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BC commissioners resolve electrifying issue

Boyer City Commissioners accepted a proposal drafted by both Top O'Michigan Rural Electric Company and Consumers Power Company concerning which company is going to supply the electric power to the new Air-Industrial Park in Boyer City. Last week, the commissioners tabled a request asking them to name a company to serve the area. The commission did so with a feeling that they were being dragged into an agreement they should not have to make. The letter from the two com-

panies ended that feeling after acceptance by the commissioners at the Tuesday noon meeting.

Now, according to the letter, the Michigan Public Service has agreed to rule on the matter provided the two utilities agree to make a joint submission to the MPSC and be bound by their staff's decision.

Both utilities have agreed to do so.

The letter asked the MPSC to make an expeditious decision on the matter so the winning company can install the electric lines in time for the projected plant opening on April 1, 1986.

With that problem solved, the

commissioners graciously accepted a gift of furniture from the owners of the Wolverine-Dilworth Hotel. The used furniture was donated to the city for use at the Boyer City airport terminal building and is currently in use at that facility. Additional items will be included in the gift as the firm sent out a list of items the city can choose from. The city also heard some of the preliminary criteria being used for a \$150,000 grant the city housing commission had received last week from the Michigan State Housing Authority.

Todd Sorenson explained some of the criteria to the commissioners but also explained he would be

receiving more training on the disbursements of the monies after the grant money is in hand. He explained afterwards that this could take some time before grant requests will be allowed for projects from homeowners within the city.

The grant involves 3 basic components, Sorenson said, with the first being monies used for code and home improvements. The second component would be used for emergency rehabilitation requests, along with programs such as the Northwestern Michigan insulation grants.

The third part of the program would deal with monies loaned out

to reduce principal payments, working with other loans. Those monies could be used to help a homeowner who needs to complete a project, but can't find the entire amount of funding from a bank. Sorenson told the commission that as soon as he learns more about the program, he will be informing them.

The commissioners also heard about a continuing water problem when Mary Churchill brought in a sample of some water that appeared to have something in it.

Churchill had had the water sample run through a precipitator which separated the matter that was in the water out and caused it

to settle at the bottom of the sample.

She was told that the city was working hard on the problem as they had flushed the water line serving the area recently, and hoped that the problem would clear up.

The problem was caused by bringing the new water well on line as the additional pressure may have loosened up iron deposits and caused the water to appear murky.

Basil Moore, the head of the water department told Churchill and the commissioners that if the city were to clean the reservoir this spring, he felt the problem would be taken care of.

News Briefs

The governor of the State of Michigan has not yet made a determination about appointing people to the Evangeline Township Board, nor has he informed the township to hold a special election to fill the four seats left vacant by the resignations of trustees and officers. In the meantime, the business of the township is continuing, with all other boards and committees meeting as scheduled. Bessie Van Dorn, township supervisor, said she was going to hold a coffee pot work session last Monday in place of the regular scheduled meeting at the township hall.

Charlevoix County recorded 204 births, 166 deaths, 216 marriages and 100 divorces in 1985. Compared to last year, births are down, deaths are up, marriages are down and divorces are down slightly.

If you are not traveling with your seat belt fastened, and you get caught, the state has increased the amount of fine you will get to \$25 instead of the \$10 it was previously.

Even though it is a long way from the trout tournament, officials are already making plans for the second trout tournament. They are planning to raffie off a 19-foot Wellcraft powerboat and motor worth \$13,000. Only 200 tickets will be sold on the boat and are available from tournament officials. The tournament will be held May 16, 17, and 18 this year.

EJ approves attendance incentive

At the Jan. 13 meeting of the East Jordan School Board a trial period of one semester was approved for attendance incentive at the high school level, a short swimming pool report was presented, and the board appointed representatives to the library board.

Keith Moore, high school prin-

incipal, requested that the board permit a trial period for a new concept in attendance. Any student who completes the school year with perfect attendance, will be excused from taking final exams at the end of the year.

Moore had had experience with attendance incentive policies in the past at Vassar. He also related that

other schools with the incentive program enjoyed a success ratio that qualified 50 percent or more of the students for dismissal of one exam, while 30 percent qualified for no exams. Moore was of the opinion that having a student in class every day would have a better learning effect on the student.

Realizing that some problems accompany such policies, Moore was well versed on the subject and ran through possible problems. Doctors' excuses are to be kept on

file in the students' attendance records for future reference.

Evidently Moore thought that the attendance record at the high school was dropping and offered the program as an effort to raise the attendance level.

Concerning the pool project, the board was informed that the state has approved the rough drafts for the complex, and that Traverse City architect Jay Miller will be finishing the final plans near the end of February. The board was

also informed that the public would be able to utilize the pool one week after completion, and that scheduling of classes in the pool would not be possible until the second semester of 1987.

Four people were named to the library board for two four-year terms, and two two-year terms. Representing the school board will be Ruby Dipzinski and Herb Griffin, who both volunteered for the two year terms. Filling the two

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BC school board reassigns teachers

Reassigning teachers for the second semester was the order of the day at Monday night's Boyer City Board of Education meeting. The reassignment was caused by the board granting a request for an extended child care leave of absence for Peggy Suedhoff.

Reassigned were Nancy Huff, who will become a full-time special education teacher, while Corinne Babb and Wendy Stadt will share teaching responsibilities for the first grade. Stadt will also teach afternoons in the special ed area.

A two hour morning teaching assignment in special education is still unfilled as the administration hasn't yet found someone to fill the slot.

In making the moves, Babb was hired as a half-time teacher, Stadt was hired for working eighty percent of the school day, and Huff was terminated as a part-time teacher and hired full-time.

In other action, the board also hired a new bus driver, Gerald Cosier, approved a new geometry textbook, purchased a new aerial work platform for the school

system, and approved an outlay of funds to join a pooled insurance fund through the Michigan Association of School Boards.

Cosier was a part-time bus driver who has been moved to full-time status.

The aerial work platform will be used by school maintenance personnel to do such jobs as changing light bulbs in the gyms of the schools. In the summer, the platform would be used to reach any high spot on the buildings.

The purchase was made because the platform would be safer for the workers than a ladder that had been used previously.

The insurance pool will cost the school board \$3,400 or \$3 per pupil and will be refunded to the school system if the association cannot come up with a plan that would reduce insurance costs for the schools. The association has several months to try to put the pooled insurance plan together.

The board also had their first reading of an updated testing policy they had asked for in previous meetings.



Officers of the Walloon Lake Water System, Inc. surround their attorney as they waited for the start of another hearing in Lansing February 14th. The Public Service Commission hearing concerning the rate structure and other matters of the utility. Over 60 people were in attendance to hear the requests for

Walloon water users present arguments to PSC

Over 60 people, interested spectators and users of the Walloon Lake Water System had an opportunity to express their anger with the practices of the system towards its customers at a Public Service Commission hearing in front of an administrative law judge from Lansing last Friday afternoon.

The hearing took place in front of Administrative Law Judge Bob Hollenshead who told the customers of the system the hearing was just going to gather information about the system and the many complaints against it. He continued saying that another hearing, in Lansing February 14, will be more of a court-like setting and will be the basis for recommendations to the State Public Service Commission so they can act either for the utility or against it.

According to both sworn and unsworn testimony the hearing

officer heard last Friday afternoon, many of the complaints were against the rate structure and the way the system has been using it.

The system serves about 150 customers which makes it fall under the rules of the PSC.

In an opening statement, Bob Vratana, the spokesman for the group which had called for a hearing, told the hearing officer six definite complaints about the system. He told the officer they were against 1) Failure to provide equitable rates for customers, 2) Failure to read all customers' water meters on a regular basis and to provide customers with working meters, 3) Discriminatory rate schedules and the charging of different rates as well as charging more than the minimum allowed, 4) Different rates to those customers without meters, 5) Threats of water shutoffs to those customers who have complained about the rates, 6) Delivery of

water of objectionable quality.

Vratana also said he questioned the logic of Dennis Hass's statement in the Petoskey News Review. Hass was quoted as saying "To this date, we've had very little communication with people who have had a problem."

Vratana said the utility has not filed rates with the PSC for a long time and has made little effort to provide public relations with the customers.

His remarks were followed by several users of the water system each stating the problems they have been having with the company.

William Pawlak told about having to replace water filters almost weekly to try to provide clean water to his household. He showed the used filters to the hearing officer telling him he had to replace the filters every four to five days.

When he asked the system to

respond to the problem, he was told the lines would be being flushed and the problem would clear up. Pawlak said the problem is still with him. He also complained about the rates he was being charged. He said his meter has only been read three times in the last six years. "I just don't believe the water system is doing right by me," he added.

Roland Luellen said he has been over-charged since the second quarter of 1980. When he complained, he said he was threatened with a higher charge on the next bill.

Shirley Stroble also complained about the rate structure saying that last information she received from the company was one rate, but she was being charged at a different, higher rate.

Stroble had her water shut off by the company after the company returned a check she had written for the published rate for water.

The water was turned on five days later after paying the higher amount under protest. She also had to pay a turn-off and turn-on charge.

Other testimony came from many other residents.

Tim Benton, from the Michigan Department of Public Health, which controls the water system as far as water quality regulations told the audience the system's water quality met state guidelines. He did say that some water samples taken did show some contamination and that is being monitored by the state.

The system, over the holidays, did do a intensive chlorination program to try to eliminate the bacteria.

With the next phase of the water rate structure to be determined later by the PSC, the testimony heard last Friday will be used in the next hearing.

with Nancy Northup
582-9174

Neighbors

The Xi Gamma Sorority held their first meeting of '86 at the new home of Von Seamon on Wednesday evening. Carol Lauterbach led the program, a take off of the game of Clu. The group was divided and given specific clues for solving mysteries and a variety of creative problems. Co-hostess was Virginia Kessler, serving brownies and coffee. The Xi Gamma is in charge of this year's Snow Sculpture event of the Winter Frostival slated for January 25th, with the committee headed by Gen Varnum, Marty McLeod, and Von

Seamon. The sorority is hoping for a good turnout, as there will be prizes for all participants helping them to reach their aim—to beat the Guinness book of records in the number of snow men built in one day.

Kevin and Sherri Fitzpatrick, students of NMU in Marquette, have returned to their studies after having spent several weeks here with their parents, the Keith Fitzpatricks and the Oral Sutliffs and families.

Dr. Wayne and Janet Milos and three children of Chicago were

here last week visiting her sister Julie and Jeff Bradford and family.

Dan and Julie Schmitdiel of Chicago were here over the weekend visiting his mother, Marie, and her parents, Bill and Mary Dunlap.

The Rev. Ralph and Geneva Bramley were called to Kentucky due to the death of her mother last Sunday evening. The Rev. Elwyn Smith of East Jordan delivered the morning and evening services in his absence from the Free Methodist Church on Sunday.

Mrs. Wm. (Sylvia) Gaunt Sr. was taken from Grandvue to the Charlevoix Area Hospital as a medical patient over the weekend, and was expected to remain there throughout the week.

Jim and Kay Carver of Cedar Bluff, Va. were here for a week over the holidays, visiting her

mother and step-father, Pearl and Roy Howard. Kay remarked that she had never seen so much snow at one time.

On Wednesday, the high scores and the lower ones went to Delores Barnhart-397, Barney Barnhart-375, Pros Blanckaert-304, Pearl Frieden-247, and last, but not least, Goldie-231.

Winning the bingo games at the senior meal site on Thursday were, 1st regular-Harold Moyer, 2nd, Virginia Blossi, and 3rd, Elmer Crandell. The 1st special went to Alfreda Foster, the 2nd, a split between Leona Griffen and Virginia Nelson, and the cover all was split between Evelyn Stebbins and Jessie Padgett. All games were called by Lyle Ross.

John and Linda Mathers hosted a sledding and other outside winter fun party and winding down with

tacos and other warm refreshments and fellowship at their home on Saturday for the Free Methodist Youth group.

Many may be interested in seeing the January 14 issue of the Enquirer, which features the Mathers' daughter Renee in the center section.

Judy Upton, student at NMU in Marquette, has returned to her studies after having been here at home with her parents, Pat and Louie Upton for the past few weeks. Here visiting the Uptons for a few days this past week was her sister, Sally Pasque, of Hazel Park.

Doris Felton of Midland was here for a long weekend with her son Jim and Linda Felton and family.

Weather permitting, Linda Hanson of Fremont arrived on Mon-

day to spend a few days with her mother, Joy Brooks, and family.

Frances Brewer of Litzemberger Place left this week to visit relatives in Detroit, enroute to spending a few weeks in Florida.

A group of 20 Boyne teenagers enjoyed the Chemical Free dance party held at Boyne Highlands on Saturday night.

On Saturday evening, Bob and Shirley Mathers hosted a combination pizza party and first Antique Auto Club of America (AACAA) business meeting of '86 with their son-in-law, Dave Garvin, as the Club's newly elected president, presiding.

Theresa Gentile has returned to her Litzemberger Place apartment after having spent the past few weeks with her sister, Mary Perna, in Detroit.

East Jordan Annual School Budget

EAST JORDAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
GENERAL FUND
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET
June 30, 1985 and 1984

	1985	1984
Assets		
Cash in bank	\$343,095	\$319,746
Taxes receivable	807	1,595
Accounts receivable	16,390	6,354
Notes and contracts receivable	31,024	31,355
Total assets	\$391,316	\$359,050
Liabilities and Fund Equity		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 21,960	\$ 37,502
Salaries payable	7,380	6,872
Deferred revenue	6,725	875
Accrued expenses	35,819	29,942
Due to other funds	4,962	5,167
Total liabilities	76,846	80,358
Fund equity:		
Fund balance:		
Reserved for noncurrent receivable	31,024	31,355
Unreserved	283,446	247,337
Total fund equity	314,470	278,692
Total liabilities and fund equity	\$391,316	\$359,050

DEBT RETIREMENT FUND
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET
June 30, 1985 and 1984

	1985	1984
Assets		
Cash	\$ 80,834	\$105,903
Due from other funds	4,962	5,167
Total assets	\$ 85,796	\$111,070
Fund Equity		
Fund balance	\$ 85,796	\$111,070

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
June 30, 1985
With Comparative Totals for June 30, 1984

	School Lunch Fund	Athletic Fund	Totals	1985	1984
Assets					
Cash	\$ 27,302	\$ 548	\$ 27,850	\$ 27,776	
Due from other governmental units	12,505	-	12,505	9,920	
Total assets	\$ 39,807	\$ 548	\$ 40,355	\$ 32,696	
Fund Equity					
Fund equity:					
Fund balance	\$ 39,807	\$ 548	\$ 40,355	\$ 32,696	
Total fund equity	\$ 39,807	\$ 548	\$ 40,355	\$ 32,696	

BUILDING AND SITE FUND
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET
June 30, 1985 and 1984

	1985	1984
Assets		
Cash	\$ 16,692	\$ 15,133
Liabilities and Fund Equity		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 1,737	\$ 1,737
Construction contracts payable	13,608	13,608
Total liabilities	15,345	15,345
Fund equity:		
Fund balance (deficit)	1,348	(212)
Total liabilities and fund equity	\$ 16,692	\$ 15,133

Value of Equipment	\$1,033,634.
Number of Buildings	3
Number of Classrooms	63
Number of equated fulltime resident pupils	1061
Number of equated fulltime non-resident pupils	0
Number of fulltime pupils in district	1061
Number of fulltime equated classroom teachers	53
Rate of pupils to employees holding valid Michigan Teacher Certificates	20:1

The annual audit was prepared by Hill, Woodcock & Schroderus of Petoskey, Michigan.

It is available in the office of the Superintendent for Inspection, 304 Fourth St., East Jordan, Michigan 49727, between the hours of 8:30 and 4:30 p.m.

BC teacher wins "live room" mini-grant

BY JIM SILBAR

Who would ever thought a cancerous, seven-foot long boa constrictor would lead to a \$515.50 mini-grant award from the Michigan State Board of Education to Cheryl Leach, one of the science teachers at the Boyne City Middle School.

Leach, who used to have a boa when she taught in another school system, says the experiences she and the students there learned from a "liveroom" she had set up was a worthwhile and satisfying experience that she wants to do here in Boyne City.

With the grant paying for it, she will have the opportunity to replace the boa, which died in 1984, as well as set up aquariums for the snake, an iguana, Argentinian

horn frog, hermit crab, box turtle, parakeet, and a tarantula spider as well as many plants in a new live room she intends on using with her classes.

The plant life will contain venus fly traps, cacti, and a sensitive plant.

Each species of animal and plant life will be used to show and teach the students in her classes about endangered species, plant oddities, animal comparisons between reptiles and amphibians and help decrease fears of animals, according to grant proposal she wrote to get the mini-grant.

Leach, in writing the proposal, said that students seem to have an intrinsic love of animals and a fascination with the feared and

Churches begin to resolve disputes outside court

John and Debby have given up on their marriage and divorce proceedings have commenced. They have tried counseling to no avail. There is little or no hope for the marriage. An all too typical situation these days, but a different ending is brought about. The couple comes together with their pastor and several mediators. The disputes are resolved. Covenants are executed to avoid disputes in the future and the marriage is preserved.

Mediation and dispute resolution differs from counseling for the parties name persons to serve as mediators. The parties find the underlying causes behind their disputes. The Word of God is shared and both husband and wife recommit themselves and their marriage to the Lord. Some couples execute Post Nuptial Agreements which eliminates "No Fault" divorce as an option.

As the parties agree to both follow the mediation principles of Matthew 18:15-17 lines of communication are opened, and the parties both agree to apply Biblical principles in their marriage, and when a dispute arises which they cannot resolve both agree to turn the matter over to named mediators who will resolve any dispute between them applying the same Biblical principles.

This procedure is applicable not only to marriages, but applies equally to business relationships, disputes with neighbors and any other disputes between Christians. The mandate for mediation rather than resorting to court is found in I Corinthians 6:1-12.

Northern Michigan Christian Conciliation Service, Inc. assists the church in its ministry

of Reconciliation by training mediators to act within the church, and assisting the church in running mediation sessions. The current training will begin on Tuesday evening, January 14, 1986 and will continue for eight weeks.

The course examines the historical roots of mediation going back to the Jewish Rabbinical Court system "Bet Din" and investigates the historical role of the church in dispute resolution. The course then teaches the Biblical basis for mediation and how the process operates.

The mediators are taught to first examine the sin in their own life as mandated by Mat-

thew 7:1-8. They are trained in applying applicable scripture to the dispute and in assisting the parties in seeing that the cause of disputes arises from spiritual warfare, Ephesians 6:12, and how to prepare the people they mediate for that spiritual warfare.

The final session addresses the question of church discipline and how that relates to the mediation process. Pastors and members of their congregations are encouraged to attend. Further information may be obtained by contacting Peter Vellenga, P.O. Box 458 Boyne City, MI 49712, Phone (616) 582-2818.

Bridge Tournament standings

After the first three months, or six matches, of the 1985-86 East Jordan Bridge Tournament season, the top ten teams and their scores are: Pat Ruhlmann-Linda Poole, 18,390; Gayle Gotts-Shirley Etcher, 15,890; Evelyn Gidley-Martha Matthews, 14,570;

Marie Shepard-Jean Peters, 13,076; Ruth Gee-Mary Jason, 13,060; Fran Pletz-Mary Malpass, 12,970; Betty Boswell-Toni Jeffery, 12,260; Shirley Olson-Ruth Bell, 11,700; Edna Neilson-Ida Krimmel, 11,390; Alice Nesman-Helen Dudek, 11,050.

Lecture by orthopedic surgeon on winter "hurts"

"Skiers' Shoulder and Shovelers' Neck" is the title of the Be Well! Community Health lecture scheduled Wednesday, Jan. 15 at 7 p.m. in the Northern Michigan Hospital's Gamble Auditorium.

Dr. Dixon Gerber, M.D., of the Burns Clinic and Northern Michigan Hospital's Department of Orthopedic Surgery will be the speaker. He will discuss the prevention and treatment of common neck, shoulder and back injuries.

Many of these injuries occur during the winter months when individuals engage in heavy snow shoveling and sports to which they're not accustomed.

Following the lecture Dr. Gerber will answer questions from the audience.

The Be Well! lecture series is co-sponsored by Healthwise and the Burns Clinic Foundation. The program is free, but pre-registration is required. Call 348-2314 to register.

unknown. She feels the liveroom would help to make a better understanding of those organisms that many people fear and hate out of ignorance.

From her past experience, students will get learning experiences in another way than just having book learning. She says the project will stimulate all their senses, allow them to see immediate reactions to stimuli and develop in them a sense of wonder, fascination and amazement at nature's variety and beauty.

Leach's proposal for a grant was one of 167 grants from 102 school districts in 43 counties within the state.

The grants were the first direct-to-the-classroom aid provided by the State Board. Costs of the grants ranged from \$250 to \$750

each. The state passed out a total worth of \$90,878 for the projects the teachers presented to the grant board.

Leach was one of 5,430 proposals looked at by the board after the grants were first announced last fall.

The mini-grant program was first suggested by State Superintendent of Public Instruction Phillip Runkel. He told those who were deciding the grants he was pleased to see the creativity of the teachers who received grant awards.

The only other grant given in the county was to Ronald Suatora, an instructor at the Charlevoix-Emmet Intermediate School District resort center. He was given \$325 for a project at his school.

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Jottings

BY JIM SILBAR

Did you enjoy our January thaw? I did. It kept me from having to finish shoveling the snow off the roof.

I figure that those two days of warmer temperatures saved me a couple of hours, at least, that I could have put to use watching a football game.

The only problem was that I didn't get to see all of any game as I had other things to do around the house...Like chip out the driveway so I wouldn't get stuck.

With Smeltania just a few days away, I have already received a request about mushrooms. It is hard to think about the mushroom season when the smelt haven't even started to bite.

But as each day passes, some more shanties are going on the ice, more bodies are out trying to catch some perch, or a brown trout or a cold, I don't remember which.

The smart ones build these illustrious shacks just to get out of the cold, ya know, not to get together, play a little cards, or tell wild stories on each other.

At least that is what some have told me they really do while they are waiting for the fish to bite.

What I can't figure out, are the guys who don't want to be burdened down with having to lug a shanty out.

Those brave souls either have to have seven layers of long underwear, or have six layers of fat to keep themselves warm while they stand in the wind.

Speaking of wind, I wonder how many shanties got moved off their holes after last week's winds?

Meanwhile, those guys standing out in the elements could take a

word of advice from Pat Mitchell. While I was in his store, I saw an ad for a portable tentlike device you can easily set up and take down.

I could see the start of something different if they catch on. We'll have a tent city suburb to the shanties of Smeltania.

Someone will possibly design a two story tent just so they will be able to keep up with the Boyne City building program.

Oh well, I know it won't be me. My last attempt at sleeping in a tent came some time ago when I was in the service and I made a vow back then that motels were better for my body than the cold ground. Or in the case of Smeltania's suburb, the very cold ice.

I hate to say it, but Monday night's school board meeting was absolutely dull in comparison to the last few months. Just the way the school board and the school administrators want it.

Come on guys, we have gotten used to having something earth shaking to write about. I mean, how controversial is a new geometry textbook.

Can we make something out of it? Is it really that much different than Euclid? Is the triangle now square?

Probably the only person who would be happy is the teacher. I know when I went through school, I didn't like geometry. I also didn't like English, math, language, history, any science, or anything that required me to study and learn.

I think I can remember liking a few things, like sports, phys ed, study hall and lunch.

Maybe that is why I write for a newspaper.

Remembrances

WATER STREET, Boyne City, Michigan.



This view of downtown Boyne City sure looks different when compared to today. It just shows that what was, doesn't stay as is. The view is taken from the corner of Lake Street and Water Street as if you were standing on the corner in front of the Lindsay Agency. Across the street on the right is the present location of Moore's Hardware, while on the left is the E. & M Gas station. Down at the end of the street is a house that remains today, all restored and kept neat and trim.

Ware-withal

BY GAIL WARE

It's an improbable idea. It doesn't seem like it should work. A magazine in which at least half of the material is reprinted articles from a variety of sources, and condensed reprints at that, shouldn't be able to make it. In this age of precisely targeted publications, it especially shouldn't be a success. The magazine doesn't have any particular focus. On top of that, it's small and displays no eye-catching picture on the cover. And yet over 30 million copies in 17 languages are sold monthly.

The mighty magazine is the Readers' Digest. It looks like a haphazard collection of articles thrown together to meet a monthly deadline. But it isn't.

It's appeal is due to a carefully weighed mixture of articles about the strengths and weaknesses of men, women, children and even animals. Their ability, or lack of it, to control the environment in which they live strikes a familiar chord in the minds and hearts of young and old around the world.

It isn't a "God's in his heaven and all's right with the world" sort of magazine. There are frequent articles on the pork-barreling

habits of Congress and the inefficiency of the Federal Government. The grave consequences of alcohol and drug abuse, particularly in combination with driving, come up with depressing regularity. And there are reports of the destruction caused by Mother Nature on a rampage. Then, too, there are articles about criminals and cruelty both in high places and in the streets.

But, in every issue, mixed with these miserable stories, are accounts of persistence and endurance and bravery and love. And the sense comes through, time after time, that despite pain and evil, life has its good and ennobling moments.

And the Digest clearly cares about the well-being of its readers. Articles on diet and exercise abound in this little magazine. And it offers information on how to manage your children, your business, your home, even your mind.

The editors of the publication have changed over the years, but there's been little change in editorial policy. The same mix of articles has prevailed from the beginning. The only difference is the addition of more humor. There are now at least five different humor departments in each issue as well as the humorous quips and anecdotes that have always appeared in the Digest at the end of articles. Probably the editors considered that the world needed more laughter. And they were right.

So the magazine has come out every month for 65 years without striking off in new directions. It appears that a long line of editors has believed in the maxim: It it ain't broke, don't fix it. So they haven't and it continues to work just fine.

Happy 65th year, Readers' Digest. And please don't even consider retiring.

Marshall Sayles

I have been remiss in not conducting a survey to find out what bothered people most in the year just past. I used to conduct those surveys years ago, but somehow I gave up, just as a lot of people my age give things up. Up-giving comes with advanced age. Some people swear that this is not true, but I don't care for that sort of language myself.

Here, then, to prove that I am still on the ball and not as old as the mirror reports, is my mailed survey to a number of people asking what upset them most in 1985. Of the 100 letters sent out, 125 answered.

Question: What bothered you most in 1985?

CHARLEVOIX: I'll tell you what bothered me. It was all that talk about the supervisors raising the pay for those people who work for the county. Then after they talked about it they went and did it. It was their going and doing it that ruined 1985 for me.

BOYNE CITY: What bothered me most? Ronald Reagan, that's who. He said he was going to straighten this country out. Well, he has straightened it out so much I can't stand it.

EAST JORDAN: I'll tell you what made me mad. It's all that vice and stuff people have stirred up. I call it creeping permissiveness. And it has really got me upset. Just because I am old and sick, I don't see why I should have to die and go to heaven and miss all of this.

BOYNE FALLS: That's easy. It's what they have done to those soap operas on television. Those shows aren't true to life at all. What I mean is, by gad they hadn't better be.

ADVANCE: I'll never forget it. It happened the night my husband came home from a school board meeting so upset he gave me the heebie-jeebies. I still don't know what in the world I'm going to do with them.

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WALLOON LAKE: Let me give you just one for instance that upset me last year. It was when my wife came out of an expensive gift shop

where she had almost bought something. When she scares me like that my oven heats up and my blood begins to boil.

HORTON BAY: I'll tell you what got my dander up. It was that statement the census bureau made

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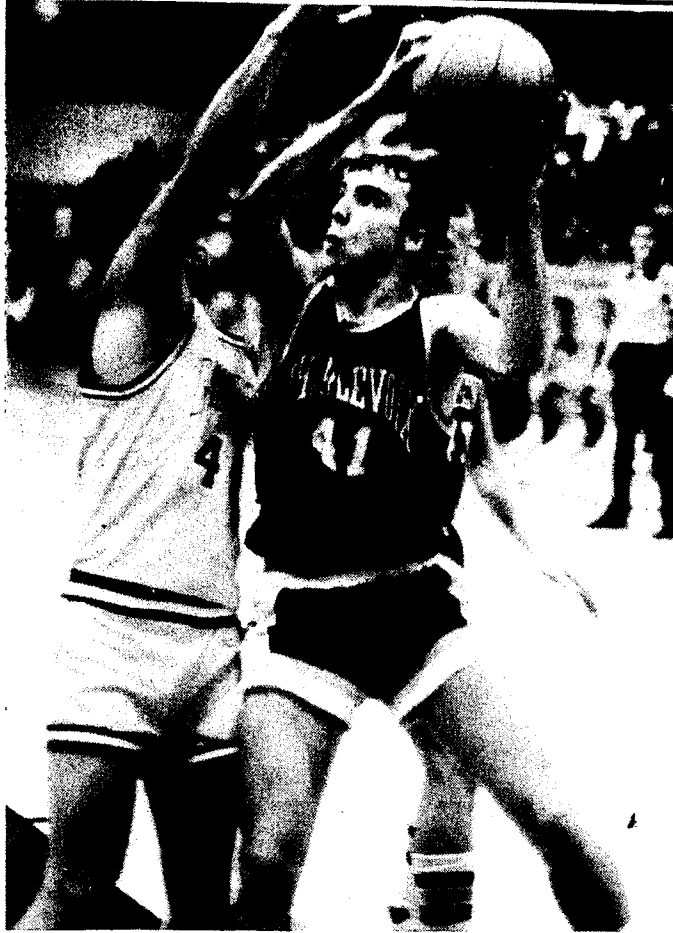
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The Charlevoix Red Raiders are on the winning track as they are ranking number one in the Michigan Huron Shores Conference. Here Jody Putman attempts to pass the ball inside against a Gaylord Devil. The Raiders won the game 58-56 and went on in Friday's action to defeat Cheboygan 75-61. Charlevoix, Cheboygan and Gaylord are all tied for first place with 4-1 records.



In the thriller against Rogers City, the Boyne City Ramblers took it to the wire for an overtime. Here Nick Redman comes up with a loose ball and turns to pass downcourt.

East Jordan starts out new year on right foot

BY STEVE GEE

The East Jordan Red Devils (4-3) started out the 1986 year by defeating the Mancelona Ironmen and the Gaylord St. Mary Snowbirds.

On Tuesday, Jan. 7, the Red Devils played host to the Ironmen and had to overcome a seven point, first period deficit in beating them 58-48.

East Jordan was tied early 4-4 but found themselves trailing 16-9 at the end of the first period. Mike Goebel and Ted Snowden combined for 16 of East Jordan's second quarter points to give the Red Devils a 27-26 halftime lead.

The Devils built their lead to seven by taking a 41-36 third period lead. Junior Jim Raymond scored eight points in the final stanza to help East Jordan hold their lead.

Goebel was the top scorer for the Red Devils with 25 points. Aaron Spence and Raymond each totaled eight, while Snowden scored six, Shannon Olstrom collected five, Greg Kitson scored four, and Tom Galmore added a pair.

The Red Devils outrebounded Mancelona 34-29 with Goebel pulling down 14 for the victors and Kitson collecting seven. East Jordan committed 18 personal fouls, were 10 for 16 from the free throw line and turned the ball over 10 times.

East Jordan's junior varsity was defeated 48-33 by the Ironmen. The Devils led 11-10 after the first eight minutes of play, trailed by one, 19-18 at halftime, and dropped down by 10, 39-29 at the end of the third period.

Keith Harchis led the team with 14 points, while Glen Stevens collected seven. Also scoring for East Jordan were Tracy Morris with five, Mark Moore with four, and Kelly Harchis, Alvin Merrill, and Mike Root with one each. Morris led the team with six rebounds.

The Devils totaled 30 personal

fouls, were seven for 21 from the bonus strip, and turned over the ball 20 times.

On Friday, the Devils played host to the Snowbirds of Gaylord St. Mary. Coming into the game, East Jordan and Gaylord St. Mary were in a tie for first with two other teams in the Ski Valley conference. The Devils received excellent outside shooting from Tom Galmore and Greg Kitson in the 63-57 victory.

Before the final tick of the clock, there had not been more than a five point margin between the two teams. Both teams held five point leads at one time or another.

The Devils got things going early and led 17-14 at the end of the first stanza with Kitson and Mike Goebel each scoring five points.

Gaylord fought back in the second quarter and took a 22-21 lead midway through the period. The Snowbirds held onto their lead and went into the lockerrooms at halftime with a 32-31 lead.

In the third period, the two teams fought back and forth with each team leading at one time. When the period finally ended, the score was deadlocked at 45 with eight minutes remaining.

The Snowbirds jumped out to a 49-47 lead early in the fourth, but Jim Raymond converted a three point play to put East Jordan back on top. With less than three minutes left to play, the teams were tied 55-55. Raymond and Goebel then came to the line and each put in two free throws to give EJ a four point lead. With one second left on the clock, Aaron Spence put in two free throws to seal the victory.

Goebel led the team with 21 points, Kitson totaled 15, and Galmore collected 14. Raymond and Spence scored nine and four points, respectively.

East Jordan pulled down 37 boards to GSM's 23 with Goebel



Early in the game against Mancelona, the East Jordan Red Devils fell to a seven point deficit. Hot shooting such as this one by Mike Goebel got the Devils into the swing of things.

and Kitson each grabbing 12. Kitson had three of East Jordan's seven blocked shots.

The Devils converted nine of 13 free throws, committed 13 team fouls, and had 21 turnovers.

East Jordan's JV (1-6) lost to St. Mary's 67-49. East Jordan led 17-10 at the end of the first period, but then found themselves trailing 34-25 at halftime.

Keith Harchis and Kelly Harchis scored 13 and 12 points for the

Devils, while Glen Stevens and Mark Moore each totaled six.

Also scoring were Jayme Warwick and Mike Root with four, Alvin Merrill with three, and Mark LaBeau with one. Stevens and Keith Harchis each had eight rebounds.

The Devils were seven for 13 from the three throw line, had 19 fouls, and committed 24 turnovers.

Next Friday the Devils will travel to Pellston to take on the Hornets.

Boyne City topples Petoskey 60-48

BY DAN McGEORGE

Boyne City, utilizing fine team play, took a big league win from Petoskey Friday, downing the Northmen 60-48.

Petoskey took the tip off downcourt and quickly hit two buckets before the Rambler defense settled down.

Boyne played some good defense and held Petoskey to those four points for almost the entire period. Marc Archambault had a block of Steve Mann's attempt at the hoop which helped get the Ramblers going.

Petoskey's defense, which is one of the best in the league, held Boyne scoreless until Archambault hit a 12-footer with 3:50 to go. The Ramblers scored again moments later on a bucket by Kevin Snyder, and went ahead on a fine power move by Nick Redman.

The Northmen tied the game on a toss by Steve Ross, but that was shortlived as Steve Stutzman hit a 10-footer to put the Ramblers ahead 8-6.

Petoskey tied it up on a shot by Don Proctor, and so ended the first quarter all tied up 8-8.

The Ramblers quickly moved ahead in the second period on a jumper by Scott Penny and two power moves by Redman. Proctor hit another one for the Northmen but was immediately answered by

buckets by Redman and Penny.

Boyne's defense was outstanding throughout the second period with Redman rejecting a toss from Ross as one of the highlights. The Ramblers then turned a three point play when Marc Archambault was fouled by Jim Schwartzfisher, making one free shot while Redman got the rebound and put it in.

Both teams played great defense through the first half but Boyne built steadily on to their lead and went into the intermission leading 24-18.

Scott Penny started the second half in picking up his second foul in what appeared to be a questionable call. Petoskey then got a basket by Dennis Hewitt who hit a 20-footer.

Hewitt hit one more shot to close the score to 24-22 before Boyne got their act together with Penny getting two layups and Stutzman one.

Scott Penny rejected a shot before Redman picked up his second foul. The Northmen could only hit one free shot, which put the score at 30-25.

Boyne then went to work hitting charity shots, since Petoskey was still in the Christmas spirit. Those late gifts enabled the Ramblers to keep a 42-33 lead through three quarters.

Redman began the final eight minutes by hitting an unbalanced shot, followed by Archambault adding another two. Petoskey then finally hit another shot to put it at 46-35.

The two teams traded baskets through the rest of the game with Hewitt and Proctor doing the damage for Petoskey, while Redman and Snyder did it for Boyne.

Boyne did a super job on defense in keeping Steve Mann from doing much. The guys also played great offense, which if they do more

consistently, could very well take them places.

Nick Redman led Boyne with 17 points and 11 rebounds, while Penny had 12 points and five boards. Archambault 11 and 9, and Snyder had 13 points.

For Petoskey, Steve Mann had 18 points and Hewitt had 12.

Coach Rick Fowler commended his team's win calling it, "a great win, best one all year." He also added, "We played superb team ball, controlled Mann, and played great defense."

BC wins thriller in overtime

BY DAN McGEORGE

The Boyne City Ramblers came away with a thrilling 70-67 win against Rogers City on Jan. 7 behind the key play of Nick Redman, Marc Archambault, and an awesome last second shot by Mike DeSchryver.

Boyne was sluggish throughout the first half and relied mainly on the play of senior Nick Redman and Scott Penny.

The Ramblers couldn't seem to get things going as they turned the ball over and missed shots. Luckily the Hurons couldn't really do any better as the teams went to the lockerrooms tied at 36 at the half.

The second half was similar to the first in every aspect as both teams were cold. The Hurons moved ahead late in the game and

forced the Ramblers to hurry, which isn't good for any team when they're trailing.

Down 61-59, DeSchryver hit a 20-footer from the corner to send the game into overtime.

In the extra session, Boyne let Rogers get head until they decided to get it together with the Hurons ahead 67-62 with 33 seconds showing.

The Ramblers got slap happy but Rogers couldn't capitalize which enabled Boyne to catch up.

Redman and DeSchryver each added free throws in the closing seconds to give Boyne the win.

Redman led the scoring with 26 points and 21 rebounds, DeSchryver 10 points and Archambault 12 rebounds.

Archambault also had three steals in the overtime session.

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BC freshmen defeat Harbor Springs

BY DAN McGEORGE team broke out to a The Boyne City quick 7-0 lead and Freshman Basketball never looked back as

they defeated the Harbor Springs Rams 51 to 44.

The Ramblers' defense enabled them to take an early lead by denying Harbor every time the Rams brought the ball down the court.

Doing the early damage for Boyne was Keith Harvey, Nick Evans, and Damon Zucchiatti, who also did a fine job on the defensive end.

The Rams got on the board with a pair of jumpshots but couldn't get it together as the Ramblers continued to dominate Harbor in taking a 17-12 first period lead.

The second quarter proved to be all Boyne as the hosts capitalized on turnovers by the Rams and on the fine play of David Munson and Nick Evans, and went to the lockerroom with a 27-20 at half-time.

The second half of this contest was pretty close to a replay of the first as the Ramblers continued to out-hustle Harbor on both ends of the court.

Harbor made a run at Boyne towards the end of the game and got to within two but the Ramblers took care of that threat in a hurry and went on to win

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Proposed Amendment to: General Fund
to use the projected increased revenues of \$73,000 for anticipated increased expenses of \$54,000;

Proposed Amendment to: Major Street Fund
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 19, 1986 at 1:00 o'clock in the afternoon, at the front door of the Charlevoix County Court House, that being the main entrance of the Courthouse for the Circuit Court, in the City of Charlevoix, County of Charlevoix, Michigan, will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder, at public auction, for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid on said Mortgage, together with the legal costs over charges of sale, including a statutory attorney fee of \$75.00, provided by law, the Mortgagors entire interest in the property described in said mortgage as follows:

Situated in the Township of Wilson, Charlevoix County, Michigan, to-wit: The North Half of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (N 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of the NW 1/4); except one square acre out of the Northwest corner AND ALSO: The North Half of the West Half of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (N 1/2 of the W 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of the NE 1/4) EXCEPT a parcel of land described as: Commencing at the Northwest corner stake on the West Half of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 28; thence East 40 rods; thence

South 12 rods; thence angling Northwest 32.423 rods to a point one rod South of North boundary line of the aforesaid description (said point also being 9/2 rods Southeast and unpaid on said Mortgage); thence West 9/2 rods to West boundary line of said description; thence North one rod to the point of beginning.

The redemption period will be one year from the time of sale pursuant to M.C.L.A. 600.3240.(6).

NORTHWESTERN STATE BANK, MORTGAGEE
By: John F. Rone (P27954)
Attorney for Mortgagee
438 E. Lake St.
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Dated: January 15, 1986
Jan 15, 22, 29
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DEFAULT HAS BEEN MADE in the condition of a certain Mortgage executed by Dan Jensen and Rose and J. Jensen, husband and wife, as Mortgagors to Northwestern State Bank, a Michigan banking corporation of Boyne City, Michigan, as Mortgagee, the first mortgage was dated September 9, 1980, and recorded in Liber 161, Page 214, Charlevoix County Records on September 27, 1980. The second mortgage is dated October 27, 1983 and recorded on November 2, 1983 in Liber 171, Page 32, Charlevoix County Records. The two mortgages were then consolidated in a certain Real Estate Mortgage Loan Extension and Modification Agreement dated October 31, 1984 and recorded on December 3, 1984 in Liber 176, Pages 371 and 372, Charlevoix County Records. The consolidated principal amount due is \$25,722.16. Interest in the amount of \$1,028.87 has accrued thru the date of this notice, with an additional \$10,218 per diem interest accrues every day after this notice. No suit or proceeding at law or in equity has been instituted to recover the debt, or any part of the debt, secured by these Mortgages, and the power of sale in the Mortgages has become operative by reason of such default.

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File No. 636

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Austra M. Y. Simmons
310 East Main
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The redemption period will be six (6) months from the time of sale, pursuant to, pursuant to M.C.L.A. 600.3240.(3).

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EJ School Board

different grades of insulation were responsible for the difference, noting that the middle school should be easier to heat with its two story construction.

Three letters of resignation were accepted by the board. Roberta Ruhlman resigned as a teacher's aide, Debbie Roberts resigned from the high school food service department, and Sue Rose resigned from the high school teaching staff.

Rambler jayvees lose to Petoskey

BY DAN McGEORGE

The Boyne City Rambler JV team went up against the Petoskey Northmen Friday night but couldn't quite get things to go their way as the Northmen beat the Ramblers 50-39.

didn't belong to either of the teams because both played good defense and balanced offenses, but at the end of the first period it was the Northmen on top 14-11.

Boyne City pulled to within one on a shot by Aaron Richards but Petoskey again answered immediately with seven straight points to make the score 21-13. Boyne then began to turn the

ball over but luckily the half came to a close before the Northmen could capitalize with the score 25-16.

The second half started out bad for the

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The final period wasn't anything to get excited about as both teams turned the ball over and missed easy shots.

Boyne got a good performance from Richards but that didn't help as the Ramblers dropped this one 50-39.

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four-year slots will be Bonnie Burnett and Georgia McKinney.

In other action at the meeting, Ed and Cynthia Burrows were present to be recognized by the board on a more personal basis in view of their retirements. The board expressed their appreciation to the Burrows for their past involvements in school functions, and noted that the two were carrying out the final leg of their

employment with a high level of efficiency.

The Burrows informed the board that they intend to maintain residency in the area, and will be traveling in the near future with East Jordan their home base.

It was also revealed to the board that a considerable heating cost was evident between the high school and the middle school. Griffin was of the opinion that

What's Happening

EJ GARDEN CLUB

The lowly potato will be the subject of Aura Stevenson's talk before the East Jordan Garden Club at its regular meeting on Monday, Jan. 20. The meeting will be held in the East Jordan Presbyterian Church Community Hall at 1:30 in the afternoon. Hostesses for the meeting will be Marge Smith and Helen Dudek.

GAMES NIGHT Charity games (bingo), sponsored by the East Jordan Chamber of Commerce, are held every Wednesday

at 6:30 p.m. in the Civic Center in East Jordan.

DAVIS' REP

Congressman Bob Davis' district representative Bill Huber will be in Boyne City on Thursday, Jan. 23 at the City Hall auditorium from 11:30 to 1 p.m. Anyone wishing to meet with him is invited to do so without an appointment. He will be available to discuss any problem anyone may be having with state or federal government.

B. C. HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The next meeting of the Historical Society is Tuesday, Jan. 21 at 7 p.m. in City Hall. Andy Place will discuss the new cross country ski trail at Avalanche and the upcoming race during the Smeltania Winter Festival. Visitors are always welcome.

NMSAS BOARD MEETING

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services Board of Directors will be held on Friday,

Jan. 17, beginning at 10 a.m. at the Chalet Motor Inn in Gaylord. For agenda and details please call (517) 732-1791.

SLEIGH DAY-SOCIAL

The Boyne City Historical Society is sponsoring a sleigh ride and winter social at Phillips' Mill on Sunday, Jan. 19 from 2:30-5:30. Tickets are available at the Chamber office, the Bread Box Bakery or by calling Barb or John Polinski at 582-7522. The event will benefit the proposed museum. 44-3

BC HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Boyne City Historical Society is seeking a community-minded individual, family, organization or corporation interested in donating a sound and stately structure to be used as a historical museum to house the area's artifacts. Please call Gloria Anderson at the Chamber office, 582-6222.

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Wednesday - Goulash, sh. cheese, buttered corn, pizza
Thursday - Chicken soup, chicken & egg salad sandwiches, crackers, cheese slices, pizza
Friday - Bar-B-Que, green beans in mushroom sauce, carrot sticks, pizza

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Boyer City Commission Minutes

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING OF THE BOYNE CITY COMMISSION DULY CALLED AND HELD IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1985 at 11:30 a.m.

Present: Mayor Keith Fitzpatrick, Commissioners Thelma Behling, Casimir Toton, Steven Moody and William Grimm. Absent: None. Also Present: City Manager W. Randolph Frykberg, City Clerk Tom Garlock, City Treasurer Edith Beck and Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Carl Dulin.

There were eight (8) people in attendance at the meeting.

Moved by Grimm, seconded by Behling to authorize the closing of Grant Street between Pine and Main Streets again this year and designate it a sliding hill for the winter season.

Moved by Toton, seconded by Behling to authorize the closing of the F. Grant Moore Marina on the 4th of July evening to enable the Fire Department to shoot off fireworks from this area.

Moved by Grimm, seconded by Moody that the weekly Commission Meetings of December 24, 1985 and December 31, 1985 be cancelled because of the holidays.

The City Manager gave a report on a recent study of how other Cities remove snow in their business districts. Boyne City was not doing anything different than other cities in the north. Snow removal downtown is still a problem all over and each city has its own distinct problems in snow removal.

The City Manager pointed out that the local merchants and other citizens of the community should be commended for their fine cooperation in decorating the downtown area this Christmas season, including the successful Santa Claus parade of last Friday night.

Moved by Behling, seconded by Fitzpatrick to authorize the City Manager to advertise for bids for a 20 to 30 h.p. 4-wheel drive tractor to aid in snow plowing and relieve other trucks in the snow plowing process in the winter and to aid crews in the spring and summer months.

Moved by Grimm, seconded by Behling to authorize the emergency purchase of a 1986 Ford 4-wheel drive pickup from Bob Mathers Ford, in the amount of \$10,388.23.

Moved by Grimm, seconded by Moody to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING OF THE BOYNE CITY COMMISSION DULY CALLED AND HELD IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1985 at 11:30 a.m.

Present: Mayor Keith Fitzpatrick, Commissioners Thelma Behling, Casimir Toton, Steven Moody and William Grimm. Absent: None. Also Present: City Manager W. Randolph Frykberg, City Clerk Tom Garlock and City Treasurer Edith Beck.

There were eight (8) people in attendance at the meeting.

Moved by Toton, seconded by Grimm, to adopt the following Resolution: WHEREAS, the City of Boyne City on July 16, 1985, adopted a Resolution of Intent to Issue Revenue Bonds for the benefit of Magna International of America, Inc. (Magna) and LexaMar Corporation (LexaMar) in an amount not to exceed \$10 million and,

WHEREAS, Magna and LexaMar have requested that the City transfer the issuance of revenue bonds to the Michigan Strategic Fund as a necessity for 1985 closing; and,

WHEREAS, although the City has taken all steps necessary under Act 62 of the Public Acts of Michigan 1983, as amended, to issue the bonds, there is not sufficient allocation available for local municipalities to provide for the issuance of the bonds in the year 1985.

NOW, THEREFORE, this City Commission desires that the issuance of bonds for the benefit of Magna and LexaMar be transformed to the Michigan Strategic Fund, and the Michigan Strategic Fund is hereby authorized to issue its limited obligation revenue bonds for Magna and LexaMar.

Roll call all yeas. Motion carried.

Moved by Toton, seconded by Moody to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 11:48 a.m.

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE BOYNE CITY COMMISSION DULY CALLED AND HELD IN THE COMMISSION CHAMBERS ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1985 at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Keith Fitzpatrick, Commissioners Thelma Behling, Steven Moody and William Grimm. Absent: Commissioner Casimir Toton. Also Present: City Manager W. Randolph Frykberg, City Clerk Tom Garlock and City Treasurer Edith Beck.

There were five (5) people in attendance at the meeting.

Moved by Moody, seconded by Grimm to approve the minutes of previous meetings.

Roll call all yeas. Motion carried.

At 7:03 p.m., Mayor Fitzpatrick opened a Public Hearing to receive citizen input on the possible passage of the First Reading of Zoning Amendment #13-86.

The City Manager pointed out that the Planning Advisory Board had reviewed this amendment and recommended to the City Commission that this amendment be approved. No other comments were received from the floor.

The Mayor closed the Public Hearing at 7:10 p.m.

Moved by Behling, seconded by Moody that Amendment #13-85 to the City of Boyne City Zoning Ordinance #A-28 to rezone the Second Ward School House Property, 411 North East Street, from Residential 2 (R-2) to Residential 3 (R-3), as requested by Randy Krzell, as printed, be introduced and adopted as the First Reading.

Roll call all yeas. Motion carried.

Moved by Moody, seconded by Fitzpatrick to re-appoint Martin Paul to a 3 year term on the Boyne City Zoning Board of Appeals. Term to expire 9-1-88.

Moved by Grimm, seconded by Moody to re-appoint Thelma Behling to a 3 year term on the Boyne City Zoning Board of Appeals. Term to expire 9-1-88.

Roll call: 3 Yeas; 0 Nays; Behling abstained.

Moved by Moody, seconded by Behling to re-appoint Dale Parsons to a 3 year term on the Boyne City Planning Advisory Board. Term to expire 10-1-88.

Moved by Grimm, seconded by Moody to appoint Gary Mellon to fill a vacancy on the Boyne City Board of Review. Term to expire on 3-1-87.

Moved by Grimm, seconded by Fitzpatrick to re-appoint Ruth Rivard to a 3 year term on the Boyne City Board of Review. Term to expire 3-1-89.

Moved by Behling, seconded by Grimm to re-appoint Charles Kessler to a 5 year term on the Boyne City Housing Commission. Term to expire 1-1-91.

Moved by Moody, seconded by Grimm to authorize the sale of Lot #1 of the Boyne City Air/Industrial Park to Douglas Shields of Prestige Press in the amount of \$7,500, as recommended by the Boyne City Economic Development Corporation with the stipulation that construction of a building will start within one year of the signing of the sale agreement or the property could be re-conveyed back to the City of Boyne City through default of the sales agreement.

Moved by Behling, seconded by Moody to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING OF THE BOYNE CITY COMMISSION DULY CALLED AND HELD IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1985 at 11:30 a.m.

Present: Mayor Keith Fitzpatrick, Commissioners Thelma Behling, Casimir Toton, Steven Moody and William Grimm. Absent: None. Also Present: City Manager W. Randolph Frykberg, City Clerk Tom Garlock, City Treasurer Edith Beck and Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Carl Dulin.

There were eight (8) people present at the meeting.

A letter was presented from Dr. Robert T. Polach which included a survey of property he owns on West Michigan Avenue in the William T. Addis Addition to the Village of Spring Harbor, now City of Boyne City.

He noted that two structures he owns on the property mentioned, encroaches on the right of way of West Michigan Avenue. He requested from the City a vacation of that part of the right of way his buildings are located on, or a written assurance from the City that his encroachment will present no problem to any future owner of the

property.

The City Administration presented a recommendation, which in part did not favor such a vacation because it was anticipated that the full width of the right of way will be required for future installation of sanitary sewer and storm sewer pipelines as well as water mains and other utilities. In addition, the street provides the only direct means of access to a considerable number of homes and existing businesses. If street traffic increases in future years, the street may need to be widened.

Moved by Grimm, seconded by Toton not to give any right of way or easement as petitioned by Dr. Robert T. Polach for his property on W. Michigan Avenue, due to the reasons mentioned above.

Roll call all yeas. Motion carried.

Moved by Toton, seconded by Behling to approve the acceptance of a Deed of Scenic, Open Space, and Architectural Facade Easement and Conservation Right from Wolverine Inn, Inc., owners of the Hotel Dilworth, Grantors, to the City of Boyne City, Grantees.

In consideration of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) and other good and valuable consideration, receipt and sufficiency of which by Grantor is hereby acknowledged, Grantor hereby does warrant, grant and convey unto Grantee irrevocably an easement in gross and conservation right in perpetuity which more particularly described below in and to that certain real property (and the Building which is located thereon), described as follows:

Situated in the City of Boyne City, Charlevoix County, Michigan described as: Lots 41 and 42, Beardley's 2nd Addition to the Village of Boyne, AND ALSO: Beginning at the Northwest corner of Lot 43, Beardley's 2nd Addition to the Village of Boyne; thence East along the South line of Water Street 165 feet; thence south 66 feet perpendicular to Water Street; thence West 165 feet; thence North 66 feet to the Point of Beginning, being Part of Lot 43, Beardley's 2nd Addition to Village of Boyne.

Full document, signed and sealed, is filed in the archives of the City of Boyne City, valuable document's safe.

Roll call all yeas. Motion carried.

Moved by Moody, seconded by Toton to accept the low bid from Ginop Sales, Inc., Alanson, MI., for a L2250 Kubota 3 cylinder diesel, 26 1/2 h.p. Tractor with Bucket in the amount of \$8,500 with other attachments to be added in the spring at additional costs.

Moved by Behling, seconded by Fitzpatrick to accept the high bid from Jim Tomlinson, to purchase the City's surplus 350 John Deere dozer for the amount of \$2,355.00.

Moved by Toton, seconded by Grimm to accept the Second Notification of the repealing of Ordinance No. 90 and A-18 as follows:

Ordinance No. 90: (Compiled Ordinance No. 35.050-35.057), an Ordinance relating to the accumulation, collection and disposal of garbage within the City of Boyne City is hereby repealed.

Ordinance No. A:18: (Compiled Ordinance NO. 35.010-35.107), an Ordinance establishing an annual fee for the usage of the public dump owned by the City of Boyne City by non-resident commercial users is hereby repealed.

Roll call all yeas. Motion carried.

Moved by Grimm, seconded by Toton that Ordinance A-67 (Compiled Ordinance No. 35.050-35.059), entitled an Ordinance Relating to the Accumulation, Collection and Disposal of Garbage and Waste Within the City of Boyne City, be given its Second Reading.

Moved by Moody, seconded by Fitzpatrick to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 12:14 p.m.

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING OF THE BOYNE CITY COMMISSION DULY CALLED AND HELD IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 1986 at 11:30 a.m.

Present: Mayor Keith Fitzpatrick, Commissioners Thelma Behling, Casimir Toton, Steven Moody and William Grimm. Absent: None. Also Present: City Manager W. Randolph Frykberg, City Clerk Tom Garlock, City Treasurer Edith Beck and Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Carl Dulin.

There were twelve (12) people present at the meeting.

Commissioners Grimm and Toton: Both Commissioners, speaking for the entire Commission expressed their views and praised the Boyne City Fire Department for the professional way they fought "The Landings" fire of last week and through their efforts saved many thousands of dollars of valuable property. The City Manager was directed to write a letter of praise and thanks to the Fire Department on the Commission's behalf for their efforts.

Moved by Grimm, seconded by Toton to adopt the following Resolution: GENERAL PUBLIC CIVIL RIGHTS POLICY

THE CITY OF BOYNE CITY RESOLVES:

WHEREAS, the City has for many years practiced a Civil Rights Policy; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City to continue this practice as prescribed by law; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission hereby officially mandates that these policies be continued to be used;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that it shall be contrary to the public policy of the City of Boyne City for any person to be discriminated against in employment, housing or participation in publicly-funded programs or projects because of

race, religion, national origin, color, sex, marital status, age, or handicap.

Roll call all yeas. Motion carried.

Moved by Toton, seconded by Grimm to adopt the following Resolution:

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY POLICY

THE CITY OF BOYNE CITY RESOLVES:

WHEREAS, the City has been an equal opportunity employer for many years; and

WHEREAS, the City's Application for Employment forms and advertisements for hire of personnel have clearly pronounced the opportunity to obtain employment without discrimination because of race, religion, national origin, color, sex, marital status, age, or handicap;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that it shall be contrary to the public policy of the City of Boyne City to discriminate in hire, promotion, tenure, terms, or conditions of employment because of race, religion, national origin, color, sex, marital status, age, or handicap.

Roll call all yeas. Motion carried.

Moved by Moody, seconded by Behling to adopt the following Resolution:

FAIR HOUSING POLICY

THE CITY OF BOYNE CITY RESOLVES:

WHEREAS, the City has been practicing a nondiscrimination policy in respect to the opportunity to purchase, sell, lease, hold, use, and convey real estate in the City without regard of race, religion, national origin, color, sex, marital status, age, or handicap; and

WHEREAS, the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Boyne City, adopted on March 17, 1982, contributes to progress in fair housing as it is promulgated exclusively for the purpose of promoting and protecting the public health, safety, peace, comforts, convenience and general welfare of the inhabitants of Boyne City by protecting and conserving the character and social and economic stability of the residential, commercial, industrial, and other use areas, by securing the most appropriate use of adequate and economical provision of transportation, water, sewers, schools, recreation, and other public requirements; and by other means, all in accordance with a comprehensive plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Boyne City formally recognizes and declares this Fair Housing Policy to be a civil right giving any person the opportunity to purchase, lease, sell, hold, use and convey housing without discrimination of race, religion, national origin, color, sex, marital status, age, or handicap.

Roll call all yeas. Motion carried.

Moved by Toton, seconded by Behling to adopt the following Resolution:

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION POLICY/PLAN

THE CITY OF BOYNE CITY RESOLVES:

WHEREAS, it has been an established and practiced policy of the City of Boyne City to assure employment and prohibit job discrimination on the basis of handicap, race, color, religion, sex, age, sexual preference, or national origin in hiring, promotion, training, evaluation and disciplinary procedures; and

WHEREAS, the City has followed an Affirmative Action Plan for the recruitment, placement, and upgrading or ethnic minority group persons, females and handicapped individuals within the organization:

1. An active, good faith effort will be taken while recruiting minority group, female and handicapped applicants for City vacancies through local referral agencies, news media, and other sources;

2. Qualified or qualifiable minority group, female and handicapped applicants will be hired to positions at any level within the organization, as normal transitions and the Affirmative Action Program allows, in numbers equivalent to their appropriate representation within the workforce in the community;

3. Any and all physical structure modifications necessary shall be made;

4. Physical requirements shall be adjusted where necessary to attract more females, minority group persons and the handicapped. However, these requirements shall remain within the reasonable, realistic limits imposed by the nature of the work to be performed;

5. Positive, definitive efforts will be made to attract more minority group persons, females, and the handicapped currently employed by the City, for promotional positions;

6. Females, minority group persons and the handicapped interested in promotion shall be informed of career opportunities, available promotional positions, necessary qualifications, and shall be encouraged to undertake any training necessary to achieve their goals; and

7. Affirmative Job Training Programs will be undertaken for all employees; and 8. When necessary, studies will be undertaken to determine whether organizational changes and/or restructuring is required to guarantee the effectiveness of this Affirmative Action Program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Boyne City formally adopts this Affirmative Action Plan and adheres to the practiced Affirmative Action Policy.

Roll call all yeas. Motion carried.

Industrial Park.

Moved by Toton, seconded by Moody to table the matter of awarding a contract for electrical service to the Air/Industrial Park Lift Station until next week's meeting of January 14, 1986 at 11:30 a.m., to enable both Consumers Power Company and Top O' Michigan Rural Electric Company to possibly work out a solution between themselves and the MPSC, without getting the City further involved in the matter at today's meeting.

Roll call all yeas. Motion carried.

City of East Jordan Council Proceedings

PROCEEDINGS OF THE EAST JORDAN CITY COUNCIL

The East Jordan City Council met in regular session on Jan. 7, 1986, at 7:30 p.m., Mayor Sweet presiding and all members present with the exception of Councilman Beck. Minutes were approved and authorization was given to pay \$59,484.10 in bills as presented.

Further council action: welcomed Marie Yettaw, 1st Ward councilperson, into office; accepted Mayor Sweet's council and mayoral appointments for 1986; accepted the Public Safety's recommendation that Cal Loomis continue to be hired as a part time police officer, working full time during the months of June, July and August and working at other times of the year when needed; listened to a report from Steve Swan, DNR biologist, on salmon wiers and lamprey barriers on the Jordan River; granted an easement to Con-

BC Frosh beaten by Petoskey

BY DAN McGEORGE

The Boyne City Ramblers freshman team, after beating Harbor Springs the night before, took it on the chin from Petoskey as they lost 50-39.

The Ramblers drew first blood on a bucket by Scott Snyder but the Northmen answered with one by Dean Rasmussen.

Petoskey then went ahead for awhile before Boyne took its final lead, 9-8 with 4:00 minutes to go in the first period.

The Northmen then decided to take the lead again and keep it as they led 16-9 at the end of the first quarter.

Paul Molnar started the second period with one foul shot to make it 16-10 but then Boyne

announced that the annual freeze list has been activated again for 1986. Letters will be going out to water customers this week asking those that have problems with freezing water lines to again leave their faucets running slightly to avoid winter time freeze ups.

The Police Department was given praise by the Commission for their fine efforts in performing their duties during the holiday season.

Moved by Toton, seconded by Grimm to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 12:18 p.m.

sumers Power to provide electrical service to the city's new well house located on S. Maple; passed a resolution to add an addendum to the Chamber of Commerce lease of the Civic Center; approved of two Civic Center rental requests with a waiver of the no smoking, no alcohol rules.

A copy of the official minutes of the above meeting is posted in City Hall for perusal during normal business hours.

Kathy O'Rear
City Clerk

Beta Sigma Phi stocking winner

The Christmas Stocking fund raiser sponsored by Beta Sigma Phi Sorority, lists its winner. Mercedes Mathers of Boyne City won the stocking which was valued at over \$100. It contained cash as well as items for children and adults.

decided to be the nice guy and started to turn the ball over.

The Ramblers couldn't get it together throughout the second quarter and went in to think about it, trailing 25-19 at the half.

The second half wasn't any better than the first for the Ramblers as they continued to give the ball away with bad passing.

Petoskey converted these turnovers into points in pushing their lead to 44-22 at the next stop.

Then the Ramblers seemed to awake as they held Petoskey scoreless from the 5:18 mark on. Most of Boyne's scoring came from Keith Harvey as he finished with 12 points.

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\$5 million condo hotel is last to be built on Round Lake

CHARLEVOIX - For nearly a century, vacationers have flocked to Charlevoix during the summer months. But construction of a new condominium hotel on the shores of Round Lake will help make Charlevoix tourism a year around industry.

Edgewater Inn, a \$5 million condominium project of J.A.H. Development Inc. is based at the foot of the US HWY 31 bridge in downtown Charlevoix and occupies harbor frontage adjacent to the Pine River Channel.

"It's the premier location on Round Lake and the last property available there for hotel condominium use," said Jon Hisey, developer of the Edgewater complex. "What makes Edgewater attractive to buyers is its location, the owner's option to rent his suite when he is not in residence, and the amenities we've included to promote year around rentals."

Completion of the Edgewater Inn development will include an indoor-outdoor pool and plaza extending to the channel walkway, 60 deluxe condominium suites, conference rooms, recreation area and commercial space with access off Bridge Street.

Construction of the 30 suites in Phase I began in December of

'85 and is scheduled for occupancy in July of '86. A cafe and 12 slip marina will be added during the final phase of construction.

Richard Lobenherz of Ski and Shore, Charlevoix, real estate brokers for Edgewater Inn, believes that ownership at the Edgewater is desirable because of its on site amenities and proximity to ski resorts.

"In the past many Charlevoix developments were geared only for the summer tourist. Now, the investor can enjoy the indoor-outdoor pool and skiing at Michigan's major resorts, equidistant from Edgewater, while renting his suite in the summer when there's greater income potential," said Lobenherz.

"Buyers should know that because of a probable change in the tax code, this year may be the last chance for people to purchase a property such as Edgewater under present favorable tax shelter laws."

Designed by Charlevoix architect, Jack Begrow, the three

story New England style inn sits on the north shore of Round Lake, Charlevoix's link to Lake Michigan and Lake Charlevoix, and is convenient for winter guests with enclosed walkways, elevator and access just off US HWY 31 in Charlevoix.

All suites have south facing balconies and views of Round Lake and the Pine River Channel.

Buyers may choose from among four floor plans of one bedroom and bedroom with loft suites.

Priced from \$79,900, the suites range from 640 to 1320 square feet. Standard to each unit are the efficiency kitchens with microwave and separated living and sleeping areas. Many of the suites have fireplaces, whirlpool baths and sunrooms.

"Edgewater's location and availability for condominium hotel use is its most unique features," said Hisey. "It's within walking distance of downtown and the Lake Michigan and Lake Charlevoix beaches. And, the site

provides for boating, fishing and swimming at your doorstep."

"We expect the Edgewater Inn to be the most beautiful and successful condominium hotel in northern Michigan. And we also expect it to be one of the most beneficial to its owners because of its season to season appeal."

Hisey, a Charlevoix resident, also developed the Harbor Club on Round Lake and The Lake House on Lake Michigan.

New (old) produce coming

Many ancient food staples grown by Incas for the past 20 centuries may be coming to a supermarket near you, reports International Wildlife magazine, known for their high protein levels, resistance to cold and immunity to insects, these cereals, root crops, legumes and fruits—oca, quinoa, tarwi and arracacha—may one day become household names.

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Like haircuts, fitting boots can be a traumatic business for youngsters, and your child may not be able to tell you that the boots aren't right.

With the foot in the boot, you should be able to get one or two fingers just behind the heel, with the toes just touching the front of the boot.

After buckling up, most children can tell you if the boot is too loose or too tight but, if yours isn't in the mood, make a game of it by holding the boot on the floor with both hands and daring him to move his foot in the boot. You should be able to feel excessive movement.

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Yah, I knew them back when

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This is the week that differentiates the real skier from the amateur.

This is the weekend of the only major pro ski race in the midwest and I, along with many others, am going to enjoy it.

You see, I know quite a few of the racers. At least their names.

I can remember them when they were fighting to make a spot for a national team, like Cary Adgate back

in the early days of the seventies. Or a Scott Hardy and others, skiing like mad going to races out east.

And, being a long time observer of the ski scene, those guys from the other side of the big pond who have come to the states to try to win a few dollars are familiar to me.

I read about them over the years in ski magazines and other ski related newspapers.

Yeh, they are all good. They can all ski circles around me, and they possibly will, if I get a chance to ski with them this weekend.

They will all be trying to get down the Highlands faster than the guy skiing next to them.

It's exciting to watch, and even more so if you know some of the people involved.

It will be a real fun time even after the

races.

If you want to come out and take a look for yourself, you may learn something.

Like how do they do it?

These guys ski over bumps built into the hill, and they have to almost make a turn in the air because they leave one turn and

have to be ready for the next that is right after they land.

And they do all of this using very subtle movements, trying to keep the speed up they need to win.

When you watch them whiz by, you should notice how low to the ground they seem to get.

Aerodynamics on the short course. Anything to save a millionth of a second. Anything to beat the guy skiing next to them doing the same things.

Yes, it is always a mistake that causes the loss of a ski race. Those who make the fewest mistakes, like many other sports, will

be the winner.

I know I'll be there, with my trusty camera, trying to take a picture that will be unusual, interesting, and show some of the excitement.

Ahhh, the pros. No political infighting. Not like amateur ski racing where the of-

ficialdom is so concerned about its self appointed position, they can't see the fun, the excitement, the ambiance of skiing.

I know you will enjoy it too. come on out for a great couple of days on the slopes of Boyne Highlands.

Advice for skiers on how to fight frigid feet

Low temperatures, such as those on ski trails, invariably produce complaints about cold feet. But complainers sometimes have themselves to blame as much as mercury at the bottom of the bulb.

A common cause of cold feet is tossing boots into a cold car trunk. Your feet are bound to get cold when you put them into what amounts to two portable refrigerators.

Quickly rewarming the boots doesn't solve the problem either, because it causes moisture to condense in the boots, and damp boots are invariably cold boots.

Dampness can be a cold-foot culprit in several other ways, too.

•Never wear socks while driving to an area; socks compress and lose their insulating value. The car heater probably blasts directly against your feet, making them perspire and the socks will pick up salt from the perspiration, drawing out even more moisture.

•Bring several pairs of socks and change when your feet feel damp. Socks should be washed in a detergent that doesn't contain fabric softener, which apparently has much the same effect as salt in picking up moisture.

For millions of winter sports enthusiasts, snowmobiling adds an exciting dimension to their snow time activities.

To the ice fisherman, snowmobiles are the means to where the fish are biting with the same ease as a boat allows in the summer months. The snowmobile also will take anglers to the unfrozen

waterways that are difficult to reach even by four wheel drive vehicles.

Cross country skiers can use a snowmobile to reach the most adventurous trail and open snow areas. And after a long cross country excursion, a waiting snowmobile is a welcome sight to those who don't feel up to backtracking all the

way to the starting point.

Bringing snowmobiles along when winter camping offers an exciting new appeal to the outdoor living experience. Sleds are easily carried on trailers and towed by vans and motor homes to a winter vacationing spot. And for the hearty winter camper who pitches a tent in

the snow, there's the ease of hauling gear, such as tents, packs, and cook stoves, to different areas that only a snowmobile can offer.

Some snowmobiles have special features designed for use in camping. The Skandic and Tundra snowmobiles from Ski-Doo, for instance, have long tracks for excellent flo-

tation on top of deep snow plus sturdy carrying rack for gear. To haul heavier or bulky equipment, tow sleds also are available including the Carry-Boose from Ski-Doo which offers an enclosed space to carry a variety of gear safely secured from weather conditions yet right at hand for fast use.

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Snow Derby at Eagle River, Wis. Jan. 17, 18, 19

EAGLE RIVER, WI- The biggest names in snowmobile racing in North America are already priming their sleds for the celebrated Coors World's Championship Snowmobile Derby here, January 17, 18 and 19.

While circumstances prohibit last year's champion, Michele Gingras, Quebec, Can-

ada, from returning to the famed 1/2 mile ice oval, to defend his crown, the 1984 champion, Jim Dimmerman, White Bear Lake, MN will be back.

He will compete against a crack field of drivers who will journey across the country, from Washington and New York to the center of snowmobile racing,

Eagle River.

"It's a way of life here, one that began 22 years ago and has become established as the race of champions," said new race track owner, Dick Decker. The entire community turns out to help host the race, as well as the Eagle River Lions Club, to man the stations about the sprawling race grounds that will accommodate thousands of fans and hundreds of drivers.

The "Super Bowl of snowmobile racing," will open Friday morning, January 17 and continue through Saturday and Sunday, peaking at 3 p.m. for the championship feature race Sunday.

There will be both oval racing around the banked track where machines will hit speeds in excess of 90 miles per hour, and the popular Sno-Cross events, around a meandering course that challenges drivers with jumps, hair-pin turns and straight-aways.

Through the weekend the drivers will be competing for trophies, points in their race standings, cash awards and contingency prizes totaling over \$50,000 in value.

Over 250 drivers are expected to compete in the many races through the weekend. Some of the most competitive racing action will come in the championship flight which begins with time trials, Friday.

From the time trials the fastest 36 qualifiers will advance to heat and semi-final race competition, until a final 10 drivers win berths in the biggest event of all—the Coors World's Championship.

The new World's Champion will drive off with the biggest single prize, a new 4x4 Chevrolet pick-up complete with Meyer snowplow, as well as a giant trophy, and \$1,000 in cash. Second place winner will receive \$5,000, third place will earn \$2,500, fourth place \$1,500 and fifth \$1,000.

Besides the winner of the Coors World's

Championship feature race, champions will be named in 17 other race categories. They'll win trophies and prize money, too.

Over 80 races will be run in such events as stock, mod stock, pro stock, formula, pro sprint, junior and snow cross. Sponsors promise continuous action on the track throughout the weekend, with races beginning each day at 8 a.m. and continuing until close to 4 p.m.

Emphasizing the professional sports approach to the derby events will be the appearance of some

other noted sports pros. Here to attend the races and meet the fans will be Indianapolis racing greats Al and Bobby Unser and Al, Jr., as well as Milwaukee Brewers Charlie Moore and Pete Vukovich.

Derby events do not end at the race track. Each evening there will be special events in town to provide additional entertainment. They will include snowmobile derby dances, a Snow Fling party open to the public, and a hockey game at the indoor Sports Arena.

Already many of the places of accommoda-


tion in and near Eagle River are filled for the weekend, said Information Bureau director

Sharon Congleton. She added, however, that there are always last minute cancellations

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Three years ago, Steamboat pioneered the first Kids Ski Free Program, and with it came a myriad of activities and services for kids, so that families could enjoy and afford to ski and vacation together.

In fact, the program was so successful that some other ski areas adopted it. Steamboat continues to offer its

Kids Ski Free Program for children 12 and under, to ski free with parents purchasing a five or more day lift ticket, and staying a minimum of five nights at any participating Steamboat Springs Chamber Resort Ass'n. lodging property.

Children will also stay free in the same lodging room with their parents and will have year olds for the Kids Ski Free Program. If proof of age is not provided, the parent will be required to purchase adult lift tickets at regular rates. If at a later point in time proof of age (birth

including January 3, 1986. Steamboat has also developed an extensive ski school program for kids, with indoor care or on-snow fun for kids six months to six years and group lessons for kids six to 15 years.

Proof of age is required of 11 and 12

free ski rentals when their parents rent skis for the same period of time. The ski rental offer is a one on one basis (one child for one parent).

The Kids Ski Free Program is available the entire ski season except from December 20, 1985 through and

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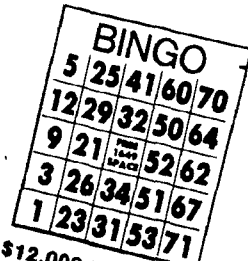
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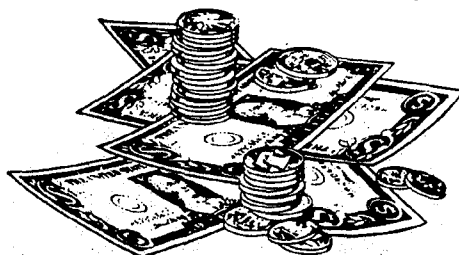
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Peugeot tour professional ski racers come to Boyne Highlands

More than 50 professional skiers from five foreign countries and throughout the United States will compete January 16-19 for the Championship title of

the third annual Signature Pro Ski Series at Boyne Highlands.

The third stop on the 11 week Peugeot Grand Prix Series, the Signature Series will

award \$40,000 in prizes. Slalom races will feature Norwegian brothers, Edvin and Jarle Halsnes and countryman Reider Wahl who finished in the top

three during the 1985 Peugeot series. American challengers will include 1984 champions Cary Adgate, Dave Stapleton and Peter Dodge. Last

year's Rookie of the Year, Mikeal Berg from Sweden, will also be working to oust the Halsnes brothers from their throne. Qualifying rounds on

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Here's the schedule of events for the

FRIDAY:

- 11:00 a.m. Qualification for all professional ski racers for both slalom and giant slalom
- 2:00 p.m. Determination of round of 32 for slalom race

SATURDAY

- 10:00 a.m. Round of 16 for slalom race
- 1:00 p.m. Meet the pros on the race hill - In the finish area
- 1:30 p.m. Salomon Pro—Am races
- 3:30 Sanka Social Hour, Meet the Pros In the Day Lodge
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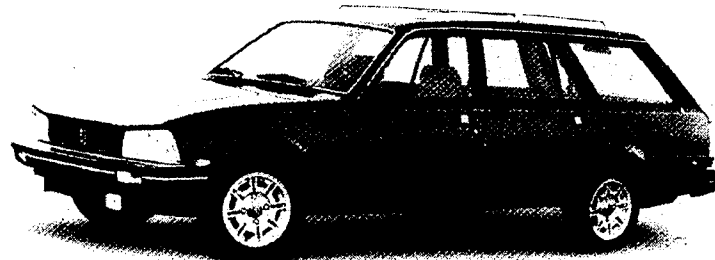


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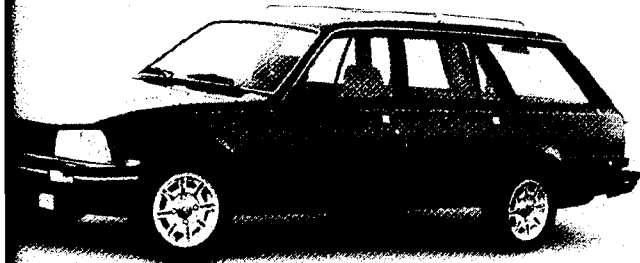
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- 1:00 p.m. Finals for Giant Slalom
- 1:30 p.m. Awards ceremony at the finish line

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of sport socks and knit headwear, has introduced three new Sweatbuster ski socks.

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Aside from being warm and durable, these three Sweatbusters are fashionable. Available in color combinations such as navy-powder, navy-scarlet, navy-silver and powder-silver, these socks are great for both on and off the slopes.

The Ultra Sweatbuster is designed for the new high-rise ski boots and has a true ribbed top and elastic band over the ankle to keep them from sliding down.

The Gallatin Sweatbuster, available in nine popular colors, is completely cushioned from toe to ribbed stay-up top.

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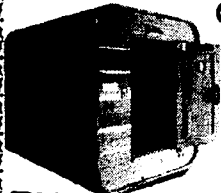
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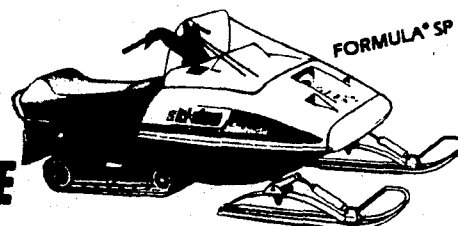
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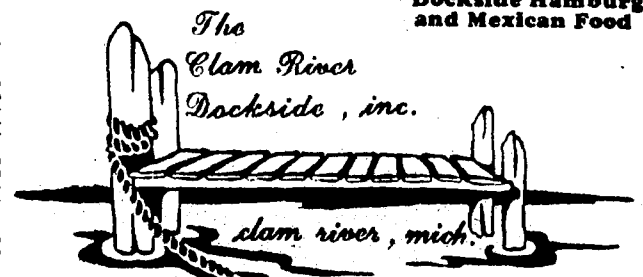
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Choosing the right ski rack

For those who drive to the slopes, ski racks are a necessity. Even station wagon and van owners find that storing skis inside the vehicle can be cumbersome and potentially hazardous. But there are so many different brands and models available, how do you go about making a rational choice?

Overall safety is an important consideration. Trunk racks and window racks may interfere with road vision.

Racks that protrude beyond the car's limits may be a hazard to pedestrians or leave the skis vulnerable, and window-mounted racks could inhibit emergency exit from the vehicle.

The skis may be lost or damaged if the rack or its method of attachment is not substantial enough. A poor design could also lead to car damage.

For example, pads and suction cups that are supposed to make the rack more stable and are designed to protect the car's finish could, over a period of time and in the presence of abrasive materials, damage the car's finish.

Another thing to take into consideration is the fuel mileage. A digital fuel-mileage computer was installed into a Chevrolet Citation four-door hatchback for tests on fuel mileage.

At 55 mph, a stand-

ard scissor-type roof rack reduced gas mileage by 14 percent. However, adding five pairs of skis caused an additional drop of only one to four percent, depending on the method of racking the skis. (The most efficient way to rack the skis, according to the above test results is tips rearward. There was no significant difference between tips up and tips down.)

Window-mounted racks produced less drag than roof-mounted racks. Two pairs of skis on a typical window rack dropped fuel mileage by nine to 12 percent.

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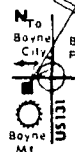
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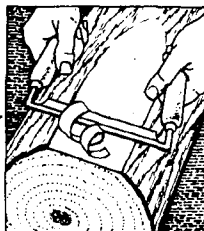
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Expert explains importance of proper fit

BY CHRIS ROUNDS

Every winter literally thousands of skiers make a trip to some ski shop to purchase new ski boots. Many do not realize at this time how important the decision is. Their skiing comfort, warmth and, in many instances, skiing ability, performance, and fun may be at stake. Why do boots make such a difference? What is there about boots and boot fitting that causes such a variation in comfort, warmth, control, etc.? These are not easy questions to answer, but this article attempts to offer some perspectives on these issues.

Each skier has certain ski boot needs which should be met. For example, some people just naturally have cold extremities; here, the warmest possible boot should be chosen, as no matter what is done custom-fit-wise, his or her "Furnace" just isn't supplying enough heat.

A particular skier's ability also has to be considered. A top flight racer needs a completely different boot than a beginner or novice; super rigid, high backed designs with extra hard foam will not only be uncomfortable to beginners and novices, but also actually hamper their learning process by providing such a positive and split second reaction to their skis that they cannot stay in balance or achieve effective positioning.

Children also have varying needs depending on ability, weight, tendency toward cold feet, and other factors.

Women's feet are enough different from men's, in most cases, to prohibit a comfortable fit in men's boots. Unfortunately, specially in package purchases women often are given small men's boots.

Other than forefoot width and heel width, which partially account for this incompatibility, boot shaft diameter plays a role. Women, in general, have lower calf

muscles—or to say it another way, a shorter distance from their heel to the bottom of their calf—than men do. Therefore, boots which are not flared some in the upper cuff, or in some other way made flexible to accept varying diameter legs, hurt women badly. Thirdly, the height of the boot in the back can be a problem especially on shorter, full-legged gals.

Over the past 10 years, I have encountered many instances of "cold feet" complaints. Sometimes, as mentioned earlier, this is strictly biological (poor circulation). Other than adding a Spenco footpad or other closed cell insulating insole there is little that can be done except for a specially designed, battery powered boot warmer which is expensive and not always available.

In many other instances, cold feet can be rectified by: a) selecting a boot which, by design, is generally warmer than others; b) putting the foot (subtalar joint) in an erect position (properly aligned). This can be accomplished by molding and a custom insole and supporting the leg shaft by attaching a dense pad to the outside surface of the inside (medial side) of the liner above the ankle bone.

What this does is to relieve pressure on the blood vessel (artery) supplying blood of the forefoot which runs under the medial malleolus (inside ankle bone and over the top of the foot to the toes.) The condition which the last procedure described helps to correct is called pronation, and is present in more than 50 percent of all humans.

Unfortunately, only a few ski shops have personnel who are adequately trained to diagnose this condition and make the necessary adjustments to the boot, which in this instance involves custom insoles and specially placed pads.

In addition to coldness, pronated feet

also cause irritation and poor edging and carving ability all of which can be corrected by the above system.

Boots, in general, are made according to what boot designers feel is a normal or average foot, allowing as much flexibility as possible. As a result, few boots fit perfectly right out of the box.

Here again, a competent boot fitter can really help. With a few exceptions, these designers' ideas of average varies a great deal; consequently, one brand or model of boot may fit better "out of the box" than another. This is why good shops usually carry 3 or 4 lines of boots.

In other words, once the fitter has examined and evaluated the "foot type" of the customer, he then proceeds to select a boot or boots which best suit that particular foot. Some boots have narrow heels and wide forefoot sections, while others have a narrow forefoot area.

Once the best match is made, the fitter then continues by modifying the boot further with shimming, stretching and padding to accomplish the final fit.

In particularly difficult cases, it may take 2 or 3 sessions to accomplish an acceptable fit, and the customer should be prepared to pay for this expert's time and materials.

In all too many cases, the customer assumes that only "out-of-the-box" is important and travels around the country looking for the perfect pair of boots. These rarely exist! In the many years I have been associated with ski shops, I can remember only a few "out-of-the-box" super fits and in these cases, I am suspicious the fit of their past boots may have been so bad that anything would have felt good!

Sizing is also crucial. Any discussion about sizing ski boots, I feel must begin by separating children and adults. Obviously, because of the fact that children's feet are still

growing, some sizing considerations must be made.

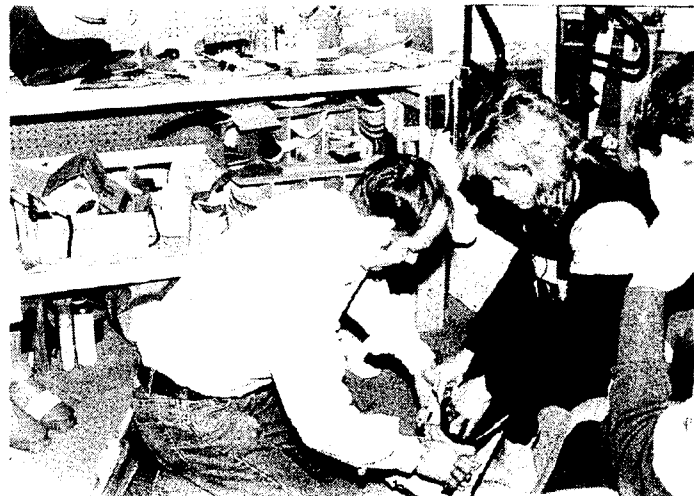
All too often, however, parents try to buy boots two or three sizes too large to allow for growth. Admittedly, there are modifications which are possible to children's boots such as bladder padding, shimming, etc, but, there is a reasonable limit here before the boots become so "padded" that the young skier has little or no control.

Fitting children requires not only a special skill, but also patience and a little child psychology. Further, I feel it is a good idea to fit children's boots with an insulated footbed or insole (Spenco) to increase warmth. Cold feet can turn kids off to skiing about as quickly as anything I know.

As far as adults are concerned, because their feet have stopped growing, the fitter can concentrate on accommodating their foot as closely as possible to the inner shell size. I say shell size because most manufacturers use one shell for two or more sized bladders. This practice produces a serious potential sizing problem because the customer feels the end of the bladder when he first inserts his foot and immediately assumes the boot is too small, when, in fact, all that is needed is for the bladder to be stretched out to more closely approximate the inner shell size.

The other factor which produces the feeling of being too small is the narrow heel pocket. Here again the boot designers attempt to accommodate people with narrow heels, realizing that the foot with a wider heel will eventually open up the heel pocket.

This process, however, often takes several hours of wear; in the meantime, the toes are forced against the end of the bladder. Obviously, the problem can easily be rectified if the shop you are dealing with has stretching equipment



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and the knowledge to use it.

This, incidentally, also applies to out-of-the-box boots, which initially feel too narrow. Stretching the bladder width-wise often solves this problem.

The reason why all of this is so important is that because of the memory in bladders that many quality boot companies utilize, the minor fit accommodations come as a result of the foam material compressing. This compression results in the boot getting bigger and bigger at a rate dependent on the amount of use given it. For example, I have seen professional instructors and patrolmen who ski 80 to 120 days a year go through two and three pair of boots per season because they did not buy them small enough originally.

As you can see, buying properly sized boots obviously requires a great deal of confidence in the shop with which you are dealing. A good indication as to whether a particular shop really knows what they are doing is to find out if they guarantee the fit. If they will, you can have confidence that they are a knowledgeable shop and if a mistake is made, they will take the consequences, not you!

In some cases, skiers replace boots which are

potentially able to be fit because they simply do not understand that a hurt can often be corrected. In addition to the modifications already mentioned, there are numerous other procedures that can improve a fit including orthotics (custom-made foot beds), which are becoming increasingly popular.

Additionally other things can be done to boots including, shell modifications, instep pads, heel tighteners, etc.

These devices and modifications are not free when you go to get the boot re-fit but they are often necessary.

Note: more and more shops who specialize in boot fitting have an association with a good podiatrist or orthopedic surgeon with whom they can consult and make referrals in cases where problems are beyond their field of knowledge.

Now that we have reviewed some of the factors that contribute to a good fit, I would like to, in summary, outline what I consider to be a good fitting procedure. Hopefully, this will help you in evaluating the knowledge and ability of the personnel in the ski shop you have chosen.

A. History and personal information

The customer should first be asked about their skiing tendency toward cold extremities and frequency of skiing, past fit pro-

blems, if any, and prejudices toward or against a particular boot type. Without this knowledge, it is just about impossible to make a good recommendation, or provide the proper fit.

b. Examination of feet and leg structure

The next step is to examine the feet for subtalar joint alignment, presence or absence of arch, angle of the tibia, calf size, unusual foot shape, width, etc. At this point, I feel, a foot imprinter really helps, as it shows high pressure areas on the surface of the foot; ball of the foot positioning; toe pressure, etc. This imprint can be very helpful later when modifications begin.

c. Measuring the foot

The next step is measuring the foot, both in length as well as in width, with consideration of heel to ball of the foot measurement as well.

Many people assume their foot is extremely wide only because ball of the foot measurements were never considered in sizing. This can result in the wide part of their foot being positioned too far forward into the narrow part of their shoes or boots causing extreme side pressure.

d. Selection and sizing

Then, one or more boots are selected based on the accumulated data the fitter has received, in the correct

in ski boot

size (which by the way, usually is one to one and one half sizes smaller than your foot length, due to variations in European sizes as opposed to U.S. sizes and due to subsequent stretching and molding of the bladder to which I referred earlier).

The boots' bladders are then heated with an industrial heat gun, put on, then buckled in a specific manner which assures correct heel positioning. Explaining to the customer at this point what he or she should feel is important in the communication that follows. I then recommend walking for at least 15 to 20 minutes in the boots prior to any bladder or shell modifications to begin the adjusting process of the material within the bladder.

e. Modifications and adjustments

After 15 to 20 minutes of walking and flexing the boots, the

boots should be removed to allow the foot to recover from the high pressure exerted by the non-conformed bladder; also to make whatever major corrections are needed. Input from the customer here is important.

It is important to emphasize, at this point, that high pressure areas and a feeling of shortness are normal; however, in a position of maximum forward flexing the pressure against the ends of the toes should be lessening and overall pressure should be becoming more tolerable.

After necessary modifications are made, the boots are re-buckled and walked in again for another 15 to 20 minutes followed by more adjustments or corrections.

At this point, if good progress is not being made, my suggestion would be to try the other pair originally chosen by the fitter and

repeat the steps outlined until a final selection is made and the purchase completed. Be sure you obtain approval to return the boot the next day if you are not satisfied.

f. Break-in and final decision phase

Next comes the home wear to continue the adjusting process within the bladder. Brief periods of a maximum of 20 to 30 minutes of wearing, followed by one hour of rest, allow your foot to mold the liner without undue discomfort.

Two to three hours of total wear at home should be adequate. Try not to ski in the boots until this has been done. Cold weather temperatures do not contribute to easy adjustment of the bladder. As a matter of fact, I would estimate that one hour of wear inside will do more to mold the bladder than one full day of skiing at cold temperatures.

g. Minor adjustments

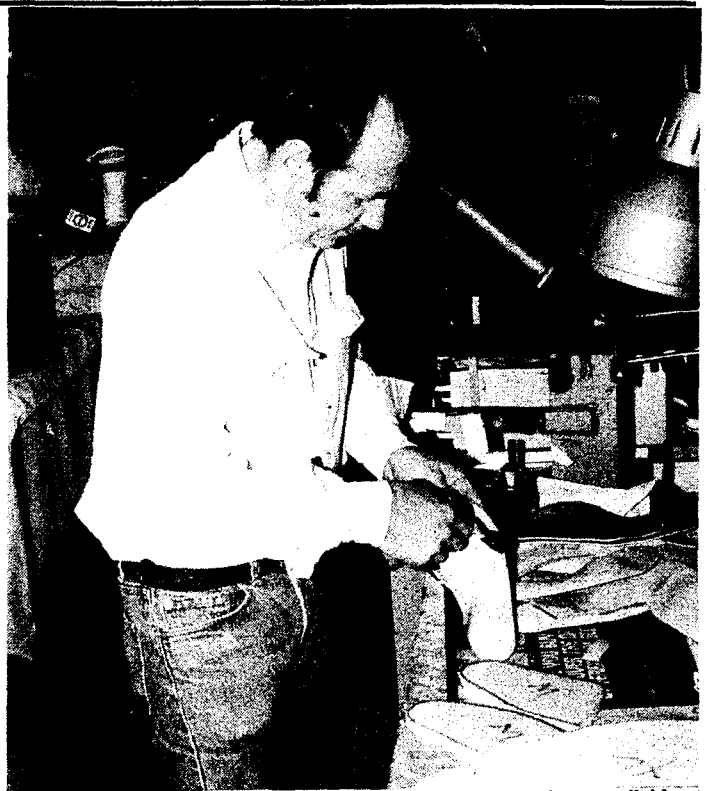
After skiing in the boots for a few days, minor pressure points or other areas of discomfort may exist and it is a good idea, if you live far away, to make arrangements to stay in close proximity to the shop where you purchased the boots for at least a day or two so that the final adjustments can be made.

Final comments-

As I have attempted to outline in the preceding text, boot fitting is extremely important and complex. If you must be frugal in your equipment selection for skiing, do not include boots! Boots are not the place to save money! Be prepared to pay extra for a talented boot fitter's time and materials.

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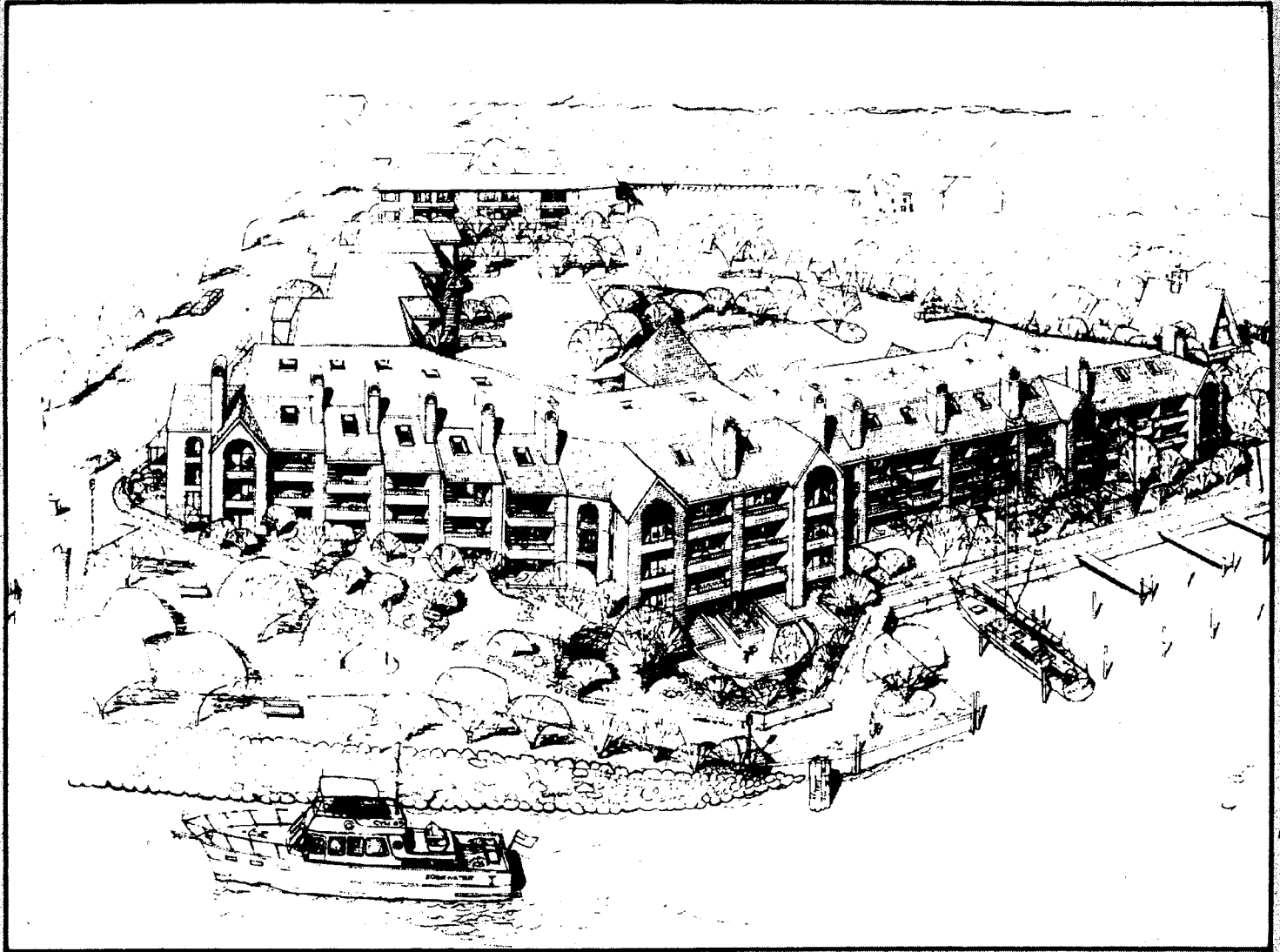
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