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## A local era ends with death of E.J. Clabuesch

E.J.

Those two initials have been identifiable for 45 years to nearly everyone in the Pigeon area. They've meant banking. And money. They've meant investments and hard work combining to yield success.

They've meant E.J. Clabuesch.

The longtime Chairman of the Board of Thumb National Bank & Trust Company passed away late Sunday, following eight years of kidney disease and deterioration.

Throughout that entire time -- for the hundreds of persons who came in contact with him regularly in his many endeavors -- he never wavered, he never knowingly gave up.

He was prepared to fight this last battle for control of his body in the same manner he had waged struggles to build a hospital, to set a standard for small-town libraries, to assist farmers and business people in innovative projects, to direct a financial institution as it prospers and grows.

Finally, complications from his extended illness proved to be stronger than this community leader's ability to survive. Most of his family members were at his side when he passed away, about 8:30 p.m. Sunday night at the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minn.

In recent years, most of the people who knew him came to believe he was almost indestructible. He was rushed to various hospitals several times when complications arose -- but always rebounded, always pulled through.

"He was almost like a folk hero," one friend said Monday. "This town will be poorer without E.J. He IS Pigeon. He's helped make it what it is, even though it didn't always make him friends."

**FROM THE BEGINNING:** E.J. Clabuesch began his banking career on June 15, 1939 as a bookkeeper-teller of the then Pigeon State Bank. He came by banking naturally, too, as he followed in the footsteps of his father, the late Ernest Clabuesch. He had begun work at the bank's predecessor, the Farmers Bank of Frank W. Hubbard in Pigeon, in 1901.

E.J. served at the Willow Run Bomber plant during World War II and later served as an officer in the U.S. Army.

After the war, he returned to the bank to resume his career. He became a bank director in 1947, Cashier in 1948, Executive Vice President and Cashier in 1957, Bank President in 1959 and Chairman of the Board upon his father's retirement in 1974.

Clabuesch served his community in dozens of ways.

He was General Chairman of the Pigeon Golden Jubilee in 1953 and also served as President of the Pigeon Chamber of Commerce. A past President of the Pigeon Rotary Club, which he joined in 1948, he received the international organization's most-prestigious honor as a Paul Harris Fellow in 1980.

**ONE OF PIGEON'S KEYS:** He and the late Dr. Clare Scheurer are regarded by many as the two most influential leaders in Pigeon in the past 50 years.

Clabuesch and Dr. Scheurer worked together on many community betterment projects, and Clabuesch was the fund-raising committee chairman when more than \$1.1 million was raised locally to build the new Scheurer Hospital in 1972.

When the need arose to construct the Pigeon District Library's new facility in 1974, he helped organize "Operation PRIDE" which brought together \$174,000 in contributions and donations.

And, like the Hospital, the new Library was built. Not as a monument to himself or other people, but to make the community better.

He also worked long and diligently to aid area projects in agriculture, business, for the Michigan 4-H Club Foundation, First United Methodist Church, Winsor Lodge 420 F&M, Michigan Bankers Association, Democratic Party, as a member and past president of Scenic Golf & Country Club and served many years -- properly -- as Chairman of the Scheurer Hospital Board of Trustees, as well as a sustaining member of the Pigeon District Library.

Besides his work for the Hospital and Library, Clabuesch was pleased with his involvement in getting a federal charter turning Pigeon State Bank into Thumb National Bank, overseeing various bank expansions, creation of the bank's Cass City Branch and seeing bank assets top \$63 million earlier this year.

**MASTER STORY-TELLER:** E.J. Clabuesch often had stories or anecdotes to share with those he knew. One of the better stories tells about the differences between him and his father, known as a more-conservative banker in his time.

Father Ernest wanted to purchase a new car, but he was carefully considering a medium-line Chevrolet. "I don't want to show up our good customers," he said of the moderate purchase.

"That's not for me," E.J. responded. "I want to have something more substantial, like a good solid Pontiac or Chrysler. I want to show them their money is being well-spent."

In his later years, E.J. remarked that as this rich farming area grew more prosperous, "Many of our customers are getting those bigger-cars. We can, too," he noted with satisfaction.

**PUBLIC RESPONSES:** Thumb National President James Schumacher said Monday he enjoyed working with E.J. Clabuesch. "I spent 30 years with him, and he was almost like a second father to me. I was brought up and trained by him."

"I respected him as a civic leader, as a person and as a family man. I had the highest respect for him. And in particular, I enjoyed working with him. It was always an enjoyment."

"E.J. always held the community in the highest esteem. It was bred into us that we (in the bank) should continue that high esteem," Schumacher said.

"He was a fighter. He fought right to the end. The sickness was a challenge, just like building the hospital, or doing other projects. His response to his sickness is proof of the kind of man he was. It's hard for me to realize he's really gone, since he's always fought back," Schumacher said.

Another Bank co-worker, Senior Vice President Arthur "Bud" Luedtke, agreed Clabuesch's contributions in the community were massive. "I've known him all through school. He was two grades ahead of me. We married sisters."

"We have different personalities, but the same goal. E.J. would do his darnest to make things go and work. We both did."

"When he was Chamber of Commerce President, he'd say, 'we've got to do this or that, to make this village go.'"

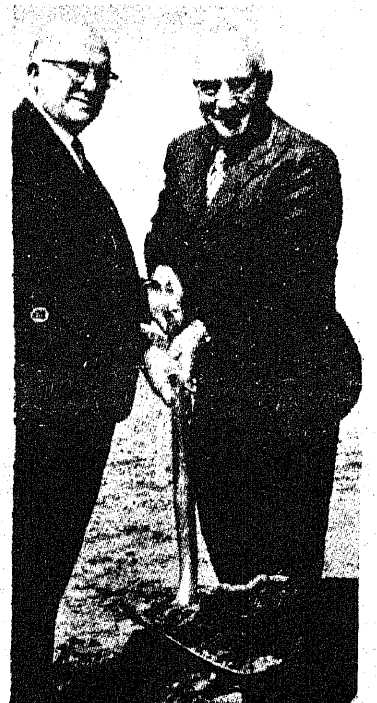
"He could foresee what to do. That was important. Then he'd get working, and call the right shots at the right time. When he put his mind to something, he did it," Luedtke said.

"He always respected everyone who worked with him. If you made a mistake, he'd let you know. You had to admire the man. As an employer, he'd back you if you'd get into a jam. You could always rely on him to help you."

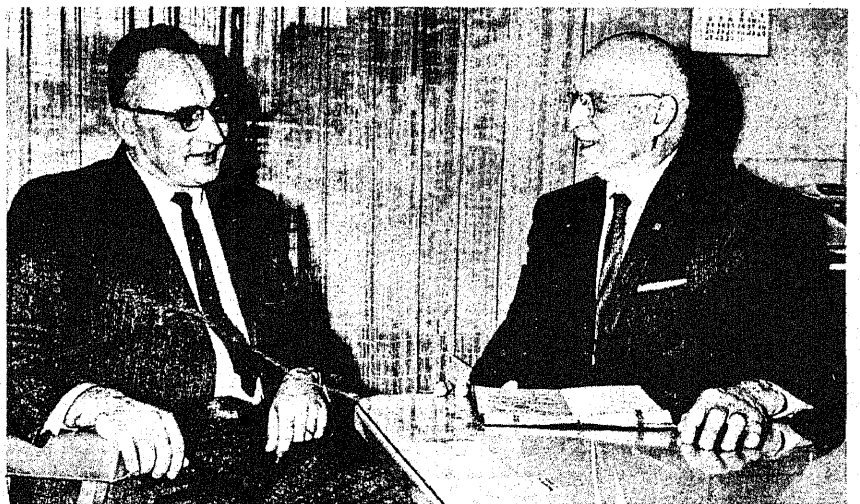
Visiting hours for E.J. Clabuesch are planned from 7 p.m. Tuesday night at Shetler-Bussema Funeral Home, Pigeon. Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Thursday, from First United Methodist Church, Pigeon.

The Pigeon Chamber of Commerce suggests most Pigeon businesses will be closed during the funeral hours on Thursday morning.

Complete obituary information appears on Page 32



**VIEWS OF E.J. CLABUESCH:** ABOVE LEFT, his Hurdelbrink portrait taken two weeks ago. ABOVE RIGHT, he and Dr. Clare Scheurer with first shovelful of dirt at new Scheurer Hospital in 1972. BELOW, chatting with father Ernest Clabuesch in 1961.



"E.J. pushed people when he had to. That's the way to get things done. He helped many young people get started in business. It's been a pleasure to associate with a person of that caliber."

"The town needed him. If it hadn't been for the bank helping some of these businesses, the community wouldn't be here the way it is," Luedtke said.

Longtime local insurance man Clifton Bailey formerly worked for Thumb National Bank in 1947. "I've been associated with him ever since," Bailey said of Clabuesch.

"He was a good promoter. He worked for the Hospital, Library, Chamber of Commerce and Community Club before that. He was a good community service. And he was a mighty good banker," Bailey said.

"He was a premiere small-town banker."

Former Pigeon business woman Florence Vollmer said, "he was a real good businessman. He treated everybody royally, really good. I always thought a lot of him. And he's so young, too."

Bank Board member Lowell Kraft said, "E.J. was a tremendous asset to Pigeon and the entire area. We'll be poorer without him."

Eleanora Eicher Trost -- Pigeon's first woman president of the Chamber of Commerce -- noted Clabuesch "helped Dr. Scheurer with the Hospital, and he and Ann Marie did the Library."

"There was always cooperation with him. That's the point. We have that beautiful Library and an excellent hospital. There are a lot of things the community wouldn't have without him."

By MARK RUMMEL



As we see it editorially

Sad times for Pigeon government

The action taken last Wednesday night by the Pigeon Village Council wasn't an easy choice, to be sure. Some Council members say it was the most difficult thing they've ever done. Council voted 5-2 to terminate the employment of Village Clerk - Administrator Joe McArdle, ending a difficult two years for village leaders. McArdle was hired from all candidates who applied for the job, following the sudden death of longtime Village Clerk Norman Schulze in 1982. Perhaps McArdle didn't totally catch on to the many complexities of various budgets, forms and procedures which were thrust upon the village -- and him -- when Norm Schulze died. That was one of the criteria cited in McArdle's ouster. He willingly takes part of the blame. "I'm not Norm Schulze," McArdle told the Council at a recent meeting. "I'm trying my hardest, but I don't think I'll ever equal what he did." McArdle said the job has grown in recent months, with more paperwork and greater difficulty in budget preparation. He sought additional help, which at first was provided parttime. But then charges flew concerning who would direct office duties and who was or wasn't doing their share of the work. McArdle was put on a 60-day probation Jan. 9, and was told if problems continue, "termination will result." Apparently, sufficient problems DID continue, as far as Council members are concerned. The motion to terminate McArdle last week had only token opposition, and caught McArdle (in particular) completely by surprise. Questions about his hiring keep arising, as the smoke and dust clear -- and as McArdle's April 1 employment cut-off nears. Did the 1982 Council choose the best possible person for the job? Were they satisfied at the time that the

applicant could perform the work? Or, were they more interested in getting a worker at low cost who was eager to try anything? Clearly, the Village Council of two years ago must assume responsibility for part of McArdle's situation today. Perhaps today's group feels he isn't able to completely perform the job he was hired for -- but they're mostly the same persons who employed him in the first place. They're partly responsible for the present situation, too. They should bear part of the burden for the hurt feelings, sunken morale and broken spirit of the man hired in 1982. The decision they have made is perhaps the right one -- but the fired employee doesn't bear all the responsibility for the situation he now unpleasantly finds himself in. There's plenty of blame and responsibility to go around, as it must.

Pete Progress says: "There is no better exercise for your heart than reaching down... and helping to lift someone up!"

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RECOLLECTIONS of by-gone days

By GEORGE KEIM DEAR EDITOR, On March 11, we had the pleasure of hearing the "ARC" musical team in our church, at the regular service. They were very good and I know they can do a lot of good when they go to the high schools. One of the members told us that whenever somebody goes to a foreign country, they need to speak in the people's language or the people don't get the message. Well, they did their thing on the high school level and a lot of us who don't go to high school had a lot to learn. After church, I had a good dinner at the Dutch Kettle in Pigeon, with Hugo Leipprandt and Ed Foster. Susie and Chrissy waited on us and we were well taken care of. Art Ebert joined us and a man at the next table asked us if we had a license to tell all the stories we told! I then visited my sister Dorothy for a while and on the way home, I stopped at the Lamplighter Restaurant in Pigeon, and got my pecan pie and coffee. I had a nice visit with Willis Leipprandt. In the evening, I went to Bay Port to hear the Calvarymen sing. They sure were good and the songs they sang were very good. We could understand the words. Well, that's what a lot of these people do who sing on the radio or on TV. But the Lord wants us to sing to His praise and there is a lot of difference between a joyful noise and a loud racket, that you can't understand the words. And if you could understand the words, would the Lord be pleased with them? SINCERELY YOURS, GEORGE KEIM

Dear Mom & Dad Please send \$\$\$ By KAMI BUCHHOLZ CMU SENIOR Here's the continuation of differences between freshmen and senior college students... Freshmen tend to pull all-nighters more often and for more reasons than do seniors. Seniors would rather skip all-nighters and get some sleep. Of course, there are seniors who avoid all-nighters as well as avoid and just choose to do whatever -- "Late Night with David Letterman" is one option often chosen. Freshman tend to cluster in the library for studying purposes. When you get to be a senior the only time you go to the library is to socialize -- save the studying for your apartment or house. Freshmen tend to be more involved with on-campus activities, which is good as it's a great way to meet people. Seniors seem to already have a number of acquaintances and elect to partake in a variety of activities, many of which are not held on-campus. Also, seniors have more access to automobiles than do freshmen, so getting off-campus for the freshman usually means a hike -- in the literal sense. Freshmen have a habit of asking everyone they meet what their major and minor is -- by the time you're a senior you realize that most people know just by those two questions that you are a FRESHMAN! Freshmen always are concerned with whether others think, or know, that they're freshmen -- seniors don't worry about such things. A senior's biggest concern is graduating, which is usually at the bottom of a freshman's list! Be sure to have a super week!



GOP kickoff dinner features Sen. Engler

The dinner will be provided by the GOP, with diners required only to make reservations by Friday, March 23. Those on the west side of Huron County may make their reservations with Arnold Schweitzer, 3168 Grassmere Road, Owendale, phone 269-9238, Shirley Willits, 193 North Main, Elkton, phone 375-4004, or Richard V. Stokan, 120 South Heisterman, Bad Axe, 269-6421. "Our Republican executive committee welcomes all Republicans to join us in working toward a strong and united party," Mrs. Holdwick stated.

Social security application changes

New requirements for application for a Social Security number were recently implemented because of questionable authenticity of a great number of documents being used to obtain Social Security numbers nationwide, says Social Security Field Representative Frank Foster. The new policy states that if an individual born in the United States is applying for a Social Security number for the first time, a U.S. public record of birth established before age five must be requested. If it does not exist, other evidence established before age five can be used, such as a baptismal or hospital record. Some of the documents used in the past to obtain Social Security numbers have included the birth certificates of cabbage patch dolls, Foster says. For more information on the new requirements, contact the Social Security office in Bad Axe. Your Progress-Advance comes to you fresh each week, filled with more local news, pictures, entertainment and features than ANY other paper. We're locally-owned -- and we just cost 25 cents each week! What a bargain! Thanks for reading us... be sure all your friends do, too!

Thanks A Million By PERCY ROSS

Percy Ross is a Minneapolis millionaire who has developed many interesting ideas about people and wealth during his colorful career. He enjoys sharing both his philosophy and his money with readers of "Thanks A Million" and inspiring them to participate in solving problems for others. His motto is "He who gives while he lives... also knows where it goes..." Dear Readers: Remember last week's letter from Ms. P.G. in Minnesota? She needed a truck in order to continue her rag business... and I promised to pay half the cost if she located one that met her needs. Well, it didn't take her long. She found a nice, clean used '80 Nissan for \$4,000. I sent her my check for \$2,000... and now there is one real happy young lady in St. Paul! Dear Mr. Ross: We are very sad because two of our favorite toys were stolen from our kindergarten playground. They were wooden trucks that we could really ride on. You can see them on the enclosed pictures we drew for you. Because they cost \$75.50 and our school is very short of money for supplies, we are hoping you will help us replace them. They can be ordered from the Lakeshore Curriculum Materials Co. We are enclosing the page and order blank from their catalog. Thank you. -- Killybrooke Kindergarten Classes, California. Dear Miss L.: I'll bet you give great readings! Mine would be the most expensive palm reading in history. Better hold on to your job. I may be easygoing... but, I can't be had that easily. Dear Mr. Ross: Thanks a Million! You really helped our son, Sean. With the use of his new Dahlberg hearing aids he is a completely different child. His personality, behavior and schoolwork all point toward a more positive person. If you are ever in our area, Sean would be thrilled to meet you, as it is not easy for him to understand that a stranger "gave" him such a wonderful gift, and one that is so necessary to him. Our thanks again, Mr. Ross! -- Mrs. S.M., New Jersey. Tell Sean it wasn't a stranger who gave... it was a friend who shared. You may write to Percy Ross, c/o The Progress-Advance, P.O. Box 460, Pigeon, MI 48755. You may include a telephone number if you wish. Because of the heavy volume of mail, only a limited number of requests will be answered in future columns, although many others may be acknowledged privately. Dear Mr. Percy: I'm 46, single and have a full-time job. On weekends and evenings I do palm reading as a sideline in my two room efficiency apartment. When you were in New York for the David Letterman Show, I had the pleasure of shaking your hand and talking with you for a short time. I noticed that the money line in your palm was very distinct. I hear you are easygoing and a very generous man. I just know you will help me. I'm leaving my job as soon as you send me \$225,000 to buy the kind of house I need and another \$75,000 to buy furnishings. I want to properly impress my present and future customers. I'll even read your palm for free when you visit New York. I give great readings...S.L. (Miss), Illinois. Dear Mr. Ross: Inspector Gordo and Sheriff Cook slogged ankle-deep in the chill waters of huge Lake Tomamie as they walked by the outside of the eight foot wall set in the sandy shallows behind the murdered woman's house. "The wall completely surrounds the house," said the sheriff. "Two hours ago, Jim Rook came home from a late movie. He thought he saw a man going over the wall here." The sheriff pointed to a homemade ladder leaning against the outside of the wall. "It was pitch dark, and so Rook decided he was imagining things -- you'll notice the top of the ladder is six inches below the top of the wall, and so it can't be seen from the house side. Then he discovered his wife in the kitchen, strangled. Rook suspects her ex-boyfriend, Jord Haled, a professional football tackle, who has a cottage across the lake. Haled, who owns a rowboat, insists he was home all night, but he has no supporting witness." Gordo climbed the ladder, looked at the back of the Bookman house, and climbed down. The top of the ladder was now eight inches below the top of the wall. "Shall I arrest Haled?" asked Cook. "No, Rook," snorted Gordo. Why did Gordo make that statement? Answer on page 8

Opening night approaches! Cast members continue to rehearse for the Laker High School Theatre for the Performing Arts' production of "Glimpses" performed at the Laker Auditorium on Thursday, March 22 and Friday, March 23 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, March 25 at 2 p.m. The play is directed by Chris Schultz. IN PHOTO AT LEFT, Jennifer Gayari, Constance Abdalla, Gina Gaskill, Amy Buchholz, Erik Hoerschelmann and Dirk Schultze give the playlet the final touches. Other cast members include Jenny Arnold, Lisa Gaskill, Kelly Peck, Chris Diachenko, Randy Cobb, Kris McArdle, Julie Kretschmer, Debbie Weiss and C.L. Drummond. Tickets are available at the door or from Drama Club members.

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The 1985 Farm Bill will be discussed for area farmers at Marlette High School next Thursday, March 29, in a 1:30 p.m. meeting.

Focus will be on how past farm programs have impacted net farm income, and whether farmers would fare better under a government supply-management system - or a market-oriented ag system.

Any interested persons may attend, and the meeting is sponsored by the Michigan Farm Bureau, according to organizer Jack Laurie of Cass City.

Nominations are being sought for Ambassador and Embassy Awards candidates by the Michigan Travel Commission. Winners will be selected in the 1984 Governor's Ambassador Awards Program.

Individuals get Ambassador awards for their contributions to the state and to Michigan's travel industry. Organizations can earn Embassy awards for their promotion of Michigan as a convention and vacation destination.

For nominating forms, contact the Michigan Travel Bureau, Michigan Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 30226, Lansing, 48909 or by calling 1-800-292-2520. Nominations must be received by April 9.

**Trend toward larger farms grows here**

During the past two decades, the average size of farms in Michigan has increased and soybean and corn acreage nearly doubled, in spite of diversion of some cropland to nonfarm use.

A new publication, "Comparing Michigan's Agriculture with that of Nearby States, 1960-1982," written by Karl Wright, Michigan State University agricultural economic professor emeritus, contains data on changes in farm size and other trends since the 1960s in Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin and Minnesota.

"One of the most significant changes in Michigan is the increase in corn and soybean production in the past 10 years," Wright says. "Corn acreage rose from 1.7 million to 3.1 million acres (42% of state cropland) making corn Michigan's major crop. Soybean acreage increased from 500,000 to 1 million acres."

Even though it has lost farm acreage to nonfarm uses, Michigan continues to produce a consistent percentage of the six-state market.

From 1960-64, the average-sized farm in Michigan consisted of 135 acres. By 1982, average farm size had increased to 177 acres. Because of rising costs of equipment, land and fertilizers as well as inflation, farmers had either to enlarge their farms, or supplement their incomes with off-farm jobs.

Farmers with medium-size farms (100 to 400 acres) found themselves too busy to hold extra jobs, Wright says. The percentage of large farms went up because farmers had to increase the size of their farms to maintain their income.

The percentage of smaller farms (less than 100 acres) remained about the same, but off-farm income increased each year.

Overall, farmers make twice as much income off the farm as they do from farming. Off-farm income per farmer in Michigan in 1979 average \$15,270, compared with \$6,318 net farm income, for a total family income to \$21,588.

Eventually there will be small farms with a great percentage of their income derived somewhere other than the farm, and large farms. The medium-size farm will become obsolete, Wright predicts.

The publication is available for a slight fee through the MSU Cooperative Extension Service or the MSU Bulletin Office, Box 231, East Lansing, MI 48824-0231.

**Can fewer eggs be broken?**

A \$135,000 project at Michigan State University may minimize egg production loss, the number one problem in Michigan's commercial egg industry.

"From 6-8% of the eggs produced are broken or cracked between the time eggs are laid until they are put in a carton," says Cal Flegal, MSU Cooperative Extension Service poultry specialist.

He says producers could gain \$5000-\$10,000 in income per 100,000 birds if they could reduce losses stemming from breakage or inferior quality.

In the five-year project, more than 8600 layers are equally divided into two chambers. Half the flock is being fed a diet that includes calcium carbonate, and the other a diet containing both calcium carbonate and oyster shell.

Michigan's commercial poultry industry produces about 1.5 billion eggs from more than 6 million layers annually. Egg production in Michigan is valued at more than \$63.5 million.

**FARM NOTEBOOK...**

✓ **Farmers' Week at MSU** is on-going now through March 23, on campus in East Lansing. Tom Thorburn has details at 355-0117.

✓ **Crop-A-Rama** comes to MSU on Wednesday, March 21 (today). Lowell Rothert has details at 355-0180.

✓ **Farmers' Week Horse Day** is Thursday, March 22. For details, call 355-0117.

✓ **"Make the rest of your life the best of your life"** is the District 6 Farm Bureau Women's Rally theme next Wednesday, March 28, at Cass City's Colony House. Tickets are available at the County Farm Bureau Office, in Bad Axe. The public is welcomed to attend.

✓ **Farmer Meetings** to discuss the 1985 Farm Bill are planned by Michigan Farm Bureau workers. The local one for this area is coming Thursday, March 29 at Marlette High School. It starts at 1:30 p.m. For details, call Jack Laurie at 872-2659.

✓ **FFA Ag Skills Contest** gets underway April 28 on the MSU campus. Watch for details.



**CO-OP'S BUSY TIMES:** Hundreds of farmers learned about new fertilizer, seed, supply and other offerings during the Co-op Elevator Company's Spring Sale last Tuesday through Thursday.

The event was conducted at the Pigeon VFW Hall and featured displays and demonstrations by various suppliers. Besides earning discounts for buying early, farmers earned some of 20,000 tickets redeemable for merchandise prizes.

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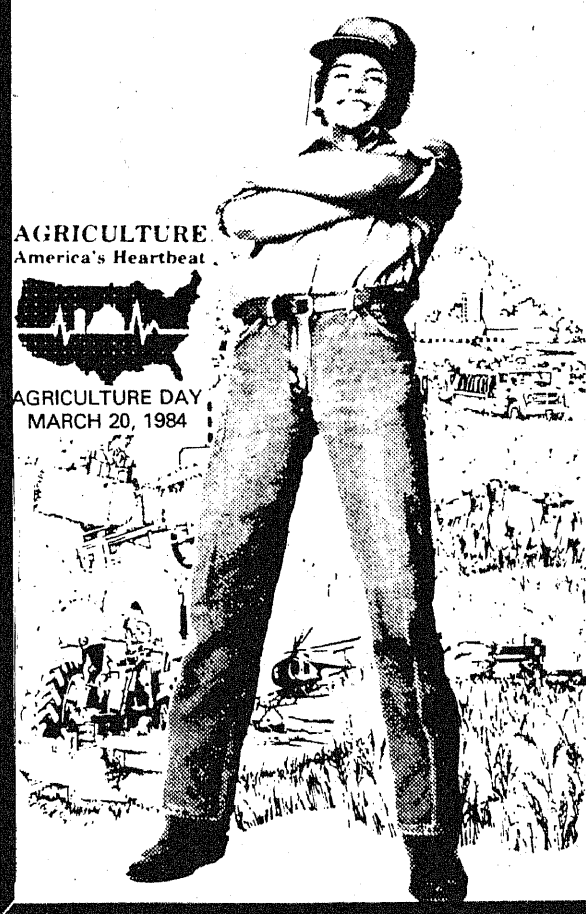
**TRIVIA TIME**

Here's this week's "TRIVIA TIME" quiz. How many important - but fascinating - facts do YOU know?

1. How many horizontal rows of stars are on a U.S. flag?
2. What two performers refused their best actor Oscars in the 1970s?
3. How is the election of a new Pope announced to the world?
4. What does early to bed and early to rise make one?
5. What fish's skin was once used commercially as sandpaper?

ANSWERS ON NEXT NEWS PAGE

**AGRICULTURE DAY MARCH 20**



The farmer is a mighty enterprising citizen. He's a Jack-of-all-trades and master at all of them. From dawn until dusk he's busy working as an engineer, a bookkeeper, a mechanic, a specialist in feed, soil, chemicals and animal husbandry. THANKS TO HIS EFFORTS, America is proud to enjoy the highest standard of living in the world.

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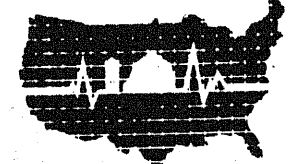
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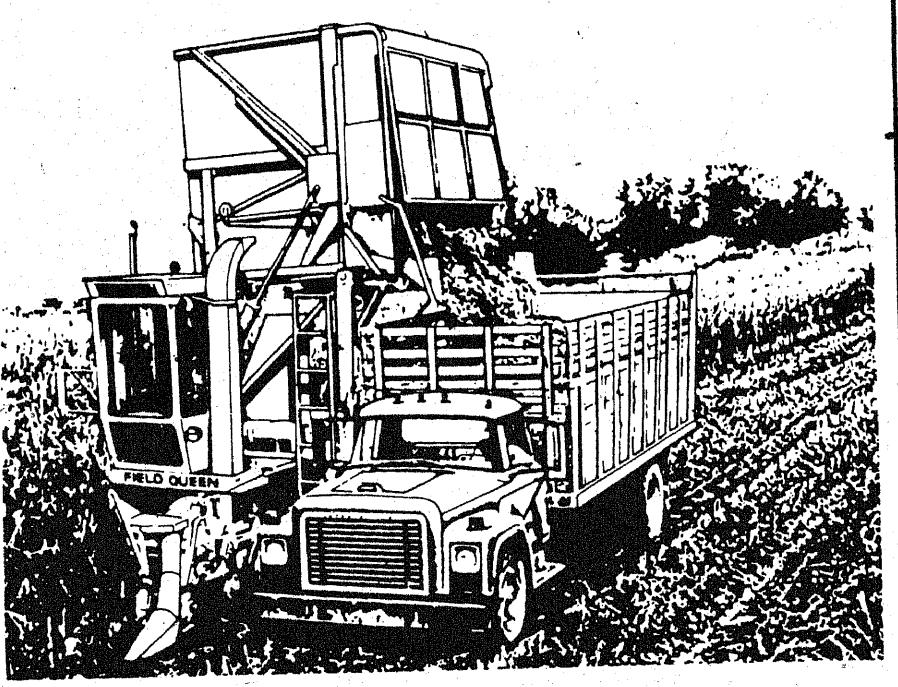
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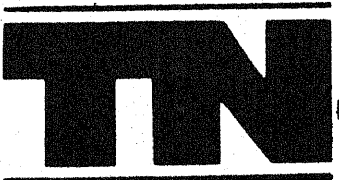


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**Here's to the farmer!**



His hard work is vital to all of us. It keeps us healthy, keeps our local economy going strong. Today his business is more sophisticated than ever. So are his financial needs. That's why more and more farmers are turning to us for advice. We help them with loans for equipment, seed and feed, with all their banking needs. We're proud of our solid relationship with the farmers in our area. We're anxious to be of service in any way we can!



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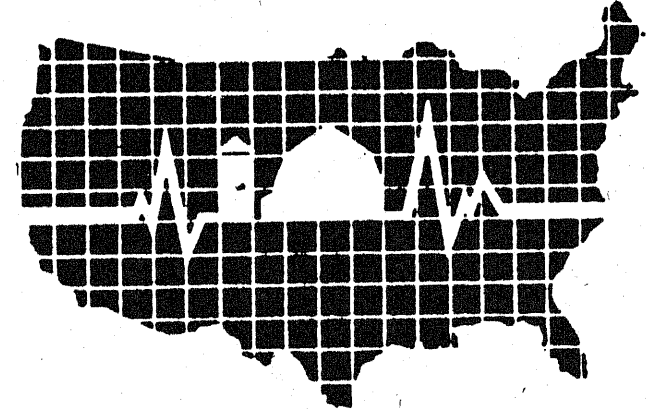
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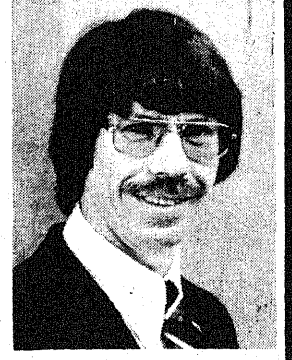
On the occasion of American Agriculture Day, this year celebrated on March 20th, we want to send our thanks to the farmers, ranchers, growers and agribusiness people and their families who work within the food and agricultural network and contribute so vitally to the health of our nation.

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### Pigeon District Library events listed

**Written By NANCY SWARTZENDRUBER FAREWELL PARTY**  
 Assistant librarian Starla Albrecht was honored at a farewell party at the Pigeon District Library on March 8. Cake and ice cream were served and she was presented with a gift. Starla has been employed at the library since August of 1982. She will be married March 24 and will be leaving the area.

Although Starla will be missed, patrons and library staff wish her all the best for the future.

**NEW EMPLOYEE**  
 Nancy Swartzendruber was recently named assistant librarian at the library. She replaces Starla Albrecht. Her previous employment includes two years as assistant librarian at the Port Austin Public Library and six years as an insurance secretary.

Some of the assistant librarian duties include processing interlibrary loan material, circulation reports, card catalog filing and writing library news. Nancy and her husband, Rich reside near Pigeon.

**PRESCHOOL STORY HOUR**  
 There will be a special Story Hour on Tuesday, March 27. This Story Hour was rescheduled from February. Wanda Gremel, dental hygienist, will be presenting a program for the children. She will be showing the children proper toothbrushing techniques. She will also present a film about the care of teeth which features Snoopy. The goal of this program is to start children's dental care early and to visit the dentist regularly so future problems with their teeth and gums can be prevented. There will be two sessions of Story Hour as usual, 9 to 10 a.m. and 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

### SOMEONE'S IN THE KITCHEN

We welcome your family's favorite recipes (no more than three at a time, please), which should be sent to: "SOMEONE'S IN THE KITCHEN" c/o The Progress-Advance P.O. Box 460 Pigeon, MI 48755

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 3/4 c. water  
 2 medium onions, sliced

Preheat oven to 325°F.  
 Place meat in shallow baking pan or dish. Combine remaining ingredients except onions. Pour over ribs. Top with onion slices.  
 Bake at 325° for one hour. Turn ribs, continue baking one hour longer. Baste ribs occasionally with sauce while baking. Skim off fat and serve sauce over ribs.

**Helpful tip ...** Teach your child to fill the bathtub with just the right amount of water by placing a decal at the desired level. Tell the child to turn off the water when it reaches that point.

### FREE COUPONS

Savings minded shoppers are urged to take advantage of the free coupons offered by the library at the Coupon Corner. Organizer Karen Wolfe has sorted the coupons by product type to make selection easier.

### NEW BOOKS

**Adult Fiction:** "Star of Peace" by Jan DeHartog, "Myself My Enemy" by Jean Plaidy, "Dead Man's Medal" by Jack Cummings, "Crime for Christmas" by Lesley Egan, "Dream West" by David Nevin and "Night Sky" by Clare Francis.

**Adult Non-Fiction:** "Mobile Travel Guide, 1984" (Great Lakes Area) by Rand McNally, "The Journey of a Diabetic" by Lawrence M. Pray, "The Book of Ages" by Desmond Morris, "Approaching Hoofbeats" by Billy Graham and "Tough-Minded Faith for Tender-Hearted People" by Robert Harold Schuller.

**Junior Adult:** "Novels and Stories" by Jack London, "Mississippi Writings" by Mark Twain, "Three Novels" by Harriet Stowe, "Sandra Day O'Connor" by Carol Greene, "Ronald Reagan: An All American" by June Behrens and "First Lady: Rosalynn Carter" by Jan Faulk Rogers.

### 3-wheel vehicles need registering

Secretary of State Richard H. Austin reminds owners of three-wheeled motorcycles known as "All Terrain Vehicles," that such vehicles must be registered and the operator licensed with a motorcycle endorsement to operate on public highways.

Austin's reminder follows scattered reports of young drivers operating ATV's on highways without a license, registration or motorcycle endorsement.

An ATV operated on public or private land must carry a special off-road vehicle registration, unless operated exclusively on land owned by the operator. Individuals 12 to 16 years of age may operate such vehicles on public or private land under supervision of an adult or with a safety certificate from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

Michigan law defines a three-wheel ATV as a motorcycle and requires operators to wear helmets on public highways. Austin also advises individuals operating on private lands to wear helmets and follow safe driving procedures.

The Red Cross Bloodmobile will arrive in Caseville on Thursday, March 22 from 1 to 7 p.m. at the American Legion Hall. Spokesman for the group urges all donors to attend as blood is needed. Those persons 17 years old may now donate, as can 65 year olds with doctor's approval.

**Bloodmobile arriving in Caseville!**



## To Your Health

### Angina

Angina results from an imbalance of myocardial (heart) oxygen supply and demand, usually due to coronary artery obstruction. Your physician will evaluate your angina based upon clinical features. Stable angina is brought on by physical activity and is relieved by rest and/or nitroglycerin. Unstable angina describes stable angina which as become more severe in duration, intensity or frequency, and is less responsive than usual to treatment. Nocturnal angina refers to chest pain or discomfort which occurs during sleep. This is frequently seen when congestive heart failure complicates coronary artery disease. Variant angina refers to chest pain which occurs during rest and is most likely related to spasm of a coronary artery.

The first treatment is the identification of risk factors; factors which lead to increased severity of the disease. These factors include advancing age, high serum cholesterol, high blood pressure, EKG abnormalities, cigarette smoking, diabetes mellitus, anxiety, severe psychosocial problems, or Type A behavior pattern (hard driving, competitive, ambitious). The successful modification of these risk factors may help to prevent the development of coronary heart disease.

**Phil Seemann, registered pharmacist**  
 Scheurer Hospital

Coronary Artery surgery (bypass) is regarded as an important approach in the management of angina. This type of surgery can decrease or retrieve pain in 80 or 90% of patients. In low risk patients with good ventricular function the surgical mortality is less than one percent. In unstable angina and other cases of significant occlusive disease of the left main coronary artery, there is some evidence that the bypass surgery may prolong, as well as improve, the quality of life.

Medical management of most patients with angina is almost always instituted before bypass surgery is considered. In fact, most patients after bypass surgery still require medical management. Patients should be instructed to avoid emotional upsets, exposures to the extremes in temperature, and beverages containing caffeine. Strenuous exercise should be avoided, but regular mild to moderate exercise should be encouraged. Smoking should be stopped, and every effort should be made to reduce other risk factors such as hypertension, obesity, hyperthyroidism and any arrhythmias.

I would like to begin discussing the drugs used to treat angina. The mainstay of past and present treatment is Nitroglycerin. Most medications are either compared to nitroglycerine or added to nitroglycerine therapy. The primary action of nitroglycerine is to relax vascular smooth muscle. This reduces total peripheral resistance, thus reducing the heart workload, afterload and oxygen requirements. Factors which affect the stability of nitroglycerine are: time, heat, air and moisture. The pills should be stored in an amber glass container with a tight fitting screw cap. Never store other drugs in the same container (for example, two aspirin tablets can absorb the nitroglycerine in one month from several nitro tablets if stored together). Nitroglycerine is a volatile liquid in a tablet, thus if the cap is loose, the vapor, which contains the Nitro, can escape. Some studies have shown that the most frequent side effect from nitroglycerine is a short duration headache, which may occur in 49 to 81% of patients. Dizziness and/or fainting is the second most common affect, reported by 10%. The incidence of dizziness and fainting is more likely in the elderly and those patients also taking peripheral vasodilators or alcohol.

In my next column I will continue with a discussion of other drugs used to treat angina.

## Traxler sponsors congressional art competition

Rep. Bob Traxler is launching the third annual congressional art competition for high school students in the Eighth Congressional District. The winning entry will be displayed this summer, along with other artworks from districts across the country, in the main tunnel of the U.S. Capitol.

The Bay Arts Council will direct the contest and along with Studio 23, will provide the judging and public display of the entries. Artwork must be two-dimensional and no larger than 30"x30". Entries must be framed. Eligible categories are paintings, drawings, collages and prints. Local entries must be submitted by 5 p.m., April 25 to Studio 23 in Bay City.

The nationwide activity is not conducted with Federal funds and gives Members of Congress an opportunity to encourage young artists at a time of budget cutbacks for local arts organizations and art education programs.

Details on the contest can be obtained at the Bay Arts Council office at 811 N. Saginaw Street, Bay City or by calling 893-0343.

The American Cancer Society will present a film and a lecture on Thursday, March 22 at 8:30 p.m. The public is urged to attend at the Pigeon VFW Hall.

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# Caseville High presents western comedy



**STAGE STARS:** The cast of "West of Pecos" shown here includes from left, Margaret Beadle, Julie Barton, Michele Ballard, Gary Miller, Mindy Goslee, Brian Gembariski, Aileen Simet, Vicky Goslee, Jon Beadle, Dan Murdoch, John Winkler, Chris Barton, Shawn Sarka, Michelle Stahl, Jerry

The Caseville Comedies and Tragedies' Troupe of Caseville High School will present the production "West of Pecos" on Wednesday, March 21 at 1 p.m. and Thursday, March 22 at 7:30 p.m.

The play is directed by Mary Kay Quinn.

"West of Pecos" by Tim Kelly is a three-act western comedy that involves Judge Roy Bean, actress Lily Langtry and a man sentenced to hang, Orin Powers.

About 35 Caseville Public School students are involved in the cast or crew of the production.

Winkler, Michelle Simet, Chris Kopack and Gail Gembariski. Missing when the photo was taken were Sandy and Brenda Johnson.

## Pigeon woman attends

Mrs. Paul Leipprandt of Pigeon was among 100 Michigan dairy farmers who attended the third annual Dairy Promotion Seminar and learned to communicate the "Grade A Way."

The seminar in Grand Rapids on March 6 and 7 helped participants develop

skills for local dairy product promotions.

The annual seminar is sponsored by American Dairy Association of Michigan as part of the Dairy Diplomat Program in an effort to provide resources to assist promotion of Michigan dairy products at the local level.

## Sun and Fun Daze dates corrected

The dates for the Sun and Fun Daze planned in Caseville this summer were incorrectly listed in last week's Progress-Advance. The correct dates for the summer event are July 20 to 29.



**BACKSTAGE HELPERS:** Working to keep the production running smoothly is the crew shown here including from left, Wendi Cilc, Erin Barton, Tony Seagraves, Yvonne Miller, Brenda Cilc, David Simet, Robin Bond, Steve Pyc and Carl Bruni. RICH SWARTZENDRUBER PHOTO

By DOROTHY DIENER

Mr. and Mrs. John Diener received a phone call Wednesday evening from their brother-in-law, LeRoy Burdine that his wife, Pauline (John's sister) was admitted to the hospital for major surgery. She would like to hear from relatives and friends. Her address is Central Florida Regional Hospital, 1401 West Seminole Blvd., Room 359, Sanford, Florida 32771.

Sunday afternoon visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Leipprandt were their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Leipprandt from Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hamilton helped their grandson Jason celebrate his third birthday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Auernhamer and Lisa in Fraknemuth on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Deming enjoyed their grandson Travis Lee Deming from Bay Port on Saturday.

Recent weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hartman were their daughter and grandson Mrs. Betty Jean Thomas and son Chris and Sonny Hack from Canton. Dinner guests on Sunday were their other daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Drabek and boys, Mr. and Mrs. Dick

Champagne and children from Kinde.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Colison were Sunday dinner and supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ewald Beyer.

Mr. and Mrs. Karl Leppien from Alma were Friday afternoon callers at the home of Pastor and Mrs. Ernst Henkelmann.

Thursday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hartman were Mrs. Bud McCormick and Mrs. Frances McCormick from Caseville.

Philip McArdle returned to Central Michigan University, Mt. Pleasant on Sunday after spending his spring break with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe McArdle and family.

Pastor Ernst Henkelmann conducted the Sunday services at Christ Lutheran Church in Reese.

On Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Rathje were guests of their son and wife, Professor and Mrs. Randolph Rathje and family in Saginaw.

On Tuesday Mrs. Edna Truemmer, Mrs. Marge Roemer and Mrs. Elsie Kern attended the Lutheran Child and Family Service meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Art Krause in Argyle.

Mrs. Amanda Strauch visited on Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Clara Gettel in Sebewaing.

# Pigeon residents visit and travel

Mrs. Barbara Rowe and daughter Patty, from Caseville spent Thursday afternoon with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Schafer.

Miss Suzanne Scheutte returned to Central Michigan University, Mt. Pleasant, after spending her spring break with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Schuette and brothers.

Miss Barbara Dast from Saginaw spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dast.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Jarvis of Frankenmuth, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Gemmel from Elkton were Sunday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jarvis.

Saturday afternoon visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Schafer were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Schafer, Gail and Gwinn from Sebewaing, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schafer from Rochester.

Miss Vickie Born returned to Central Michigan University, Mt. Pleasant, after spending her spring break with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Born and family.

A large crowd from the Pigeon Area attended the Recital in Caro on Sunday afternoon, in which Miss Maria Schumacher sang several numbers, recital was given by her singing teacher.

Mrs. Lorraine Kurzer of Caseville and Mrs. Mabel Clark visited Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Kurzer's daughter, Mrs. Cheryl Abbe in Elkton.

Sunday afternoon visitors of Mrs. Vivian Fischer was her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pedler from Caseville.

Saturday visitors of the Fred Eder family were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lohrmann from Kalamazoo.

Mrs. Lotis Miller from Fairview spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Mary Ropp and the rest of the family.

Mrs. Viola Schuette spent last Monday with her aunt, Mrs. Olga Cronk near Port

Huron. She sends her greetings to all her relatives and friends.

Sunday afternoon guests of Mrs. Minnie Elftman were Mrs. Leon Elftman from Pinconning. Supper guests were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Jarvis of Frankenmuth. Mrs. Raymond Error from Bad Axe was an evening visitor.

Mrs. Dorothy Young attended the Fingernail Clinic

presented by the Pierce Brothers in Bay City on Monday.

Miss Lynn Heck attended the birthday gathering of close relatives for her mother Mrs. Karen Heck's birthday on Sunday, before returning to Central Michigan University, Mt. Pleasant, after spending her semester break with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Heck.

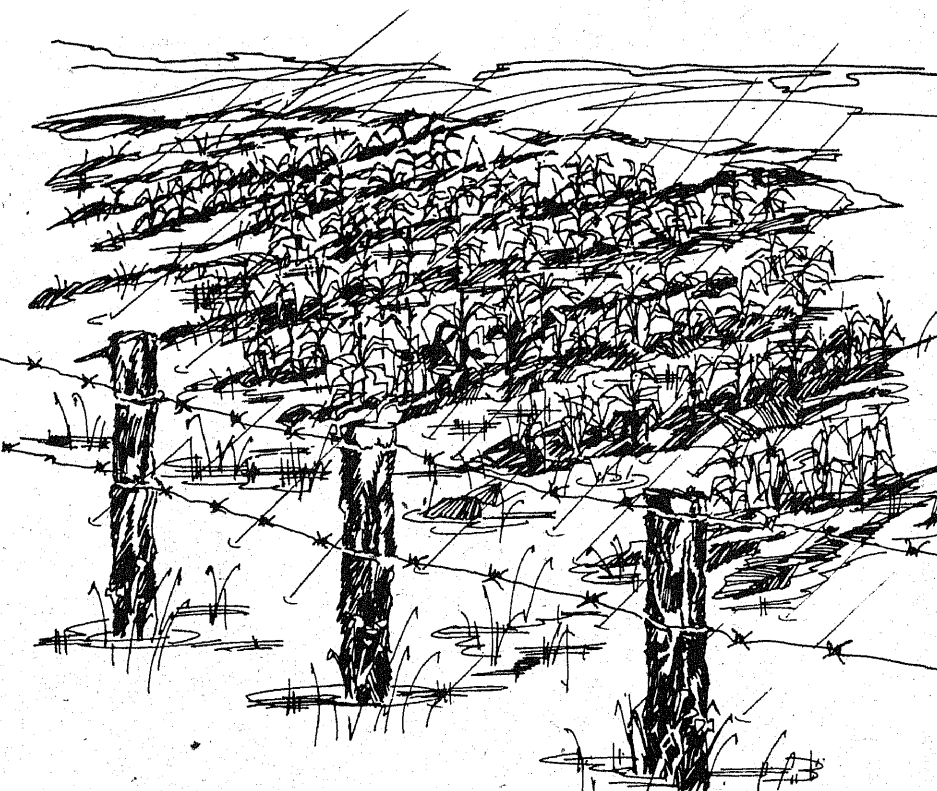
Miss Mary Greene, student at Central Michigan University, Mt. Pleasant returned to her studies after spending a week duration with Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Young and family and other relatives.

Mrs. Jerry Young entertained the Champion Girls basketball team and coaches from Cross Lutheran School on Monday to a pizza party at her home.

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## Honor roll announced for Caseville school

The fourth marking period honor roll has been announced for the Caseville Public Schools by Paul Ellinger, principal. A \* indicates all A's.

**TWELFTH:** Jonathon Beadle, Sandra Johnson, Gary Miller, \*Daniel Murdoch, Daniel Osentoski, Aileen Simet, Michelle Simet, Wayne Simmons and Gerald Winkler.

**ELEVENTH:** Margaret Beadle, Robin Bond, Wendi Cilc, \*Jennifer Krause, Gela Kretzschmer, Paul Schuetz and Kelly Wagner.

**TENTH:** Michele Ballard, Christine Barton, Tracy

Bieri, Brenda Cilc, Peter Delmotte, Holly Fibranz, Brenda Geiger, Gail Gembariski, \*Victoria Goslee, Amy Hartz, Patrick McKenna, Brian Pedler, Catherine Schramski, David Simet, \*Michelle Stahl, \*John Winkler and John Zollner.

**NINTH:** Tina Bieri, Joel Krause, Yvonne Miller and Kristin Nevin.

**EIGHTH:** Michele Kretzschmer, Kimberly Madej and Carrie Zollner.

**SEVENTH:** Paul Bieri, Daniel Depner, Cynthia Eimers, Christy Jablonski, Charles Morden and James Steinman.

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# Laker Volleyball stars of the future begin 1984 season



**GAINING EXPERIENCE:** Laker Eighth Grade Volleyball players are offered one last year to improve their skills before competing at the high school level. This year's squad shown here includes, front row from left, Deanne Deming, Jennifer Warren, Jackie Ginter, Vicki Winter, Lisa Buschlen, Jenny Bollenbacher and Jacki Piklor. Middle row, Miya Small, Lisa Pitcher, Renee Elliot, Gina Esch, Renee Bushey, Donna Blome, Kris McBride and Carleen Kauffman. Back row, coaches Redford and Liz Maust, Candy Sprague, Karry Baker, Stephanie Danks, Renee Maust, Judy Kropp and Tami Peyrer.



**EAGER LEARNERS:** The Laker Seventh Grade Volleyball Team gets an opportunity to work on the fundamentals of the game during the season just beginning. Team members include, in front from left, Ginger Clabuesch, Tricia Learman, Penny Bucholz, Marla Elenbaum, Mahalia Pratt, Tricia Sturm and Sarah Anthes. Back row, Marilyn Kranz, Paula Klosowski, Tracy Beer, Laniel McGathy, Michelle Garyari and coach Cindy Dubs. Absent when the photo was taken were Lisa Garascia, Janine Schultz and Melinda Abbe.

## Riley announces her candidacy for supreme court

Dorothy Comstock Riley of Detroit recently announced her candidacy for nomination to the Michigan Supreme Court.

Michigan Supreme Court on Dec. 9, 1982 by lame-duck governor William Milliken. Riley served until Feb. 15, 1983 when she was served with an Order of Ouster.

which was the result of a ruling that found Milliken's appointment improper. Riley has served as a Circuit Court Judge, Judge of the Michigan Court of Appeals and also the Michigan Intermediate Appellate Court.

The candidate is married to Wallace Riley, president of the American Bar Association and past president of the State Bar of Michigan.

The Rileys have a 16 year old son, Peter Comstock Riley.

## Commission on Aging explores senior center

The Thumb Area Commission on Aging will sponsor a Public Hearing on Wednesday, March 21 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. in the third floor Conference Room of the Huron County Building to ex-

plore the possibility of developing a Senior Center in Huron County.

A Senior Center is a focal point through which services for the elderly can be provided.

## Weekly bowling

### GUYS & DOLLS

Position Night: 3/25

Roestel-Strauch	34
Blome-Gunden	33
Roestel-Rosenthal	26
Heck-Mallory	25 1/2
Dunn-Parrish	23
Kretzschmer-Thiel	22
Krohn-Morin	21 1/2
Elbing-Roestel	21
Abbott-Adams	20
Beachy-Weidman	17
Dubs-Smith	12
Pipe-Ware	10

High women's scores: J. Blome 512 (179); J. Abbott 498 (186); E. Gunden 491; P. Parrish 475 (188); J. Bergman 461; J. Christner (190); J. Rosenthal (180); M. Roestel (175).

Six consec. strikes: Lawrence Roestel. Splits: 9-10, 3-10 J. Blome; 5-6, 3-7 D. Dunn; 5-7-9 L. Kretzschmer; 4-5 E. Smith; D. Strauch; 2-5-7, 3-10 F. Strauch; 4-6-10 Law; Roestel; 5-6 I. Ware; 4-5-7 L. Welshans; 3-10 E. Gunden; K. Heck, D. Parrish; Leon Roestel, H. Weidman; 2-7 A. Abbott; J. Kretzschmer-2, S. Thiel.

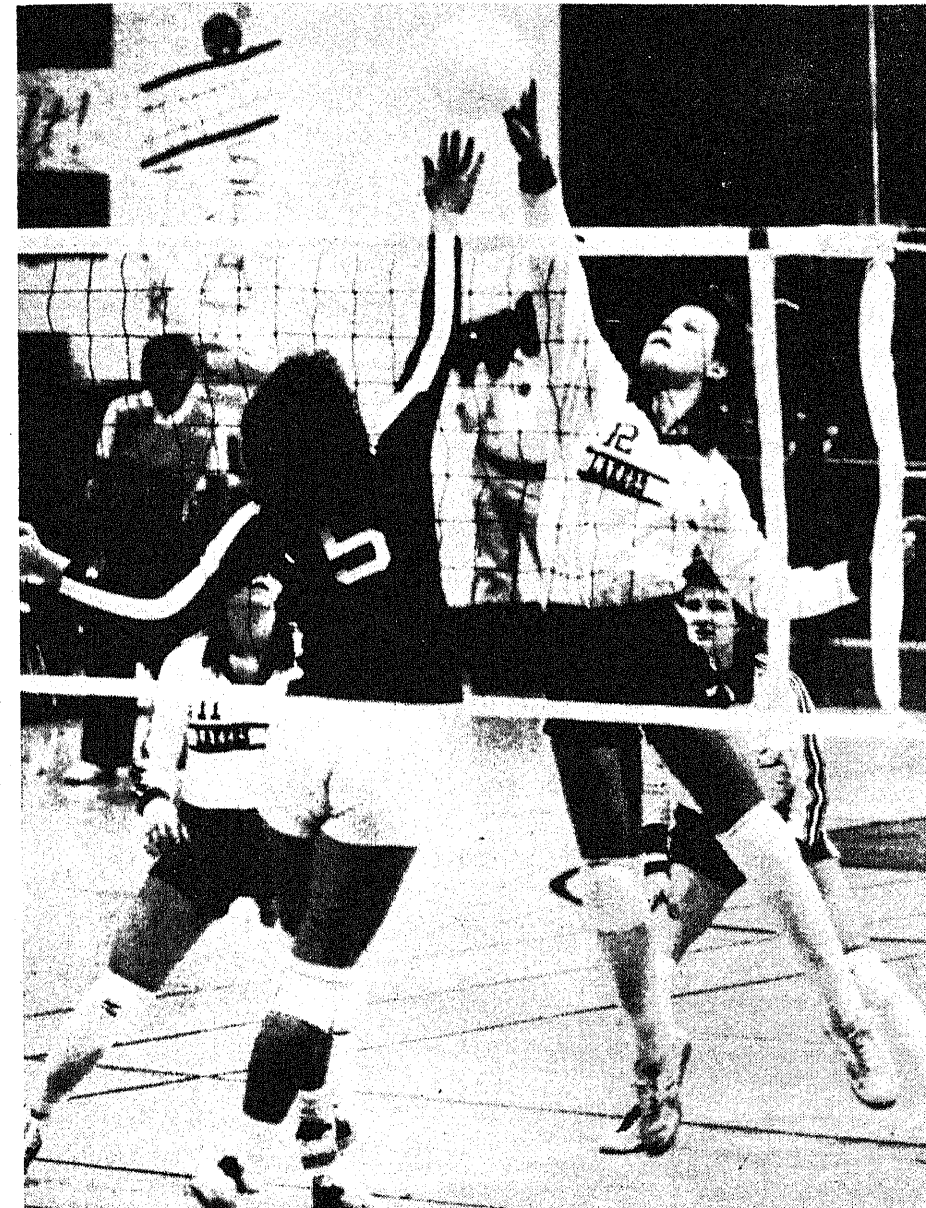
Make-up game: F. Strauch 539 (211); D. Strauch 511 (192-183); J. Kretzschmer (183); R. Thiel (204); J.D. Gunden 607 (223); H. Blome 536 (229); A. Elbing 536 (199-175); E. Gunden 527 (182-176); J. Blome 519 (204); Blome & Gunden 2189 (782-707-700).

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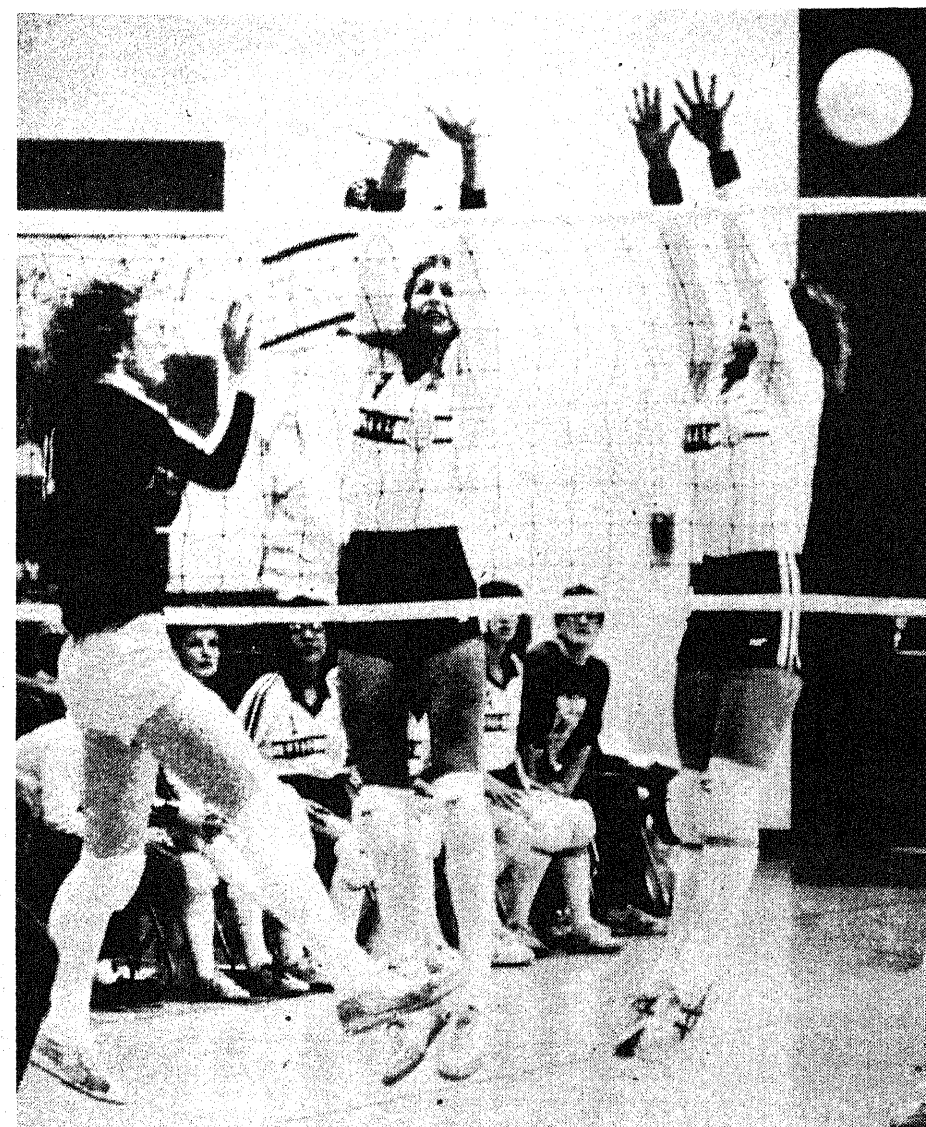
A Post Card Show is scheduled to take place at the Holiday Inn, on Holland Road and I-75 in Saginaw on Sunday, March 25. The show will begin at 10 a.m. and continue throughout the day until 5 p.m. Dealers will be available to appraise, buy and sell old picture post cards. Free admission to the event with door prizes awarded.

# Ouch! Can't get past 14 and 13 points!

## Laker Volleyball Team loses in Semi-Finals



**SUPER STRETCH:** Lynda Brown (12) uses her full reach to tip the ball over Morenci's Kim Mocherman in a confrontation at the net. Shelly Ginter at left and Shelly Ritter (behind Brown) provide defensive coverage in the area. WNEM TV-5 Sports Director Mark Wesley, seen in the background between Brown and Mocherman, captured highlights of the action for the local newscast.



**DOUBLE TROUBLE:** Laker's Julia Sturm at left and Sue Kohr at right combine to attempt a block as their anxious teammates on the sidelines watch the action. The spike over their outstretched hands was delivered by Morenci star Ronda Sutherland at left. Sutherland was instrumental in the two Morenci comebacks.

By RICH SWARTZENDRUBER

Laker fans at the Class C volleyball state semifinals witnessed a nearly exact replay of the regional semifinals, but this time the Thumb area representative was the team eliminated from further competition by 15-10, 14-16 and 13-15 scores.

Lakers were on the verge of an easy victory in the match against the Morenci Bulldogs when the team from southern Michigan began living up to its nickname.

The usually slow-starting Lakers jumped on Morenci early to claim the first game, as the offense performed flawlessly.

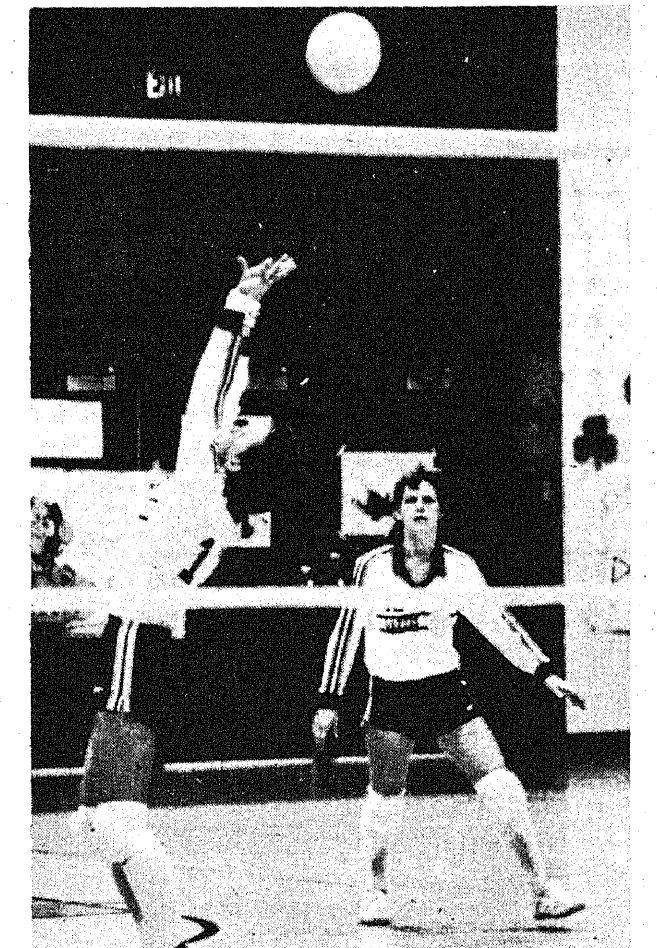
The second game began the same way when the green-clad squad opened up a 14-5 lead and served what could have been the winning point in the match. The Bulldogs turned the game around by breaking Lakers serve on the crucial point and reeled off nine consecutive points to win the game and force the deciding contest.

Deanna McDowell, a 5'2" junior, handcuffed Lakers with bullet serves and pinpoint accuracy, while 6'0" senior Ronda Sutherland dominated net play during the Morenci comeback.

Lakers regained their composure in the final game of the match and gradually built a 13-7 lead. The Bulldogs, however, again found the right combination as they narrowed the score to 13-8 and then closed out the match with seven consecutive points to eliminate Lakers.

Hundreds of Laker fans urged on the Thumb area athletes, but sensed the match slipping away as momentum swung squarely behind Morenci. The loyal Laker spectators expressed their appreciation for an outstanding year by the young spikers by lauding them with a standing ovation at the end of the match despite the disappointing outcome.

Laker coach Irene Green was unable to explain how Morenci was able to overcome huge Laker leads in both the second and third games. "You can call it inexperience, you can call it pressure - I just call it volleyball," Green noted.



**SET BACK:** Shelly Ginter sets up a spike behind her back to teammate Lynda Brown at left to confuse Morenci players expecting the offensive play to come from the opposite side of the court. Ginter led the team with 28 sets during the match.

She cited difficulties with serve receptions and passing, which in turn affected the resulting sets and spikes. "Everyone knows who Lakers are now, and we'll be back," vowed Green. That prediction is backed up by the knowledge that her entire starting lineup will be back next year with post-season tournament experience under their belts.

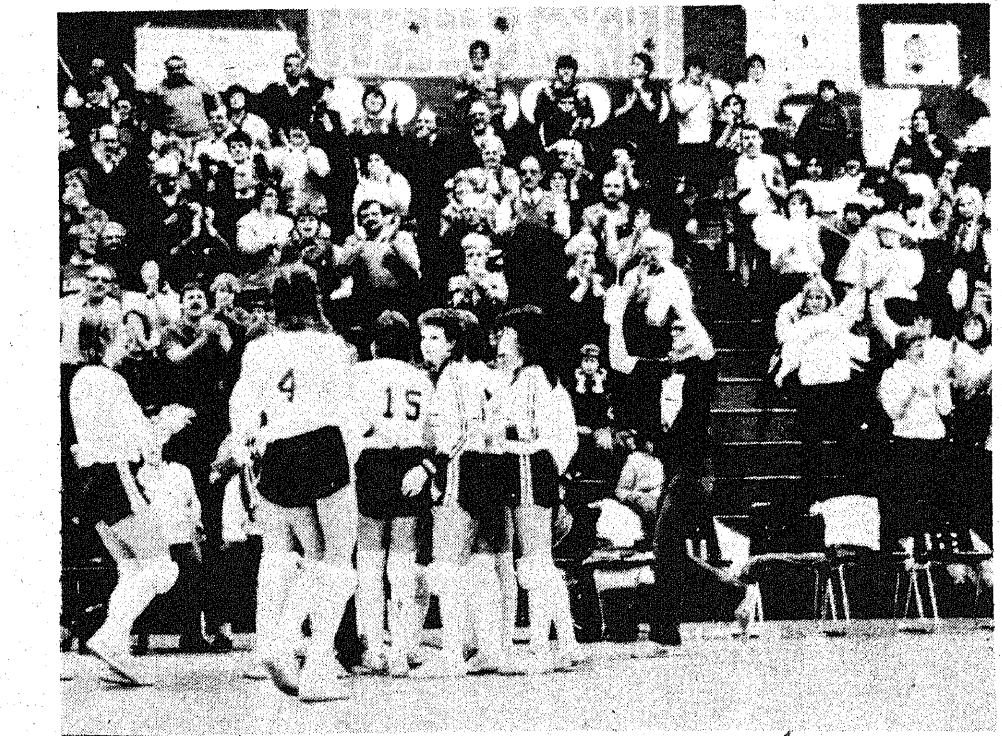
"I'm extremely proud of them," she said of her players. Her expectations of the inexperienced team at the beginning of the year were greatly exceeded. Green says, "I didn't expect to do half as good as we did, she noted.

Sue Kohr led the team with 11 points, 15 spikes and seven saves in the match. Sophomore Brenda Baker also scored 11 points and thumped six spikes. Lynda Brown recorded nine points, six spikes and seven saves. Shelly Ginter assisted with 28 sets and eight spikes, while sophomore Shelly Ritter added 17 sets.

Lakers finish the season with a 39-10 record.

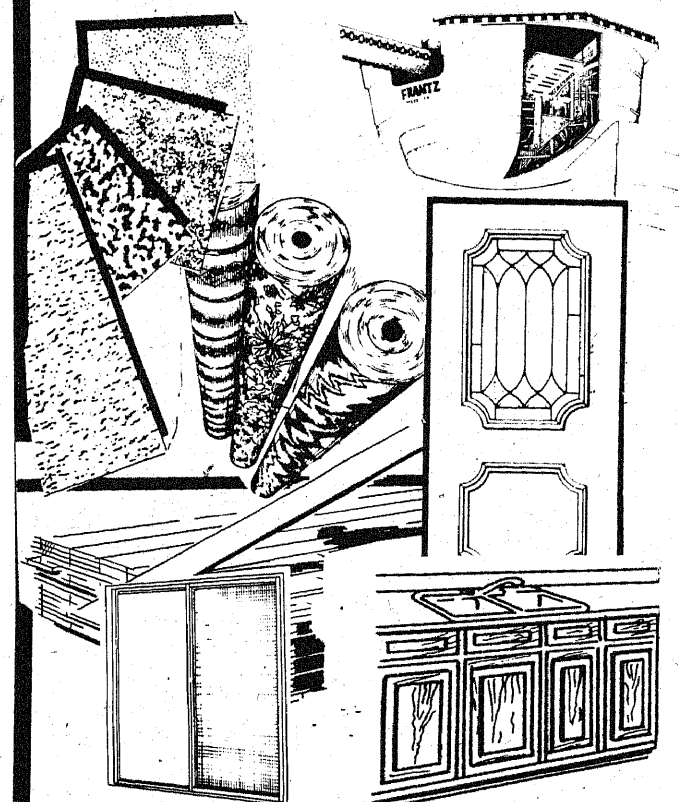
The Berrien Springs Shamrocks earned the Class C Championship on St. Patrick's Day by defeating Morenci in the finals. The persistent Bulldogs were finally eliminated in the third game of the match by a 15-13 victory by Berrien Springs.

## Progress-Advance SPORTS



**APPRECIATIVE FANS:** Hundreds of loyal fans made their presence felt as they vocalized their support for the Laker spikers during this break in the action. The Thumb area players were given a standing ovation at the conclusion of the match though Lakers were ousted from the tournament.

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**E. J. CLABUESCH**  
1920 - 1984

E. J. Clabuesch, 63, of Pigeon, passed away Sunday, March 18, 1984 at 8:30 p.m., following an extended illness. He was born May 14, 1920 in Bad Axe, son of the late Ernest and Bertha (Schulz) Clabuesch. On Jan. 20, 1940, he was united in marriage to Ann Marie Richmond.

He began his banking career on June 15, 1939 as a bookkeeper-teller for the Pigeon State Bank. After serving in the Army during World War II, he resumed his banking career and became President in 1959. Following a name change in 1969 from the Pigeon State Bank to Thumb National Bank & Trust Co., he became Chairman of the Board in 1976, succeeding his father Ernest, who retired that year.

Mr. Clabuesch was a member of the Pigeon Rotary Club since 1947, and served as its president. He was awarded the Paul Harris Fellowship Award in 1980 by Rotary International. He was a member of First United Methodist Church, Pigeon, serving as chairman of both the Board of Trustees and the Fund-raising Committee. He was a member of Winsor 420 F&AM and Bay City Consistory.

He was past president of the Board of Trustees of Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon, and was chairman of the 1972 fund-raising drive which generated donations in excess of \$1,000,000. He was a member and past president of the Scenic Golf & Country Club and past president of the Pigeon Chamber of Commerce. He was a past president of the Michigan 4-H Foundation and was former treasurer of the Michigan Bankers Association. He was a member of the Sustaining Committee of the Pigeon District Library.

Mr. Clabuesch is survived by his wife, Ann Marie; two sons, Paul and David of Pigeon; two daughters, Karen Hitesman of Whitehall and Linda DeGutis of Mt. Pleasant; nine grandchildren; stepmother Lucile Clabuesch of Pigeon; one brother, the Rev. Ward Clabuesch of Dearborn, and one sister, Dorothea Porter of East Lansing.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Thursday, March 22 at the First United Methodist Church of Pigeon, with interment at Grandlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Shetler-Bussema Funeral Home Tuesday evening from 7 to 9 p.m., and Wednesday from 3 to 9 p.m., or at First United Methodist Church from 10 a.m. Thursday until time of service.

Memorials may be given to the Scheurer Hospital Building Fund, Pigeon District Library or First United Methodist Church of Pigeon.

**Caseville funeral chapel ready for use**

By RICH SWARTZENDRUBER

One of Caseville's oldest and most famous landmarks is being restored and put back into use.

Since September of last year, John Champagne of Elkton has been renovating the old "Crawford House" located close to the Methodist Church in Caseville.

Champagne plans to use the historic building as a funeral chapel for residents in the Upper Thumb area.

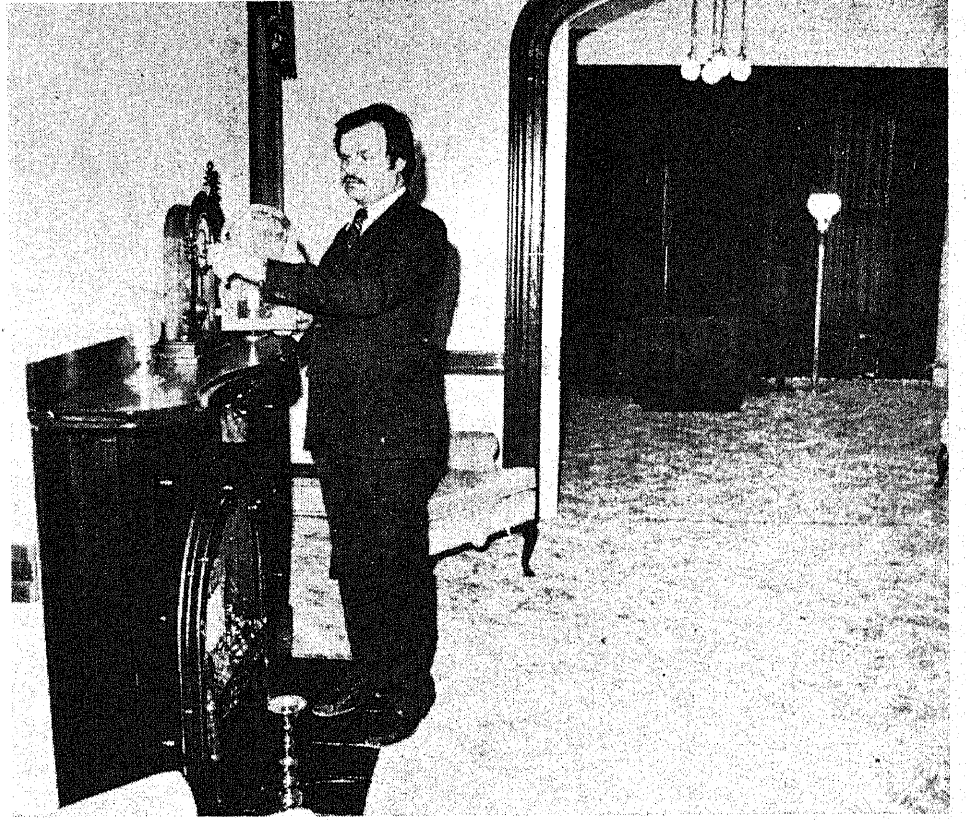
The building was constructed in the mid 1800s by Francis Crawford, a wealthy lumber and freight businessman. The house features a large square cupola which Crawford used for office space and record storage.

The huge double front doors are made of solid walnut with hand-cut, frosted glass imported from France. Oak woodwork and brass chandeliers throughout the house indicate the quality of construction.

Overlooking the Pigeon River in Caseville, the building has been used as a hotel and most recently a restaurant, before Champagne converted it to its present use.

Much of the painstaking restoration work was performed by Roger Champagne, brother of the funeral director.

With work completed on the main floor, Champagne says the facility is operational as a funeral chapel. The Champagne Funeral Chapel in Elkton is also operated by the graduate of



**WINDING UP RENOVATIONS:** John Champagne of Caseville's new Champagne Funeral Chapel winds an antique clock on the fireplace mantel at his new location, formerly known as the "Crawford House." The well-known landmark which towers over the village near the Pigeon River mouth was also known as the Deford Hotel years ago.

the Cincinnati College of Mortuary Science.

Champagne and his wife Jill reside in Elkton with their three sons, Benny, Alex and Jack.

Champagne asks any individuals with information or photos of the historic Caseville building to contact him, to assemble a complete historical record on the structure.

*Co-op merger ok'd*

Stockholders of Pigeon Co-op Oil Company voted to merge the company into the Co-operative Elevator Company, during special elections Monday night at Laker High School. The merger will eliminate duplicate bookkeeping requirements and will reduce expenses, Elevator management officials said before the election.

The change officially takes place July 1.

**Thumb National Bank & Trust will be closed all day Thursday in respect for E.J. Clabuesch, Chairman of the Board**



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