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BICENTENNIAL YEAR.....1776-1976

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## Editor's Column

By Connie

### THE WEATHERMAN DIDN'T HAVE TO RUB IT IN

Really, the weatherman didn't have to rub it in, this past weekend.

Friday began a warming trend, with melting snow, temperatures rising till they hit the 50s on Sunday, the big day of the Little Mac Bridge Pig Roast on the Elwood Miller farm.

Sunday was warm, ground was thawing, snow disappearing to the point of almost gone; and the result was mud everywhere.

So the Little Mac Bridge Pig Roast went on as scheduled, with about half the usual attendance (who could blame the people?--Usually, there's snow-mobiling over those beautiful hills on the Miller farm!)--but the pig roast proceeded on schedule and it was a scrumptuous dinner, as usual.

But Monday night--day after the Pig Roast-- a great big cold front moved in on us and dumped three inches of new snow.

I ask you, was that necessary?  
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### WE GET OUR ORDINANCES THROUGH TOWNSHIP BOARDS

So this area got its ordinances through two township boards, Nottawa and Sherman, containing curfew hours and prohibition of loitering on streets or any public places.

The ordinance will not affect the everyday, ordinary family. It will affect only that section of our population, the young hippies bent on holding pot parties and then standing around on Weidman's streets till dawn.

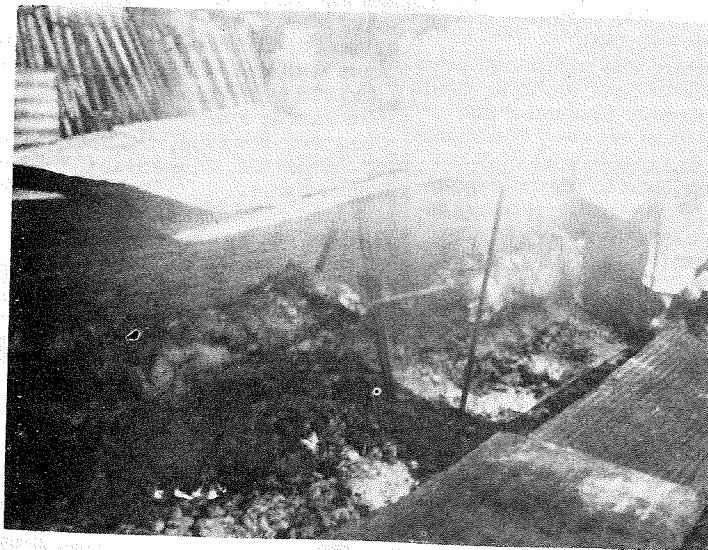
It is intended not to "reform" or "save" those hippies. It is intended to save the younger kids coming up, with fearful chance of being drawn into "the gang" by "peer group pressure", an expression born of our modern educational evolution.

We congratulate both township boards for their understanding and willingness to co-operate in heading off a real threat to the decent life in this area.

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BETTER THAN A LETTER



GENIAL HOST AND HOSTESS FOR THE LITTLE MAC PIG ROAST  
Iola and Elwood Miller were among the huge crowd attending Sunday's Third Annual Little Mac Bridge Pig Roast, mingling with their guests--all hundreds of them--and being their usual charming and hospitable selves. Messenger photo



AND HERE'S THE PIG-ROASTING AREA--Smudged in our picture because of smoke and the foggy day, but showing a couple of pigs slowly turning on spits over charcoal fires. Barely discernible through the smoke and foggy day is Harry Pung, master roaster of the pigs, who works unbelievably long hours each year to make the Little Mac Pig Roast a happy dinner experience and a success for the sponsors.

Winners in drawings connected with the event included Jack Cassidy of Mt. Pleasant, console color television set; Ted Huber, Blanchard, a radio set; Steve Straus, a \$10 gift certificate from Leon Schafer.

"It was a beautiful crowd," one of the Firemen's committee members told the Messenger, "very co-operative, on a bad day--everyone was really nice. About 900 dinners were served.

### ICE CUTTING BEE ON COLDWATER LAKE SUNDAY

The Beal City Knights of Columbus and the Beal City Business Association are sponsoring an ice-cutting bee next Sunday, Feb. 22, on the north side of Coldwater Lake.

Old-time equipment will be used in the ice-cutting, such as the real old-time ice saws, etc., and the ice will be stored in blocks, as in the old times, in a building with sawdust to keep the ice frozen in warm weather.

Beal City is planning an all-out Bicentennial celebration for July 23, 24 and 25, this summer, complete with old-time costumes and vehicles.

The ice from Coldwater Lake will be used to cool beverages at the celebration.

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### VANDALS BURN DOWN DAN KRIPA'S HOUSE NORTH OF WEIDMAN

A house owned by Dan Kripa a half mile north of the Coleman Road, across the road from the Gaylord Hart place, was burned to the ground last week.

It was unoccupied.

Three sets of footprints were noted, leading out of the house.

Sgt. Frank Stevens said Monday of this week that the prints were unclear, and no leads have yet been uncovered.

The supposition is that it was a "b & e"--breaking and entering--and, the culprits finding nothing of value there, burned the place just for kicks.

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### HOWARD ROWE RETIRES MARCH 6 AFTER 37 YEARS WITH DEPARTMENT

Howard Rowe of Mt. Pleasant, known to us over here as "the game warden", and also as a friend in need for counseling or definite help, is retiring March 6 after putting in 37 years with various offices of the game control and protection agencies.

He was with the DNR 37 years, but some of the time was also put in with the Forest Fire Division. Since 1940 he has been with the law division of the DNR.

Howard has many friends over here who will wish him well. He plans to travel some, and more important, he says, spend more time fishing.

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Jan. 22tf

SCHAFFER'S BAIT SHOP--Live bait and tackle. Fishing licenses. Open seven days a week. Ph. 644-3501. In Weidman.  
Feb. 12t3

\$100.00 REWARD--For information leading to the apprehension of the persons who burned down my house Wednesday, Feb. 11, 1976. Dan Kripa, ph. 772-1782.  
Feb. 19t1p

\$100.00 REWARD--For information leading to the apprehension of the person who stole my Signature gas-vented space heater and my BARN RED 20-lb. gas bottle and hose from my hunting shack about Nov. 1, 1975. Harold Verleger, 1521 Birch Lane, Coldwater Lake, address Weidman, Mich., 48893, ph. 644-2701.  
Feb. 12tf

FOR SALE--200 bales of wheat straw. Ph. 644-3388.  
Feb. 19t1p

## Card of Thanks

I wish to express my appreciation to all those who remembered me with cards and visits during my stay in the hospital, and my recuperation at home.  
I am glad to report that I am very much improved, and back on duty patrolling in Sherman Township and around Weidman area.  
Again THANK YOU for your remembrances.  
Ted Krauss

## Card of Thanks

I would like to thank all my friends, neighbors and relatives who came to my retirement party and helped make it an enjoyable evening.  
And for the many cards and gifts.  
Russell and Violet Wright

## Card of Thanks

We would like to thank all persons who helped and donated to make the Little Mac Pig Roast a success.  
Little Mac Association.

## Obituary

**LOUIS J. ZELEN**  
Louis J. Zeien of Mt. Pleasant died Feb. 11 at CMC Hospital. He was 78.

He was born June 2, 1897, in Nottawa Township, where he was a lifelong resident.

He is survived by his wife, Lillian; a son, Walter, of Mt. Pleasant; a daughter, Mrs. Marlene Recker, of Mt. Pleasant; 12 grandchildren, and a brother, Edward, of Beal City, and five sisters, Mrs. John (Helen) Schumacher, of Gilmore, Mrs. Edward (Augusta) Simmer, and Mrs. Dorothy Gertiser of Davison, Mrs. Wilfred (Luella) Martin and Miss Lucille Zeien, of Mt. Pleasant.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 14, at St. Joseph the Worker Church in Beal City, with Fr. Donald Dueweke officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

The family have the sympathy of all.  
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## Obituary

**LAWRENCE J. LOVELL**  
Lawrence J. Lovell died last Thursday, Feb. 12, at the Isabella County Medical Care Facility. He was 90 years old.

He was born May 10, 1885, in Kent County, and had been a farmer in Broomfield Township since 1914.

He is survived by his wife, An-

zonetta; two sons, Roy of Mt. Pleasant and Roland of Bay City; a sister, Mrs. Rodney Saxton, of Higgins Lake; and four grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the Crittenden Funeral Home in Remus at 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 14, with Rev. Athel J. Lynch officiating. Burial was in the Broomfield Cemetery.  
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## Obituary

**PEARL O. LOOMIS**  
Pearl O. Loomis, formerly a resident of Sherman City, died Feb. 9 in Mt. Clemens General Hospital. She was 79.

She was born Sept. 19, 1896, in the Brinton-Sherman City area, where she lived most of her life. She moved to Barryton in later years, and was a member of the Barryton United Methodist Church.

She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. John (Donna) Beutler, of Utica, with whom she had been staying. Also surviving are three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Her husband, Ward, preceded her in death in June, 1974.

Funeral services were held last Thursday, Feb. 12, at the Daggett Funeral Home in Barryton, with Rev. Isaac Sayers officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery at Weidman.

The family have the sympathy of their many friends.  
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HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

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**Notice**

SHERMAN TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE NUMBER 3  
NOTTAWA TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE NO. 2

**CURFEW**  
No child under the age of twelve (12) years shall be permitted, caused or suffered to be upon the public streets or in any public place between the hours of 10:00 P. M. and 6:00 A. M. unless such child is accompanied by his or her parents or guardian, or some adult delegated by the parent or guardian to accompany such child. No child under the age of sixteen (16) years shall be permitted, caused or suffered to be upon the public streets or in any public place between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 6:00 A. M., unless such child is accompanied by his or her parent or guardian or some adult delegated by his or her parent or guardian to accompany such child.

**LOITERING**  
It shall be unlawful for any person to linger, loiter, sit or stand on any public street, alley, park, public room, office or business establishment or to obstruct the entrance to any business establishment without so doing for some lawful purpose, or if contrary to the express wish of the owner, lessee, managing agent, or person in control or charge of the building or premises.

**PENALTY**  
Any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine not exceeding One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars or by imprisonment for a term not exceeding 90 days, or both. Any minor who violates any provisions of this ordinance shall be dealt with by the juvenile division of the probate court, or as prescribed by the laws of the state.

**KEITH LOOMIS**  
Clerk for Sherman  
And Nottawa Townships  
In Special Meeting Jointly  
Feb. 1972

**NEWS NOTÉS**  
Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague called on Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Sprague of Mt. Pleasant Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips were in Edenville last Wednesday, visiting Mr. and Mrs. Robert Vincent.

Mr. and Mrs. George Looman of Cedar Springs were last Wednesday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague. The Spragues were Friday evening supper guests of the Ronnie Sprague family.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

**LAKE ISABELLA**

Ruth Yabs, Reporter

**NOTICE:** To all Lake Isabella residents: If you have ANY items for news please call me at 644-2706. Ruth Yabs.

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**NEW PATROLMAN FOR LAKE ISABELLA**

Vacation is over: Traveled over 9,000 miles visiting the Grand Canyon, Hoover Dam, Las Vegas, spent a few days at Laguna Beach and drove up the Pacific coast to San Francisco, to Hollywood and Beverly Hills.

After the sights of San Francisco, including Fisherman's Wharf, Golden Gate Bridge, and a ride on the trolley, drove south to the Gulf of Mexico, stopping in El Paso and shopping in Quarez, Mexico. Then to Florida for a few sunny days and back to Michigan, and to work as Lake Isabella patrolman.

Introducing myself to you: George Klenk, age 55 years, a veteran of World War II and Korean War. Twenty-five years on the Detroit Police Force. Purchased property here in 1969 and built home in 1970.

Appointed By L. I. P. O. A. Board to Patrolman for Lake Isabella area, and deputized by the Sheriff's Department.

My phone number is 644-2014. \*\*\*\*\*

**REACT!**  
**WHAT IS IT?**

It's Radio Emergency Associated Citizens, a national organization of nearly 1,000 volunteer groups with over \$40,000.

Volunteers who utilize equipment and Citizens Band Radio to Monitor Emergency Channel 9 and provide local two-way communications in emergencies such as accidents, and to summon medical aid, keep traffic moving, report road conditions, give road directions (to help others avoid being lost).

The local REACT Chapter is called "Pork Chop Memorial", and consists of 13 counties, each county being responsible for monitoring at its local level.

In case of an emergency at Lake Isabella, and help is needed, call on your county REACT members. Most members have both home and base radio units and telephone lines to help make necessary communications for you.

Some members are: Jim Graper of Broomfield Trailer Park, Robert Mays, Forest 1, Lake Isabella, Lois Ritter, Coldwater Lake, and Clarence Lorenz, Coldwater Lake (County REACT Director).

Money to help defray expenses is raised by coffee breaks and jamboree sessions.

A non-REACT Coffee Break is being planned by Gil Overla and Robert Mays for Sunday, Feb. 22, at 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., 12

miles east of Remus on Winn at Deerfield Center. Go around the corner to the south at the Township Hall, or seven miles west of Mt. Pleasant on M-20 and turn left at the center.

Come and get acquainted with REACT! C-B-ers from many areas are invited, and especially new ones--we hear them on the air, but want to meet them first hand. Come to the REACT Coffee Break!

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**S. W. Sherman**

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Reedy and family of Riverdale called on Steve Dutcher Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Brian Dutcher and children were Sunday dinner guests at the Dutcher home. Butch Hardenburg was a caller during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dutcher of Mt. Pleasant had dinner with us Tuesday. Other callers during the week were Richard Dutcher and family, the Robert Dutchers and Jim Dutcher.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Yuncker, Deanne, Danelle and Keith, spent Saturday evening with us, helping us celebrate our 45th anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Secord of Holt spent Friday afternoon and had supper with us.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sanderson of St. Charles met Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler and family at the Bonanza Restaurant in Mt. Pleasant to have dinner and help Donald Beutler celebrate his eighth birthday Sunday. Donald also had a surprise birthday party Monday after school, when several of his classmates went home with him on the bus.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Johnston were Sunday afternoon visitors, along with her folks, the Stanley Sandersons, at the Howard Beutler home.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Swan of Mt. Pleasant had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gatehouse. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Crawford

of Grand Rapids spent the weekend with them. Sunday afternoon and evening visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Weirsmas and son of Grand Rapids, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Gatehouse and family, Lou Ann and Mark Maeder, Vada Gatehouse, and Clarence and Aletha Chaffee.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Howe and family visited the Jim Dutchers Friday evening and Saturday.

Joan Roomsburg and Brian Dutcher were Saturday visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gaudard and family of Midland were Sunday afternoon and supper guests of the Ervin Dutchers, Sr.

Sandy Dutcher and Eddie Oplinger spent Saturday evening with them. Roma Dutcher and Linda and children were Friday callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Wood and family of Sanford spent the weekend at the Robert Dutchers'. Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Owen came up early Sunday morning and spent the day. They all attended the Little Mac Bridge Pig Roast on the Elwood Miller farm.

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**NEWS NOTES**

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Momany of Big Rapids were Sunday afternoon callers of their mother, Mrs. Ruth Momany, to tell her that they had planned to come over for her birthday, but both were ill with virus infections, and didn't want to give it to her. Ruth celebrated her 71st birthday Valentine's Day, and says she's feeling better than she has been in years.

Mr. and Mrs. James Beutler and Carol, Dianne and Billy were Friday evening callers of Mrs. Claribel Beutler.

Mrs. Marian Beutler and Mrs. Claribel Beutler called at the Daggett Funeral Home in Barryton Wednesday evening, paying their respects to Pearl Loomis.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Hammond of Harrison were Sunday afternoon callers of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague.

Cocktail Lounge.

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**BREAKFAST - LUNCH - DINNER**

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# NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS

## GENERAL TELEPHONE COMPANY OF MICHIGAN

On December 19, 1975, General Telephone Company of Michigan applied to the Michigan Public Service Commission for authority to revise its Schedule of Rates and Charges which would have the effect of increasing its revenues by the amount of approximately \$10,229,000 annually based upon 12 months of its operations ending September 30, 1975. In addition to the application, the Company filed copies of its direct testimony and exhibits with the Commission.

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Michigan Public Service Commission will hold public hearings on the Company's application. Persons who wish to be heard in these proceedings may do so either pursuant to the provisions of Rule 16 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure Before the Commission, R 460.26, (limited participation for the purpose of giving testimony and statements of position) or pursuant to the provisions of Rule 11, 460.21, (Intervention).

#### Rule 16 - Participation

Special hearings for the specific purpose of receiving testimony and statements of position of parties (other than the Company) under Rule 16 will be held as follows:

**Lansing - March 16, 1976 at 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. in the Auditorium of the Law Building, 525 West Ottawa Street.**

**Muskegon - March 18, 1976 at 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. in the Marine Room of the L.C. Walker Arena, 470 West Western Ave.**

**Gaylord - March 23, 1976 at 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. in the Basement Community Room of the Gaylord State Bank, 123 West Main Street.**

Persons desiring to testify or make statements of position may do so at the above hearings or at subsequent hearings without formal intervention.

#### Rule 11 - Intervention

Persons who desire to intervene must comply with Rule 11 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure and must file an original and eleven copies of a petition to intervene with the Commission by March 11, 1976, and served a copy thereof upon all parties to the proceeding as identified in the Commission's file. Subparagraph (2) of Rule 11 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure Before the Commission, R 460.21, provides as follows:

"(2) A petition to intervene shall set out clearly and concisely the facts supporting the petitioner's alleged right or interest, the grounds of the proposed intervention, and the position of the petitioner in the proceeding, so as fully and completely to advise the parties as to the Commission of the specific issues of fact or law to be raised or controverted." (Emphasis added)

Persons filing such a petition to intervene may request from the Company a copy of its direct case which was filed with the Commission at the time the Company filed its application. Persons filing petitions to intervene subsequent to March 11, 1976 will be required to take the case and schedule as they find it at the time of their intervention.

The first hearing will be held on March 16, 1976 at 9:30 a.m. in the offices of the Commission, Law Building, 525 West Ottawa Street, Lansing, Michigan 48913, for the purpose of considering petitions to intervene, establishing a schedule of further hearings beyond those established herein, seeking agreement upon procedures, discussing the issues involved in the Company's application and similar matters. Hearings for the purpose of cross examination of the Company's witnesses will commence on April 19, 1976 at 9:30 a.m. in the offices of the Commission, Law Building, 525 West Ottawa Street, Lansing, Michigan 48913. Such hearings will continue from day to day thereafter or on such adjournment date as the Administrative Law Judge may set.

The Company filed copies of its direct testimony and exhibits showing the proposed new rates with the Michigan Public Service Commission. Interested persons may examine that material during business hours in the office of the Commission, Law Building, 525 West Ottawa Street, Lansing, Michigan 48913, or at the Company's business offices.

Commission jurisdiction in this matter is pursuant to Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 13, and 21 of Act 206, P.A. 1913, as amended, M.C.L.A. 484.101 et seq., MSA 22.1441 et seq.; Sections 3 and 4 of Act 419, P.A. 1919, as amended, M.C.L.A. 460.53, 460.54 et seq., MSA 22.3, 22.4 et seq.; Sections 1, 4, 6, and 6a of Act 3, P.A. 1939, as amended, M.C.L.A. 460.1 et seq. Chapter 4 of Act 306, P.A. 1969, as amended, M.C.L.A. 24.201 et seq., MSA 3.560(10) et seq.; and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 1954 Administrative Code, Supplement No. 54, R 460.11.

This Notice is published pursuant to Commission Order.

The increases described in this notice have been requested by General Telephone Company of Michigan. The Michigan Public Service Commission may either grant or deny the requested increase, in whole or in part, may grant a lesser

or greater increase than that requested, and may authorize a lesser or greater rate for any class or classes of service offerings, establish new service offerings or withdraw existing service offerings.

A summary of the rate schedules proposed by the Company is as follows:

### LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE Comparison of Present and Proposed Rates

Class of Service	Rate Group 1		Rate Group 2		Rate Group 3		Rate Group 4		Rate Group 5		Rate Group 6		Rate Group 7		Rate Group 8		Rate Group 9		
	Present	Proposed	Present	Proposed	Present	Proposed	Present	Proposed	Present	Proposed	Present	Proposed	Present	Proposed	Present	Proposed	Present	Proposed	
<b>Business</b>																			
PBX Trunk-Rotary	\$29.70	\$35.85	\$31.10	\$37.50	\$32.50	\$39.20	\$33.90	\$40.90	\$35.30	\$42.60	\$36.70	\$44.30	\$38.10	\$45.95	\$39.50	\$47.65	\$40.90	\$49.35	
PBX Trunk-Non-rotary	25.95	31.30	27.20	32.80	28.45	34.35	29.65	35.75	30.90	37.30	32.10	38.75	33.35	40.25	34.55	41.70	35.80	43.20	
Key-Rotary	25.95	31.30	27.20	32.80	28.45	34.35	29.65	35.75	30.90	37.30	32.10	38.75	33.35	40.25	34.55	41.70	35.80	43.20	
Key-Non-rotary	22.25	26.85	23.30	28.10	24.35	29.40	25.40	30.65	26.45	31.90	27.50	33.20	28.55	34.45	29.60	35.70	30.65	37.00	
One-party	14.90	18.00	15.60	18.80	16.30	19.65	17.00	20.50	17.70	21.35	18.40	22.20	19.10	23.05	19.80	23.90	20.50	24.75	
Suburban	10.75	12.95	11.25	13.55	11.75	14.20	12.30	14.85	12.80	15.45	13.30	16.05	13.80	16.65	14.30	17.25	14.80	17.85	
* Semi-public Coin	11.20	18.00	11.70	18.80	12.25	19.65	12.75	20.50	13.30	21.35	13.80	22.20	14.35	23.05	14.85	23.90	15.40	24.75	
<b>Residence</b>																			
PBX or Rotary	11.15	13.45	11.70	14.10	12.30	14.85	12.75	15.40	13.30	16.05	13.80	16.65	14.35	17.30	14.85	17.90	15.40	18.60	
One-party	7.45	9.00	7.80	9.40	8.15	9.85	8.50	10.25	8.85	10.70	9.20	11.10	9.55	11.50	9.90	11.95	10.25	12.35	
Two-party	6.40	7.70	6.70	8.10	7.00	8.45	7.30	8.80	7.60	9.15	7.90	9.55	8.20	9.90	8.50	10.25	8.80	10.60	
Four-party (1)	5.55	6.70	5.80	7.00	6.10	7.35	6.35	7.65	6.65	8.05	6.90	8.35	7.15	8.65	7.40	8.95	7.70	9.30	
Suburban	6.40	7.70	6.70	8.10	7.00	8.45	7.30	8.80	7.60	9.15	7.90	9.55	8.20	9.90	8.50	10.25	8.80	10.60	
Limited Usage (2)	5.45	7.00	5.80	7.40	6.15	7.85	6.50	8.25	6.85	8.70	7.20	9.10	7.55	9.50	7.90	9.95	8.25	10.35	

(1) This is a temporary service offering available only until facilities permit regrading to One-party or Two-party Service. This service offering shall be withdrawn by December 31, 1979.

(2) The basic monthly charge for Limited Usage Service (formerly called Life Line Service) entitles a customer to 30 outgoing local messages per month without additional charge. Local messages in excess of this allowance will be charged at the rate of \$.10 each. No charges apply for local incoming messages. This service offering will be available in exchanges as soon as facilities become available, but no later than December 31, 1976.

LIST OF EXCHANGES

The following is a list of exchanges served by the Company showing the rate group for each exchange as of January 20, 1976. Rate groups are determined by the number of equivalent main stations within the local calling area.

Exchange Name	RG	Exchange Name	RG	Exchange Name	RG	Exchange Name	RG	Exchange Name	RG	Exchange Name	RG		
Adrian	6	Central Lake	4	Ellsworth	4	Hesperia	4	Manistique	4	Pentwater (1)	4	South Haven	5
Alden	4	Centreville (1)	6	Elsie (1) (2)	2	Higgins Lake (1)	4	Maple Rapids (1)	1	Pickford	3	Stanton	3
Allegan	4	Clam River	4	Emmett	3	Hillman	5	Marcellus	2	Pompeii (1)	3	Stanwood (1)	5
Alma (2)	5	Clifford	4	Erie (2)	8	Holtan (1)	7	Mattawan	8	Posen (1)	4	Sturgis	5
Almont	3	Clinton	4	Fairview	3	Houghton Lake	4	Maybee (1)	6	Quincy (1)	5	Swartz Creek (1)	8
Alpena	6	Coldwater	6	Fennville	2	Howard City	2	McBride (1)	2	Rankin (1)	8	Tecumseh (2)	6
Ashley (1)	3	Coldwater Lake (1)	5	Fenwick (1)	2	Hubbard Lake	5	Memphis	4	Ravenna (1)	7	Temperance	8
Atlanta	3	Colon	2	Fowler-Pewamo (1)	4	Hubbardston (1)	2	Mendon	5	Reading	5	Three Rivers	5
Avoca (1)	6	Columbiaville (1)	5	Fruitport (1)	8	Hudson (1)	2	Merrill (1)	8	Remus (1)	3	Tipton	6
Bancroft (1)	6	Conklin (1)	8	Gaines (1)	4	Ida (1)	6	Metamora	5	Richmond	4	Torch River Bridge	4
Bangor	5	Constantine	5	Ganges (1)	4	Imlay City	4	Middleton (1)	1	Riverdale (1)	4	Twin Lake (1)	7
Barryton (1)	2	Coopersville (1)	8	Garden (1) (2)	4	Ithaca	5	Milford-White Lake	8	Rogers City	4	Union (1)	7
Bath (1)	8	Covert (1)	4	Gaylord	4	Jeddo (1)	6	Minden City	2	Roscommon	4	Union City	5
Bellaire	4	Davison	8	Gobles	8	Kingston	1	Mio	3	Rudyard	1	Vandalia (1)	4
Blissfield	3	Decatur (1)	3	Goodells (1)	6	Kinross (1)	5	Mt. Pleasant	5	St. Johns	4	Vanderbilt (1)	4
Breckenridge (1)	2	Deckerville	2	Grand Junction (1)	5	Lachine (1)	5	Muir	4	St. Louis	5	Vestaburg (1)	1
Britton (1) (2)	4	DeTour (1)	2	Grand Ledge	8	Laingsburg (1)	8	Muskegon	7	Saline (2)	7	Wiedman (1) (2)	5
Bronson	5	DeWitt	8	Grass Lake	7	Lakeview	2	North Branch	3	Saugatuck (1)	6	Whitehall (2)	7
Brown City	2	Dowagiac	5	Grayling	4	L'Anse	3	Onaway	5	Schoolcraft (1)	8	White Pigeon (1)	5
Burr Oak (1)	5	Dryden	6	Gulliver (1)	3	Lawton	8	Ortonville	8	Shelby	4	Williamston	8
Capac	3	Dundee	3	Hamilton	6	Lewiston	3	Ossineke	5	Shepherd (1)	5	Woodland	5
Carson City (1)	2	Durand	6	Harbor Beach	3	Lincoln	3	Otisville	8	Sheridan	3	Yale	3
Caseville	3	Eastport (1)	4	Harrisville	3	Linden (1)	8	Ovid (1)	5	Sidney (1)	5		
Cass City	3	Edmore	2	Hart	5	Long Lake	5	Owosso	6	Sister Lakes (1)	5		
Cassopolis (1)	4	Edwardsburg (1)	7	Hartford	4	Lost Peninsula (1)	9	Palo (1)	4	Six Lakes (1)	1		
Cedarville (2)	3	Elkton	4	Hemlock (1)	8	Ludington	5	Paw Paw	8	Smiths Creek (1)	6		

- (1) In exchanges marked with this symbol, Urban Four-party Residence Service is not offered.
- (2) In exchanges marked with this symbol, there are Locality Rate Areas where One-party and Two-party Urban Service is provided at rates slightly in excess of the urban rates set forth in the table on Page 1. Four-party rates within the Locality Rate Area (where offered) are always equal to the suburban rate in that rate group.

A summary of other proposed changes is as follows:  
OTHER PROPOSED CHANGES

INSTALLATION, MOVE, AND CHANGE CHARGES

The charges for the installation, move, and change of basic service would not be increased. A new charge for inside wiring terminations for residential customers would be established in the amount of \$10 for each additional wired location. This charge would apply to each additional inside wiring termination in excess of the inside wiring termination provided with basic service and requested on the same service request and to each additional inside wiring termination beyond the first termination on all subsequent service requests, per service call.

EXTENSION CHARGES

	Monthly Rate	
	Present	Proposed
Residence Extensions	\$1.15	\$1.05
Business Extensions	2.00	1.05

COIN TELEPHONE SERVICE

Coin telephone calls would be increased to 20¢ from 10¢ for all local calls.

MULTI-LINE TELEPHONE SERVICE

The basic monthly rates for multi-line (key) telephone services would be generally increased approximately 5%.

CENTREX SERVICE

The station rates for Centrex systems would be increased approximately 20%. No changes in rates are proposed for attendant positions, reconnection of dormitory stations, or other additional and supplemental equipment, with the exception of residence extension stations which would be decreased from \$1.15 to \$1.05.

MOBILE TELEPHONE SERVICE

Company provided equipment will increase approximately 20%. Monthly service charge - increases same as Business One-party Service.

MAINTENANCE OF SERVICE CHARGE\*

\* This charge applies in cases where General Telephone visits the customer's premises because of a trouble report which results from equipment or facilities provided by the customer.

PREMISE VISIT CHARGE FOR ACOUSTIC AND INDUCTIVE CONNECTION.

Present \$15 Proposed \$35

PRIVATE BRANCH EXCHANGE SERVICE

The rates for the common equipment for Series II, Series III, and Large Dial Nonexpandable PBX Systems would be increased by varying amounts as indicated by the detail following. Series I common equipment rates would not change. The rates for additional and optional features to PBX systems would increase up to approximately 20% with the exception of line additions to the switching equipment for Large Dial Nonexpandable Systems.

Series II (Small Dial Non-expandable)

	Present Rate	Proposed Rate
Class A	\$ 65.00	\$ 88.00
Class B	105.00	135.00
Class C	180.00	250.00

Series III (Large Dial Expandable)

	Present Rate	Proposed Rate
Class A		
-100 sta lines, 18 trunks	210.00	389.00
-200 sta lines, 18 trunks	286.00	539.00
-200 sta lines, 28 trunks	318.00	549.00
-300 sta lines, 18 trunks	332.00	598.00
-300 sta lines, 28 trunks	429.00	729.00
-400 sta lines, 18 trunks	440.00	742.00
-400 sta lines, 28 trunks	457.00	763.00
Class B		
-100 sta lines, 12 junctors	280.00	473.00
-200 sta lines, 24 junctors	443.00	727.00
-300 sta lines, 18 trunks	489.00	950.00
-300 sta lines, 36 junctors	570.00	1,140.00
-400 sta lines, 24 junctors	505.00	1,087.00
-400 sta lines, 36 junctors	778.00	1,363.00
-400 sta lines, 48 junctors	778.00	1,363.00
-500 sta lines, 36 junctors, 58 trunks	707.00	1,455.00
-500 sta lines, 48 junctors	818.00	1,588.00
-500 sta lines, 36 junctors, 78 trunks	818.00	1,588.00
Class C	225.00	377.00
PBX (Large Dial Nonexpandable)	250.00	461.00
PBX Stations		
Business	2.50	1.05
Residence	1.15	1.05

EXCHANGE LINE MILEAGE CHARGES

The basic monthly rates for exchange line mileage would be increased by 25¢ per incremental rate.

	Present Rate	Proposed Rate
First 1/2 mi., per 1/2 mi. or fraction	\$1.00	\$1.25
Next 2 1/2 mi., per 1/2 mi. or fraction	.75	1.00
Over 4 mi., per 1/2 mi. or fraction	.50	.75

PROPOSED INCREASE FOR OTHER SERVICES

An increase of approximately 20% would apply to monthly rates for all services except those listed below:

- Services referred to elsewhere on this page to which other specified charges would apply.
- Premium telephone instruments
- Touch calling services
- Additional operator sets non-miniaturized (grandfathered at existing rates).
- Cords
- Speaker phones
- 12-Button Multi-Line Telephone Instrument
- Intraexchange - Private-line teletypewriter station equipment

If you have any questions concerning any of the matters contained in this Notice, please contact the manager of your local business office.



CATHY BARROW

Cathy Barrow, soprano soloist, will be at the Weidman United Methodist Church this coming Sunday evening to present a concert program. The public is cordially invited.

Miss Barrow has recently joined the staff of World Vision's Midwest office.

Mrs. Barrow has had extensive training in vocal music, and has a superb soprano voice.

She had the leading female role with the Western Michigan Opera Company, was soloist with the Grand Rapids Symphony Orchestra, the Schubert Singers of Kalamazoo, and has appeared in a number of television programs. She also has had the solo part in many cantatas and oratorios.

She is from Grand Rapids, and is especially interested in the relief ministry of World Vision in the African Sahel.

She recently completed a world tour of disaster areas such as Cambodia and Vitenam. Around the world people have been thrilled by her singing.

Plan to attend her concert Sunday evening at 7 o'clock at the Weidman United Methodist Church.

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#### BROWNIE TROOP GOES TO PROVINCIAL HOUSE

Brownie Troop No. 401, Weidman, visited Provincial House in Mt. Pleasant Valentine's Day, taking valentine gifts they had made themselves.

They had gone through a three-weeks' project: The first week they made candy boxes to be filled with vanilla and chocolate fudge which they made; last week they took them to Provincial House as their final project.

The residents were overjoyed with their gifts, and the visits of the young girls.

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#### NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Touchinski entertained at a birthday party for Debbie on her fourth anniversary, Wednesday. Mabel Allen of Lansing and Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller were guests.

#### NEWS NOTES

George Miller left Monday for Florida for a week's vacation.

Jimmie Wilcox is doing some carpentering work for his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wilcox.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jarred of Clare spent Saturday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wilcox.

Jerry Smith suffered a broken arm Sunday morning when he attempted to ride a snowmobile on the trail from Weidman to the Elwood Miller farm. He was taken to CMC Hospital, where he was treated and released. The fracture was not corrected Sunday, as there was too much swelling of the affected area. He was scheduled to go back Tuesday to get the broken bone set.

Ella Adams of Lake called on Emma Middlesworth Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Charnes are spending this week attending a conference sponsored by the National Council on Alcoholism, in Dallas, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. J. U. Donihoo (Gelotta Fleming) planned to meet them, and spend the week with them in Dallas.

Emma Middlesworth, Claribel Beutler and Nina Forbes were Sunday dinner guests of Lela Whearett, and enjoyed the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey and Lillian Earns of Mt. Pleasant at-

tended an antique doll show at Holt Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. Athel Lynch called on Mrs. Nina Forbes last Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell McArthur spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Steve Fussman.

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## Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wood and son were Friday evening guests at the Jim Thompson home.

Bill Thompson, who works at WFYC Radio Station in Alma, acted as disc jockey for a dance at Winn Saturday evening.

Mrs. Margaret Denslow and Mrs. Opal Denslow called Tuesday evening at the Daggett Funeral Home in Barryton to pay respects to Mrs. Pearl Loomis.

Mr. and Mrs. Gale Merrihew were weekend guests at the Elwood Millers', and enjoyed the Third Annual Little Mac Bridge Pig Roast Day.

Mr. and Mrs. David Hines of Auburn, Ind., were callers at the Pete Wood home during the weekend. She is a sister of Mrs. Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew were Sunday evening callers at the Charlie Losey home. Ron Dutcher of Midland called Hattie to tell her that Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Dutcher were in Tucson, Ariz.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Dutcher, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Oplinger, Miss Debbie Slider and Danny Madigan attended the Little Mac Bridge Pig Roast at the Elwood Miller farm Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Cummins and children and Mr. and Mrs. Mack Denslow were Saturday callers at the Alva Cummins home.

Mrs. Nettie Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pam, Mr. and Mrs. Tracy White, Mrs. Helen Smith, and Mrs. Ula Cummins enjoyed dinner Sunday at the Alva Cummins home, celebrating his 90th birthday.

Mrs. Myrl Scott of Ewart and her daughter Mrs. Schut, and son of Cadillac were Saturday callers of Mrs. Nettie Lawrence.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Martin were in Saginaw Saturday to visit relatives.

Mrs. Irene Keck of Ashley spent Sunday at the Martin home.

Mrs. Joyce Chaffee spent Sunday with her folks, the Mack Denslows.

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## Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

### MANY ATTEND RETIREMENT PARTY FOR RUSSELL WRIGHT

A large crowd of friends and relatives gathered at the hall in Brinton Saturday evening to attend the retirement party for Russell Wright, who retired from Dow's after 25 years of work.

Guests were present from Shepherd, Mt. Pleasant, Greenville, and Battle Creek, Flat Rock, and Grand Rapids.

Russell and Violet plan to leave this week for an extended trip through the States, including California, where they will visit

his aunt.

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Mr. and Mrs. John Baker and son spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Baker.

Merry Go Round Club was cancelled this month, due to road conditions. The March meeting will be with Sandy Kline March 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Baker and son John and wife enjoyed supper at Coldwater Lake Saturday evening.

Word was received Saturday of the death of Mrs. Walter Sowle of Muskegon Heights. Walter was the son of the late Bernie Sowle.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Fletcher, Jr., (nee Connie Bowen), of Farwell, announce the arrival of a daughter Sunday afternoon at the Mt. Pleasant Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bowen and Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Fletcher, Sr., of Farwell are the proud grandparents.

Eunice La Londe, Fern Beutler and Mr. and Mrs. Gary La Londe attended the funeral of Mrs. Walter Sowle at Muskegon Heights Monday.

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## West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Allbee and Mrs. Ernestine Straus visited the Paul Coles Tuesday.

Mrs. Beulah Wixson and sister, Miss Ruth Border, were admitted to CMC Hospital this week.

Some ungrateful culprits burned the house on North Woodruff Road last Tuesday. The house belonged to Dan Kripa.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Wixson of Indiana visited their mother, Beulah Wixson, at CMC Hospital Friday.

Leona Baker and friend of Chase visited her cousin, Lena Cole, Friday. Leona was born in Gilmore Township 55 years ago, the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Keller and Mrs. Ralph Smith. All were residents of this vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kripa, Jr., visited the Paul Coles Sunday.

Those who came for a surprise supper Saturday evening to remind Yours Truly she had another birthday were Mr. and Mrs. Sebastian Pfannes, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kripa, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mahon and Ronnie, and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Dennis and Rusty.

Little Jennie Yambrick had very successful surgery Friday at University Hospital at Ann Arbor.

The Coles received word from South Bend that their little granddaughters, Jennie Ganser and Shannon Mossell, are both very ill, in the hospital, with pneumonia.

Saturday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Geasler were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Klassen, Mrs.

Melody Reed and Maggie, and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Smith, all of Gladwin. Mrs. Ben Blackmer called Sunday evening.

Raymond Geasler called on his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler, Saturday.

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## Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

Janice Sebenick has opened a cake-decorating-supply shop at her home on the Weidman Road, three and three-quarters of a mile east of Weidman. Norman Sebenick was her father-in-law, Ray Sebenick her uncle. Good luck, Janice!

Joseph Zuker was discharged from CMC Hospital Feb. 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Cashen and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Schafer of Hubbardston had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Keifer.

Joe Faber had back surgery in a Saginaw hospital, and is back home, recuperating.

Eileen Faber is in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital at Ann Arbor, undergoing tests. Her room number is 714. Cards and letters would be welcome.

Louis Zeien passed away last Wednesday at CMC Hospital. He was buried Saturday from St. Joseph's Church in Beal City.

The Beal City Aggies lost to the Vestaburg Wolverines Friday night, 69-68. It was a tight contest all the way, and Beal City will be part of a five-team Class D District which will begin playoffs at Vestaburg the first week in March.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Bierschbach and family of Grand Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Lyon and family of Mt. Pleasant called on Mr. and Mrs. Julius Bierschbach last week Sunday. Bernard Bierschbach, Mrs. Gary Schumacher and family, Mr. and Mrs. Aloysius Schumacher and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schafer were callers during the week.

The students at St. Joseph's Catholic School observed Centennial week with a town crier (Mark Thielen) reading an announcement at class changes. Mark was costumed with colonial hat, lantern and bell as crier and read the proclamations. The Bicentennial Week at the school also included a red-white-and-blue dress day, open house, door decorating contests, and old-time dress day Friday.

Wilfried Schmidt of Helminghausen, Germany, is working on the Norman Gross farm as part of an overseas work experience sponsored by the Future Farmers of America (FFA). He works at least 40 hours a week and is paid a set fee. He also gets extra pay for longer hours which he volunteers to do. He will go back to Germany and attend farming school for a year, after which he plans to work on his parents' farm.

## North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Cathy Alwood's classmates, Rhonda Sides and Sheryl Stanley, helped her celebrate her 13th birthday Saturday afternoon and evening in Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Alwood and the girls called on Grandma Smith at Pleasant Manor, and took her a valentine gift. They also called at Provincial House Nursing Home to see Larry Smith and other friends Helen used to care for at the State Home. The girls enjoyed supper at Arby's Restaurant, and attended the movie, "Challenge To Be Free".

Donny Alwood spent Monday over night with Lenny Snyder near Remus.

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Blodgett spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloy Sperry.

Mrs. Laura Latham spent Saturday with her sister, Mabel Chaffee, and the family, to celebrate Mabel's birthday.

Dinner guests at the Micky Abbott home Sunday were Lois Knollenberg and boys, Debbie Miller, and Deann and Dawn Chapman of Rosebush. Mr. and Mrs. Lee Parker called in the afternoon.

Visitors at our home last week were Wanda and Debbie Graham, Dick Gott and a friend, Herb Varney of Farwell, and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hinkle of Alma, old friends, with whom we went to school near Ashley: Albert Gott, our son, and wife, Mr. and Mrs. John Gott, of Elwell, and Mrs. Ella Adams of Lake, who also called on Emma Middlesworth. Mr. and Mrs. Don Alwood also called. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gott and family of Stanton called Saturday.

Miss Denise Ptak and friend spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ptak. Brian and Denise and her friend attended the pig roast at the Elwood Miller farm Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Brown and Pat called on her parents Monday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Steve Aldrich called, and went fishing with his parents (no luck), Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Parrish and family of Mt. Pleasant called on her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Abbott, Sunday.

Mrs. Helen Alwood called on Mrs. Pearl Battle last Friday, after work, to take her a valentine cake. Pearl had returned home from the Mt. Pleasant Hospital after having major surgery.

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### WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH

The Bonner Brothers Quartet from the Saginaw area will be coming to the Weidman Baptist Church Sunday, Feb. 29, for a concert at 7 p.m.

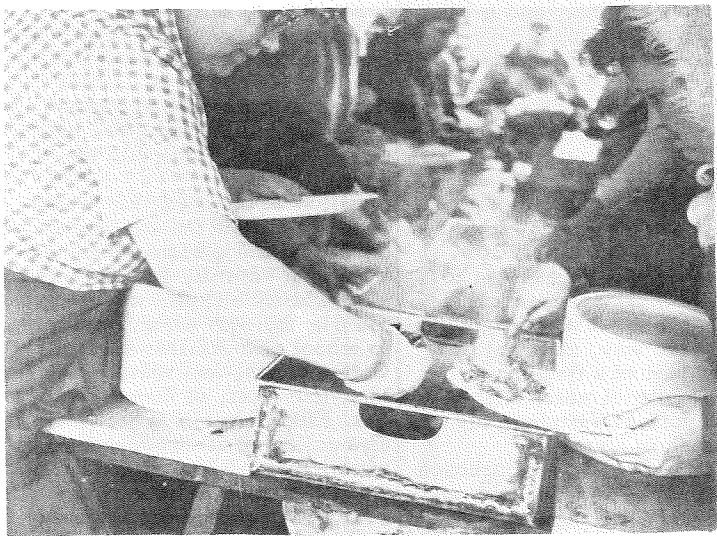
Everyone is invited to come and enjoy their beautiful singing.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

## LITTLE MAC BRIDGE DAY.....



BACK OF THE FOOD PREPARATION TENTS--Here are the home-baked loaves of bread, and the foil-wrapped baked potatoes, kept hot on low-heat charcoal fires.



INSIDE THE SERVING TENT--At the back-end of the serving line, which is an assembly-line efficient operation, with ladies of the Firemen's Auxiliary, the WBA and the Beal City Business Association, each dishing up one particular item of food that goes into the extra-hearty and super-delicious dinner at the pig roast. With the assembly-line technique, plates are filled in a jiffy, and the waiting line outside moves along satisfactorily. Men helpers keep the supplies coming as they dwindle in the serving process, and the plates are filled and passed out pronto. Messenger photos.

Sunday, Feb. 15, was the day long dreaded but never really expected by the sponsors of the Little Mac Pig Roast and Snowmobile Day: Temperatures warming the couple of days beforehand, and on Sunday climbing to the 50-degree mark.

Snow melted, and there went the snowmobiling. Everywhere there was mud.

Sunday looked like the disaster always thought of but never really believed in--but this year it came true.

Sunday was the worst day of the year for the Third Annual Little Mac Bridge Roast Pig Day on the Elwood Miller farm.

Yet people came by the hundreds, and dinner sales were phenomenal. (Who wouldn't endure melting snow, no snow sport and mud everywhere, for that

super-delicious charcoal-roasted pig dinner?)

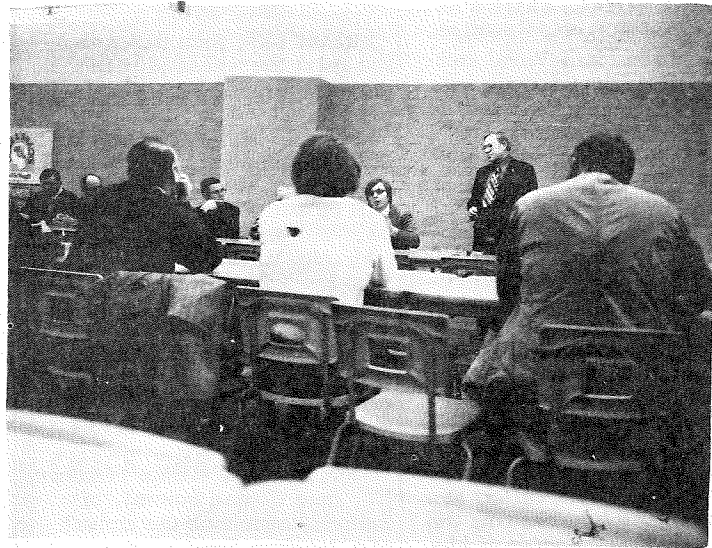
The dinner was sumptuous, with plenty of pork meat on every plate, huge helpings of home-made dressing, a baked potato, home-made bread, buttered and hot, and pickles. That's besides the cup of hot bean soup from Evelyn Hackney's famous recipe.

That's a dinner.

And the good crowds there, in spite of warm weather, no snowmobiling, and mud, attested to the fame of the Annual Little Mac Pig Roasts on the Elwood Miller Farm.

Good eatin', and good companionship, thanks to the Millers who give over their beautiful farm lands annually for this public event.

BETTER THAN A LETTER



SHERIFF DONALD GILLIS (Standing, facing camera) explains to Weidman citizens the need for a curfew and loitering ordinance in this area. Beside him (seated) is Isabella County Prosecuting Attorney Robert Kennett, who also gave interpretations of Michigan state laws and the need for "backup" ordinances in local areas. The meeting was attended by about 30 people, with a gratifying number of concerned parents present. Both the Nottawa and Sherrmn Township Boards, in a special meeting before the public discussion, approved and adopted the ordinance. Nothing will be changed for families caring for their minor offspring at night. Messenger photo

Some Firemen, some volunteers and just friends worked all day Saturday, a few right through Saturday night and all day Sunday, to get everything prepared just right and to help out Sunday in any way they could. There were many ways, and they sure helped.

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