

As we see it editorially

Statewide trails sound promising...

What's a thousand miles long, covers an entire state -- and could truly put Michigan on the national map as a leading, innovative state?

If you know the answer, you're probably a walker, or a jogger, or a snowmobiler or a cross-country skier. It's the 1000-mile Discover Michigan Trail, proposed to be built nearly totally along abandoned railroad beds, transversing the state from Detroit to the Saginaw Valley, around Saginaw Bay and onward to the Upper Peninsula -- and then some!

Michigan TRRails Alliance is promoting the plan, which actually includes six separate trails at this time. With the proper Lansing attitude -- and some money, of course -- you could cover a thousand miles in the state without ever using a road by 1997. And, as we learn while aging, that gets closer everyday.

The TRRails Alliance is a group of trails organizations pushing for development of the plan. Some are horse riders. Others promote cross-country skiing, while still others are for walkers. The group started talking together several years ago as more railroad bed right-of-ways became available when lines dropped money-losing routes. The railroad areas are perfect trails -- flat, continuous and plentiful. Some even feature bridges over busy roads, or tunnel under roadway bridges.

But converting an unwanted railroad bed to a trail isn't that simple. About 2000 miles of right-of-way have been abandoned in the past 15 years in Michigan, and about 400 more miles will be shuttered by 1989. However, fewer than 250 miles have been purchased for public ownership, and those are primarily in the Upper Peninsula.

To acquire more will cost more, pure and simple. Another problem is that no particular state agency oversees such activity. Should the DNR -- with its "natural" attitude -- oversee such a project? Or should it come under the view of the Department of Transportation? Sometimes, purchasing rail beds is difficult because of complex land titles, accident liability and other reasons. Usually, adjacent property owners want to acquire the land -- not leave it open for people to walk or snowmobile on publicly.

But the proposed trail program is an official 1987 Sesquicentennial project. And, states must spend at least 1% of highway funds on non-motorized transportation projects, and that brought in \$7.8 million for such trails last year.

Maybe a compromise can be reached. Bicycle riders are seeing more streets and roadways widened, to accommodate them. Those areas are more conducive to bikes than is a gravel rail bed anyway. And, perhaps portions of the 1000 miles of trails in the state could be administered by private enterprise, with a user fee being charged to help pay for expenses.

Our Thumb Area could feature some tremendous trail areas along abandoned railways. Think of biking or hiking from Imlay City or Cass City up through Gageton, Owendale, Pigeon and on to Caseville! Obstacles are in the way, but possibilities are many.

It would be ideal for a state still losing more jobs than it gains. After all, Michigan still needs all the help it can get, and a novel vacation mode could provide just that kind of tourism enhancement...

RECOLLECTIONS OF By-Gone Days By GEORGE KEIM. Includes a small photo of George Keim and an illustration of a horse-drawn carriage.

DEAR EDITOR:

To you and my many friends out there, I'll have to give an explanation about last week.

I went to the Pigeon Clinic for a check-up because I hadn't been there for quite awhile. My heart was good and my blood pressure was all right, so they took a sample of my blood and sent me over to the hospital for an x-ray. Somehow they decided to keep me there.

I don't know just what they all found but they laid me on a bed and took me down the hall and put me in a room. They took my clothes off, called my family and told them they were going to keep me there. Somebody asked me why I didn't go home but it was to cold to go without my clothes! Besides, they took very good care of me and fed me just the right things I had to have. In five days they sent me home.

While I was there I had a birthday and some of the nurses came in and sang "Happy Birthday" to me. They all called me by my first name. They put me on a strict diet but I liked everything they had for me to eat. I feel a lot better than I did.

When I called home for them to come and get me, my daughter had brought me some clothes and I don't know where she found the pants I was to wear but they were six inches too short and very tight!

But I got home all right and I still think I've got a very nice home to come home to. I've got lots of books to read and enough to keep me busy. So if I take it easy the rest of the winter maybe by spring I'll be my old self again.

My daughter-in-law knows how to cook for sick people

so I'll just go down to their place to eat until I get used to my diet. I can't eat pie or victory splits for awhile but I'll make out all right.

My granddaughter said her teacher asked her if her grandparents always had the electric appliances they now have. Well, I'm sure I did without them then but I wouldn't have if they would have had them like they have now.

I remember seeing snow drifts on the window sills and when we breathed you could see the steam fly. We used to go to bed and cover up real warm and when Dad or Mother called us in the morning, they meant for you to get up right away. We had two houses and a breezeway between them that used to have snow in it. There was no way you could get through this without stepping in the snow. Well, it didn't take us a long time to get to the stove, which was usually red hot and we got into our clothes as quick as we could and then ate our breakfast.

Lots of time we had fried mush and gravy or cornbread and lots of milk or fried ham. Then we'd get ready and walk 1 1/2 miles to school.

In Philippians 4:11 it says, "For I have learned that whatsoever state I am in there will be to content."

Like I said before, we would have done a lot of things different than we did if we had it different, but I know we were just as happy then as people are today. We had rich people and poor people, some selfish ones and some mean ones, but the thing to do is to be ready when your time is up, whether you live to be 100 or just 50.

Sincerely, GEORGE KEIM

Ads You Like It... By JACKIE

With apologies to Mark, I would like to editorialize for a bit on a subject that was brought to my attention again a few nights ago. The telephone rang and when I answered there was a message telling me that our number had been chosen at random and we could win an all-expense paid trip to Hawaii, a Sony color-TV or \$1,000 in cash. If I would answer just three questions.

Now that the hook was in, it was time to set it. I was told this was a consumer survey and there was nothing to buy. Okay, I'm game. So at the proper time I got the first question which was, "Do you like the manufacturer's coupons that are printed in newspapers and magazines?"

My answer was an emphatic, "No, I do not." The second question was, "Have you ever used these coupons when making a purchase?"

My answer to this one was, "Of course, a person is forced to use them if she wishes to save some money."

We're really rolling now and I'm really getting my chance to say what I think about this bothersome part of shopping that has consumed the shopping public.

But, to my dismay, as soon as I answered the second question, my computer pal hung up on me. Now, I will never know what that third question was and if I win one of the prizes. Knowing my luck for winning things is way below a zero, I didn't expect that, but he could at least have let me vent my displeasure answering that third question.

So, beware of all telephone solicitors and if anyone out there knows what that third question is, PLEASE, PLEASE let me know. I'm losing sleep wondering what it is.

And the moral of this is, "If it seems too good to be true, it probably is."

Some of the Christmas ads on TV are pretty good, but I just caught a last sentence of one that was advertising toys and now I know what I want for Christmas. It's called a Slime Pit. Whopper. Did you ever see such objectionable toys?

Next week, back to basics.

From a reader...

Harbor Beach group enjoys Progress-Advance

DEAR EDITOR: Just a line to wish you and yours a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We want you to know how much we enjoy reading your paper. The residents like reading the calendar of land

transfers and probate court and many other pictures you publish.

YOURS TRULY, ARLENE KANASKI, ACTIVITY DIRECTOR, HARBOR BEACH COMMUNITY HOSPITAL.

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From Under The Willow By WANDA EICHLER. Includes a small photo of Wanda Eichler.

Bits and pieces of cookies and music

MUSICAL JOYS of the Christmas season are all around us. From the fine specials on television and radio, particularly the public broadcasting stations, to school and church productions and concerts, don't miss experiencing Christmas through music this season.

Laker elementary Christmas programs not only provide parents and grandparents with fine spirit, but they instill a sense of what music can do for the season into our kids. My church choir director experiences tell me that there is healing magic in music. Physical therapists would say that singing brings about deep breathing and makes one feel better. I only know from first-hand continual experience that pulling together a piece of music is a rewarding, holy task.

So enjoy some music this Christmas and try to make it to a live concert somewhere. The Pigeon Community Choir that I'm directing will perform this Sunday, Dec. 21 at 3:30 p.m. at Cross Lutheran Church, Pigeon. We'd appreciate your presence and you'll be giving yourself a fine gift.

COOKIES have always been a sign of Christmas around our household, but this year there aren't any. My time has been wrapped up with things other than kitchen doings and so the normal 12 batches of this and that haven't materialized. There will be a few dozen baked in the next few days, but I'm trying to tell myself that cookies alone do not make Christmas. Somehow my motherly Christmas ego gets tied up in such pre-conceptions. Christmas is more than cookies, isn't it?

Two Sundays ago the preacher whom I listen to most often informed his congregation that we all ought to do something unexpectedly good and unusual for someone else this Advent season. I would have liked to push that sentiment a bit further and advocate the evaluation and dropping of at least one item from Christmas agendas. I have been in the habit of adding custom after custom, until Christmas becomes burdensome.

So there will be far fewer cookies this Christmas and perhaps there might be just a touch more Christmas. Next year, when the times clear a little and call for more cookies, I'll reconsider the cookie statement. For now guilt goes aside and some room is added to an already too-full schedule.

Inspector Gordo's MINUTE MYSTERY THE CASE OF THE Happy baby

"John Wilson doesn't look much like a murderer," said Sheriff Jones as a young man emerged from the farmhouse carrying a naked baby boy. The sheriff stopped the patrol car behind Wilson's yellow sedan. He drew his pistol, whispered to Inspector Gordo to wait, and called, "Raise your hands, John!"

Wilson, halted, amazed. He sat his infant son carefully on the fender of his car and lifted his hands. "What's this all about, Sheriff?" "Murder. We have a witness who says you entered Moose Long's bar last night after closing. Half an hour later Mrs. Long found Moose strangled to death with a yellow scarf."

"That's a lie! Why?" "Look out!" yelled Gordo, as the baby scampered onto the yellow hood. "Cooing happily, he attempted to stand. Gordo just saved him from toppling to the ground, carefully catching him."

"That witness is mistaken, Sheriff," Wilson resumed calmly. "I've been in this car since 11 o'clock last night, driving back home here to the Thumb from Chicago. I just arrived five minutes ago."

The sheriff looked at his watch. "Then you drove the 400 miles between Chicago and here in a little over 8 hours," he said dubiously. "Can you prove I didn't?" snapped Wilson. "Nothing could be easier," declared Gordo. "WHAT WAS WRONG WITH WILSON'S ALIBI? See Answer on Page 8"

Kent McKenzie Jewelers, Pigeon advertisement. Features a large illustration of a Christmas tree and various jewelry items including diamonds, rings, pendants, earrings, watches, and pearls. Text includes 'Put Sparkle Into Your Holidays With These Fine Gifts From', 'GIVE A GIFT OF LASTING VALUE THIS CHRISTMAS', 'Diamonds, Rings, Pendants, & Earrings', 'FREE GIFT WRAPPING', 'Orange Blossom Diamond Engagement Rings', 'Seth Thomas Grandfather Clock', 'Two Year Warranty And FREE Lifetime Battery', 'Seiko Watches Starting At \$49.50', 'Lorus Watches As Low As \$16.95', 'Men's Diamond Rings Starting At \$99.00', 'Cultured Pearls 6mm Fine Quality Starting At \$360.00', '14K Gold Chains Starting At \$19.00', 'Landstrom's Original Black Hills Gold Creations Starting At \$20.00', 'FREE Gift Wrapping', 'Hallmark Cards', 'We'll Be Open Every Night Until 9 Dec. 17 Thru 23', 'Open Mon.-Sat. 9 To 5 Friday Til 9:00', 'Kent McKenzie Jewelers 19 SOUTH MAIN STREET 453-3366 PIGEON'.

We're Asking YOU...

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION, ASKED BY JACKIE PECK:
 What is your favorite
 wintertime recreational activity?
 And why?



I like all outdoor activities because I hate sitting in the house.

Annette Prich SEBEVAING



Cross country skiing. I love being in the woods.

Mark Weidman CASEVILLE



Ice skating, because it keeps me warm while I'm outside.

Loretta Howard BACH



Walking in the snow, because I like the way it looks when it's just fallen.

Lorretta Beckett PIGEON



Building snowforts, so I can throw snowballs without being hit.

Joel Tate PIGEON



Snowball fights, because I like to be with my friends.

Jeff Shepherd PIGEON

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- ★ Stollen
- ★ Christmas Cut-Out Cookies



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 You All! 453 2214

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Make your Christmas merrier
 with a Christmas Club Account!

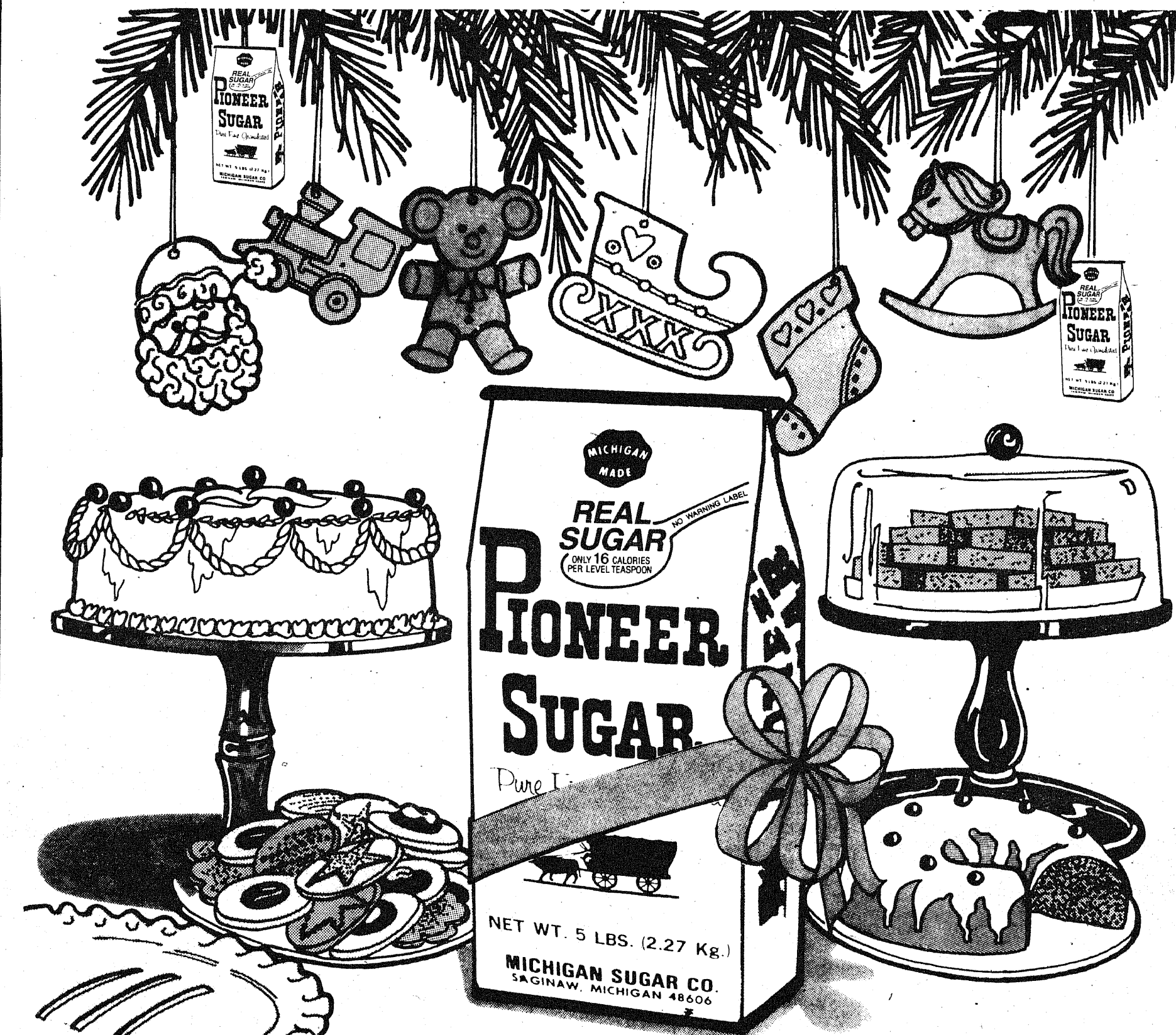
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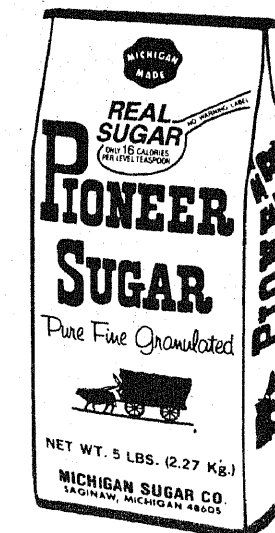
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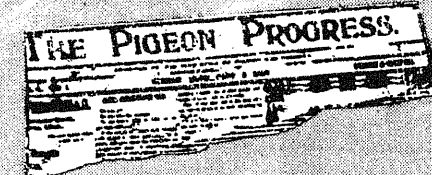
PIONEER SUGAR is rich in flavor, rich in energy and rich in Michigan history. You and your family are sure to agree that during this holiday season PIONEER SUGAR is the basic ingredient for your holiday treats.

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The Past in Print...



80 YEARS AGO DEC. 21, 1906

Born to Mr. and Mrs. George Koehn, Pigeon, a daughter on Sunday; to Mr. and Mrs. Chris Schuette, Oliver Twp., a son last week.

Mrs. H.C. Weidman, 47, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. William Leipprandt, Pigeon.

John Nadiger has opened a shoe repairing shop in the Fisher building in Pigeon.

Jacob Eimers has returned home after sailing on the lakes for several months.

John Brinkmeyer has moved to this vicinity from Pemberville, Ohio.

OWENDALE - Barney Walsh leaves Monday for San Francisco, where he will be engaged in architectural work.

Remodeling and redecorating of the Owendale Evangelical Church have been completed and the re-opening service will be held Sunday.

New officers of Pigeon Evangelical Sunday School are Mose Braun, Ezra Maierle, Henry Horn and Edward Etchler.

William Dietzel purchased the Henry Bergmann Jr. farm and moved on the farm last week.

50 YEARS AGO
DEC. 18, 1936

The Block Elevator at Ubyly was destroyed by fire Sunday with a loss of about \$40,000.

Mrs. Stanley Horton, 39, nee Maida Isabelle McKay, Caseville, died Friday. She is survived by her husband and five children and her mother.

Members of Pigeon Worth While Club held their Christmas party at the home of Mrs. P.L. Fritz Tuesday evening.

Mrs. John B. Coombs, 80, nee Lydia Halstead Ashmore, died at her home in Grant Twp. She leaves her husband and a son.

Miss Aleta Ackerman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M.L. Ackerman, Elkton and Benton B. Parkhurst, Detroit, were married Saturday evening.

Miss Lucille B. Heberly, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Heberly, Kilmanagh and Roland Danks, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Danks, Pigeon, were married Saturday.

30 YEARS AGO
DEC. 20, 1956

Winners in the Christmas cash drawing Saturday afternoon in Pigeon, sponsored by Pigeon merchants, were Mrs. Oscar Voelker, Nelson Steinman, Miss Joyce Kain, Ed Bergman and Mrs. Alex Mitin.

George Walsh, 69, Bay Port, died Monday. Surviving are his wife, two daughters and a son.

Mrs. Louis Commins, 85, Pigeon, passed away Dec. 11. She leaves 79 descendants, including two daughters and two sons.

Pigeon High School basketball team, the Pigeon Panthers, continued their winning ways Friday night by rolling over the Fairgrove Falcons 76-44. High scorers were Pete Dixon, 20 points; Jim Christner, 18 and Lynn Sturm, 11. On Tuesday night they beat Harbor Beach 60-46 with Christine high scorer with 20 points.

Gottfried Diller, 70, Bay Port, died Dec. 17. He is survived by his wife, two daughters and four sons.

20 YEARS AGO
DEC. 22, 1966

Former Elkton village clerk, Alvin Strom, 72, died Tuesday. He is survived by his widow, a son and daughter.

Bicycle winners in the final children's drawing of the 1966 Christmas season, sponsored by Pigeon Chamber of Commerce, were Rodney Stalter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Stalter, Pigeon and Renee Born, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Born, Elkton. Adult cash prizes were won by Wayne Schember, Orville Yackle and Vincent Sturm.

Thumb area sugar beet growers received a record \$2.25 million from the Sebewaing plant of Michigan Sugar Co. in the first payment on their 1966 sugar beet crop.

Officers elected for the 1967 season at Scenic Golf and Country Club are Dr. C.A. Scheurer, Paul Lorentzen and Bill Hengy.

10 YEARS AGO
DEC. 23, 1976

Three Laker High School students received certificates and cash prizes in the annual VFW sponsored essay contest, "Voice of Democracy." Winners were Mike Smith, Joe Walsh and Clare Paul.

Clare Swartzendruber was a \$100 winner in the Pigeon Mystery Shopper game and his son, Jeff, was the third and final bike winner in the children's gift drawing Saturday, sponsored by Pigeon Chamber of Commerce.

Charles W. Kurzer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Kurzer, Caseville, was named new assistant registrar at Saginaw Valley State College.

Karen L. Maust, Bay Port was named to the dean's list at Northwood Institute, Midland, Lynda Walker, Caseville, was named to the dean's list at Lake Superior State College.

MINUTE MYSTERY ANSWER
If Wilson had really arrived home "five minutes ago," having driven all the way from Chicago, the motor - and the hood - of his car would still be sizzling hot. The baby would have been screaming, not "cooing happily," standing on the hood! He later confessed to the murder and is serving time now in another kind of "cool."

FROM THE ELKTON ADVANCE FILES
51 YEARS AGO
DEC. 19, 1935

Members of the Huron County Bankers Federation and their wives attended a banquet Wednesday evening in the Elkton High School dining room.

A triple birthday celebration was held Sunday, Dec. 15 in honor of Mrs. Sarah

HELPING HANDS: The Eftman family is showing the Christmas spirit in Pigeon by helping raise money for the "Miles of Smiles" project. The special event, sponsored by Serenity House adult foster facility, will give its residents an unforgettable trip to Disney World and other attractions in Florida this winter. The profits from the sale of these snowmen and snowwomen on sale at Eftman's Hardware in Pigeon will be donated to the special project.

PICTURED, Store owner Clark Eftman looks over the special items handmade by his sisters Lou Ann Jarvis (right) of Frankenmuth and Marian Freeland (not pictured) of Freeland. Donations for the "Miles of Smiles" project are tax-deductible if channeled through Bluewater Youth for Christ, Pigeon, which is providing transportation for the trip, sponsors say.

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LETTER OF INSTRUCTION

As a matter of law in almost every state, survivors generally need not be bound by a decedent's wishes concerning disposition, with the possible exception of donation of body or body organs. Most people, however, would want to take such wishes into account when making arrangements after death occurs.

An effective way to make preferences known to those who will be responsible for planning disposition is a LETTER OF INSTRUCTION. In addition to describing the type of funeral desired, such a letter should include personal data and assist survivors with other information they may need during the period after death has occurred.

Once completed, the letter of instruction should be placed in a safety deposit box where it might not be readily accessible immediately following death. Rather, it should be put where it can be easily located by survivors. Copies should be given to one or more close relatives; other copies may be given to a physician, lawyer, or member of the clergy.

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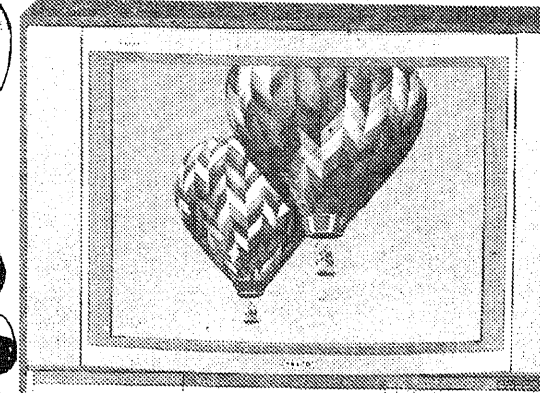
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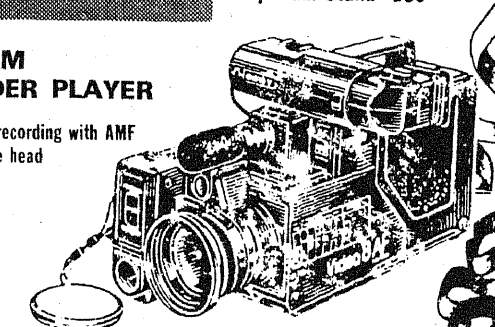
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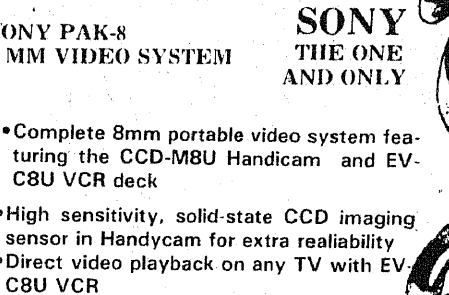
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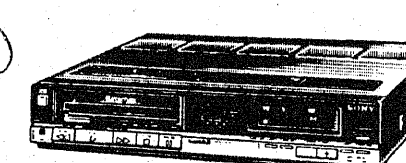


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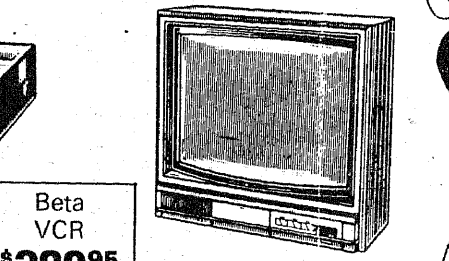
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Marian, Vaughn marry in Pigeon

Vaughn Kaser and Marian Gettel of Atascadero, Calif. were united in marriage on Saturday, Nov. 29 at the First United Methodist Church, Pigeon.

Rev. Gordon Nusz and Rev. Maurice Kaser officiated at the double-ring candlelight ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Clarence and Phyllis Gettel of Pigeon. The groom is the son of Maurice Kaser of Louisiana, Mo. and Phyllis Kaser of Evanston, Ill.

Flute duet music was provided by Laura Witzcak of

Pigeon and Kirsten Christensen of Iowa City, Iowa. Shirley Nusz was the accompanist and organist.

"Moonlight in Vermont" and "All the Things You Are" were sung by Donna Washington of Washington D.C.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a gown of candlelight silesta with a lace band at the high neckline and a sheer yoke of schiffly embroidery. The gown featured long filled sleeves with embroidered cuffs. The softly flared skirt

swept to a brief chapel train. To complete her attire she wore a matching floral wreath with satin ribbon streamers and a fingertip veil edged with embroidery.

The bride carried an elegant cascading bouquet of fragrant gardenias, stephanotis, trailing ivy and beaded pearl bursts.

Jeanne Schupan of Kalamazoo, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. She wore a tea-length gown of peacock satin with a boat neckline, long fitted sleeves and inverted basque bodice. The skirt was gathered and the back featured a drop V neckline.

Martha Kaser of Chicago, sister of the groom, served as a bridesmaid. She wore a gown identical to the honor attendant's.

Shayna Schupan of Kalamazoo, niece of the bride, served as junior bridesmaid. Each carried crescent-shaped arrangements of appleblossom gerber daisies, sonia roses, white snowdriif mums and bronze pompoms.

Groomsmen were Marc Kaser of Seattle, Wash., brother of the groom and Jim Gettel of Pigeon, brother of the bride.

The bride's mother wore a soft pastel wool knit pink street-length dress, shaped with a cable stitched bodice and smocked with faux pearls. She wore a styled corsage of one superb gardenia surrounded by stephanotis.

The groom's mother wore an emerald green crepe street-length dress with a jewel neckline and a gardenia corsage surrounded by stephanotis with complementary accents.

After the ceremony, a reception was conducted at The Franklin Inn, Bad Axe for 135 guests who attended from Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, Ohio, Seattle, Philadelphia, Florida, Washington D.C., the Detroit area, Lansing, Kalamazoo, Monroe, Whitehall and the surrounding area.

The bride is a graduate of Michigan State University and she earned her Masters degree from Hahnemann Medical College in Philadelphia. Her husband graduated from Arizona State University and also earned his Masters degree at Hahnemann Medical College. Both are employed at the State Hospital in Atascadero, Calif. as Music Therapists.

After a honeymoon in Cancun, Mex., the couple is making their home in Atascadero, Calif.

Mark and Carol (Krohn) Stoeckle of Cass City are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Angela Mae.

She was born Nov. 29 at Huron Memorial Hospital, and she weighed 8 lbs. 9 oz. and measured 21 inches long.

The newborn's grandparents are Mrs. William Krohn of Elkton and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Stoeckle of Sebawaing. Her great-grandfather is William Proffitt of Elkton.

Angela joins her brothers Adam and Andrew at home.



GFWC planners meet for 1987

Mrs. Eleanora Trost, president of the Huron County Federation of Women's Clubs, hosted a planning meeting Dec. 4 for the 88th annual convention set at the Pigeon District Library on Saturday, May 16, 1987.

Attending the meeting were officers of the County Federation and representatives of the Pigeon Worth While Club and the Pigeon Junior Woman's Club, host clubs for the convention.

Program plans for the convention will be under the direction of Mrs. Lillian Schumacher, first vice president and Mrs. Marie Leipprandt, second vice president. Duties were assigned to participating clubs throughout the county.

A donation of \$200 was made to the Huron County Sesquicentennial Committee. A luncheon was served by Mrs. Trost, assisted by Mrs. Leipprandt.

Separate sealed bids for demolition of a 60,000 gallon elevated water tank for the Village of Pigeon, Michigan, will be received until 2:00 p.m. on Friday, January 9, 1987 at the Village Hall, 29 South Main Street, Pigeon, Michigan, 48755. The bids will then be opened at the January 12, 1987 regular council meeting.

The Contract Documents may be examined at the Village Hall, 29 South Main Street, Pigeon, Michigan, 48755. Telephone: (517) 453 2733.

Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained at the Village Hall upon payment of \$25 for each set. Any bidder upon returning such sets within seven days of the bid opening and in good condition, will be refunded his payment; and any non bidder upon so returning such a set will be refunded \$10.

The owner reserves the right to waive any formalities or to reject any or all bids.

Each bidder must deposit with his bid, security in the amount, form and subject to the conditions provided in the Instructions to Bidders.

Janet Heckman Supt.
Village Of Pigeon

Double-ring ceremony unites Mischelle, Todd



Mr. and Mrs. Todd Rozema

Mischelle Binder, Pigeon and Todd Rozema, Sebawaing were united in marriage on Saturday, Nov. 15 at the Michigan Avenue Mennonite Church, Pigeon.

Herb Troyer, pastor, officiated at the double-ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Dietzel, Elkton and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Rozema, Paw Paw.

Special musical selections included "My Tribute" and "Doubly Good To You," sung by John Gunden, Bad Axe and accompanied by Pam Dubej, Pigeon.

The altar was decorated with candelabra filled with garlands of greenery and satin bows, baskets of fresh flowers and a unity candle.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a white floor-length gown with a lace-trimmed yoke and wire-hemmed double-ruffled bodice with Victorian sleeves. The skirt was trimmed with baby ruffles and a cathedral sweetheart train. Her hat was edged with pearls and white bridal illusion netting.

The bride carried a cascading bouquet of white carnations, blue silk roses with lacy springer greens.

Maid of honor was Melissa Dietzel of Lansing, sister of the bride. She wore a royal blue tea-length gown of taffeta and lace net overly and white lace gloves. She carried an arm bouquet of white and hot pink miniature carnations and blue tinted carnations with lacy springer greens and baby's breath. Baby's breath accented her

hair.

Also attending the bride were Tanya Fletcher, Sebawaing, a friend of the couple; Tracy Rozema, Paw Paw, sister of the groom and Mischelle Rozema, Grand Rapids, aunt of the groom.

The bridesmaids were attired identically to the honor attendant.

Courtney Binder, daughter of the bride, was flower girl, wearing a royal blue tea-length dress trimmed with white eyelet lace and white satin ribbon roses. She wore white lace gloves and her bouquet was a miniature replica of the bride's.

Best man for the groom was Terry Rozema, Grand Rapids, brother of the groom.

Groomsmen included Steve Fletcher, Sebawaing, a friend of the couple; Troy Rozema, Paw Paw, brother

of the groom and Scott Claerhout, Sebawaing, a friend of the couple. Ushers were Todd A. Rozema, Grand Rapids, cousin of the groom and Steve Fletcher, Sebawaing.

The bride's mother wore a mauve crepe street-length dress and a wrist corsage of pink sweetheart roses and white miniature carnations.

The groom's mother wore a winter white crepe street-length dress and a corsage of pink sweetheart roses and white miniature carnations.

The newlyweds were guests of honor at a reception conducted at the Elkton United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. Guests attended from Paw Paw, Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo, Minnesota, Indiana, Saginaw, Bad Axe, Sebawaing, Bay Port, Pigeon and Elkton.

Following a week's honeymoon to Florida, the couple is making their home in Sebawaing.

The groom is a graduate of Michigan State University and is employed at West Huron Farming.

It's a boy!

Mike and Peggy Heintz of Pigeon are proud parents of a new son, Christopher Jason Heintz, born Friday, Dec. 5 at 2:36 a.m. at Bi-County Hospital, Warren.

Christopher is being welcomed at home by one big brother, Eric, plus maternal grandparents, Vincent and Grace Freeman and paternal grandmother, Emma Heintz.

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Thumb area obituaries

Dalton O. Coe, 71, of Midland, with relatives in Sebawaing, passed away Nov. 15. Lawrence Bockmiller, 92, of Roseville, formerly of Sebawaing, passed away Nov. 24.

Steve F. Sattler, 70, of Unionville, passed away Dec. 7.

Harold "Pat" Wilson, 66, of Caro, passed away Dec. 7.

Dorothy E. DeLong, 52, of Sebawaing, passed away Dec. 8.

Henry E. Edwards, 85, of Bad Axe, passed away Dec. 8.

Grace M. Burkhard, 60, of Harbor Beach, passed away Dec. 8.

Frieda Edler, 85, of Owendale, passed away Dec. 9.

Cora B. Dilsworth, 90, of Bay Port, passed away Dec. 9.

Revola Beck, 61, of West Branch, formerly of Sebawaing, passed away Dec. 11.

CORA BELL DILSWORTH

1897 - 1986

Cora Bell Dilsworth, 89 of Bay Port, passed away unexpectedly Tuesday evening, Dec. 9 at Huron Memorial Hospital, Bad Axe.

Mrs. Dilsworth was born Cora Bell Schram in Au Gres on May 8, 1897, the daughter of Robert and Elizabeth (Goul) Schram. She was married to Lee Dilsworth in Bay City in 1923, and they resided in Bay Port for many years. Mr. Dilsworth died in 1957. Mrs. Dilsworth was a member of Bay Port United Methodist Church.

She is survived by one son, Albert Dilsworth of Bay Port, one granddaughter and one great granddaughter and several nieces and nephews.

Four brothers and one sister preceded their sister in death. Funeral services were conducted Friday, Dec. 12 from the Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home, Sebawaing, which handled arrangements. The Rev. Alger Lewis officiated, with burial in New Bay Port Cemetery, Bay Port.

FRIEDA JOHANNA EDLER

1901 - 1986

Frieda J. Edler, 85 of Owendale, passed away Tuesday evening, Dec. 9 at Hills & Dales Hospital, Cass City, following a brief illness.

Mrs. Edler was born in Sebawaing on July 20, 1901, the daughter of the late John Ernst and Christine (Blasi) Engelhard. She was married to Charles W. Edler, Jr. on April 19, 1925, in Sebawaing, and he preceded her in death Feb. 14, 1981.

She was a member of St. Paul's Church of Linkville.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Dale (Barbara) Jamieson of Owendale, one son, Charles W. Edler, Jr. of Oxford, seven grandchildren, four great grandchildren, one brother, Henry Engelhard of Bay Port, and several nieces and nephews.

One brother, Herman Engelhard, and two sisters, Mrs. Ella Ackerman and Mrs. Clara Grunewald, preceded their sister in death.

Funeral services were conducted in Immanuel Lutheran Church, Sebawaing on Saturday morning, Dec. 13. Rev. Ray R. Ohlendorf, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Linkville, officiated and burial was in St. John Lutheran Cemetery, Sebawaing.

Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home of Sebawaing was in charge of arrangements.

REVOLA BECK

1925 - 1986

Revola Beck, 61 of West Branch, formerly of Sebawaing, passed away Thursday morning, Dec. 11 at Saginaw General Hospital, following an 18 month illness.

She was born in Illinois on April 24, 1925, the daughter of Charles and Eula Gibson. She and Howard A. Beck were married in Kilmarnock on April 22, 1972. She was formerly employed at the Log Cabin Restaurant, Sebawaing, and was a Michigan Sugar Company employee for nine years before moving to West Branch in 1980.

Mrs. Beck is survived by her husband, Howard Beck of West Branch; two sons, Carl Rutterbush of Sebawaing and Jerry Rutterbush of Petoskey; one stepson, Dexter Beck of Pigeon; two stepdaughters, Mrs. Donald (Karen) Wissner of Port Sanilac and Donna Beck of Sebawaing; six grandchildren, and one brother, James Gibson of Sebawaing.

Two brothers, Glen and Gerald Gibson, preceded her in death.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday morning, Dec. 13 from the Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home, Sebawaing, which handled arrangements. Burial was in the Christian Memorial Cultural Center, Rochester.

WILLIAM A. OLDFORD

1904 - 1986

William A. Oldford, age 82, of Caseville, died Saturday, Dec. 13 at Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon, following a long illness.

He was born on Aug. 11, 1904 in Burnside, Newfoundland, son of the late John and Rebecca Oldford. On Aug. 22, 1931, he married Hazel Davis in Detroit. The couple moved to Pigeon in 1955 and purchased the Leipprandt Hardware Store. After its closing, Mr. Oldford went into construction work until retiring in 1972.

Mr. Oldford was a past member of the Pigeon Lions Club and attended St. John's Episcopal Church, Sand Point.

Surviving are his wife, Hazel, two sons, Floyd of Dearborn Heights and William of Lathrop Village; eight grandchildren and one great-grandson.

Two brothers and two sisters preceded him in death.

A memorial service will be conducted at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 20 from the Caseville Chapel of the Champagne Funeral Chapels. Rev. Fr. Mark Jenkins, pastor of St. John's Episcopal Church will officiate.

Memorials may be given to the American Cancer Society.

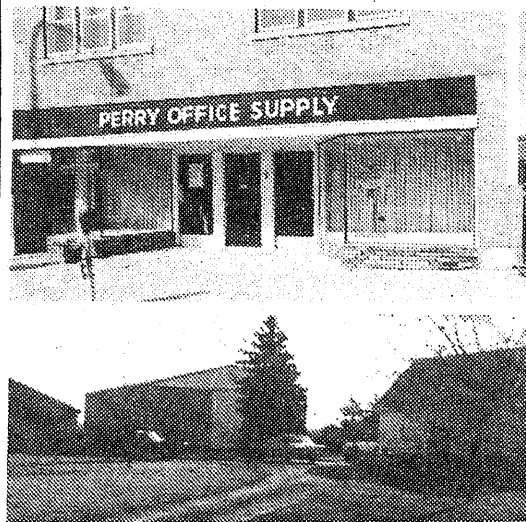
REQUEST FOR BID

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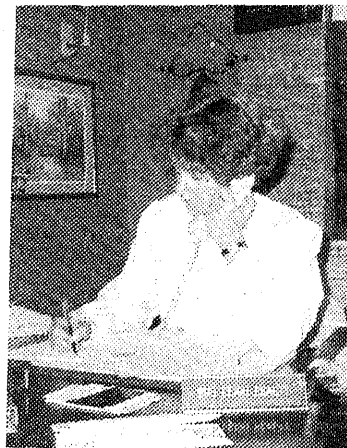
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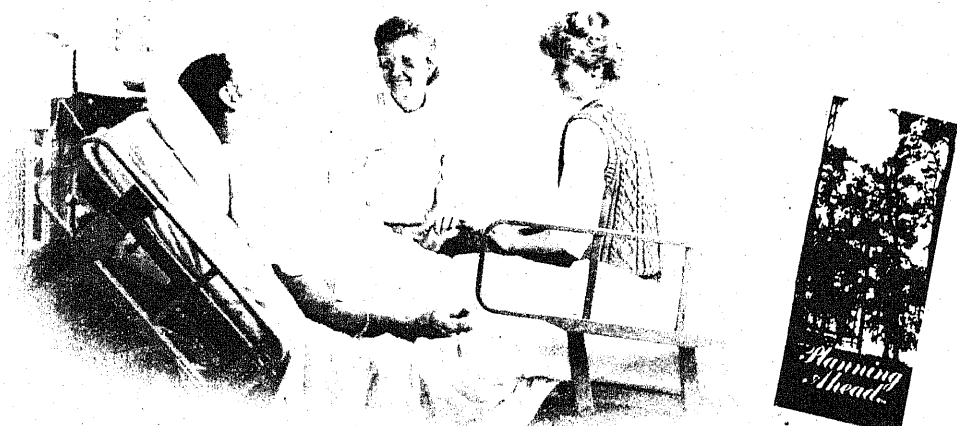
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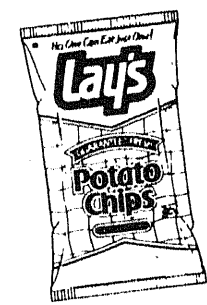
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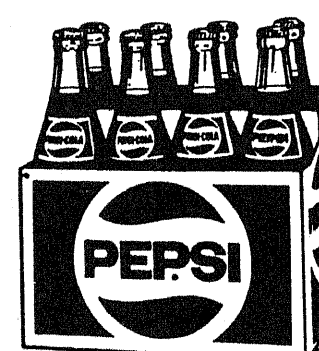
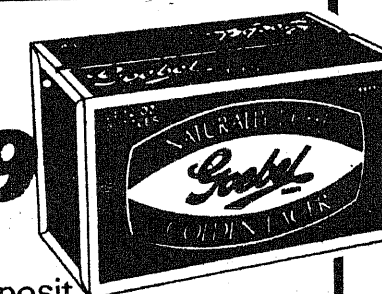


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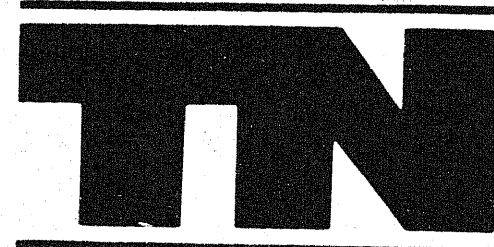
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7. If a child is 14 years of age or older, all of the income of the child will be taxed at the child's own tax rate.

8. The personal exemption for a child has been eliminated.

9. Each child will be allowed to use a \$500 standard deduction against investment income. Therefore only the first \$500 of a child's investment income will be tax free.

10. If a child is under 14 and has investment income of \$2,000, the first \$500 will be protected from income tax by the standard deduction. The next \$500 would be taxed at the child's 15% tax rate.

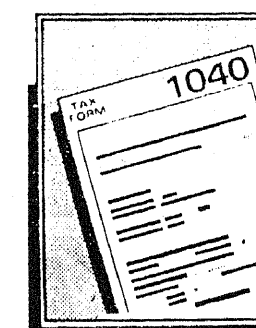
11. After age 14, the first \$500 of the child's income would be protected from the income tax by the \$500 standard deduction. The next \$1,500 would be taxed at the child's own 15% tax rate.

12. All funds that a child receives are treated the same way regardless of who provides the funds. It makes no difference whether the funds come from a parent, grandparent, or a friend.

The benefits of the Clifford Trusts are virtually over. Income from Clifford

children under 14 that will defer taxable income until the child reaches age 14 when income will be taxed at the child's rate rather than the parent's rate. Parents can invest their children's funds in Series EE Savings Bonds which will defer taxes on interest until the savings bonds are redeemed. Many parents are now using the Single Premium Insured Endowment policy to provide funds for their children's education. Under this insurance policy, the parent could invest \$10,000 and re-

ceive interest at the rate of 8% per annum. The \$800 per year could accumulate and could be withdrawn at the time the funds are needed for the child's education without any income tax being paid. The secret lies in the fact that the \$800 per year earned under this form of life insurance policy accumulates as cash value. The parent can then borrow all the earned funds



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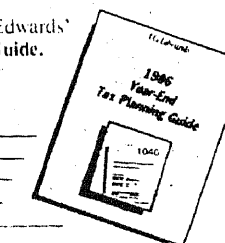
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I really liked the idea about putting in only positive SOUND-OFFS next week, in honor of Christmas. I'm sure the editor will do it, if that's what's submitted.
(EDITOR'S NOTE: Yes, we'll be watching for only positive

contributions next week - and remember, our early issue next week requires a 5 p.m. deadline this Friday.)

Detroit has nothing but losing sports teams. Now it looks like we're going to lose Jack

Morris for the Tigers. If they're that stupid to let a star like that go, why do we support those teams? It's the same with the Lions, but still we go, buy tickets, watch them on TV, use their products. We should boycott.

Applause!! Applause!! to the Lakers Drama Club and director Mike Terrill for the super job they did on their performance of "Camelot." Let us hope the community recognizes the talent in this group and gives it the support they give the athletic department. Dear students, you were close to the professional level. Keep it up!! Signed, M.M.

For the citizens of Bay Port and Fair Haven Township who were at the board meeting on Dec. 8, and those who were not there but should have been, these are the results: we were put-down. Our petition asking for a full-time police officer was in no way recognized.

They were a mistake, we were told. So what we the people want does not count with this board. We still do have the right to vote, so next time why not have another run-out at the polls like the one we had this past November? There is no better way to tell this board to take a hike.

Did you see the Nativity scene at the courthouse in Bad Axe? I thought governments weren't supposed to put things up like that. What's the story?

Flashbacks: Thanks for the best time ever! Lakers loves you!

If Michigan is such a great place to do business now, why do companies keep leaving? Why is Whirlpool leaving and taking 1000 jobs?

Caseville Airport settlement reached

Both sides basically agreed to disagree, but the continuing stalemate over the proposed \$1.1 million general aviation airport at Caseville appears settled.

Attorneys for Caseville Township and the Township's Airport Land Corp. met with Huron County Circuit Judge M. Richard Knoblock Friday and agreed to withdraw the corporation's lawsuit prohibiting the Township from repealing the 1980 ordinance which established the Township Aeronautical Board and the Land Corp.

The Township, however, will pay \$1500 to the corporation in settlement and will allow the group an unlimited amount of time to find a new municipal sponsor for the proposed airport, or sponsors. Both sides will hold the other blameless for future lawsuits, damages or potential income from this time, for the airport, but the aeronautical group will not be stepped from proceeding with funding and finding a new governmental sponsor.

Farm stress

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DAIRY: New Huron Extension Dairy Agent Amy Duffield is encouraged by the present and future dairy picture as the "Whole Herd Buyout" program has reduced Michigan Dairy Herd Improvement Association herds by 17% and number of cows by 10%.

On the other hand, milk production rose slightly by 4%, according to her figures. The national support prices of milk has fallen from \$12.60 per hundredweight on Jan. 1, 1985 to \$11.60 at the present time, but Duffield predicts the price will jump to about \$13.00 in the early months of 1987. She bases that guess on a current milk shortage with demand for dairy products increasing slightly, but warned production usually increases in the spring when cows are calving.

"Hopefully we have a rosy outlook for dairy," she said. **COPING:** In smaller groups, participants in the workshop were advised about leading group discussions and using techniques in handling stressed clientele by Dr. Soderman and Dr. Jeanne Brown, MSU Human Development Specialist.

MORE HELP: Dennis Mifun of Huron County Community Mental Health Services and Rick Burmeister of Department of Social Services each listed some of the help for individuals experiencing a great deal of stress as the result of the farm crisis.

Those agencies include: Huron County Community Mental Health, Catholic Family Services, Lutheran Child and Family Services, local school counseling, Thumb Area Consortium, Michigan Employment Security Commission, Department of Social Services, Human Development Commission, Veteran's Affairs Council, Huron County Health Department, area hospitals and Michigan Department of Agriculture, they said.

More information on these agencies and how to contact them is available at the Huron County Extension Service by calling 269-9949.

CASEVILLE BASKETBALL

Varsity

By RICH SWARTZENDRUBER
After last year's Eagle hoop squad notched its best record in 10 years, Caseville basketball coach Randy Bingham is hoping he won't be faced with the other side

of the coin this season. Although Caseville was upset by Akron - Fairgrove in the opening game of tournaments, the Eagles finished in a tie for second place in the North Central Thumb League with a 12-4 record and posted a 15-6 overall

mark. **UPHILL:** This season the Eagle coach is facing an uphill climb, however, after losing nine seniors from last year's team. Returning lettermen Matt Kraus, Bruce Langley, Kris Grigg and Carl Bruni saw

limited action last year with a talented group of seniors. All-Conference players Dave Simel, Pete Delmotte and Ray Johnson, along with starters Tony Seagraves and John Winkler have all graduated along with sup-

porting players Greg Langley and Bob Siegfried. **SHARP SHOOTERS:** Coach Bingham says this year's team will depend on good shooting and quickness to overcome the lack of experience and depth of this year's team.

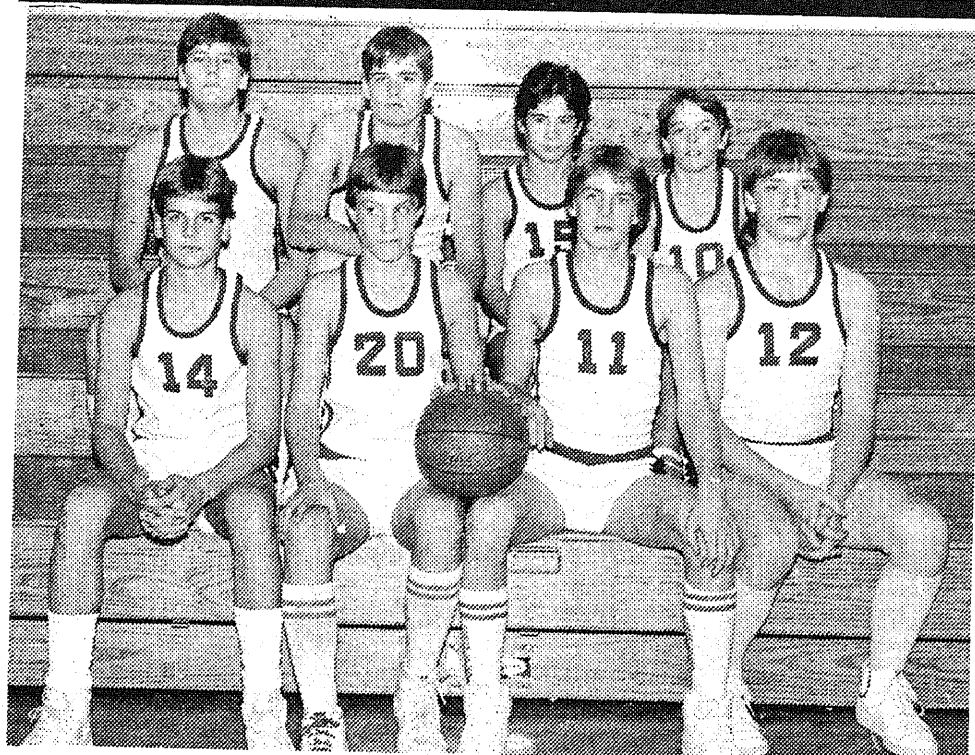
He believes his team will finish in the middle of the pack this season, with Deckerville, Port Hope and Owen-Gage the favorites to challenge for the league title.



VARSITY BASKETBALL: Jeff Malette, Kris Grigg, Matt Kraus, Chris Perry, Bruce Langley, Carl Bruni, Jeff Siegfried

and Don Bixman. Kneeling in front is Coach Randy Bingham.

BASKETBALL Junior Varsity



JV BASKETBALL: In front from left, Colby Cottick, Frank LaFontaine, Mike Henne and Bob Hoffman. In back, Dan Bennett, Jim Steinman, Dale Delmotte Jr. and Todd Bond. Missing from photo is Coach Dexter McNamara.

BOYS' BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Dec. 19	NB Wesleyan (H)
Jan. 6	Peck (H)
Jan. 9	Kingston (A)
Jan. 13	CPS (H)
Jan. 16	Deckerville (A)
Jan. 20	NH (H)
Jan. 23	Port Hope (A)
Jan. 30	Owen-Gage (A)
Feb. 3	AF (H)
Feb. 6	NB Wesleyan (A)
Feb. 10	Peck (A)
Feb. 13	Kingston (H)
Feb. 17	CPS (A)
Feb. 20	Deckerville (H)
Feb. 27	NH (A)
Mar. 6	Port Hope (H)
Mar. 9-14	MHSAA District Tournament Harbor Beach

Most games begin at 6:30 p.m.

CASEVILLE CHEERLEADERS



VARSITY CHEERLEADERS: Clockwise from lower left, Sandy Briesmeister, Rebecca Dubey, Vicky Karle and Amy Conrad.

JV CHEERLEADERS: In front from left, Kim Dufty, Kelly Finley and Christy Jablonski. Second row, Becky Ousley, Kirsten Hermanson and Jodi Power. In back, Teri Cassada and Terri Power.

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ELEMENTARY HOLIDAY STORY HOUR

The Pigeon District Library will conduct a Christmas Story Hour for children in kindergarten through third grade on Saturday, Dec. 20 from 1 to 2 p.m.

Stories will include "The Polar Express," "The Small One" and "Cranberry Christmas." Games and a take-home project are also planned.

INTERLOAN POSTAGE: This will be increased to \$1 per book.

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CRAFT SHOW CANCELLED: The Craft Show that is regularly held each April will be cancelled for this year.

NEW RULES FOR VIDEOS: The following guidelines will become effective Jan. 1, 1987.

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SENIOR CITIZEN FILM FESTIVAL

Don't forget the Senior Citizens Film Festival on Thursday, Dec. 18 at 1:30 p.m. at the library.

Films will include "Hammerman in Williamsburg," "Dogs in Dogs" and "White Throat."

LIBRARY HOURS

The Pigeon District Library will be closed Dec. 25 and 26 and Jan. 1 and 2.

Books with due dates of Dec. 26 and Jan. 2 will not be charged an overdue fine if they are returned the following day.

Regular library hours of Monday, Tuesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. will resume Saturday, Jan. 3.

The library staff wishes all its patrons a safe and happy new year.

Thumb club news

AMERICAN LEGION JEAN POST 543

The American Legion Jean Post #543 was called to order at 7:30 p.m. in the American Legion Hall, Caseville by Commander Tony Zacheretti.

Mr. and Mrs. William Beadle were presented plaques in appreciation for their continued service for the past years at the weekly Bingo games and their service to the Blood Mobile.

The members voted to send Boys State and approved \$320 to cover the cost. Two boys from Caseville High School will be selected, to learn more about the branches of government.

Members voted to send \$200 to the Veterans' Hospital in Saginaw to be used for servicemen hospitalized in Saginaw. A check for \$50 was sent to the Caseville Community Chest.

CONSERVING MEASURES

The following recommendations for conserving finances were accepted by the Pigeon District Library Board of Trustees at a special meeting conducted on Nov. 24.

The following measures will go into effect Jan. 1, 1987.

NEW HOURS: The library will be open 30 hours per week, Monday, Tuesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

STORY HOUR: The library will continue Preschool Story Hour but will ask families for an additional \$2 per family after Jan. 1, 1987 for \$4 per family for the

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FALL STORE HOURS:
Mon. thru Thurs. 8 am to 6 pm
Friday 8 am to 8 pm
Saturday 8 am to 6 pm
Closed Sunday

FEATURING MURPHY BAKERY PRODUCTS
Food Stamps And WIC Coupons Accepted

SPECIALS GOOD THROUGH WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1986

BONELESS ROLLED
RUMP ROAST \$1.79 LB.
LEAN STEW BEEF \$1.69 LB.

GROUND CHUCK LB. \$1.35
CHICKEN LEG QUARTERS LB. 39¢
FRESH PORK STEAK LB. \$1.29
BONELESS BEEF & PORK COMBO ROAST LB. \$1.49

WHOLE • OLD MILLTOWN HAMS \$1.98 LB.
SMITH'S BULK SLICED BACON \$1.59 LB.

BC FOOD STORES

RED GRAPES LB. 49¢
CALIFORNIA ORANGES 10 LB BAG \$2.99
FLORIDA TOMATOES LB. 49¢
24 SIZE CELERY BU. 49¢

LIQUID DISH DETERGENT DAWN 48 OZ. BTL. \$2.19
COTTONELLE ASSORTED COLORS BATHROOM TISSUE 4 ROLL PACK 97¢
120 CT. PKG. OR SINGLE ROLL CORONET HOLIDAY PRINT NAPKINS OR PAPER TOWELS 69¢
HEFTY • HOLIDAY PRINT PAPER PLATES 35 CT. PKG. \$1.37

REG. OR DIET PEPSI, PEPSI FREE, MT. DEW, SLICE, A&W ROOT BEER 8 1/2 LTR. BTL. \$1.59 PLUS DEP.
With Purchase Of Two 8 Paks Plus \$1.00 Off Coupon In This Week's Paper

2 LITER BOTTLE REGULAR OR DIET 7-UP OR SQUIRT PLUS DEP. 99¢
MADE RITE REGULAR OR RIPPLE POTATO CHIPS 1 LB. BAG \$1.69
WEAVER WHITE OR YELLOW POPCORN .2 LB. BAGS 2/\$1

KRAFT • PARKAY QUARTERED MARGARINE 16 OZ. PKG. 39¢
KRAFT • FOUR KINDS CRACKER BARREL SPREADS 8 OZ. CTN. \$1.19

PERFECTION POTATO WHEAT OR BUTTER HOME BAKERY ROLLS DOZ. \$1.09
PET EVAPORATED-CANNED MILK 13 OZ. CAN 49¢

KRAFT PHILADELPHIA REGULAR OR LIGHT CREAM CHEESE 8 OZ. PKG. 87¢
LARGE McDONALD'S SOUR CREAM 24 OZ. CTN. \$1.19
McDONALD'S 2% LOW FAT MILK GAL. \$1.69
16-20 OZ PKG. FRESH LIKE FROZEN ASSORTED VEGETABLES 88¢
CARNIVAL ALL FLAVORS ICE CREAM HALF GAL. 99¢

NABISCO ASSORTED SNACK CRACKERS 7 OZ. 8 UP \$1.29
PRIDE OF SPAIN STUFFED MANZ OLIVES 7 OZ. JAR 88¢

RICH'S FROZEN DIXIE WHIP TOPPINGS 8 OZ. CTN. 57¢
SCHAFFER SOFT 'N GOOD WHITE BREAD 24 OZ. LOAF 79¢
PILLSBURY ASSORTED BREAD MIXES 15-16 OZ. PKG. 69¢
TRUEWORTH WHOLE OR STRAINED CRANBERRY SAUCE 15 OZ. CAN 49¢

BANQUET FROZEN ASSORTED PIES 20 OZ. PKG. 98¢

HERSHEY'S REAL SEMI SWEET CHOCOLATE CHIPS 12 OZ. PKG. \$1.48
KRAFT MARSHMALLOW CREME 13 OZ. JAR 98¢
CHAMPION SEEDLESS RAISINS 24 OZ. PKG. \$1.49
DIAMOND WALNUT MEATS 16 OZ. PKG. \$2.59
RALSTON CORN • RICE • WHEAT CHEX CEREAL 12-15 OZ. BOX \$1.59

MAXWELL HOUSE FOUR GRINDS COFFEE \$5.59 2 LB. CAN
MAXWELL HOUSE INSTANT COFFEE 12 OZ. JAR \$3.99

KRAFT MAYONNAISE 32 OZ. JAR \$1.69
IN LIGHT SYRUP HONEY HILL SLICED PEACHES 29 OZ. CAN 78¢
MANDARIN ORANGES 11 OZ. CAN 49¢
SHOWBOAT CUT YAMS 40 OZ. CAN 88¢
FANCY FRUIT BASKETS AND UP \$8.00

ASSORTED JELLO 3/\$1 3 OZ. PKGS.
IN JUICE DEL MONTE • 4 KINDS PINEAPPLE 15 OZ. CAN 59¢