

What's a man-eater?

These Boyne City Drama Department members are going through a pre-show warm-up under the direction of Bob Wollenberg. The Drama Dept. is producing "Little Shop of Horrors" as their holiday production this year, and will take the show on the road later this spring as they enter the State Drama competition. This will mark Boyne City's first attempt at competing in a dramatical production.

Snowscope included free in this issue



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News Briefs

In order to let our employees enjoy Christmas and New Year's with their families, we are having early deadlines for both the issue that will come out before Christmas and the issue coming out before New Year's. All deadlines will be moved to Friday, December 19, for the issue to appear on the newsstands and in the mail on December 23, and Friday, December 26th for the issue to appear December 30th. Please try to have all articles and advertising in to the office by those deadlines.

Charlevoix County will be getting \$11,312 as part of the Federal Emergency Management Agency funds being distributed for emergency food and shelter. The program covers 51 counties in the state and total funds were \$3.6 million.

US 131 Area Development Association, pleased with the turnout they had last month when they held a board meeting in Boyne City, announced the next meeting of the organization, trying to bring the completion of US 131 as an expressway to the north, is going to be held at the Best Western in Big Rapids, January 13 at 6:30 p.m. The group has started a campaign in the Chicago area telling motorists to use the highway.

Charlevoix County, with 194.70 inches of snow last season will be getting \$85,655 from the State of Michigan to help in clearing roads of snow and ice this winter. A county must have over 80 inches of snow to qualify for the awards and the money from the highway user taxes is distributed by a complicated formula that takes into account the number of inches of snowfall and the number of miles of county

Courters site, zoning approved by BC

After a month of concern about jobs at the Allied-Bendix-Courters plant in Boyne City, and under a possible city-wide boycott threat, Boyne City planners finally got a chance to look at what the Courters plant may look like in a few years after

management of the firm presented formalized site plans and renderings.

The concern from the employees started after last month's Planning Board meeting, when the planners tabled a request for a rezoning and asked

the firm to provide a site plan showing what they were intending to do with the property they have purchased over the past year to use for expansion of the plant.

The plans show the former A & W, the Griffen home, and the

Adgate buildings would be torn down and would become parking and greenbelt areas as the plant will be adding an additional 14,000 square foot addition on the north side of their present building.

Plans indicate the completion

of the project by 1997, according to Doug Gabrielson, plant manager.

He told the board the project would be done in phases, the Griffen home is slated to be razed in 1992 with the other buildings gone a few years later. He also told the board the time schedule could be moved up or back depending on the amount of business the firm has over the next few years.

The firm manufactures aerospace components like instruments and gyroscopes used in guiding aircraft.

The Planning Board decided to work on the site plan first in making all of the approvals the plant wanted. After review, they cited six minor conditions they wanted to see imposed on the development of the plant. Screening for the north end of the project area and along Lake Street were two of the conditions, as well as having the company agree to screening if the property owner to the south wanted it done. Planners also wanted a parking area moved and an idea as to the timing when the houses and other buildings would be razed.

With those conditions agreed upon, the board then approved the site plan and quickly approved the rezoning of the former A & W property to be included within the Planned Industrial Development area.

In other action, the planners took a look at some proposed working guidelines they had asked for when considering requests to determine conditional use for two-family dwellings in a R-2 residential district.

City Management had come up with six guidelines for consideration by the planners who then discussed each before approving them.

The guidelines were asked by the planners after two requests for conditional use permits came into the planning board last month. Those requests were withdrawn until the planners could work up the guidelines.

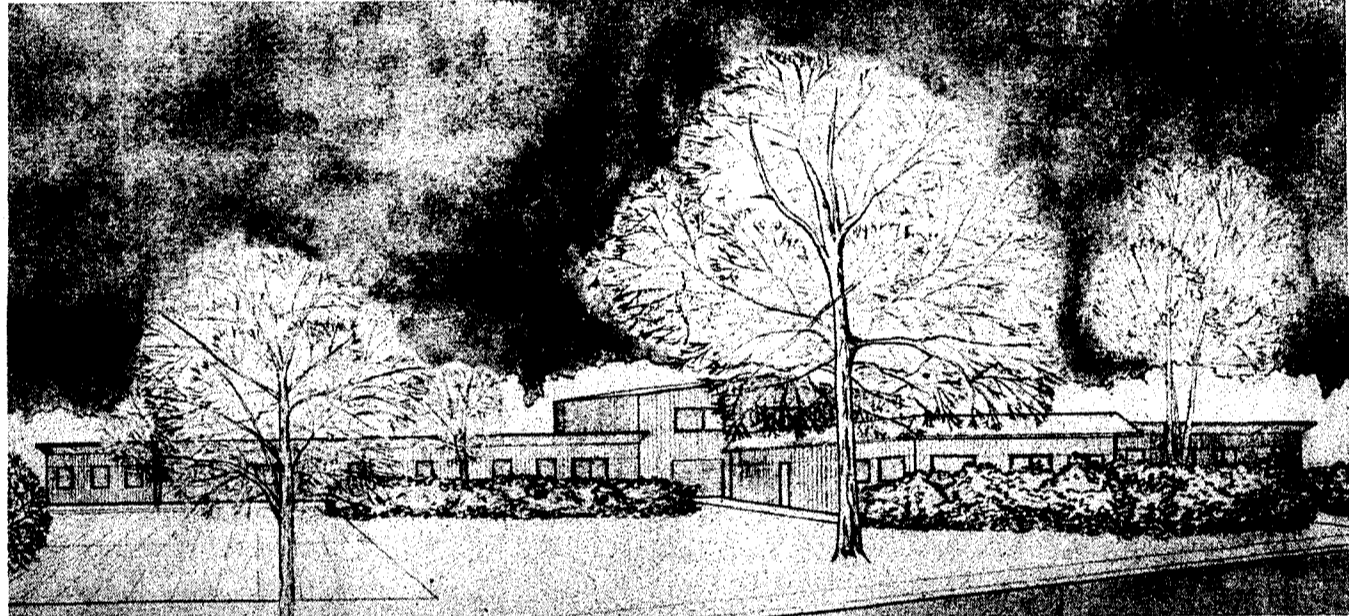
The guidelines will require the homeowner to control and own both units, maintain a single-family residence in appearance, provide parking for two cars per unit, and the use must be in harmony with the existing neighborhood.

The applicant must also provide a floor plan and a site plan showing the present use and the proposed use of each room within the structure. Any permit granted allowing the conditional use will designate the number of bedrooms allowed in each unit and thereafter, shall not be allowed to increase.

Refuse and garbage must go into a designated screened area on the property.

One guideline was written as the planners worked on the others dealing with the density of the neighborhood where the proposed project exists. Density will be limited to 500 feet of the property and the applicant

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This rendering of a conceptual building being planned for the Allied-Bendix-Courters plant located on the east side of Lake Street shows an addition on the north as well as the recently completed addition to the south of the main structure. Plans for the addition show it will be built on or before 1997, according to Doug Gabrielson, plant

manager for the firm. He made a presentation in front of the Boyne City Planning Board who then gave approval for the entire site plan the firm brought to the meeting. The only changes the planners asked were considered minor by city officials concerning mostly the screening of parking areas.

BC votes to vacate road

Boyne City Commissioners tied up a resolution passed at last Tuesday's evening meeting concerning the vacating of the Main Street right-of-way when it was determined that according to the charter, not enough votes were cast for the proposed vacating.

The street has never been developed to the lake, and a portion of the street right-of-way will be swapped for a larger share of land owned by the Harborage developers next to the city wastewater treatment plant.

That land would then become part of the new Peninsula Beach Park the city is developing on the Lake Charlevoix waterfront.

Last Tuesday, two of the five commissioners were absent from the meeting when the first vote was taken. After reading the city charter, it was determined that four votes were required to officially pass the measure.

This was one of the last steps before the matter will come in front of the Circuit Court for approval.

But a group of citizens are planning on fighting the land vacating and swap and intend on presenting their argument when the case comes in front of the judge.

According to a spokesman for the group, they have retained an attorney and will be trying to stop the action of the city.

After hearing a rave review of the first Boyne City performance sponsored jointly by the city and the Crooked Tree Arts Council, Director Sean Ley

asked the city for \$500 to hold a similar program next year.

"I have never seen such a large audience for a project like this," Ley told the commissioners, saying he was surprised and happy to see arts growth in the city.

He told the commissioners over 300 people attended the last show, and the project had

Busing again not resolved at BFalls

Kindergarten busing was again brought up to the Boyne Falls School Board as they are trying to work out a way for the morning session kindergarten children to not have to ride a bus for more than an hour on their return trip home from school.

Board member Andy Czerkies has headed up a committee to try to resolve the issue with parents and bus drivers and the only recommendation he could come up with that may be agreeable would be to hold the children in school a little longer and feed them lunch before making the trip home. It was felt that may help keep the children from "starving" as some have to ride the bus for about two hours before getting home.

Parent Bob Wagner expressed disappointment with that suggestion and asked if the board had considered running the route backwards for part of the school year so the lateness of the children would be equal.

He was told that a large num-

ber of children live along the M-75 route within five miles and that would not be the best plan.

Superintendent Bob Redmond told Wagner the board and the See Busing/ Page 4

East Jordan plans open house

Downtown merchants of East Jordan are hosting a Christmas Open House on December 18 and 19 from 5 until 9 p.m. Adults and children will find bargains and entertainment these special times. Santa will be in the Senior Citizen Center Lobby on both Thursday and Friday and will officially arrive at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday to hand out goodies and hear requests, sponsored by the E.J. Lions and Lionesses. Pictures with Santa will be

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Deer-tube accident at Avalanche Hit and run?

Wanted. One deer, sex undetermined, for questioning in a hit and run accident. Or was it a slide and hit accident.

One person was injured slightly in the accident that took place last Sunday night.

The accident occurred as Gary Chrysler and his daughter were in tubing at Avalanche Park, a former ski area here in Boyne City. Chrysler and his daughter had started their slide down the hill when a deer decided to cross the former ski slope.

Having no control over the steering of the tube, the two hit the deer broadside, knocking it down. The two then continued down the hill and promptly went to 130 Ann Street to call the police to tell them of the accident. The deer was still lying on the ground when the two left the park to call.

When officer Don Hawkins arrived at the scene of the hit and slide to check on the condition of the deer, it was gone and couldn't be found.

Local authorities have for years warned drivers about the dangers of deer crossing roadways. Now they will have to start giving warnings about deer on the innertubing slopes.

The way the story sounds, it might be the kind to make the national news.

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with Bea Smith

Cooking

CANDIES

Today I am traveling down that long road of memory to candy making as a child and I recall that Mother nearly always wanted to do it herself, and I wondered why. Now I know! Candy making is tricky. Ask anyone who, in the old days, made it without a candy thermometer. It never seemed to come out twice the same way. I recently asked a number of friends who are about my age and some a little younger, (almost everyone seems to be a little younger now-a-days) about candy making in their youth. They all agreed that it was one of the fun things to do when Mother and Dad were not at home; we had to prove that we could make it. We grew up in an era of innocence and did not think to try smoking yet; we made candy.

My questions about candy making all had the same kind of answers, accompanied by lots of giggles, the candy never seemed to come out right. My friend Anne recalled making divinity, with nothing divine about the results. It used up her Mother's precious sugar and really messed up the kitchen. Then I remembered the time that my sister Margaret and a girl friend decided to make sea foam candy at Aunt Lulu's apartment when they were visiting her in Detroit. The sea foam just would not form into candies, I do not suppose we cooked it long enough (we just couldn't wait.) We really tried to repair the damages to Aunt Lulu's kitchen before she came home. As you see many of these tries ended in an anxious giggling disaster.

I very seldom hear about our kids making candy anymore; they do not know what they are missing! The candy thermometer has taken all of the thrill and anxiety out of it. When I looked up recipes in my old books, the directions said to cook the syrup until a thread forms or to the soft or hard ball stage. I am sure that the ingredients are right so I will try a recipe using the thermometer. Here is the chart on my candy thermometer. With it you can make any recipe from the old books. A good thermometer registers both centigrade and fahrenheit degrees. TEMPERATURE AND TEST CHART FOR SYRUPS AND CANDIES

Product	Temp. of Syrup	Test
Syrup	230-234F.	110-112C. Thread Fudge or
Panocha	234-240F.	112-116C. Soft Ball
Caramels	244-248F.	118-120C. Firm Ball
Divinity	250-266F.	121-130C. Hard Ball
Mrschmlwa	250-266F.	121-130C. Hard Ball
Popcorn bls	250-266F.	121-130C. Hard Ball

BROWN SUGAR FUDGE OR PENUCHE
2 cups brown sugar, firmly packed
¾ cup milk or thin cream. (Evaporated milk is good)
2 tablespoons butter
Chopped nuts (as many as you like)

Mix sugar and milk. Cook without stirring until soft ball

stage, which will be 234-240 F. or 112-116 C.

Add butter and nutmeats, remove from stove and cook until lukewarm. If you can put your finger it it with burning it, it's ready to stir until thick. Pour out on plate and cut in squares. You will know what to do next! P.S. you can add the nutmeats after the candy is cooled and before stirring, either way is OK.

A short time ago when I visited Deni Hooper, she made this

DENI'S MILLION DOLLAR FUDGE

This is a very large recipe, though it is just the right size if you make up boxes of candies for Christmas presents. This is a no-fail recipe, you do not even need to use a thermometer. I brought a few pieces home with me and relish a piece occasionally with a glass of milk. It is a deliciously rich candy that keeps very well in the refrigerator. I silently thank you, Deni, every time I enjoy one of those delicious morsels. Deni says that she will add pieces of maraschino cherries to her Christmas recipe.

First you put together the chocolate mixture like this:

- 2 cups semi-sweet chocolate bits
- 3 4 oz. German chocolate bars (broken up)
- 1 7 oz. jar Marshmallow Creme
- 2 cups chopped walnuts or pecans. (Deni likes the whole nutmeats and chops them herself for a better grade of nut meats.)

Set aside.

Then mix in a large heavy saucepan:

- 4½ cups sugar
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1 can (12 oz.) evaporated milk

Stir to a rolling boil and then boil for exactly 6 minutes, stirring occasionally and keep it boiling.

Remove from stove and add to the chocolate mixture with 2 teaspoons vanilla and stir until creamy and all chocolate is melted.

Pour into a 10 in. by 13 in. pan to cool.

This makes thick pieces of fudge. If you prefer thinner pieces use a jelly roll pan. Lightly butter the pans.

And last but not least is a recipe you will not even need to cook. I am not sure rather to call them cookies or candies, however they are lovely to look at and very delicious.

FRUIT BALLS

- 3 cups finely crushed vanilla wafers
- 1 cup confectioners' sugar
- 1 cup chopped toasted pecans
- ½ cup diced candied fruit
- ¼ cup cocoa
- ½ cup orange juice
- ½ cup confectioners' sugar
- 2 tablespoons cocoa

In a bowl, mix crushed cookies, 1 c. sugar (confectioners'), pecans, fruit, ¼ cup cocoa and orange juice.

Blend until dough holds together and forms a ball. Shape by teaspoonsful into 1 inch balls. If too dry to form, add a few drops of orange juice.

Then combine the remaining ½ cup sugar and 2 tablespoons cocoa.

Roll each ball in mixture. Makes about 4 dozen balls. Another beautiful addition to your Christmas boxes.

with Nancy Northup
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Approximately 55 tenants of Litzemberger Place attended the annual Christmas dinner party on Monday night, given by the XI Gamma chapter of Beta Sigma Phi. A trimmed lighted Christmas tree decorated the community room, as all enjoyed roast turkey and all the trimmings. The holiday spirit continued after dinner, as the group sang out the many joyful carols of the season.

On Saturday night, many families of Curtis Nicloy's Sunday school class enjoyed a potluck dinner at the Free Methodist fellowship hall. The group also feted special guests, Rev. and Mrs. David Scott and family, of the Pleasant Valley Free Methodist Church with a love offering and grocery shower, in wishing them a special Merry Christmas.

On Wednesday night, the TOPS met at Litzemberger Place for their annual Christmas party and gift exchange. An extra highlight of the evening was giving a special thanks to Clara Rolls, as they presented her with a beautiful basket of fresh cut flowers, for being their sponsor from Litzemberger Place.

On Saturday night, there was a big crowd on hand at the Knights of Columbus Hall for dancing and the seasons choral music show, accented with holiday costumes, and a visit

from Santa. All enjoyed the fun and treats, and the Hors d'oeuvres table. The evening was sponsored by the St. Mathews and St. Augustine Churches.

Mrs. Anna Pratt left this week to visit her daughter Geraldine Kemp in Berkley, MI and then will be flying to Fla. to visit her daughter, Dorothy Barkley in Brooksville, and son Robert in Sarasota, and her granddaughters, Susan Murphy and Vickie Turner in Clearwater. Mrs. Pratt will be spending the holiday season in the sun of Fla.

On Sunday evening, the ladies of the Seventh Day Adventist Church enjoyed a lunch and Christmas gift exchange with their secret pals. The evening was hosted by their pastor's wife, Betty DeWitt.

The RLDS "Over 45" group met at the Bill and Eleanor West home on Saturday night, with a group of 15, for their Christmas party. All enjoyed a program, games, gift exchange, and refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Robinson moved into the Ann Jenkins home on Kuzmik over the weekend for the remainder of the winter.

This past week's scores for the senior bowlers were: Dick Brannon-425, Chuck Hill (2

games)-364, Jean Marcham-308, and Goldie-290. Winners of Thursday's bingo games at the mealsite were: 1st regular-Zada Moyer, 2nd-Lena Kerr, and 3rd-Eleanor Adams. The two winners of the specials were Elmer Crandell and Virginia Nelson. The cover all went to Ethel Yenson, with all games called by Lyle Ross. On Friday, the seniors were real impressed as well as delighted to be entertained by twenty-six children of the choir group of the third and fourth grades, from the Boyne City Elementary School, who presented a caroling program of new and old favorites of the Christmas season. The group was led by their choir director, Diane Kelly, with the piano accompaniment of Phyllis Hosier.

On Sunday morning, Eleanor West and Ron Fuller were ordained as Elders at the RLDS Church in Boyne City. Eleanor is the first woman of the Boyne City Branch to become an Elder. In the afternoon, many of the congregation, friends, and out of town friends gathered at the West home to share dinner and the spirit of the event.

Paul and Joyce Hibbard of Millington were here over the weekend visiting his mother, Adell.

Gail and Scott Stebbins and three children of Grand Rapids were here on Saturday, visiting

her grandmother, Leonna Thayer.

The Harry Roof family enjoyed an early Christmas at the home of their daughter, Sheila Webber, and family on Sunday so that the David and Sheila Roofs of Petoskey could share the holiday event with the family, as they will be spending Christmas in Iowa with her parents.

Ted and Carol Triviss spent Sunday in Grayling at the home of her sister Sandy and Jim Putman and family.

Helen Larson returned to her home on Saturday after having spent the past three months in Grandvue, after having fallen and breaking her leg. Welcome home, Helen!

Many area friends and relatives gathered at the Community Service Center on Saturday night, honoring newlyweds Rodney and Bernadine Sherwood, with a wedding reception. The evening was hosted by the ladies of the Seventh Day Adventist Church. Rodney, the son of Lee Sherwood, and Bernadine received many lovely gifts and all enjoyed a good time and refreshments, with beautifully decorated cakes made by his aunt, Joan Miller and Pat Sherwood.

BC drama department to present show

Stage a cast that is proud to present "Little Shop of Horrors" and has high hopes for the future success of the show as they intend to incorporate this presentation into the show they will be entering in the state drama competition with. This will be BC Drama Departments first attempt at com-

peting in the state drama contest.

Termed as "superhilarious musical comedy" by the Associated Press, the presentation leads the theater goer through a fast paced series of short scenes that titillates the mind with anticipation while striking the fun-

nybone all at the same time.

Special effects combined with an outlandish array of characters and the accompaniment of a talented trio of narrators, give the show an unexpected sense of diversity while providing the pace for the swiftly changing tempo of

the production.

"Little Shop of Horrors", an adaptation from the book written by Howard Ashman, was put on to film by producer Roger Corman and currently in the stages of opening to the public in the near future. Boyne City Drama Departments rendition of the

production is slated to open tonight,

Wednesday Dec. 17, and will have a second showing the following night on Dec. 18th. Curtain time for the show is 7:30 p.m. and tickets are available at the door of the Boyne City Elementary School for a minimal cost of \$2.00.

Obituaries

WILBER V. CRAFT

Wilber V. Craft, 74, of East Jordan, died Dec. 7, 1986 at his home.

Mr. Craft was born Sept. 18, 1912, in Mancelona, the son of Frank and Hazel (Jones) Craft.

On March 21, 1933, he married the former Anna Eaton in Mancelona.

Mr. Craft had been a resident of East Jordan for 51 years.

He was a veteran of World War II and had been employed in East Jordan as a small engines mechanic.

He enjoyed hunting and fishing.

Mr. Craft is survived by his wife; one son, Frank Craft of Mancelona; one daughter, Mrs. Clifford (Eldeva) Marshall of Columbus, Ohio; 12 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two grandsons, Phillip and Chris Craft.

Arrangements were handled

by the Paullin Funeral Home, East Jordan.

HOMER C. CHASE

Homer C. Chase, 92, of East Jordan, died Dec. 8, 1986 at Grandvue Medical Care Facility, East Jordan.

Funeral was Thursday, Dec. 11, at the Stackus Funeral Home, Boyne City. The Rev. Merlin Delo of the United Methodist Church, East Jordan officiated.

Mr. Chase was born March 13, 1894, in Delton, Mich., the son of Charles and Alida (Bush) Chase. He resided in Detroit and the Dearborn area until 1979 when he moved to the East Jordan area.

He was a member of the Fraternal Order of Elks.

Survivors include: one brother, Phil Chase of Phoenix, Ariz., one niece, Marjdn Berkowitz of East Jordan; one nephew, Milo Chase of East Jordan.

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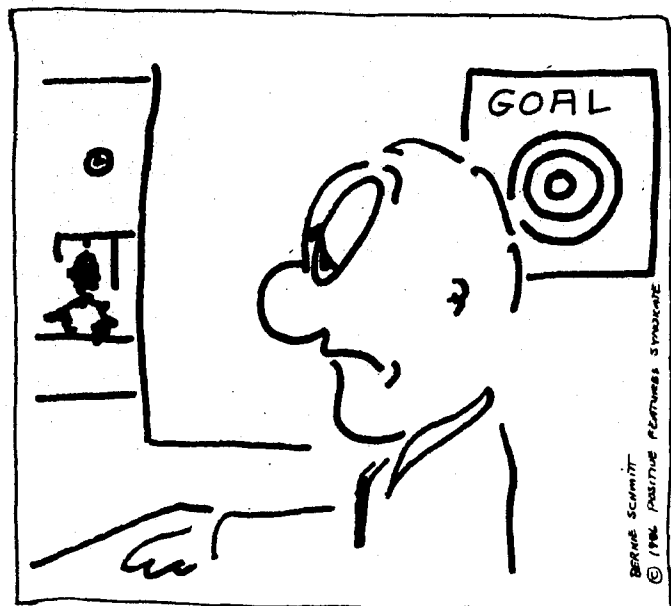
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Marshall Sayles

He: Why are you down here in Florida instead of staying home where you belong?

Me: If I had stayed home I would have slipped on the ice and cracked my head. You can't write a column for the paper with a cracked head.

He: Are you smart! It's lies like that that make your readers laugh.

People down here who are waiting out the yak, yak of the Michigan weatherman get together and hold a country fair. It's something like the summer stuff that goes on at the Boyne City park. I am bothered by the fact that there is so much fun at the fair I can't handle it all. The day of handling all the fun I can get a hold of has gone. It makes me mad when I'm having a good time and all of a sudden the fun turns into a chore.

I have one of those caps men wear playing golf. It says "Boyne City, Michigan" in nice letters on the front. That's so people will know where I am from.

It has been more than a month now and no one has commented on my cap. I don't understand it. A number of people have looked at my Michigan License plate and asked, "What part of Michigan?"

I have a funny feeling that people are trying to tell me something when they look at my

car instead of my head.

A man at the next table was talking about his two marriages. "Wasn't your first wife kind of wealthy" his friend asked. "Yes," the man said, "and I was really lost when she died of mushroom poisoning."

"I heard your second wife wasn't exactly down-and-out," he said. "What happened to her?"

"She died of a broken neck," the man sighed.

"A broken neck! What in the world happened?"

"She wouldn't eat her mushrooms," he said.

Since Ronald Reagan has been nailed to the wall over the arms to Iran affair, I seem to have higher blood pressure. I had to either take medicine to keep the pressure down or quit reading the papers. I went to a doctor at a nearby medical clinic to have my blood pressure checked. While I was waiting I heard a man say to a woman: How can you expect to be fit as a fiddle when you are shaped like a bagpipe? (My wife says that didn't happen, but if anybody asks, I'll raise my right foot and swear to it.)

When I was young I often burned my candle at both ends. It wasn't until it burned out that I saw the light.

Letters

Dear Editor:

Wondering why Reagan won't or can't fire Regan? Well sir pull up a chair and pay some attention to what I have to tell you.

Ronald Reagan is not — for any practical reason — the real president of these United States. He has been clothed in the robes of the presidency, allowed to do all the posturing of that office, read all the pretty little speeches prepared for him, wave the flag of patriotism, sit and have tea with dignitaries

from other countries — with pictures yet, and certainly gather in all the brownie points due from such efforts and finally have His - er - ah - hand kissed by all the loyal members of his fan club. His over all job is to create an illusion. An illusion that he is in fact the man in charge. He muffed it.

The real man behind the throne is none other than Donald Regan who has been hired as

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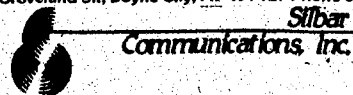
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Remembrances



Snow train in Michigan? Sure, when the logs were cut about this time of the year, trains were used from sidings located throughout the area where the logs were loaded and brought to

Boyne City or East Jordan lumber mills. Railroad lines were scattered throughout the woods of the area as the loggers cut trees further and further from the mill sites.

Jottings

BY JIM SILBAR

Here I sit with about a million things to do before Christmas sets in on us all. I hope the rest of the world isn't like me and as lackadaisical about the greatest selling reason for merchants throughout the whole US of A.

I just can't get into it. I think it is because I have the post letdown blues. This is the last week before the big day as far as advertisers are concerned. This is the week the stores start selling everything they have on the shelves, just because they have it on the shelves.

At the same time, I look through area newspapers and shoppers and don't see that much Christmas advertising. I also look at newspapers from other areas around the state and see tons of ads. Just look at the normal Sunday newspaper that the cities have running daily.

It makes you wonder what is wrong with the northern merchants. Why haven't they gotten on the bandwagon the same as those down below? Do they know something the rest of us don't?

Are they trying to say this winter isn't going to be one of the best we have seen in several years?

Or is it because the consumers aren't making the buys they normally make at this time of the year. And when the consumer isn't buying, it means something is in the wind.

Sure, Boyne City has its "Economic Excellence award" from the state, but is that all just hype?

Doesn't someone want to make that purchase to get the money flowing around town?

Do we have to wait for the onslaught of skiers coming into the area, or can we take matters into our own hands and spend, spend, just to make the merchants happy?

Or has the thought of Christmas really sunk into some of the thick brows.

Maybe Christmas really is a religious ceremony to celebrate a birth.

Maybe we are getting almost as wise as the wisemen who only brought simple gifts to the Christ Child. Are we thinking of doing the same?

Do you think Christmas could be celebrated that way anymore? I hope so.

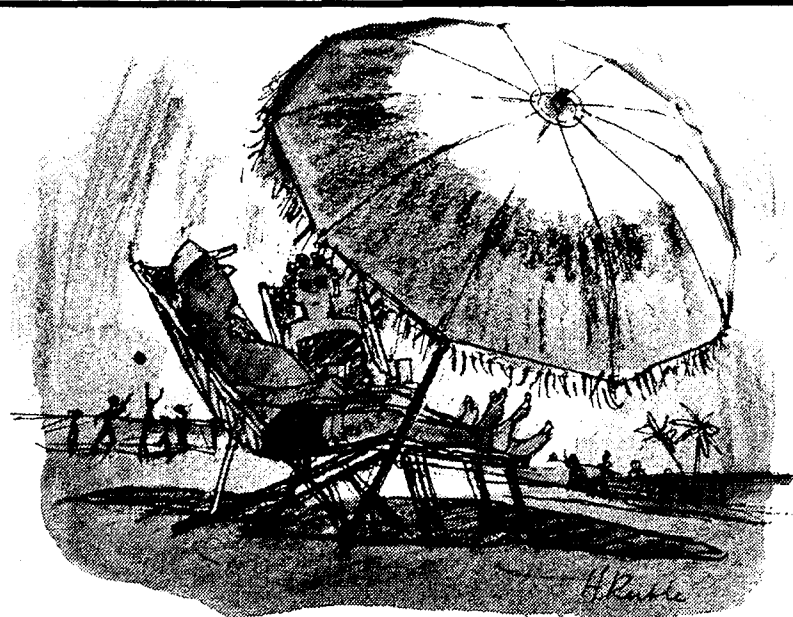
It might be nice to get back to the days when a birth had more importance than a gift.

And, although we all like to receive gifts, we should try to remember what the original gifts were for. For a new king who was to rule the world in a way

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Busing

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school's policy they try to work with in deciding bus routes is to have the greatest number of students off the bus in the least amount of time.

Board member Massey said the long bus ride is bad, and the board ought to ask the parents of the students if the lunch idea was worthwhile.

But in the end, the matter is still not resolved until a workable solution is found.

In other action, the board approved new guidelines for those students who want to attend North Central Michigan College to have classes not offered at the high school.

The new rules require a student to have and maintain a 3.0 grade point average overall in math, science, and language; the class being taken be a natural extension of classes not offered in the high school; have a teacher recommendation and have a faculty advisor; maintain a 2.0 grade point average in the

college course; have regular reviews with the instructor and the advisor; have at least 17 credit hours before taking classes from NCMC; pay for all materials and transportation to and from the college.

The board also agreed to rehire the same auditing firm, Hill, Woodcock, and Schroeder as the auditing firm for the system for three years.

Board members also heard preliminary plans for the annual high school senior trip to Florida next May. The board will vote their approval to the trip at the next meeting, according to Redmond.

They also agreed to hire Bill Aten as the boys' jayvee basketball coach and hire an AEROW worker to help with secretarial work.

Redmond then reviewed the school's ski program with the board, thanking the Bahnhof and Boyne Mountain for the recent donations to the program.

Santa pictures

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available on Friday night for a small fee.

Street caroling is open to everyone, so lend your voice on Thursday evening at 7:00 and again on Friday evening, with the Merry Musical Singers entertaining at 6 and 8 p.m. inside the Senior Citizen Center.

Friday will feature a craft show inside the Senior Citizen Center from 4 until 9.

At 6:30 and at 8:30 Thursday evening and again on Sunday evening the Presbyterian Church will present its annual Live Nativity at the church yard.

Stores will be open these nights (Thursday and Friday) until 9:00 and will feature the Festival of Bells discounts, with bells bringing the discounts as customers browse. Refreshments and costumes will be available at some shops also. Come to East Jordan's downtown Christmas Open House!

Christmas wonderland at Busy Bridge in EJ

One and a half years ago Bill and Sharon Jackson and Bob and Linda Snyder purchased an antique shop in East Jordan and have transformed into an antique and gift shop extra-ordinaire. Offering fine antiques, furniture, depression glass, tools, kitchen utensils — they have made the shop into a showcase for both the usual and the unusual. Add to the antiques are their gift selections ranging from gourmet "penny candy" to collector dolls and bears to music boxes and baseball cards. Gift items for the M. S. U. or the U. of M. lovers are also available.

A special bear "Teddy of the North" is made exclusively for Busy Bridge by Jenny of Owosso, Michigan, a well-known bear maker. "Teddy of the North" sports a blue jacket with a small swan designating his East Jordan origin.

Stepping inside the shop now is like stepping to a Christmas

wonderland and makes even the adults pause as they try to take in all the loveliness. The window is graced by a Dickens Village ready for Christmas. You can almost see a miniature Scrooge and Tiny Tim coming out of one of the buildings. The Village is available for sale, as a whole or building by building. A Victorian Christmas tree decorated with satin and paper ornaments and another decorated with Victorian dolls add to the feeling of Old English Christmas inside the shop. Gorham doll tree-toppers are on display and for sale.

Bears and more bears are the decorations of the largest tree which revolves to make sure you see all of them. A special tree for little boys sports tin soldiers, stars, and horns in bright reds, blues, and yellows and has a wooden train to compliment it.

Gift wrapping is available and mail-outs are possible for

customers. "We try to listen to our customers and their needs," commented Sharon Jackson.

One of the needs met last summer was the use of the upstairs by renting to individuals or groups wishing to sell antiques or handicrafts. The arrangement was such a success that the same four renters wish to return and there are names on a list waiting for space.

The owners also hope to have someone rent the basement of the building and convert it to a selling place. Currently it is occupied by a furniture stripping business, however, it is being relocated to have more space.

If you still have those hard-to-buy-for people on your list, stop in to the Busy Bridge Antique and Gift Shop. From Pinewood Valley pottery and kitchen linens to Teddy bears, to exquisite antiques (or Rocky Top jams or gourmet candy) you're sure to find what you need.

Ware-withal

Planners

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has to determine where existing neighboring duplexes are located and provide a map to the planners to help determine the density of the area.

With those guidelines approved, the planners then tackled a request from Harold and Marcelyn Hamlin for a house they want to convert into a two family located on West Lincoln Street. The Hamlin request was one of the requests withdrawn after last month's meeting.

After some discussion concerning the legality of bringing the

matter to the planners, it was decided to table the matter until the neighbors have been informed by letter, and the public hearing advertised.

Planners also hear some discussion about the language of the recently changed Home Occupation amendment to the zoning rules.

The also agreed to send a letter to Mrs. Marvin Loding who wrote to the planner to thank them for remembering Loding by making an award in his honor.

BY GAIL WARE

As one who savors everything about the Christmas season, I not only enjoy Christmas shopping, I wallow in it. And in order to get the most out of it, I do my best to make it last, in the planning or in the execution, from Thanksgiving straight through until Christmas Eve.

My finest hours come in the week before Christmas. Except for picking up the fruit for the fruitcakes that we bake and mail to relatives, I try to buy any presents until that week. It's a matter of saving the best for last.

The week-before-Christmas shopping trips are worth waiting for beginning at the parking lot. Usually, the lots have been plowed several times at that point. So snowbanks limit the space available. In ad-

dition, many cars are at peculiar angles, more as if they crawled in and collapsed than as if they were parked, which cuts down further on the possible spaces. I love the challenge of fitting my car in among the sprawling vehicles.

Inside the store, the music sounds louder than usual the last week. That helps to keep the Christmas spirit, and probably buyer dollars, flowing freely. With shoppers milling and humming the familiar tunes — and shoving a bit here and there — I feel like I'm in the midst of a grand Christmas party.

And at K Mart, the blue-light specials yield rare bargains the week before Christmas. Some are rarer than others. Last year there were electric blue shorts with penguins painted on the rear for only \$1 and lavender

pajamas with bright orange ser- pents for only \$2.

Before milling in the market- place, though, I do a lot of groundwork. I study both the newspaper advertisements and the supplements that come in the mail. This year's ads have some promising possibilities.

There's a reasonable leglift weight bench that our son would like. But his room's crowded as it is. If I bought the bench, it would have to sit in the living room, at least for a while. I'm pretty relaxed about the decor of the house. But sharing my living room with a red leglift bench sitting on orange carpeting I'll have to think about.

Our daughter might enjoy a gift certificate to a tanning booth. On second thought, she wouldn't. Faking a trip to the Sunny South by sitting in a

lighting box isn't her kind of thing. She wouldn't mind a gift certificate for the trip, though.

I know my husband would get a kick out of the Clapper, a plug-in thing that lets you turn TV and light on and off by clapping your hands. But I wouldn't enjoy his enjoying it. Loud noises in the house wear me down.

After studying a while, I tour the stores to check out the goods and the crowds. This year the goods abound. But the crowds are thin. Maybe shoppers are holding back until the last week. I hope so. I'd hate to shop without the usual press of humanity. And I'd feel kind of obligated to buy some of the blue-light specials if the crowds weren't around to cover my retreat from bargains I find rare but resistible.

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Ramblers win close game over East Jordan

With both teams hungry for a win after receiving opening season defeats, the Boyne City Ramblers and the East Jordan Devils matched up last Tuesday night for a non-conference game in Boyne City varsity action. Nip-and-tuck action saw the scoring advantage fluctuate back and forth through nearly the entire game, but the Ramblers pressed their way to a 55-47 win in the final three minutes of the game.

East Jordan, sporting 6'5" senior center Jim Raymond, had the height advantage under the boards as the Rambler's biggest man on the court measures up to 6'3" Tom Miller, but Miller was only briefly in action. Most of the time on the floor went to junior Aaron Richards at the center position, and Richards emerged from the game with a fine performance both defensively and offensively. Kyle Fitzpatrick teamed up with Richards to shut Raymond down entirely through the second period while giving up six points to

Raymond through the third quarter.

Raymond and Greg Kitson led East Jordan to an 11-10 edge after one period with Raymond impressing a scoring threat from the middle into effect late in the quarter. Raymond gave the Red Devils their first lead of the game with less than two minutes left in the quarter, scoring twice in succession, once on a follow-up rebound on the fast break. Kitson burned the nets early in the period, being the only Devil scorer for the first five minutes of the game, and swished another one home as the quarter ended for the 11-10 lead.

The Rambler's best scoring threat in the quarter was the ability to get the pass inside for assists in the key. Richards and Scott Beebe found passes down the lane as they cut around the backside of the Devil defenders for easy hoops. Stutzman was also effective in the key, streaking through the East Jordan defense for acrobatic lay-ups before mixing it up with a hoop

from the top of the key.

The Ramblers cut off the inside game throughout the second period while dominating their offensive boards as Richards ripped down caroms and put them through the hoop early. As the period progressed, the Devil lead evaporated with a three point play by Stutzman who was fouled while sinking his own rebound.

The Ramblers gained the advantage when Mike DeSchryver suddenly became hot from around the key and began to put shots through the hoop to keep Boyne on top for the remainder of the half. After surviving through five ties of the score and three lead changes in the quarter, Boyne led 27-25 at the half.

Swiftly paced, the third period was highlighted by Rambler fast breaks combined with a Boyne City press that dominated the action and gave the Ramblers a 41-31 lead going into the final period. Through the period, the Rambler press

befuddled the Devils into turning the ball over while the acceleration of the Rambler guards proved to be disastrous to the Devil man-on-man defense. Raymond was the only Devil scorer in the entire quarter, hitting twice in the key, and once on a rare Devil fast break.

Through the fourth period East Jordan attempted to press the Ramblers into making mistakes, but failed to do so as the Devils committed an enormous amount of fouls in the quarter and Boyne capitalized

on the one-for-one opportunities.

Not until there was less than two minutes left to play in the game did the Devils break the ten point lead. Kitson scored six points down the stretch while Shannon Olstrom assisted to Raymond and hit two at the line to pull East Jordan within seven points 52-45, but with time running out, the Ramblers closed the game at the charity stripe to put the game away.

DeSchryver was the Ramblers top scorer with 16 points while Richards, Stutzman, and

Beebe rounded the teams scoring by hitting double figures also. Richards had 14 points, Stutzman 12, and Beebe 11. Brent Johncheck was the only other Rambler scorer, two points that came from his steal that led to a full court drive to the bucket.

Raymond and Kitson were the top scorers for East Jordan, netting 16 and 15 points respectively. Kevin Molby added 8 more points while Olstrom had 6 points and Keith Harchis contributed two points.



Shannon Olstrom (12) of the East Jordan Red Devils gets up over Aaron Richards (50) of Boyne City for this shot attempt. Surrounding the play is Mike DeSchryver (30), Kyle Fitzpatrick (32), and Steve Stutzman (22) all of the Ramblers.

Devils bow to Pellston

By Dennis Skrocki

Last Friday, December 11, the East Jordan Red Devils Varsity basketball team traveled to Pellston to take on the Hornets. This game was both teams first Ski-Valley conference contest of the new season.

The game began with a fast paced first quarter that saw the teams match each other point for point before Pellston claimed a one point edge as time expired.

The second stanza saw the Red Devil offense take command as six Devil players put points on the board combining for 17 points thus taking a 29-21 lead into the halftime.

Pellston began the second half looking like a totally regrouped

squad before they scored ten points before the Devils could sink their first thus regaining the lead which they would not lose. The Hornets scored a total of 23 points in the third stanza as the Devils scored only eight points leaving Pellston with a 44-37 lead heading into the final period.

The two teams played evenly throughout the fourth quarter with the Red Devils mounting a comeback with two minutes remaining but couldn't shut down the tough Pellston offense as they fell to the final score of 58-54.

Mario Suarez led the Pellston offense with 19 points as Steve Howard added 14 and Mike

Keiser 11. Also contributing to the victory were Greig Williams 7, Mike Warren 6, and Dan Hubbard 1.

For the Red Devils, Jim Raymond led the way with 21 points as Kelly Harchis collected 11 and Kevin Molby added nine. Other team members turning in strong performances were Shannon Olstrom 6, Greg Kitson 5, and Tracey Morris 2.

Raymond also led the way defensively with 13 rebounds, followed by Molby with eight and Kitson with seven.

This week the Red Devils host Harbor Springs on Tuesday before traveling to Inland Lakes on Friday.

EJ JVs remain perfect winners

By Dennis Skrocki

The East Jordan junior varsity basketball team kept its perfect record intact bringing it to 3-0 with a 46-28 whitewash of the Pellston Hornets on Friday, December 11. The Red Devils led

from the opening moments as Mark Moore gained control of the jump ball and took it to the hoop giving the Devils a lead they would hold throughout the game. The Hornets kept things close through the first period

trailing by only three points, 11-8, at the quarter's end.

The Devils broke the game open in the second quarter out scoring Pellston 10-2 thus taking a 21-10 lead into the halftime intermission.

Things went in much the same fashion throughout the rest of the contest as East Jordan outscored the Hornets 15-10 in the third period and 10-8 in the fourth to post a 46-28 final score.

Moore and Matt Bishop led the Devils in the scoring department with 13 each. Jeff Burks contributed six points to

the victorious cause as Dan Pepin and Jeff Olstrom added four each.

Defensively for the Devils, Burks and Moore were leaders in the rebound department with 11 each as Bishop came up with ten and Pepin obtained seven.

This week the Devils will travel to Inland Lakes

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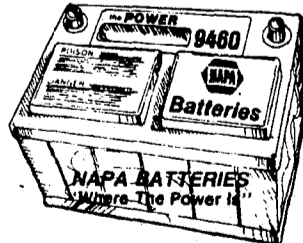
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Boyer runs Chiefs off court

A small platoon of Rambler loyalists seated in the students section of the Boyne City bleachers seemed to feel it even before the game had begun. The Boyne City Ramblers were preparing to face the Cheboygan Chiefs for their first conference game of the year.

Small for a home-town rooting section, the noise was nearly deafening after it was over and Boyne City had defeated the Chiefs (defending league champs) by ten points 65-55.

Rambler Coach Rick Fowler had a feeling that Boyne City had a chance to defeat the Chiefs after last Tuesday's win over East Jordan. Fowler thought that if his team could sink a high percentage of field goals, Boyne could prevail. Four Ramblers proceeded through the game to pour shots into the net, all emerging from the game in double figures. The Ramblers hit 29 of 61 shots from the floor that provided exactly what the coach had ordered.

"Shutting down 6'5" Dan LaHaie of Cheboygan in the second half contributed to the Rambler cause also. LaHaie scored 12 points in the game with most of them from the first half.

Cheboygan led by a slight margin through the first six minutes of the game, holding the Rambler offense at bay with a 2-1-2 zone. Changing to a man-on-man quickened the pace of the game and the Ramblers warmed up, pulling off a 12-12 tie with two minutes left in the half. The upper half of the student

cheering section was near to delirium and the lower half was catching the fever.

Through the remainder of the quarter an aerial attack was launched by the Ramblers that would eventually prove to be game winning factor. Steve Stutzman, Mike DeSchryver, and Kyle Fitzpatrick suddenly sent off a barrage of shots from the perimeter that seemingly failed to miss.

Running and gunning, both teams battled it out with a see-saw score and the period ended with an 18-18 tie. The teams retired to the sidelines for a conference under the thunderous applause as both the Chiefs and Ramblers bleachers sought to encourage their respective team.

A whirlwind of fastbreaks opened the second period that soon played out to a Rambler advantage. Down the stretch of the half, Boyne City ran it out with a series of five fast breaks, scoring on four of them. Early in the period, the Chiefs had been able to beat the Ramblers down the court, but fell behind in the later minutes of the half. Keeping the Ramblers in the game while being cut off on the fast break, Fitzpatrick became automatic points from the left side while Stutzman poured shots through from the top of the key. DeSchryver and Scott Beebe set up two of the four fast breaks late in the quarter and as time ran out in the half Cheboygan took the lead 35-36.

Cheboygan took their final lead in the game 40-37 shortly

after the second half opened, but by that time, the entire Boyne City half of the gym had caught the scent of victory as their Ramblers bombed two unanswered buckets into a 41-40 lead.

If the fast break fell apart, Boyne promptly tossed one in from the sidelines and continued to pile up points. Midway through the third period Tom Miller and Aaron Richards (alternately cutting off the middle from the Chiefs) had LaHaie in foul trouble.

Cheboygan was easily quieted at this stage of the game, as they too became aware that their defending conference champions were in trouble. All the while, the Rambler fans had ignited to the point of catching fire as their team built a 51-44 lead going into

the final quarter. Boyne continued to be red hot, both outrunning the Chiefs and hitting from all over the floor. Cheboygan slowly lost their poise altogether as the Ramblers defending the key were relentless against an inside pass. The Chiefs failed to organize an effective offense against the swiftly rotating Rambler zone and the Rambler lead was enlarged to 65-63 with seconds remaining in the game.

The lump of the Rambler scoring attack was provided by DeSchryver who finished with 20 points. Fitzpatrick scored 16 points, while Beebe and Stutzman had 13 points apiece. Richards contributed 3 points to the books.

BC frosh win again

The Boyne City freshman basketball team overcame a cold third period Monday night as they hung on through the fourth quarter and defeated the Charlevoix Rayders 56-52.

The Ramblers outscored Charlevoix 11-9 through the first period and netted 23 points in the second quarter against the Rayders' 16 points for a 34-25 advantage at the half.

"They (Charlevoix), had a well balanced

little team", said Rambler coach Ron Reinhardt. The Rayders ended the contest with four players in double figures while the Charlevoix Rayders had two players with ten or more points.

The Rayders trimmed the Rambler lead to four points 42-38 after outscoring Boyne City 13-8 through the third period, but the Ramblers matched

Charlevoix point for point through the final quarters both teams came up with 14 points.

Scott Hammontree was the game's high scorer with 23 Rambler points while Jim Abney had 10 points.

Other Rambler scorers included Scott Knipe with 8, Todd Gasco with 6, Wayne Avery with 7, and Bo Williamson with 2 points.

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East Jordan Christmas program played to capacity crowd

Elementary students, from grades kindergarten through fifth, at East Jordan, Michigan, played to a capacity crowd of 1,200 children and adults for the holiday season. The night began with elementary principal Don Peters and the program and thanking several individuals for their efforts in making the event possible. The program consisted of many Christmas traditions including Santa and his sleigh along with other sights and sounds familiar to the holiday season. Pre-schoolers were first to take the stage followed by the kindergarten graders. Both wore costumes and sang songs pertaining to the jolly ol' St. Nick. These songs were followed by grades 1-5 performing various Christmas Eve. The first graders performed a mini-skit titled "Elve's Christmas Eve." Second graders presented "Santa's Toy Shop" as third graders gave their rendition of "why evergreens keep their needles in winter." Fourth graders split into three groups performing "Holly Jolly Christmas," "A visit with the Chipmunks," and "The Marvelous Toy." Fifth graders were last to take the stage with their acting of "Mele Kalikimaka," "A visit from St. Nicholas," and "Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree." The evening was capped with a sing-along of "Silent Night" and "We wish you a Merry Christmas." All students involved should be commended on their performance before the capacity crowd.

What's Happening

BIRTH OF A KING
A live nativity will be performed outside the Presbyterian Church, 207 Williams St., East Jordan on Thursday, Dec. 18 and Sunday Dec. 21, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Please drive by or feel free to stop, get out and view this lovely scene.

HOLIDAY SHOW
The Boyne City High School Drama Department will present "Little Shop of Horrors" on December 17 & 18, Wednesday and Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the Elementary School Auditorium. Tickets are \$2.00 and will be available at the door or from any drama club member. This production will be taken to the State Festival, a statewide high school competition.

CHRISTMAS PARTY
The Ernest Peterson Post of the American Legion and Auxiliary will hold their Annual Christmas Party on Saturday, Dec. 20, 7 pm at the Legion Hall, 302 S. Lake St., Boyne City.

CHRISTMAS POTLUCK
The Boyne City Friendship Club will hold their Christmas Potluck at the Boyne City Senior Center on Monday, December 22 at noon. Bring a dish to pass and your own table service.

DAVIS' REP
Congressman Davis' representative Betty Mankowski will be visiting your area in the near future. Anyone wishing to meet with her is invited to do so without an appointment. She will be available to discuss any problems you may be having with federal or state government. She will be in Charlevoix County on: Tuesday, December 23 at the Boyne Falls Township Hall from 10:00-11:00, at the East Jordan Senior Center from 11:30-1:00, at the Charlevoix County Building from 1:30-2:30 and at the Boyne City Hall from 3:00-4:00. For further information call 517-732-3151 on Monday or Wednesday or toll free anytime in Michigan 1-800-682-8982.

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Letters

point man by the actual power brokers of this country and told to keep a tight leash on Reagan and not let him run loose to often. We all know the tail really can't wag the dog, don't we?

Whenever Reagan is left on his own he always gets into trouble and has to be bailed out and have his mistakes corrected and/or explained by his staff. Those power brokers made an awful mistake of their own. They tried to make an honest to God star out of a 75 year old B. actor. They muffed it bad. You see, even with the high tech of "Star Wars" we still don't know how to make a silk purse from a sow ear.

So how can Reagan fire Regan when Regan has to be around to tell Reagan when to go to the bathroom? See what I mean? You remember when Nixon had his loose cannon on deck to contend with? Well Reagan has his circling sharks - much more dangerous - and they have tasted blood and don't give a damn if they catch Regan or Regan they don't spell so good you know, and with just a wee bit of luck they may have both of them to feast on.

Now wouldn't it be a fine kettle of fish if this should all be true. Who in hell would tend store? No one else whom to sell it to. No one else even knows where the money is hid for crapes sake. All the rest of the administrative crew will be far too busy fighting off their own sharks to be of any help. It might just be that we ain't seen nothing yet.

Well sir there you have it. That why Regan won't fire Regan or vice versa which ever comes first. How does that grab you? Anyway a Merry Christmas to all.

Everett K. Sayles

Conservancy sponsoring old-time dance at fairgrounds

An Old-Time Dance will be held Saturday, December 20 at 8 p.m. at the 4-H building at the Emmet County Fairgrounds in Petoskey.

All dances will be taught by caller, Jan Fowler. She has called dances throughout the Midwest. Included will be squares, contras, circle dances and couple dances such as waltzes and polkas. A demonstration of Appalachian Clogging will be given.

Music will be provided by a live band featuring fiddles, guitar and banjo. Besides traditional old-time dance music, the band plans to perform some special Christmas music. No experience is necessary nor must one come with a partner. The dance is appropriate for people of all ages. Santa Claus is expected to make an appearance. The dance is sponsored by the Music Conservancy, a non-profit organization which promotes traditional music, dance, and arts. The group holds a dance on the third Saturday of every month as well as periodic concerts. A Hooteney is planned for January.

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EJ JV's win impressively

The East Jordan jayvee basketball team entered another win in to the record books last Tuesday night with an impressive 71-44 win over the Boyne City Ramblers.

The Red Devils took command early and let up, outscoring Boyne City 22-10, after one period and led 34-21 at the half. East Jordan enlarged the gap with a 25 point third quarter for a 59-35 lead going into the final period. The Devils then followed up with a 12-9 fourth period scoring advantage for the win.

For the winners, Dan Pepin, Gerry

Ciszewski, and Matt Bishop, all hit double figures with 16, 14, and 11 points respectively. Tim Brennen scored 8 points, Mark Moore had 6 points, Marc Lercel and Aaron Brooks had 4

BC JV's lose to Chiefs

The Boyne City jayvee basketball squad is still looking for their first win of the year after they were defeated at home 52-44 at the hands of the Cheboygan Chiefs on Friday night.

A 9-6 deficit after one period was expanded to a 31-16 lead for the Chiefs by half-time.

Boyne City Minutes

WEEKLY MEETING, NOVEMBER 18, 1986, 11:30 A.M.: All Commissioners were present except Toton. There were 13 people in attendance at the meeting.

Larry Levensgood, County Sanitarian, was present to outline the help his department can give to cities to help eliminate groundwater contamination and to give advice on other toxic waste problems. He pointed out that this now can be done through a recent grant from the State.

Granger Engineering was retained in the amount of \$2,200 to solve an effluent discharge problem at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

The "Marvin Loding community Pride Awards" was established to recognize those home owners and business and industrial corporations for the up-keep, improvement and maintenance of their structures. Awards will be given out every August.

Meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

WEEKLY MEETING, NOVEMBER 25, 1986, 11:30 A.M.: All Commissioners were present except Toton. There were 13 people in attendance at the meeting.

The City Manager and Mike Davis gave a brief outline of a proposed downtown park system development project with the use of Land and Water Conservation. Total cost of river bank boardwalks and Sunset Park development along with a floating pier was set at \$250,000. The City's share would be \$125,000. Of this amount \$40,000 has already been committed by the private sector. The city could participate through other in-kind services such as labor, machinery and equipment. Authorization was given to file a full application for the grant monies.

Meeting adjourned at 11:56 a.m.

WEEKLY MEETING, DECEMBER 2, 1986, 11:30 A.M.: All commissioners were present. There were 30 people in attendance at the meeting.

Approval was given to authorize the City Treasurer to collect one-half of the School District's taxes in the summer, as was collected last year.

It was announced that the new ambulance had arrived and will be put into service as soon as the new radio system is installed.

Of the thirty people in attendance at the meeting, fourteen of them participated in a discussion pertaining to actions taken by the Planning Advisory Board at their regular meeting of November 17, 1986, concerning the treatment of Allied/Bendix/Courter (ABC), by the Planning Board.

Following discussion on the matter, it was agreed that all parties involved understood the ramifications that could occur if all the misunderstandings were not cleared up. It was agreed to wait for the outcome of the next Planning Board's meeting set for December 15, 1986.

If at that time, ABC employees feel their company has not been properly treated, they reserved the right to protest again.

Meeting adjourned at 12:22 p.m.

WEEKLY MEETING, DECEMBER 9, 1986, 11:30 A.M.: All commissioners were present except Mayor Fitzpatrick. There were 12 people in attendance at the meeting.

The city manager explained the new Michigan Clean Indoor Air Act which prohibits smoking in City Hall unless it is in a designated place.

There will be no Weekly Commission Meetings on December 23 and 30, 1986 because of the holiday season.

Grant Street hill was designated as a

sliding hill again for the winter of 86-87.

The meeting adjourned at 11:38 a.m.

MONTHLY MEETING, DECEMBER 9, 1986, 7:00 P.M.: Present: Mayor Pro-Tem Behling, Commissioners Moody and Grimm. Absent: Mayor Fitzpatrick and Commissioner Toton. There were 10 people present at the meeting.

In observance of the State's 150th birthday in 1987, there will be free mooring at the City Marina on June 7, 1987, as suggested by the Waterways commission.

A public Hearing was held to receive citizen input to amend the Zoning Ordinance to re-define the meaning of "Home Occupations". Because of some opposition to the amendment which stipulated that home occupations could not be conducted in mobile home parks or in multiple family dwellings of 3 or more, the commission recommended that the particular paragraph covering that item should be deleted. The matter was referred back to the Planning Board for their re-assessment of deleting the same paragraph. If the Planning Board approves, the First Reading of the proposed Amendment will take place at the January 13, 1987 Commission Meeting.

A Public Hearing was held to receive citizen input on the possible vacation of a portion of W. Main Street that is presently unused and abuts to lake. The City Commission voted to allow the vacation of a portion of W. Main Street. The vacation will now be taken before Circuit Court for final closure. Testimony will be taken from the public at that time.

Meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

ts apiece, while Bo Williamson scored 5 points, Nick Evans had 4 points, Jason Hunt added two points, and Paul Molnar contributed a charity toss.

BC JV's lose to Chiefs

The Ramblers made a bid at the close of the gap midway through the third period, as they scored evenly with Cheboygan for 8 points by each team in the quarter, finding the missing link in their offense with the insertion of some very talented freshmen. Scott Hammon-tree and Todd Gasco,

freshman guards, provided a spark for the Ramblers cutting off passes on defense to set up wild fast breaks down the court. A 20 point fourth quarter for the Ramblers pulled the score close, but fell short of time to continue the come-back.

High scorer for the Ramblers was Scott Snyder with 14 points while Keith Harvey finished up with 10 points. Mark Harris netted 9 points while Paul Molnar and Hammon-tree scored 4 points each

Boyne frosh bedevil Devils

By Dennis Skrocki
The East Jordan and Boyne City freshman basketball teams met in East Jordan on Thursday, December 11. The contest was both teams' season opener.

The game was close throughout the first period with Boyne coming out on top by a 12-11 margin. This quarter seemed to be the Devils' only bright spot as the rest of the game was dominated by the Ramblers.

The second stanza saw Jim Abany and Scott Hammon-tree hit six points each leading the Ramblers to a 29-15 halftime edge as the Red Devils had a cold period scoring only four points.

The third and four-

th periods continued in much the same fashion as Boyne outscored the Devils 13-4 and 18-10 respectively in the last two periods enroute to a 60-29 victory.

Gasco was the leading Rambler scorer with 15 points as Abany hit for 13 and Hammon-tree collected 12. Also contributing to the winning cause were Wayne Avery, Jerery Babock, and Dean Alger with four points each.

For the Red Devils, Don Cutler led the way with 14 points as Bill Gotts added five. Also scoring for the Devils were Pat Muma 4, Ted Sherman 2, Mike Rebec 2, and Steve Shepard 2.

Abany was the

dominant Ramblers defensively with 23 rebounds as Ham-montree collected seven. Also turning in strong defensive

High scores posted in BC mens basketball league

There was some pretty good scoring done by the team members of the Men's Sunday Basketball league.

In the first game, we saw Redman's Drywall come out a winner against the Depot with a score of 88 to 69. Bryan Vroman was the high scorer for Redman's with a total point sum of 24 while Tim Winters had 21 points. For the Depot Tom Beyers collected 23 while we saw Dean Hicks bring in 22 points.

In second game action the EJ Merchants beat out the Precision Tool team 95 to 60. Dennis Lapeer had a good game coming out with 28 points for EJ Merchants while Ken Gahn brought in 23 points. For Precision Tool Ken Kruzel had

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High scores posted in BC mens basketball league

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In the first game, we saw Redman's Drywall come out a winner against the Depot with a score of 88 to 69. Bryan Vroman was the high scorer for Redman's with a total point sum of 24 while Tim Winters had 21 points. For the Depot Tom Beyers collected 23 while we saw Dean Hicks bring in 22 points.

In second game action the EJ Merchants beat out the Precision Tool team 95 to 60. Dennis Lapeer had a good game coming out with 28 points for EJ Merchants while Ken Gahn brought in 23 points. For Precision Tool Ken Kruzel had

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Billy Kidd, one of skiings ambassadors of the world, made a short visit to Boyne Mountain for the Ski Instructors' workshop session. He skied with ski school directors and others as he explained his methods of getting skiers to make good skiing habits.

Snow-touring increase expected with new trail

Snow-touring-or long distance snowmobile travel-should hit a new high in the Lower Peninsula this winter when a 200-mile trail is competed between Traverse City and Tawas City, reports AAA Michigan.

Most of the trail already is linked and travels through Lake City, Houghton Lake and West Branch. It will be the first lower Peninsula trail network when the final 20-mile stretch near St. Helen is completed this winter.

The route should take six to eight hours to travel and has sufficient food, lodging and other facilities to accommodate all users.

An existing Upper Peninsula trail network links St. Ignace, Sault St. Marie and Wisconsin. It travels through woods and field while skirting Lake Superior, with views of the big lake

at several points. Including the two trans-Michigan networks, there are 5,000 miles of groomed trails throughout the state. Registration fees from the 160,000 licensed snowmobiles more than in any other state-will raise \$700,000 for trail grooming. Trail work is done by state workers, local governments and private groups.

Those funds will be used to maintain the 168 sites listed in AAA Michigan's 1986-87 guide to public snowmobile trails. They range from one mile in Petoskey State Park to 200 miles through the Huron and Ottawa National Forests in the Upper Peninsula. The guide includes 63 state parks, one southern game area, 100 state forests and four national forests.

Michigan's groom-

ed trails will allow the average snowmobiler to ride 1,000 miles this season, which will result in \$700 per person being spent on snowmobile outings. Michigan tourism cash registers will ring to the tune of more than \$160 million as snowmobilers log 190 million miles on the trails, according to the Michigan Snowmobile Association.

Before snowmobilers head out on the trails, there must be at least four inches of snow on the ground to use the trails listed in the guide. That level usually is reached about Dec. 1 in the Upper Peninsula and a month later in the Lower Peninsula.

Snowmobiling is permitted Jan. 2 through March 31 in West Michigan's state game area in Allegan County. On state forest lands, off-trail snowmobiling is allowed, but it is prohibited or restricted in national forests.

Snowmobilers should contact rangers' offices for specific rules and are advised to check with local DNR offices for trail conditions before beginning a trip.

For youths aged 12 to 16 to drive unsupervised across public land, they must have passed a

state-approved, eight-hour snowmobile safety course. Children under 12 always must be accompanied by an adult while driving or riding on public property.

Eighteen persons were killed in 17 snowmobile accidents in the 1984-85 season,

the last year for which statistics were available. That is two more than the previous season.

Because safety should be a primary concern for all snowmobilers, AAA Michigan suggests the following rules: *Dress warmly and avoid clothing which

may become tangled in the equipment.

*Carry first aid and survival kits which include a compass, maps, waterproof matches, food and extra clothing.

*Do not stray off marked trails. Look for fences and wires concealed in snow. Respect private

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Real estate and the new tax reform

Good news! The primary and second home-owner has been spared from the hatchet of the designers of the new Tax Reform Act of 1986. We can only thank those of the National Association of REALTORS for their intense lobbying which was to reflect the wants and needs of all home-owners.

The necessary lobbying was made possible only by the personal contributions (dues and otherwise) from realtors over the entire nation. The effort was to help insure the preservation of the mortgage interest deductions for home-owners in its

past and present tax deductible form. This same group also was successful in vigorously lobbying to protect the property tax deduction for the home-owner, as a continuing deductible.

This source of funding for the necessary lobbying is from realtors. Now, not all people in real estate sales are necessarily realtors. Only those who are members of their local boards, the Michigan Association of Realtors, and the NAR. Only these members are allowed to use the word realtor as well as display the big "R", which is the logo for

realtor. These members are dedicated sales representatives, always continuing to be updated with the new laws pertaining to their field of business, attending classes and seminars, (at their expense), and doing a lot of reading of articles relating to the real estate industry.

The Antrim-Charlevoix Board of Realtors is an all realtor board, whose members are responsible and dedicated persons who work to represent sellers and buyers in a professional way. So look for these attributes and the big "R".

Now, what are the advantages for the non-home owner, or renter? Not much we're afraid. The new Tax Reform Act has extremely limited the ability to take advantage of tax deductions. Interest-bearing loans on autos, furniture, appliances and charge cards will gradually lose their deductible status over the next five years, being completely gone by the end of 1991, and losing 35 percent in 1987 alone. The renter only had these deductions in the past and has not been allowed any portion of the taxes nor interest on property mortgages. These are

privileges of the landlord only. So without those deductions, perhaps renters should now give more attention to the possibility of becoming a home-owner. Interest paid on Land Contracts or Mortgages on first and second homes is an allowable deduction, as well as property taxes. We suggest you talk to your tax accountant, to learn where that might drop your over-all payments. Perhaps less than the amount you are paying out in rent.

So why should you be concerned? What should you do? Study the new tax changes. If you are renting,

consider the purchase of your own home. Check with you tax person, visit with a realtor and ask him or her to show you the steps required in purchasing your home. Learn if you are qualified and begin an outline or plan to participate in the tax advantages of home-ownership. Enjoy the "pride of home-ownership" as well.

Remember, it is your realtor who has helped save these tax deductions for you as a home-owner in this great nation. You have the choice as to where to live and in which home you wish to live, because we still enjoy the

greatest freedoms of the world.

The next time you make jokes about pigs, remember, they have been around 36 million years, and according to Ranger Rick magazine, they are very useful animals. Not only can their meat be eaten and made into bacon but pig skin is used for footballs, saddles, jackets and to treat people with severe burns. Chemicals produced from pigs are used to treat humas who suffer from diabetes, and pig heart valves are used to replace human heart valves.

Top local racers at Nastar Midwest II trials

Racers from ski areas throughout Michigan, Wisconsin, Indiana, Kentucky and Ohio recently competed in the NASTAR Midwest II Regional Pacesetter Trials held Dec. 8-9 at Crystal Mountain Resort in Thompsonville, MI.

Top skiers from local ski areas raced against NASTAR National Pacesetter Gunnar Grassl, whose "zero" NASTAR handicap is the national standard by which the 1986/87 NASTAR season's handicap system is established. Results of the regional trial competitions held nationwide determine each individual ski area's pacesetter handicap.

Capturing top male and female racer honors were Brewster McVicker of Nub's Nob, MI with a 5 handicap, along with Jan Clark of Shanty Creek, who posted a 20 handicap to lead the women. Close behind McVicker was Howard Kutsch of Crystal Mt. with a Handicap of 5, followed by Andy

Wasco of Crystal Mt. with a 6. Ann Raterink of Cannonburg placed second in the female division with a 25 handicap, while Judy O'Hearn of Devil's Head, WI was third with 32.

In the team competition, Crystal Mountain's Andy Wasco and Howard Kutsch took the top spot with a 5.5, followed by Brewster McVicker and Steve McPhee of Nub's Nob, placing second with a 10 handicap. Caberfae, MI captured third place with Bob Jacobs and Carder Burns earning a 10 handicap.

Most butterflies have short memories. According to International Wildlife magazine, a scientist at the University of Colorado found that butterflies feed repeatedly from the same flower species because it takes too long to learn their way around new ones. If they venture to a new flower, then return to the old one, they must relearn the path to the nectar.

The following lists 24 ski area, competitors and their NASTAR handicap:
Pine Knob-Joe Schnur-10, Mt. Brighton-Paul Garrison-16, Greg Anderson-12, Jim Coyne-15, Paul Rambo-18, Ski World-Steve Adolph-20, Ed Baber-

Nub's Nob-Brewster McVicker-5, Steve McPhee-15
Caberfae-Carder Burns-12, Bobby Jacobs-8
Crystal Mt.-Chris Cole-8, Howard Kutsch-5, Andy Wasco-6, Ruth Greninger-42, Steve Kermod-Petritz-8

Schuss Mt.-Bob Murlon-14
Shanty Creek-Jan Clark-20
Cannonburg-Wayne Raterink-13, Ann Raterink-25, Todd Webster-17, Mike George-16
Homestead-Jim Williamson-14, Bob Mulligan-21

Sugar Loaf-Mike Schroeder-11
Devil's Head, WI-Fritz Balsley-18
Judy O'Hearn-32
Paoli Peaks, IN-Jim Johnson-17, Greg Beretta-17
Pines Ski Area, IN-Dave Johnson-11
Ski Butler, KY-Lou Newman-23, Fred

Sapp-26, Adi Richter-15
Villa Ollivia, IL-Bob Komarek-13
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Travelers take advantage of 2 week vacation

The traditional close-to-home trek to a relative's house this Christmas-New Year's may not be so traditional as more families take advantage of lower air fares and an extended holiday period to visit Hawaii, Arizona, Mexico and Florida, reports AAA

Michigan.

"The super-saver airline discounts, which shave as much as two-thirds off the regular fare, and the way the holidays fall this year, have prompted many Michiganians to take up to two-week vacations," stated AAA Michigan

Susy Chaffee's ski workout to be released in home video line of sports

Today Home Entertainment adds "Suzy Chaffee's Ski Workout" to their list of fall releases. It is the official workout tape of the United States Recreational Ski Association and will retail at \$29.95.

"This tape is the ultimate ski and sport conditioning workout and has the highest safety standard of any exercise tape on the market today," says Suzy Chaffee, Olympic and world champion freestyle skier and skiing's No. 1 celebrity. "The tape is designed to promote both strength and balance for the slopes as well as all other sports," adds Adriana Shaw, president of Today Home Entertainment. "Suzy Chaffee's Ski Workout" is made for today's active men and women and is great for year-round conditioning.

It will include hot, new music and inspiring ski footage from Suzy Chaffee's new European film, "Fire and Ice," a Wily Bogner film soon to be released in the U.S. "We all need motivation," admist Suzy, "and this tape will give it to you, strengthening speci-

fic ski muscles and enabling you to hit the slopes in peak condition."

After retiring from competition, Suzy became a leading force in promoting fitness, health, and fair practice in women's skiing and sports in general. World famous for her expertise on the slopes and for promoting both the sport and its glamour, Suzy has been dubbed the First Lady of Skiing. The author of the critically acclaimed fitness book, "I Love New York Fitness," she has also been a member of the President's Council on Physical Fitness under four Presidents. Suzy helped design her own line of lighter skis for women and can be seen on Dick Clark's "Athletes of the Decade."

"Suzy Chaffee's Ski Workout" was produced by Leading Edge Associates and will be available in video and retail stores in late October.

Today Home Entertainment is located at 9200 Sunset Blvd., Suite 9809, Los Angeles, Calif. Phone 213-278-6490.

Travel Services Director Diane Willard.

Many schools will close at the end of the day Dec. 19 and reopen Jan. 5, 1987, except the Detroit Public Schools, which close Dec. 23.

A telephone survey of airlines serving Detroit shows terminals should be jam-packed this holiday season, with Dec. 20 and Jan. 3-4 expected to be the busiest days.

"Persons who haven't made vacation plans should find Christmas Day, Dec. 29 and 30 the best days to travel," Willard added. "Most persons booked holiday trips early to get discount fares, but travelers who are flexible and willing to pay the higher price should find airline seats."

While Florida remains the top

vacation destination, Hawaii, Arizona, Las Vegas and Mexico are attracting more Michiganians. Most cruises, particularly to the Caribbean and Hawaii, are booked Christmas week, Willard said.

"Travelers who canceled European summer vacations because of potential terrorist activity now are taking longer, more expensive winter vacations," Willard said.

Florida still is the best bargain. AAA Michigan round-trip week-long air charters are available for Tampa, Orlando and Ft. Lauderdale Christmas week, with prices starting at \$149. Desirable hotel rooms also remain available.

Because airport parking lots should fill over the holidays, AAA Michigan suggests travelers

take a bus or a limousine from an outlying hotel or encourage a friend to drop them off. To ease the holiday rush, travelers should arrive at the airport two hours in advance, take as little luggage as possible and mark baggage with an easily identified tag or sticker.

Michigan ski resort operators also are expecting an upswing in holiday business this year, with 25 to 45 percent of the season's profits expected over Christmas-New Year's. At least limited space remains available at most lodges.

In West Michigan, rooms are available for both Christmas and New Year's periods at Bittersweet, near Otsego; Sugar Loaf, near Cedar; and the Homestead, near Glen Arbor. Rooms

are available for Christmas only at Boyne Mt., near Boyne Falls; Boyne Highlands, near Harbor Springs; Cannonburg, near Belmont; Hilton Shanty Creek, near Bellaire; Nub's Nob, near Harbor Springs; and Schuss Mt., near Mancelona. Crystal Mt., near Thompsonville, has vacancies for New Year's.

East Michigan overnight lodgings are open for both holidays at Michaywe Slopes, near Gaylord. In the Upper Peninsula, space is available for both holidays at all lodges, except at Blackjack, near Bessemer, which is booked for New Year's.

Amtrak officials expect very strong business Dec. 21 through Jan. 4, with East and West Coast destinations the most popular. Greyhound

officials are bracing for heavy business Dec. 20 through New Year's, with Christmas Day the slowest travel day expected. Both advise travelers to arrive at the station at least one hour in advance of departure time.

The 54-hour Christmas holiday officially begins at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 23, and ends at midnight, Dec. 25. The New Year's period starts at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 30, and ends at midnight, Jan. 1.

Last year, nine persons died in traffic accidents over the Christmas holiday. Five of the seven at-fault drivers were known or suspected of drinking. Five persons died in New Year's holiday traffic, with three of the four at-fault drivers known or suspected of drinking.

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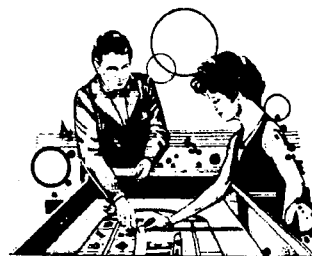
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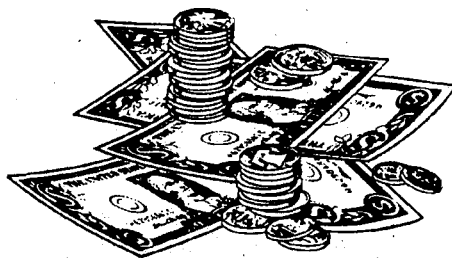
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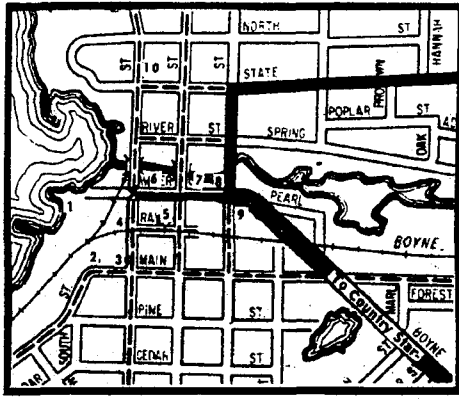


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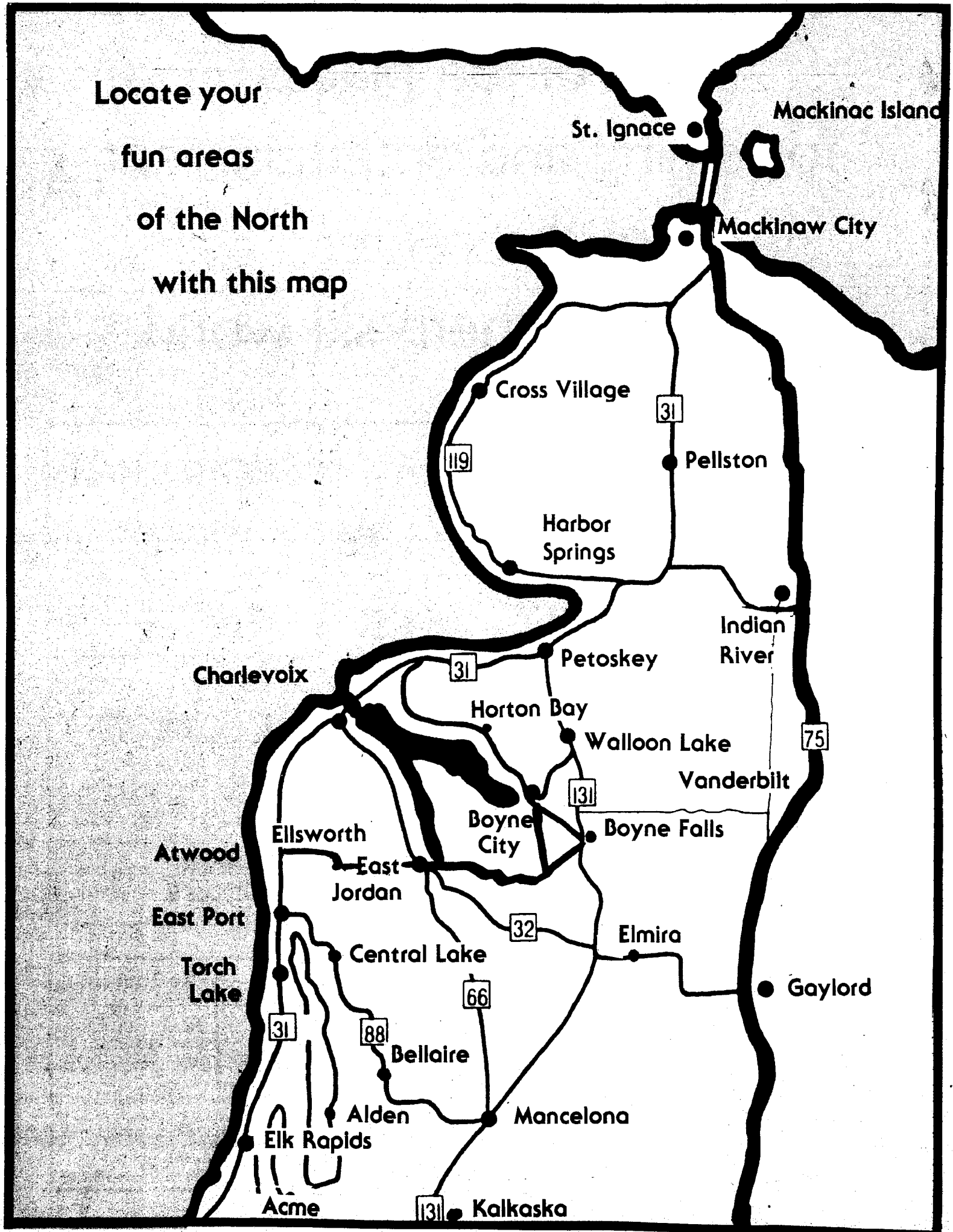



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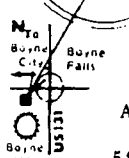
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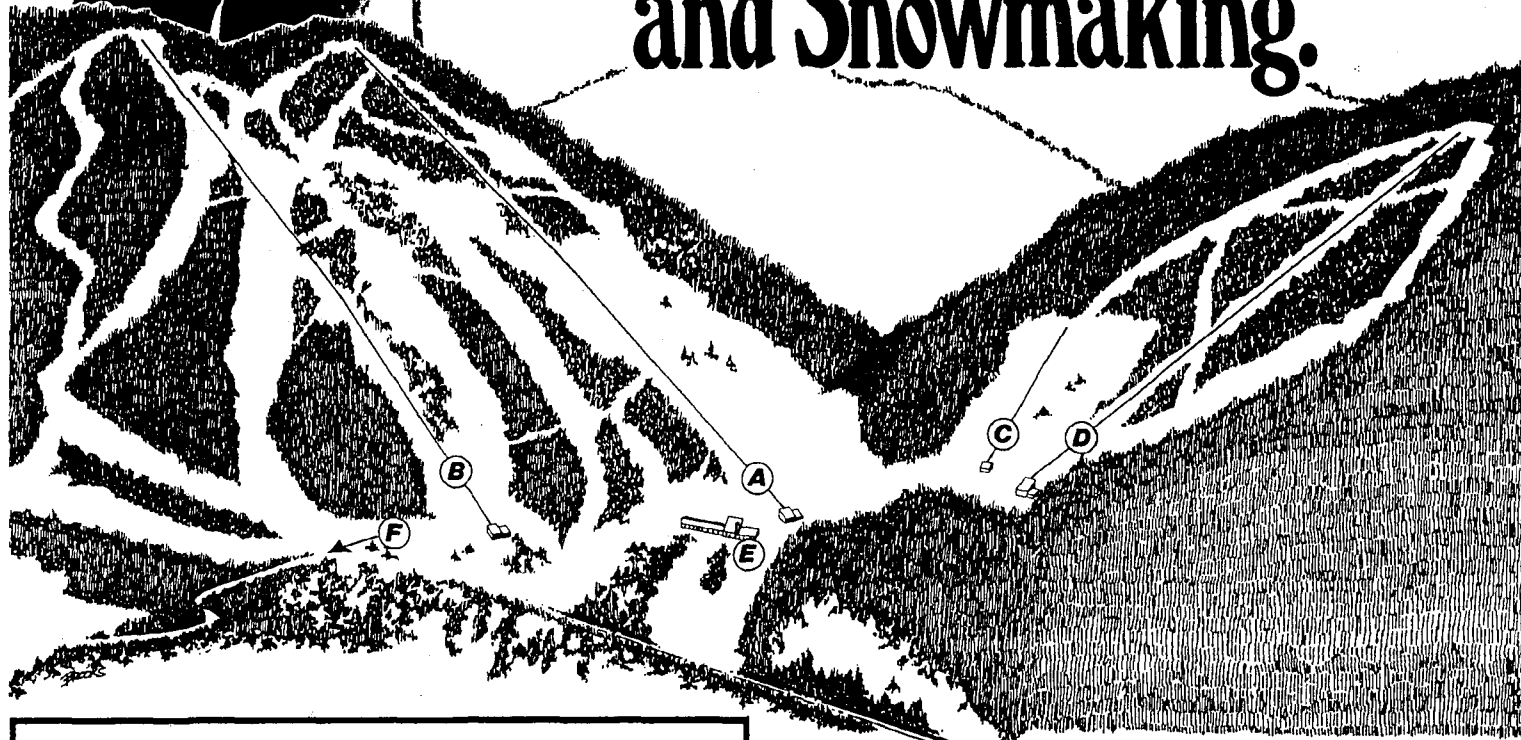
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