10, 1987

Bruce Leppardt-Secretary
McKinley Township Zoning

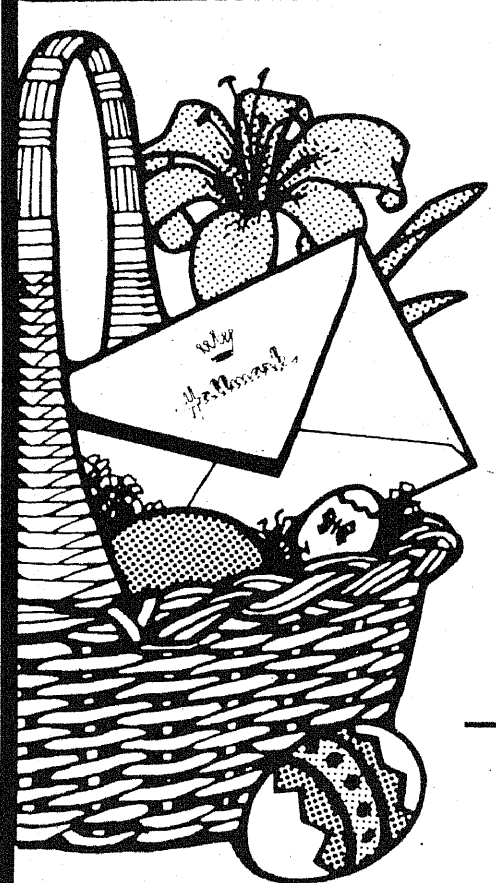
NOTICE TO MCKINLEY TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS:

A Zoning Meeting will be held Saturday, April 11, 1987 at 10:30 a.m. at McKinley Township Hall.

Bruce Leppardt-Secretary
McKinley Township Zoning

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Thumb Area OUTDOOR NEWS

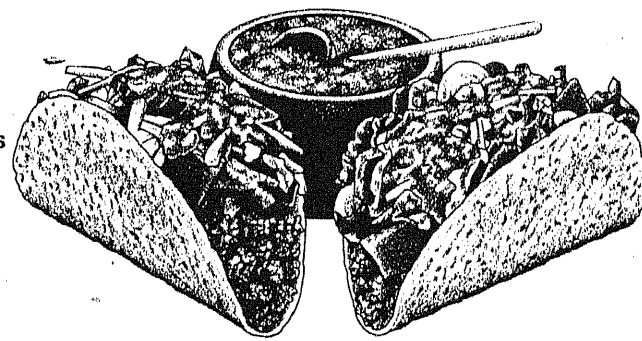
Last week's cold weather put a slight damper on spring fishing in Michigan's Thumb, but not before early anglers got a taste of Steelhead in the Harbor Beach vicinity. Although catches were rated as fair, trollers just outside the harbor had good action for several days. Good Perch fishing was also reported at Caseville and Bay Port, where catches of 5 to 10-inch Perch were the rule rather than the exception. Smelt dippers are keeping their eyes peeled for the tasty little silver fish, but as of this date, no action has been reported.

Got an outdoorsman in your family who is hard to buy for? Need a good birthday gift for the guy who has everything? Search no more. The DeLorme mapping

Company of Freeport, ME, has just published a book that is an outstanding guide to outdoor recreation in Michigan. The book is entitled "Michigan Atlas and Gazetteer" and features a listing that covers things to do and places to see in 22 different categories. Each item is keyed with a page number so you can locate it on the corresponding maps. Most items relate to the outdoors, such as a list of state parks, wilderness areas, game areas, popular canoe trips, inland fishing spots, bicycle routes, public fishing piers, scenic waterfalls, art museums, science centers, wineries, historical sites and much, much more. The 120-page book which sells for \$12.95 is now available in bookstores and sport shops throughout the state.

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Pigeon District Library

GOOD FRIDAY LIBRARY HOURS

The Pigeon District Library will be closing on Friday, April 17 at 12 noon, in observance of Good Friday. Items due on this date will not be charged an overdue fine if dropped in the overnight Book Depository, or if they are returned the following day. Regular hours will resume on Saturday, April 18 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

BIKE SAFETY WEEK APRIL 19-25

Bicycling is great fun. It can be exciting, wonderful for physical fitness, and a super way to explore the area where you live. Biking fun should go hand in hand with biking safety. Help your kids understand the important role they play when riding a bike. Check with your local police department for information on bicycle safety or write: National

Safety Council, Community Safety Program Area, 444 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill., 60611.

Here is a list of books to enjoy: Alth, Max-All About Bikes and Bicycling; Fichter, George S.-Bicycling; VanDerPlas, Robert-The Bicycle Repair Book; Burstin, Ben-Bicycle Repair and Maintenance; DeLong, Fred-Delong's Guide to Bicycles and Bicycling; Baker, Eugene-Safety First... Bicycles.

PRESCHOOL STORY HOUR

Next Tuesday, April 14, the Preschool Story Hour theme will be "Easter." The stories include "Old Hippo's Easter Egg" and "Everything About Easter Rabbits." Exercises, fingerplays, songs and games will be some of the activities the children will participate in. A special Easter treat and take home project will also be part of the fun.

Children, ages three to five are invited to attend. A small annual registration fee is required.

The Library staff wishes to ask each parent who brings their children to story hour to help your child pick up his or her toys when they are all done with them, and put them in the proper container. This will eliminate any mix-ups and missing pieces. Thank you!

SENIOR CITIZENS' FILM FESTIVAL

Senior Citizens, remember to come to the film festival this Friday, April 10, at 1:30 p.m. at the library. The films include "Bluebirds, Bring Them Back," "Legacy for a Loon" and "Life of the Bighorn Sheep." Come and enjoy yourself, bring a friend and meet new friends.

BIRTHDAY OF THOMAS JEFFERSON

Thomas Jefferson, our third president, was born April 13, 1743. Most remembered for the Declaration of Independence, President Jefferson was also an inventor, botanist, musician, architect and Ambassador to France.

As a botanist, he spent much time experimenting with plants and is credited with determining that the white potato and tomato are edible.


Up until the late 18th century, the potato and tomato were considered poisonous even by the Indians. They were kept only as ornamental plants.

Jefferson's likeness appears on the nickel, used every day by almost everyone.

If you would like to learn more about Thomas Jefferson, here is a list of books for you to read: Chase-Ribound, Barbara-Sally Heming; Brodie, Fawn M.-An Intimate History; Johnston, Johanna-Thomas Jefferson; His Many Talents; Shear, Vincent; Johnson, Ann D.-The Value of Foresight; Monjo, F.-Grandpapa and Ellen Aroon; Wills, Garry-Inventing America; Jefferson's Declaration of Independence.

WOODS and WATERS

By Duane Guenther



'River Mouths'

It was pitch black when I stepped out of the guest room on the 2nd floor, and the only way I negotiated the rickety, open staircase was an instinctive feeling imprinted from numerous previous trips, plus the aroma of frying bacon and bubbling coffee wafting its way from the kitchen below. When I entered the room, Fred met me with a cheery grin and thrust a toasted bacon and egg sandwich in my direction. "We've got to hurry," he said, picking up a thermos that had been perched on the edge of the cupboard, "it'll be light in an hour, and we have 40 miles to drive."

I followed him to the garage, where we had headed the boat the night before,

"A couple of the surf casters managed strikes, and we had a ringside seat as they battled the silvery giants..."

checked the taillights while he alternately hit the brakes and flipped the turn signals, and then crawled into the passenger side and settled down for the boring drive to Platte Bay.

Each spring, pushed by their instinctive urge to spawn, millions of fish seek out the more than 3,000 miles of Michigan rivers and streams, and point their noses towards the headwaters. I, like thousands of other anglers, converge on the same waters in hopes of impeding the spawn by hooking a tiny lure in one or more of the fish's lips.

To many, it is simply called fishing, but to some of the more dedicated, it's a "rite of spring."

Although I'm a "dyed in the wool" stream fisherman, today, my good fishing buddy from Traverse City was taking me to one of his favorite spring fishing spots. Fred, a flat-lander from Detroit, who shucked a comfortable job with GM to move North and, as he so aptly puts it, "be on vacation the year around", fishes many waters in the northwestern part of our state. But at the top of his list is Platte Bay located at the edge of the Sleeping Bear Dunes National Park.

We reached the parking lot before the morning sun peaked over the spruce-stud-

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ded horizon and had the boat in the water within a couple of minutes. Surprisingly, the parking lot was nearly full, but I only saw a couple of boat trailers besides ours.

"The rest are surf casters," Fred answered my question without looking up from the motor he was trying to stir into life. "It's a very productive way of catching fish," he continued, "but a little colder than trolling."

After Fred got the motor going and we cleared the sand bar at the river mouth I began to see what he meant. Standing shoulder to shoulder in hip-deep water were 30 to 40 fishermen bracing themselves against the relentless waves of Lake Michigan.

We had moved about 100 yards beyond the farthest angler, when Fred slowed the motor and handed me a rod. I snapped on an orange Rapala, while he opted for a pearl Flatfish. We flipped the lines off the boat's stern and then placed the rods in holders while Fred began trolling parallel to the shoreline. The boat yawed as the crest and trough of each wave slid silently beneath, and had I been a little warmer the rocking action surely would have put me to sleep.

A couple of the surf casters managed strikes, and we had a ringside seat as they battled the silvery giants that leaped and tossed, sometimes clearing the water a half dozen times. The boat continued to rock as I stifled a yawn and yearned for some action.

My rod bowed, not in a violent, jerking action that I've grown accustomed to while stream fishing, but more as though I had hooked a snag. When I slipped the rod from the holder and snapped back to set the hook, the snag suddenly took on life.

The water, about 100 feet behind the boat, erupted in geyser-like fashion and the unmistakable shape and color of a vibrant, spring Steelhead thrashed wildly from its middle.



I lowered the rod to prevent the fish from throwing the hook, but my reactions were a little late. The next time I applied pressure, the Rapala shot through the air and landed harmlessly a dozen feet behind the boat, minus the fish.

"Don't feel bad," Fred chided in my ear, "there's probably another couple hundred still waiting for you."

And you know, before the morning was over, I found out he was right.

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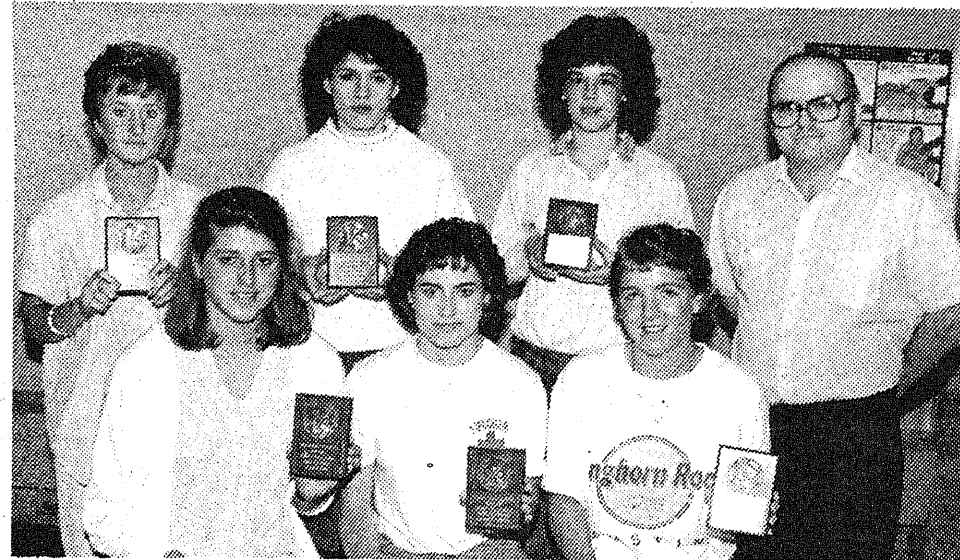
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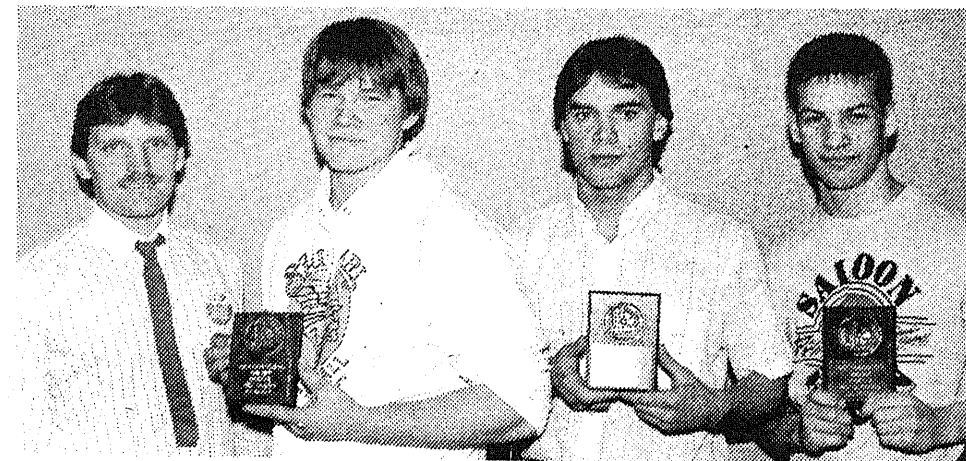
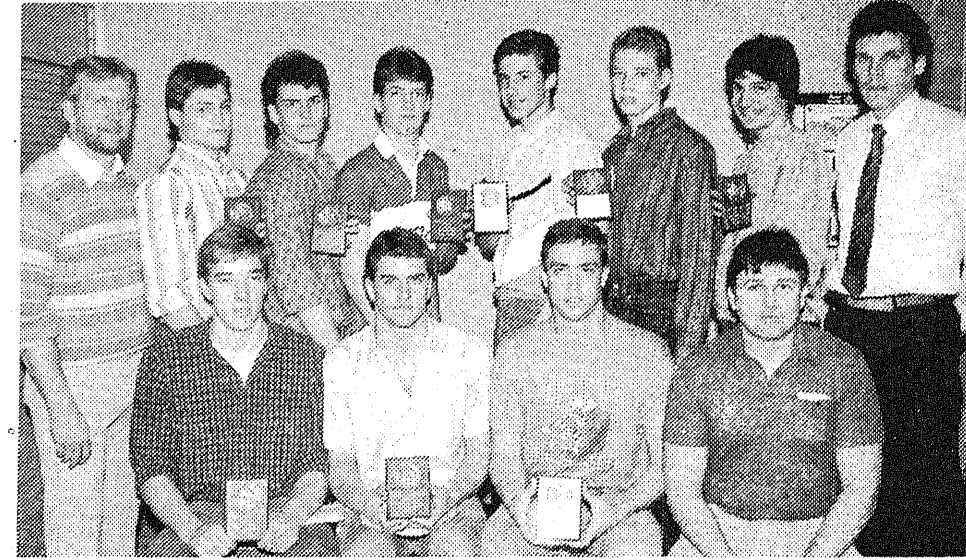
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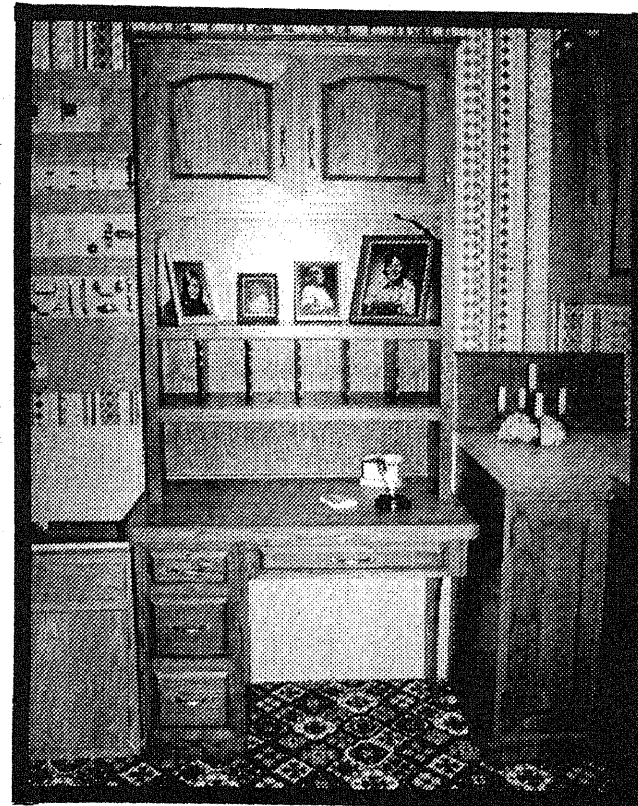
Laker High honors top winter sports athletes



ABOVE: Volleyball award winners include: In front from left, Varsity Most Valuable Julia Sturm, Most Determined Jenny Warren and Most Improved Cathy Wurst. In back, JV Most Valuable Sarah Anthes, Most Determined Tracie Henne, Most Improved Heather Clark and JV Coach Jack Tyler. ABOVE RIGHT: Basketball - In front from left, Varsity Most Determined Kel Hill, Most Valuable Tom Beer, Most Improved Jim Warren and Varsity Coach Bill McLellan. In back, JV Coach George Gardy, Most Valuable Mark Kretschmer, Most Determined John Conrad, Most Improved Steve Piklor, Freshman Most Improved Brian Bushey, Most Determined Marc Hill and Most Valuable Billy McLellan and Freshman Coach Joel Lepprandt. AT RIGHT: Wrestling - From left, Coach Tim Blakeney, Most Valuable Pat McArdie, Most Improved Kevin Truemmer and Most Determined J.D. Talaski. BOTTOM RIGHT: Cheerleading - In front from left, Varsity Most Spirited Kathy Clabuesch, Most Valuable Ami Rathje, Most Improved Lisa Anklam and Advisor Lisa DiCamillo. In back, JV Most Improved Kami Rathje, Most Creative Michelle Gayari, Most Valuable Christy Damm, Freshman Most Spirited Stephanie Lepprandt, Most Valuable Malisa Burken and Most Improved Michelle Anklam.



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CASE NO. U-8764

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMENT OR AN INQUIRY

Pigeon Telephone Company filed an application with the Michigan Public Service Commission in accordance with orders of December 17, 1986, and January 27, 1987, to demonstrate the effect of TRA on its revenue requirement and to present proposals for appropriate changes in its rates as a result of the Tax Reform Act of 1986.

Any interested person may review the application at the office of Pigeon Telephone Company, Pigeon, Michigan, or at the Michigan Public Service Commission at 6545 Mercantile Way, Lansing, Michigan, 48909. Further notice is given that any interested person may submit comments or request an inquiry on the application by sending a request or comments in writing to the Michigan Public Service Commission, Technical Services Division, 6545 Mercantile Way, Post Office Box 30221, Lansing, Michigan, 48909, with a copy to Pigeon Telephone Company, Pigeon, Michigan. The request or comments should reference Case No. U-8764 and must be received by the Commission no later than April 30, 1987.

Pigeon Telephone Company
Edwin H. Eichler, Vice President

BOWLING

TY'S SUNDAY NIGHT ROLLERS

"Second half finals"
H&R Block 21
Video Spotlight 20
Soulstown Farms 20
Miller Lito 18 1/2
Finkbeiner Farm Equip. 17
Ty's Bowling 11
McBride's Tile 11
GW Repair 9 1/2
Splits: E. Gayari 5-6, E. Gayari 6-7-10, K. Kelly and T. Wicher 3-10, D. Schutte and G. Finkbeiner 4-5, B. Krohn 4-10, B. Krohn and G. Finkbeiner 2-7, T. Wicher 3-9-10 and T. McAlpine 4-7-10.
Team Highs: Video Spotlight 1935 (698).
Ladies' Highs: S. Hyzer 487 (202), J. Wills 474 (174), G. Finkbeiner 474 (173), P. Podloskowski 473 (202).
Men's Highs: T. Wills 579 (186 - 181 - 212), T. Wicher 541 (187-200), J. Jaworski 540 (170 - 191 - 179), A. Selbig 480, M. Hyzer 478 (192), D. Schutte 199, D. Krohn 193 and P. Gayari 171.

PIGEON WEDNESDAY NIGHT LADIES

Thumb National Bank 37
Miller High Life 36
Bay Port Construction 32
Huron Excavation 32
Varty's 31 1/2
Bay Port State Bank 30
Village Qwik Stop 27 1/2
Damm's, Inc. 26
Haist Flowers 23
Pigeon Inn 22 1/2
Lampighter 20 1/2
Ralph's Tavern 18
High Team Series: Bay Port State Bank 2280, Ralph's Tavern 2269, Miller High Life 2202, Lampighter 2162, Haist Flowers 2134.
High Team Game: Bay Port State Bank 802-793; Miller High Life 794 - 706 - 702; Ralph's Tavern 788 - 780 - 701; Haist Flowers 745-736; Lampighter 730 - 730 - 702; Thumb National Bank 727; Damm's, Inc. 723; Bay Port Construction 718-708; Huron Excavation 714, and Village Qwik Stop 703.
High Individual Series: Donna Deming 504, Connie Gokey 503, Patti Schulz 489, Nancy Gunden 484, Grace Carpenter 483, Dody Yahn 483, Sharon Buchholz 478, Jan Deering 475, Randie Clark 470, JoAnn Abbott 470.
High Individual Game: Connie Gokey 216, Dody Yahn 202, Donna Deming 193-175, Sharon Buchholz 192, Ann Elbing 191, Noel Wicher 191, Patti Schulz 190, Donna Ziel 187, Nancy Gunden 186, Grace Carpenter 176, Helen Gunden 177, JoAnn Abbott 176, Connie J. Damm 175, Mary Lee Fluegge 174, Randie Clark 173, Annabelle Botzman 171, Pam Roestel 170 and Jan Deering 170.
Splits: 5-10 M. Richmond; 3-10 G. Finkbeiner, K. Strrett, L. Zarke, M. Diachenko; 2-7 P. Roestel, A. Gotham, C. King; 3-7 D. Yahn; 5-8-10 L. Dast.

TY'S MONDAY MEN'S LEAGUE

Jim's Garage 54
Bud Light 54
McKenzie's 50
This 'N That 49
Elkton Petroleum 48
Don's Barber Shop 47
Thumme Insurance 33
Elkton Co-op 29

Penfold rolls top series

Florence Penfold, who bowls on the Thumb Excavating Team on the Monday Night Ladies League at Bill's, Kinde, has been named "Bowler of the Week" by the Thumb Area Women's Bowling Association for Feb. 23 - March 1.
Penfold rolled games of 194, 194 and 212 for an actual series of 600.
Other 550 and higher series bowlers were: Grace Hearsch 578, Almac, Bad Axe; Grace Riftenbarck 575, Bad Axe Lanes; Emily Ginter 569, Almac, Bad Axe; Angela Dubs 564, Pigeon Lanes; Maggie McQueen 560 and Joan Maurer 557, Bad Axe Lanes; Pat McIntosh 556, Charmont, Cass City; Carol Majeski 554, Almac, Bad Axe and Rose Voss 552, Pigeon Lanes.

TY'S SAT. NIGHT MIXED DOUBLES

Final Standings
April 3, 1987
Knechtel-Lackie 20
Russell-Chappel 19
Farver-Farver 18 1/2
Lackie-Weiss 14 1/2
High Team Game & Series: Farver-Farver (Wichert) 1902 (700).
Women's High Game & Series: Marilyn Chappel 460 (179).
Men's High Game & Series: Ron Farver 520; Tom Wichert 213; Don Weiss, Jim Lackie 509; Arnie Russell 508.
Splits Converted: 3-10 Brenda Wichert, Ralph Lackie; 5-6 Dede Russell; 2-5-7 Tom Wichert; 5-10 Annabelle Knechtel; 4-5-7 Bev Lackie.

PIGEON WOMEN'S AFTERNOON ROLL-OFF

—March 31—
Grigg Greenhouse 1761
Beachy Eggs 1651

PIGEON FRIDAY NIGHT MEN

Second half finals
Co-op Elevator 41 1/2
Pigeon Lanes 39
Caseville Fruit Market 36
Active Feed 25
Albrecht Auction Service 20 1/2
Silver Dollar 18
High Team Scores: Co-op Elevator 2649 (866 - 924 - 859), Caseville Fruit Market 2547 (878 - 817 - 852), Pigeon Lanes 2544 (888 - 830 - 826), Active Feed (855).
High Individual Scores: C. Basinger 599 (233), H. Ropp 577 (223), D. Dubs 576 (223), R. Damm 575 (233), M. Swartzendruber 549 (200), R. Nowaczyk 539, D. Schulze 531, N. Libka 526 (201), D. Dunn 523, O. Reed 516, J.D. Gunden 510.
Splits: 3-10 R. Nowaczyk, 4-6-10 R. Graf, 3-10 D. Deering.

PIGEON THURSDAY NIGHT LADIES

J&B Plumbing & Htg 38
Lee's Landscaping 31
Fink's Farm Equipment 30
Village Barber & Styling 30
Pigeon Auto Supply 29
Brighton Metal 27
Pigeon Telephone Co. 24
Serenity House 24
Want Ads 22
Scheurer Hospital 19
McCormick Motors 18
Bay House Sports 16
*Incomplete

MONDAY MAJOR LEAGUE

George's Bar 33
Walsh Packing 33
Bay Shore Collision 32
Pigeon Motor Sales 28
Bay Shore Realty 27
*Damm's Inc. 26
J.O. Wurst Tiling 25
J & B Plg. 24
Pigeon Lanes 24
Millers 21
*Brighton Metal 18
Qwik Stop 17
*Incomplete

ELKTON THURSDAY NIGHT LADIES

Knechtel's Market 38
Ty's Bowling 34 1/2
GW Repair 28

PIGEON THURSDAY NIGHT LADIES

High team scores: Pigeon Motor Sales 2589 (879-867), Brighton Metal 2547 (945), Walsh Packing 2513 (887-866), Wurst Tiling 2510 (850), George's Bar 2509 (862-854), Millers 2492 (856), Bay Shore Collision 2484 (854), J & B Plg. 858-854).
High individual scores: D. Parrish 635 (242-217), D. Diener 577, Troy Gunden 566 (218-204), T. Drabek 559 (203), M. Swartzendruber 548 (223), R. Christner 543 (202), D. Welshan 543 (217), Roger Koch 542, D. Schulz 201, B. Simet 200.

Scheurer Hospital's health care list

Patients listed in Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon, on Monday, April 6:
UNIONVILLE: Hannah Gotham.
CASS CITY: Alex Staibaum.
CASEVILLE: Frank Miller, Clarence Lemke.
SEBEWAING: Elsie Jahr, Arthur Liken, Esther Scheiwe, Rachael Sewelle, Jan Marie Davis.
OWENDALE: Christena Ellessor.
PIGEON: Loren Gettel, Viola Mickelson, Iva Price, Kayla Wisenbach.

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