Mopping up millions in crop, property losses

By RICH SWARTZENDRUBER

Parts of Huron County looked like Lake Huron moved inland last weekend following the worst flooding in the Thumb area in 40 years. Rainfall of up to 14 inches was measured in the county, with the Sebewaing and Kilkimaha areas receiving the most precipitation in the two-day downpour beginning last Wednesday night.

Among the first people to feel the effects of the storm were residents of Pigeon, as flooding occurred in the southeast part of town. Houses on the east side of South Main Street were surrounded with water, which overflowed over about half the street.

Sump pumps ran frequently in many homes, but still numerous basements were flooded. Adding to the problem was an overloaded sewer system which backed up into some houses in Pigeon.

RURAL DAMAGE: For many people in rural areas, the problems didn't begin until late Thursday night when water draining from the fields caused the Pigeon and Pinegrove Rivers, as well as most drains and ditches, to overflow their banks. Numerous roads were under water, creating impassable conditions in some areas.

Area residents remember a similar flood in 1947 that occurred in the spring when rain and melted snow caused flooding of this scale in the autumn as the result of only rain.

Mike Gage, Huron County director of Emergency Services says an estimated 200 people were evacuated from residences near the Pigeon River, and about 100 more were forced to flee the McKinley Apartments in Elkton because of flood conditions.

He also reports up to 200 houses in the county suffered significant damage. Repair costs to county bridges and culverts and private residences are estimated to total about $500,000, according to Gage.

Huron County Extension Agent Jim LeCureus estimated a loss of about 25% of the county's 9,000-acre bean crop although it's still too early to determine the full extent of the floods effects. Some parts of the county will see little damage, while other farmers close to the Pigeon River will experience a total loss of the bean crop, LeCureus says.

An overall 25% loss of the bean crop translates into about $4 million, says LeCureus.

HIGH WATER! Some long-time weather watchers are calling last week's heavy rainfall and flooding the worst ever. People had to cope with it all, however.

ABOVE LEFT, newspaper carrier Becky Ropp wades through high water with no shoes on in the Gould Addition, Pigeon.

ABOVE, this aerial view of the Richmond and Cassville Road area shows the massive flooding, in which hundreds of basements were flooded. But the biggest damage will likely be crop losses, which could total between $4 million and $11 million locally.

BELOW, this auto was stranded along West Road and later floated into the Pigeon River.

SEE PAGE 1 FOR ALL THE DETAILS.
Caro man swims across

According to our old newspaper file, part Caro's first
swimming champion was a man who
swam across a river.

Several modern questions
about this event have been
raised by readers. For exami-
nation, let's look at the facts:

1. How far is the river?
2. Did the swimmer actually
swim across it or was it
just a lake?
3. What was the
weather like during the
swim?

In fact, the event was
40 years ago...

Caro man swims across

Shelten-Bussemara Funeral Home

Serving Bay Port, Caro, Ondale.

M conversing with Dr. Calvary.

Pigeon

STOP HEADACHES

A common headache can be caused by
a variety of things, but recurring headaches
and migraines can often be treated by consulting
a chiropractor.

Pigeon

Schoens Hospital: In the midst of a medical
event, following the press release:

"Our new operating room is
now fully operational."

The hospital has completed its
renovation, making it the latest
in medical technology.

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$310,000 airport expenses insured

Awaiting Caseville response

A temporary injunction against the Caro
City Council was petitioned by the owner
of a local airport. The injunction was filed
by Judge Richard E. Johnson, who agreed to a
preliminary injunction.

The airport, located on the outskirts of
Caseville, has been a source of conflict
for several years. The airport owner
alleged that the city was planning to
build a new airport on the land
owned by the airport owner.

The judge granted the
injunction, preventing
the city from proceeding
with its plans.

SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Schoens Hospital Board of
Education September 8, 1968

The meeting was held at 8:30 p.m. in the
American Legion Hall. The following
members were present:

President John Hopkins, Secretary
John Smith, Treasurer Mary Brown.

Mr. Hopkins called the meeting
adjourned to order at 8:30 p.m.

The minutes of the previous
meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer presented the
budget for the next fiscal year.

The superintendent of schools
presented a report on the
progress of the school system.

The board proceeded to
consider the budget for the
next fiscal year.

The budget was approved by a
unanimous vote.

The meeting adjourned at
9:00 p.m.
As we see it editorially

Are you ready to bite the bullet?

We can understand that. As discussed here in past weeks, a school election is an event that needs some time to prepare for. This year, we cannot afford to leave this one to the last minute. The results will, indeed, be announced on time.

But, bear in mind the possibilities of making decisions on your own. You can be sure that some of the decisions will not be the same as those you would have made if you had had more time to consider them.

One way is to keep an eye on the developments. The next year if school tax increases don’t rise

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Lettres de My Cousin Guss

High water tales

From Under The Willow

By WANDA RICHELL

Recollec8ons of By-Gone Days

By GEORGE KEMP
Way too much water in the Gould. Addition. My sump pump runs constantly and this is the worst I've ever seen.

Lori Ratliff

Pisgah

It didn't affect me too because there was no damage done at our place. But my kids loved playing in the water.

Cleo Graf

Pioneer

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Women sought for recognition

In recognition of National Women’s History Month, Oct. 19, Bay Area Chapter of the Federation of Business Women will officially recognize women of the Tri-County area who have achieved excellence in the professions and occupations traditionally held by women. Applications for the 1986 Women of the Year competition will be accepted through Nov. 17, Bay Area SWP inc.

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The Foods of Michigan

By Linda Hughes

Gourmet Quality from Small, Specialized Farms and Kitchens.

Michigan's Specialty Food Firms

Most people think of Michigan as a place that produces enormous, week- long events -- such as auto parts, beans, potatoes, hay, corn, and soybeans.

But, Michigan also produces some gourmet specialties. For example, whitefish caviar, cherries, plums, smoked Rainbow Trout, and more.

The Food Guide features sauces and herbes de Provence, and even distinctive cheeses from the Gourmet Cheese Club in Farmington Hills.

You can enjoy these special treats, but here are some tips for buying:

BOARD MINUTES

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Fall debuts in Northern Michigan

During the last few weeks, northern Michigan has truly started to look like the fall season. The leaves are turning red and orange, and the temperatures are dropping. Fall has arrived in Northern Michigan, and it’s time to embrace the change.

The Beauty of Autumn

The beauty of autumn in Northern Michigan is truly awe-inspiring. The colors of the leaves have changed to the most beautiful shades of red, orange, and yellow. The air is crisp and fresh, and the sound of leaves crunching underfoot is a delight.

Fall Festivals

Northern Michigan is home to a variety of fall festivals that are sure to delight. From pumpkin patches to apple orchards, there’s something for everyone to enjoy. Be sure to check out these festivals to get into the fall spirit.

Fall Colors

The fall colors in Northern Michigan are truly stunning. The trees turn to shades of orange, yellow, and red, creating a picturesque landscape that is perfect for a leisurely drive.

Fall is a time of change and renewal, and it’s a perfect time to visit Northern Michigan. With its beautiful fall colors, crisp air, and cozy cabins, it’s a destination that shouldn’t be missed.

Racers put on owner hats

By Marc SWARTZBERG

There were something like 120 dogs in stock and racing was en- thusiastic. Dan and Donna Gray were among the owners who got into the act. Earlier this year, the Ginglings were in the picture and before that, the Bauers were right in the thick of things during the Satinette right night.

Putter parties continued to thrive and are credited with putting the “Satinette” in the Thats area as well as other parts of Bay County. Michigan.

"It didn't take me that long to get my group together in one year," went Dan and Donna Gray. "We had a group of friends who were all interested in the same thing and decided to form the Satinette right night which is a combination of activities in which the dogs race for prizes in a dog race.

The showing continued to thrive and was a great success. Dog owners were encouraged to bring their dogs to the races and there was an opportunity to place a bet on the winner. The races were held on the first Sunday in May, and the winning dogs received prizes.

The wild beating of wings caused the air to blust against my neck and eyes and from that time I had taken my eyes off the spot, it took my precious moments to search out the clapping birds among the thick foliage into which it hoped to escape.

"That's a good look on opening day," he exclaimed. "I didn't see any luck with this bet."

"Well, I thought it was a good bet," I replied.

"That's all right," he said. "Just remember that the next bet is always a good one."
ATTEND THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE THIS SUNDAY AND EVERY SUNDAY

FAITH TEACHES US TO OBEY THE LAWS THAT PROTECT US

A man live by a system of laws designed to allow us the greatest amount of freedom without infringing upon the rights of others, and without destroying the foundations of society that provide and maintain it. However, this freedom carries with it an obligation to live by these laws, and to amend or dispose of a bad one by means of the governmental process which enacted it in the first place. To destroy even a bad law serves only to incure punishment and weaken the very system which is supposed to protect us. When respect for the law is general threatened, it amounts to the first step toward anarchy and dictatorship. Our laws are patterned after the laws of God, by those who prayed for His guidance in establishing them. So let us obey these laws and thank God at the House of Worship which the laws allow us to choose, for this privilege.

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**Caseyville Library Club**

Caseyville Library Club held its first meeting of the season Tuesday evening, Oct. 13th, at the Community Center of the Village. Group members met to discuss the meeting of the Club, which was held last Saturday, to plan the budget for next year, and to discuss proposed changes to the bylaws. The meeting was held in the multipurpose room of the Community Center.

**Thumb Club News**

Here’s why game was played at Imlay City

Due to questions by many people about the scheduling of the game last weekend, Superintendent, Harry Braden explained the situation. It was felt that the game between Lakes and Imlay City was played at Imlay City for the following reasons: It is an Friday, 12% of the teams are out of the league, the games have been held at the same venue, the games have been held at the same venue, and the games have been held at the same venue.

**Election**

The candidates for the election of the Caseyville Library Club were announced on Saturday, October 13th. The candidates are: Vice-President, Mary Jane Hebert; Secretary-Treasurer, Mary Ann Miller; and Librarian, Mary Ann Miller. The election will be held on Saturday, October 27th, at 7:00 p.m.

**FALL, 1986**

Program Offerings

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Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48012
(517) 289-9284

Full Offerings Are In The Brochure. Refer To The July 28 Issue Of The Thumb Blanket.

**SOUND-OFF!!**

Children are by nature curious and with the advent of a new school year, they are loaded with questions. The most common question is "What will they teach us in school?" The second most common question is "Will I be able to bring my pet to school?"

**News that counts from HURON COUNTY**

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**SPECIAL EVENTS**

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Late rally gives Eagles grid win in NCTL opener

By RICH SWARTZENBERGER
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