


Fourth of July Week-End Fun

Fireworks displays in the Tawas and at Hale will feature week-end Fourth of July activities. Hale's program is to be held Sunday, July 3, at dusk, while the fireworks display at the Tawas City Park dock is to be held Monday, July 4, at 9:30 p. m.

Included in week-end events at Hale will be a refreshment tent at the township hall grounds. There will be a talent show Friday night at the high school, a chamber of commerce dance Saturday at 9:00 p.m. and the annual Plainfield Township Fire Department barbecue starting Sunday noon. A water parade is to be held at Long Lake Sunday at 1:00 p. m.

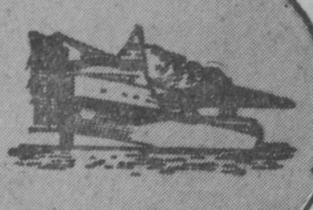


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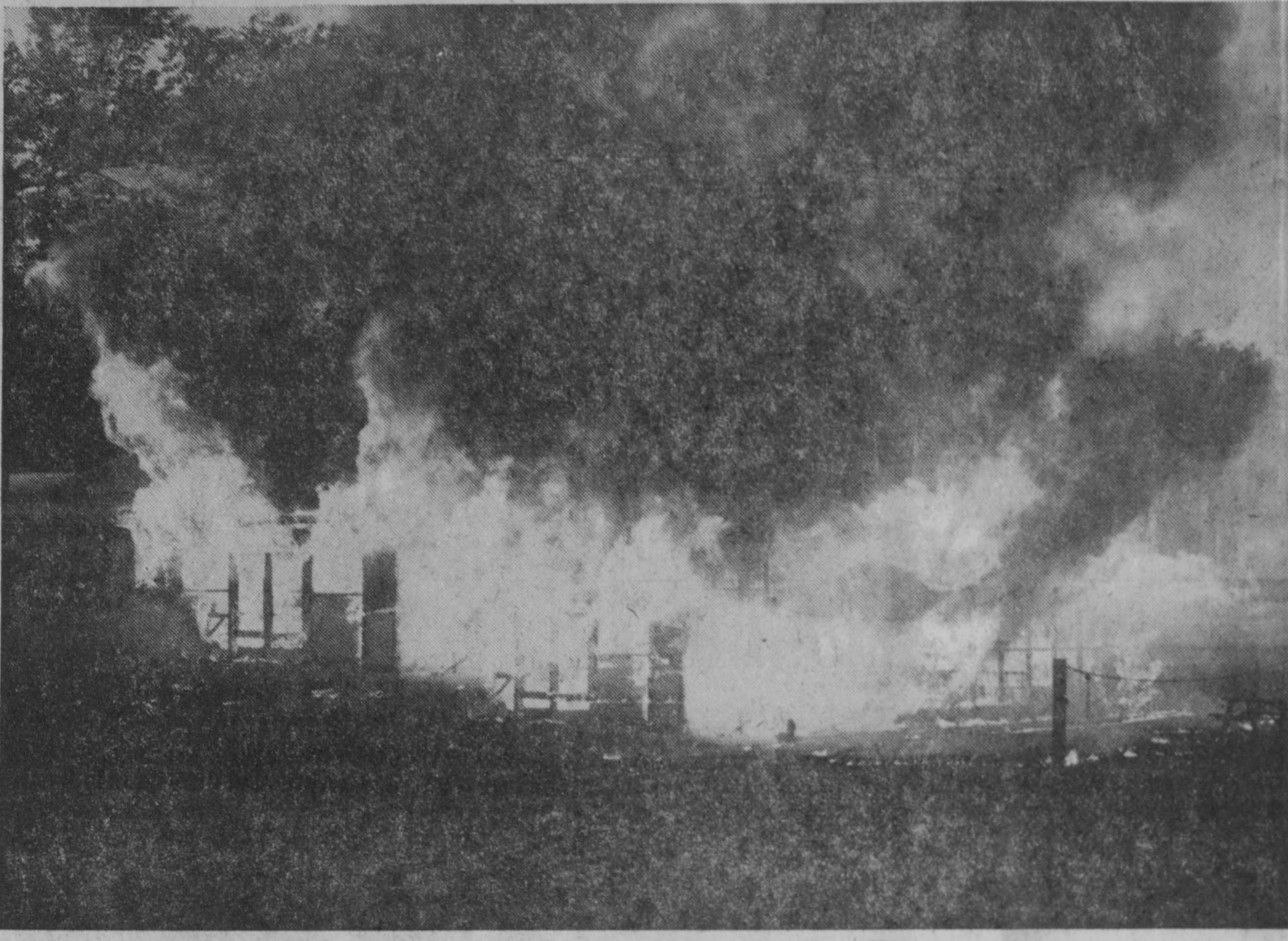
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TAWAS FURNITURE CENTER south of Tawas City was engulfed in flames and smoke early Saturday morning when this picture was snapped prior to the arrival of the Tawas City Volunteer Fire Department. The East Tawas Volunteer Fire Department arrived minutes later to assist.—Tawas Herald Photo.



MARSHALL WOOD, left, store owner, is shown conferring with Alton Long, a member of the Tawas City Fire Department, during a search of the wreckage to find the firm's records. There were no injuries in the blaze, although one fireman was overcome by smoke.—Tawas Herald Photo.

Fire Destroyed Tawas Furniture Center Bldg.

Fire early Saturday morning completely demolished Tawas Furniture Center located south of Tawas City in Alabaster Township.

Marshall Wood, owner, estimated his loss for building and contents at \$175,000. About 50 percent of the stock was stored in warehouses at the rear of the structure.

Wood announced Monday that he was opening his business in a temporary location in the former McKay body shop located southwest of the city limits in Alabaster Township.

The blaze was reported to the Iosco County Sheriff's Department at 6:49 a. m. Deputies Michael Horning and Chester Wilson arrived to find the building engulfed in flames. The two deputies broke a window out of a van truck parked next to the building and pushed it to safety.

The blaze was out of control when the Tawas City Volunteer Fire Department arrived minutes later and the East Tawas Volunteer Fire Department assisted in fighting the blaze.

Wood said the store was closed at 5:30 p. m. Friday. Cause of the blaze has not been determined.

Wood said that records were incomplete following the fire and welcomes calls to review orders and goods to be delivered. He said he plans "to go on the same as ever" and is considering rebuilding.

The store was originally constructed in the early 1950s by Stanley Lane and was known as Bargaintown. Wood purchased the business in the fall of 1965, expanded with a store in the former Barkman building in Tawas City for two years and then combined the business into the one store which was demolished by fire.

The firm incorporated in 1972.

Webb Held Early Lead

Early returns in Tuesday's special election to fill the Fifth District vacancy on the Iosco County Board of Commissioners had John Webb Jr. of Reno Township, Republican, leading Robert Pember, Plainfield Township, Democrat, by a slim margin, 281-244.

Webb led in Plainfield Township, 192-187, and in Reno Township, 58-21. Pember had a 36-31 margin in Grant Township. Results from two precincts of Oscoda Township were not available at press time.

Submit Copy Early, Please

Due to the July 4 holiday week-end, news items and advertising copy should be taken to the Herald office as early as possible.

The Publishers

School Year Ending

Two New TA School Trustees Take Over Offices on July 1

Final meeting of the 1976-77 school year was held Monday night by Tawas Area Board of Education. Two new members of the board of education are to take office officially on July 1.

It was the last meeting for Dr. James Jacques and Carl B. Babcock. Jacques had served the past year as president and completes two four-year terms. Babcock completes his four-year term and had served previously as president. Both men decided not to run for re-election.

Two new members attending their first meeting on Tuesday, July 5, will be James Russo Jr. and Kathryn Leitz. They will join with Trustees Clare Herriman, David Kennedy, Willard Dillon, Robert Curry and Randall DeWyse in reorganizing on Monday, July 11.

Monday night's meeting was called primarily to authorize payment of year-end bills of the school district.

A communication was read from Whittemore-Prescott Area Board of Education stating that it had approved the proposed transfer of property between the two school districts. Property owned by Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Lorenz and Mrs. Leo Giori would be transferred from Tawas Area School District to Whittemore - Prescott Area School District and property owned by Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bush located in Whittemore-Prescott Area School District would be transferred to Tawas Area School District. The property is all located in Sherman Township.

No action was taken on the above transfers and is to be discussed when the board of education reorganizes in July.

It was announced that an offer had been received for the purchase of the dwelling constructed by the building trades class on First Avenue. Sale price of the house is \$37,000.

Following the meeting, the board of education and administrators were guests of Robert Reasner, instructor, at the building trades house. An inspection was made of workmanship by the class.

Clerk Stands on Previous Ruling Candidate Believed He Had Paid Delinquent City Taxes

Despite the fact that a Tawas City Council candidate had assumed his property taxes had been paid prior to his filing nominating petitions, City Clerk Rachel Sue McCready ruled last week that the candidate was still in default to the city and was not eligible for the August 2 primary election under terms of the city charter.

As a result of the ruling, no primary election is to be held as more than six candidates are required for such an election. The action could result in a test of the constitutionality of the city charter.

Prior to the vote of the council, the city clerk said it was her interpretation of the city charter that default and delinquent were one and the same and candidates who were delinquent in paying property taxes were not eligible for election under terms of the charter.

Following the council meeting, the clerk identified the two candidates in default to the city as Lyle Healey and Jerry Snoblen.

After reading a report of the meeting in the Herald and other news media last Wednesday, Healey contacted the city clerk to say that his taxes had been paid prior to the deadline.

Mrs. McCready checked with the county treasurer's office and learned that the loan company handling financing of Healey's property, along with other accounts, had deposited money in an escrow account but had not made out an actual check for the property taxes until a week after the deadline for filing nominating petitions.

The city clerk said that the treasurer's office had been swamped with work since the annual tax sale, which delayed processing of the loan company's payment of taxes for its clients.

"I can sympathize with the candidate if he thought his taxes were paid, but they were not actually paid by the deadline for filing nominating petitions and it is the responsibility of the property owner to see that they are paid," said the city clerk.

Mrs. McCready said, too, that the candidate was in default to the city because of a past due water and sewer account for construction, which would also make him ineligible for office under the city charter.

Final Closing on FHA Water Loan

A water expansion project in the Tawas area, which has been under consideration for seven years and is now under actual construction, reached a successful culmination Tuesday morning with final closing of a \$982,000 Farmers Home Administration loan.

Later Tuesday afternoon, Carlton Merschel, acting chairman of the county board of commissioners, accepted a \$350,000 check as the first installment on this project from FHA.

Total cost of this project, which is to serve Baldwin Township, East Tawas and Tawas City, is \$1,942,000. The project was awarded a \$960,000 grant from the Economic Development Administration and Upper Great Lakes Regional Commission in 1975.

Actual cost of the water construction, including contingencies, is \$1,740,000. The balance of the money is to be used for additional water projects by the three local units.

Much of Tuesday morning's proceedings in the final closing saw Merschel and County Treas. Edward Nelkie signing 350 FHA \$1,000 bonds. In addition, township and city officers signed bond transfers. The closing was handled by the Iosco County Department of Public Works, which has been responsible for administering financial arrangements for the local units of government. The \$982,000 FHA loan is to be paid to the federal government by the three units over a period of 40 years at an interest rate of five percent.

Actual construction on the project began the week of May 16 by GGL Contractors, Belleville, low bidder on the general contract.

William Smith, superintendent of public works at East Tawas, said that work has progressed rapidly on construction of a water main from the Tawas Industrial Development Park on Aulerich Road and had reached Evans Street at East Tawas on Monday.

Smith said that construction on the main should progress just as rapidly through East Tawas and he expected that the line would reach Tawas City by a week from Friday.

In addition to providing connections with the East Tawas filtration plant and construction of water mains, this project will see construction of overhead storage tanks at each end of the system in Tawas City and Baldwin Township, as well as construction of a ground storage facility at East Tawas.

Tawas Area School's New and Outgoing Trustees



NEW MEMBERS of Tawas Area Board of Education, who were elected June 13, were recognized at Monday night's meeting. Seated at left is James Russo Jr. and at right is Kathryn Leitz. Standing in back are two board members who retire this week, Carl Babcock, left, and Dr. James Jacques, right.—Tawas Herald Photo.

Meet July 5 on TA School Borrowing

A special meeting of Tawas Area Board of Education is to be held Tuesday, July 5, to open bids on tax anticipation notes totaling \$800,000.

This money is to finance operation of the school starting with the first payroll in July until the time property taxes are to be received starting December 1.

At one time, this school district had accumulated enough surplus in its general fund at the end of each year to finance operations until state aid payments and taxes were received later in the year.

The board of education was to have opened bids Monday night of this week on tax anticipation notes totaling \$665,000, the amount authorized earlier by the Municipal Finance Commission.

Following approval of voted mileage on June 13, the state approved borrowing against the full \$800,000.



MR. AND MRS. LYLE MOONEY of East Tawas celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Saturday, June 25, with Mass at St. Joseph Catholic Church with the Rev. Fr. Francis Murphy officiating followed by a reception at their home.

Farms and Water Systems to Benefit

Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) will receive applications until September 30, under a special loan program initiated by Pres. Jimmy Carter to assist farms and improve community water systems affected by prolonged drought.

Frank J. Tuma, FmHA county supervisor, said the application deadline was designated by a federal interagency Drought Emergency Coordinating Committee in naming areas eligible for benefits of the special programs.

FmHA farming emergency loans covering losses from drought and providing additional credit needed to restore production are available to farmers who lack other sources of credit. Loans, which may be supplemented by grants, are available for emergency measures.

Another deadline applies to emergency water system projects.

They must be completed by November 30. Tuma said the FmHA office for Iosco County at 806 West Cedar Street, Standish, can supply further information on terms of the special drought emergency programs.

Pine River Assn. of Blind Named Officers

The Pine River Association of the Blind, consisting of 32 blind or visually impaired and 40 sighted members of Alcona and Iosco Counties, elected new officers to take over in July. Elected were Paul Martindale, president; Richard Duchane, vice president; Bert Simmons, secretary; and Minnie Streeter, treasurer.

Plans for a float and a bake sale at the July 4 celebration at Barton City were formulated. The public is invited to attend business meetings of the group held the second Thursday of each month at the old Mikado Hall at 7:00 p. m.



A PUBLIC HEARING was held Thursday night at the city hall in Tawas City to receive public comments concerning the regional sanitary sewer study conducted under a federal step one planning grant.

include Richter Lixey, supervisor of Baldwin Township; Robert Bolen, mayor of East Tawas; Reginald Bublitz, city manager, Tawas City; James Curtis, chief engineer, Spicer Engineering Company, Saginaw.—Tawas Herald Photo.

Decide Soon on Application for Second Step for Regional Sewer Financing

A step one regional study financed by federal and local funds enters its final phase following a hearing Thursday night at the city hall in Tawas City. The area under study includes East Ta-

was, Tawas City and portions of Tawas, Baldwin and Alabaster Townships. Governing boards and councils of each of the five participating units have met with representatives of

engineering firms conducting the study, Edmands Engineering of Bay City and Spicer Engineering of East Tawas.

Within a matter of weeks, it is expected that each unit will make a decision concerning construction alternatives at Thursday's public hearing relative to making step two and three applications for final planning and actual construction.

Depending on approval of federal funding, secondary sewer treatment could be provided here by 1980 at the earliest but engineers emphasized at the hearing that approval of the first step does not necessarily mean that the second and third steps would be approved for 80 percent federal and five percent state funding.

Conclusions of the study as outlined at the hearing indicated that subregional aerated lagoon secondary plants in both Tawas City and East Tawas were being recommended as the least costly of five different plans included in the study.

Besides construction of secondary treatment facilities, the plan would include construction of sewer mains in the three townships.

Local share of the construction cost was as follows: Tawas City, \$624,000; East Tawas, \$379,000; Alabaster, \$606,000; Baldwin, \$2,150,000; Tawas, \$1,496,000.

At the present time, Tawas City residents pay \$40 per year for sewer service, based on one-half of the water bill. Should the program be adopted, cost to individual residential users would be advanced to approximately \$175.

It is expected that FHA long-term financing would be used for this project and a portion of the cost probably would be included in taxes rather than levied entirely on the sewer charge.

The townships have the option of continuing in the program or taking no action. In the case of the latter, treatment facilities would be designated to accommodate only those units entering the program.

A "no action" alternative is not environmentally acceptable for

MERSCHER HARDWARE advertisement listing services like RINSE N VAC, Carpet Cleaning System, FISHING LICENSES and TACKLE, and LAWN and GARDEN SUPPLIES.

Junior Baseball Lists Weekly Action

Fifth week of play in the junior baseball program saw the Indians and Eagles tied for leadership in the National Division of the Knot-hole League with five and one records while the Yanks topped the American Division with the same record.

Leading the National Division of the Pony League was the Hawks with a record of four wins and two losses, while the Braves and Twins were tied for leadership of the American Division with four and two records.

Games last week were as follows:

June 20—The Indians shut out the Dodgers, 20-0; Pat Revord was the winning pitcher as the Eagles downed the Scouts, 11-10; Eugene Desmore struck out 12 batters in a 10-9 win registered by the Tigers over the Jets; the Twins defeated the Yanks, 5-4, in Pony League action; Jay Grabow belted three hits

and struck out 10 batters as the Eagles defeated the Braves, 14-4, also in the Pony League. June 21—Jim Stonehouse banded two triples for the Red Sox in a 14-4 win over the Eagles and Jim Fairbanks was the winning pitcher; Dale Wheatley struck out 14 batters as the Mets downed the Yanks, 7-3; it was the Hawks over the Dodgers, 12-5, with Jeff Wojahn turning in a Pony League victory.

Wednesday—Bruce Keeler and Charles Elliott belted home runs to back up Curt Leslie in his win for the Indians over the Jets, 21-2; the Scouts took the measure of the Dodgers, 7-3, with Dan Moffitt receiving credit for the win; Pony League action saw John Erickson of the Eagles holding back the Dodgers, 19-11, and Bill Rigg was the winning pitcher in the Twins' 4-3 victory over the Braves.

Thursday—Tom Beaubien was the winning pitcher as the Yanks defeated the Tigers, 23-0, and Rodney Loeffler was hot at the plate with six hits in six trips, one being a 182-foot home run; the Mets won over the Braves via a forfeit; J. C. Ulman was winning pitcher as the Eagles downed the Red Sox, 7-4; Grant Mousseau pitched a one hitter as the Hawks defeated the Yanks, 7-0, in Pony League action.

Here's A Black and White Cure for the Blues—A Herald Classified!

Sis's Dress Shop advertisement featuring a woman in a swimsuit, listing sportswear items like Split Skirts, Golf Sets, and Knit Tops, and promoting a wide range of prices.

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Reno News

Mr. and Mrs. Elwin Robinson, accompanied by Miss Florence Latter, called on Mrs. Hattie Mae Robinson at the Long Term Facility, Standish.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Waters had the following visitors this past week: Mr. and Mrs. Richard Webster from Black Lake and Frederick Latter from Clarkston.

Sue Latter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Latter, is a champion runner. She won first place in the 800 meter race at Los Angeles, California.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Samson Jr. and son from Taylor spent the week-end at the home of his parents.

FOREST FIRES WASTE ENERGY... RESOURCES advertisement with a graphic of a forest fire.

Real Estate Transfers

Dale L. Koepke and wife to Martin O. Zollweg and wife, Part of Lot 11 of Block 15 of Plan of the Village (now City) of East Tawas.

Helen Dodenhoff Adams to Chester J. Stuss and wife, Lot 41 of Peter C. Dodenhoff's No. 2 (Undivided 1/2 Interest).

Helen Dodenhoff Adams to Jan Kedzierski and wife, Lot 37 of Peter C. Dodenhoff's No. 2 (Undivided 1/2 Interest).

Helen Dodenhoff Adams to Andrzej Kaminski and wife, Lot 35 of Peter C. Dodenhoff's No. 2 (Undivided 1/2 Interest).

Wayne F. Case and wife to Helen L. Goschke, et al, Lot 1137 of Lakeside Heights Subdivision.

Ralph Hayes and wife to Chester S. Lubelczyk and wife, Lot 48 of VanEtan East Shores.

William J. Humphreys and wife to Paul D. Foxworthy and wife, Parcel in Section 3, T23N, R9E.

Richard Roberts and wife to Ralph B. Engle and wife, Lot 15 of Lake Huron Acres.

Everett R. Calvin and wife to Hemlock Road Baptist Church, Part of NW1/4 of NW1/4 of Section 30, T22N, R7E.

Dale E. O'Farrell and wife to Gary S. Kadrich, Part of Lot 5 of Block 9 of Village of Oscoda.

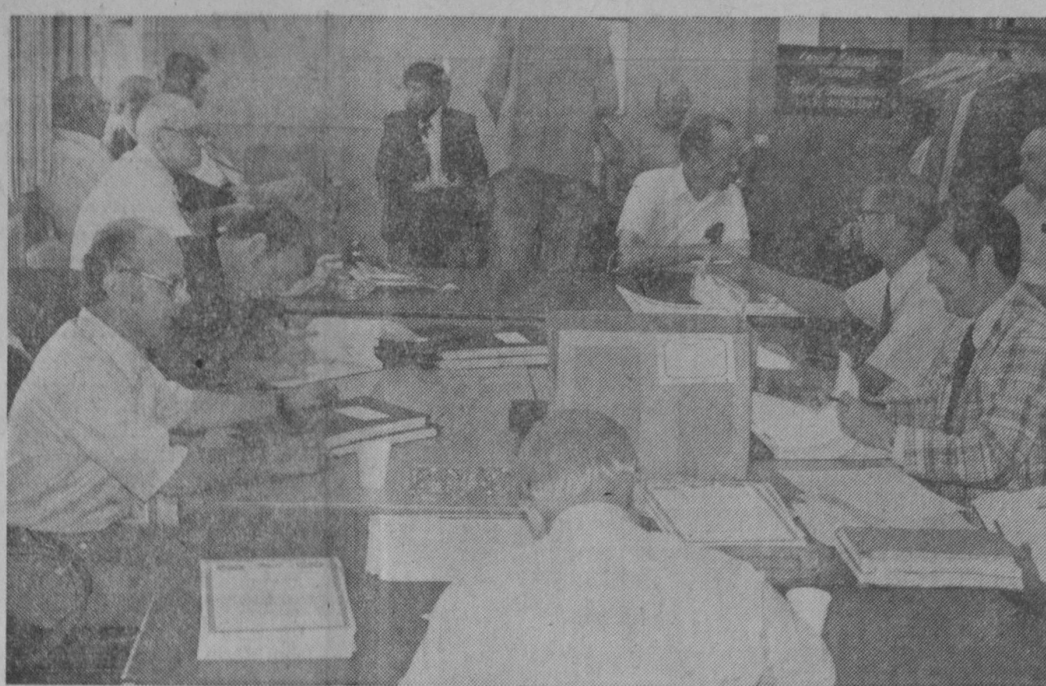
Gary S. Kadrich and wife to Lyle J. Relitz and wife, Part of Lot 5 of Block 9 of Village of Oscoda.

Mary Ivy Martha Bakewell to Clifton A. Scarlett and wife, Parcel in Section 7, T23N, R6E.

Ken J. Myles, et al, to George W. Myles, et al, Lots in Block 17 and Block 8 of Map of Tawas City.

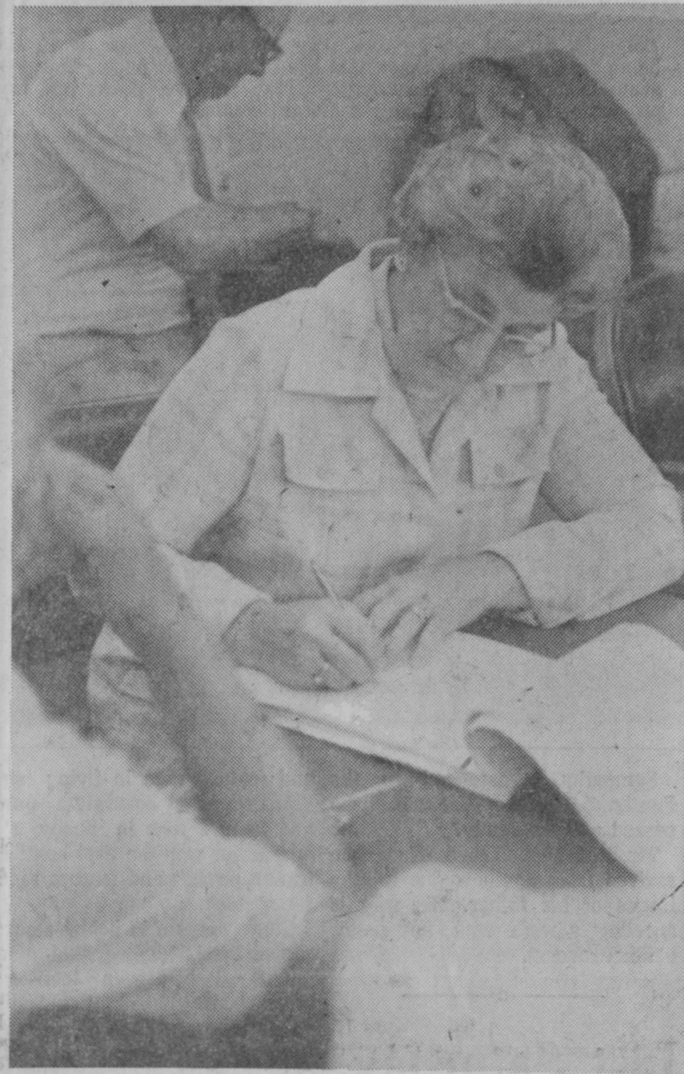
Bertram Godley and wife to John J. Farley and wife, Lot 8 of Block 43 of Plan of the Village (now City) of East Tawas.

Frank Boes and wife to Thomas G. Boes and wife, Lots in Oscoda Beach.



Official Bond Closing for Water

CARLTON MERSCHER, acting chairman of the Iosco County Board of Commissioners, had a tired hand Tuesday morning after signing 350 FHA bonds to finance a water project for the Tawas area. County Treas. Edward Nelkie signed the same bonds as members of the Iosco County Department of Public Works, federal and local officials looked on. The lower picture shows Frieda Kemper, Baldwin Township clerk, signing bond transfers for that township. City clerks of both East Tawas and Tawas City were on hand to sign the official documents to finance the area's expanded water supply system. —Tawas Herald Photos.



to 843 of Lakeside Heights Subdivision.

Carl B. Babcock and wife, et al, to Lorenzo S. Jennings and wife, Part of Lot 630 and All of Lot 632 of Kokosing Subdivision.

Carl B. Babcock and wife, et al, to Gerald Brandt and wife, Part of Lot 630 of Kokosing Plat.

Alfred Lozon and wife to Loren B. Karch and wife, Lot 75 of Hirst's AuSable River Camp.

Bernard Lorenz and wife to Arthur Lescher and wife, Part of NE1/4 of Section 11, T21N, R5E.

Beatrice Lescher to Edward Spencer and wife, Part of NE1/4 of Section 11, T21N, R5E.

John P. Lumetta and wife to Jerome Lumetta and wife, Parcel in NW1/4 of NW1/4 of Section 19, T24N, R5E.

Jeffrey L. Pagel and wife to Deborah L. Crain, Lot 13 of Weir Pines No. 2.

Helen M. Casler to Jacquelin C. White, Lot 10 of Briar Ridge Subdivision.

Julio G. Brighenti and wife to John Evert Koskela and wife, Lot 5 of Block A of H. D. Stockman's Addition to Village of AuSable.

Jack H. Sparling and wife to Mystle A. Sparling, Part of NE1/4 of NE1/4 of Section 10, T21N, R7E.

Lyle L. Morse and wife to Jeffrey A. Stewart and wife, Part of SE1/4 of NE1/4 of Section 34, T24N, R5E.

Gordon H. Schultz and wife to Jerry E. Estes and Amelia M., Lot 970 of Lake Huron Sand Beach Subdivision No. 8.

Bessie F. Crary to Everette Yonts and wife, Part of NW1/4 of SW1/4 of Section 21, T22N, R6E.

Paul C. Ropert to William J. Leslie and wife, Lot 6 of Block 57 of Trustees Addition to East Tawas.

George C. Kenyon and wife to Knox R. Lloyd and wife, Lots 17, 18, 19 of Block 2 of Lake Huron Waters.

Lloyd G. McKay, et al, to Lloyd G. McKay Jr., Land in Iosco County.

Lloyd G. McKay Jr. to Midway Super Market, Lot 15 of Supervisors Plat of North Tawas Centre No. 1.

Thomas B. Huck and wife to Robert C. Reasner and wife, N1/2 of S1/2 of NE1/4 of SE1/4 of Section 15, T22N, R7E.

Leonard Joe Patterson, et al, to Evah D. Devens, Lot 6 of Block 46 of Trustees Addition.

Walter Plodzien and wife, et al, to Edward Dobkowski and wife, Lots 35 and 36 of Block 2 of Supervisors Plat of First Addition to Huron Pine Beach Subdivision.

Jeffrey S. Maul and wife to Ralph J. Ross and wife, Lot 104 of Crescent Beach Subdivision.

Raymond J. Steenberg and wife to Richard A. Mansuet and wife, et al, SE1/4 of SE1/4 of NW1/4 of Section 3, T24N, R6E.

William M. McGraw and wife to Theodore Preston Smith and wife, Part of Lot 15 and All of Lot 16 and Part of Lot 17 of Lakeview Homesites.

Ruth Althouse to Willie Ward and wife, Lot 21 of Merkleville

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Subdivision No. 2.

Peter F. Frick and wife, et al, to George R. Nichols and wife, Lot 2 of Block 14 of Map of the Village of Oscoda.

James E. Thomas and wife to Richard L. Frank and wife, Part of SW1/4 of Section 36, T22N, R7E.

Harold Lee Hubbs to Donald J. Inman, Lot 16 of Supervisors Plat of Merchantville.

Rolland J. Brooks and wife, et al, to James E. Coon and wife, Part of NW1/4 of the E1/2 of SE1/4 of Section 29, T23N, R9E.

Walter J. Watts and wife to William Sheppard and wife, Lot 4 of Floyd Lake Heights.

William M. Schumacher and wife to Gerald J. Grant and wife, Lot 8 of Weir Pines No. 2.

Michael D. Fohey, et al, to Edward T. Haglund, Lot 79 of Tawas Lake Park.

Funeral Today for Martha Pryor

Funeral services are to be held Wednesday (today) from Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Oscoda, for Martha Pryor, 89, who died Sunday, June 26, at the Iosco County Medical Care Facility. Burial will be in Forest Hills Cemetery, Houghton.

Born December 10, 1887, at Rockland, she is survived by her husband, Edwin J.; two sisters, and a brother.

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We have set up a temporary showroom in the former McKay Chevrolet Body Shop about two blocks north of present location and next to Romeo Fruit and Vegetable Market.

Our delivery trucks are ready to go and will make prompt delivery on all purchases.

Signed:
Marshall Wood

Tawas Furniture Center
South Edge Tawas City
1208 US-23 Phone 362-4437



BERNARD Lumber Company observed its grand opening on Friday and Saturday with special sale prices effective through June 30. Door prizes were awarded Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Berkeley Bernard, above, moved into their new

52,000-square-foot building supply center on January 7 after having been in business at their former location since 1969. Bernard established his original window shop at Hale in 1958.—Tawas Herald Photo.

House Delays Breakfasts in Schools; State Must Finance

State Rep. George A. Prescott, Tawas City, reported last week that after considerable debate, the house of representatives voted to delay the mandatory school breakfast program for two years, until October 1, 1979.

"School districts in my area were much concerned," Prescott stated, "because legislation passed last year requiring school districts to provide breakfast programs by October 1, 1977, had no provisions for funding by the state."

Prescott said school districts are having enough trouble financially without the state mandating more programs for local districts at their own expense.

"The amendments sent to the senate last week by a 105-1 vote requires the state to reimburse local schools for the direct and indirect costs associated with the breakfast program," Prescott concluded.



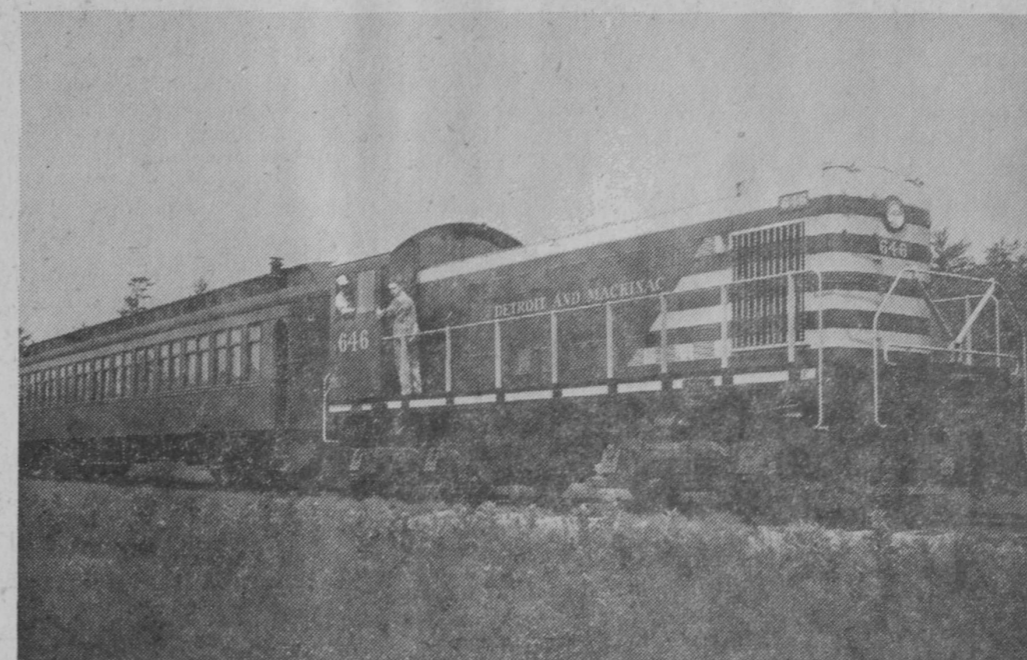
Railroads Converted to Oil During

COAL CRISIS

The nation is looking to its coal reserves—perhaps the largest in the world—as its savior during the world-wide energy crunch, but it will be no easy matter to convert industry back to burning this once major fuel. In 1942, 630 million tons of bituminous and anthracite coal were required to meet this country's needs—total production was to increase during wartime—but the end of World War II saw the resumption of converting industrial and home heating to petroleum and natural gas.

Coal mining was once one of the nation's major industries, but the total number employed in the coal fields dropped from a high of 784,621 persons in 1920 to 543,300 by 1940. The bottom dropped out of coal mining jobs in the 1950s and 1960s and unemployed miners moved en masse to other industrial jobs. As a matter of economics, strip mining has replaced deep shaft mines in today's resurging coal production which requires less manpower.

This coal field manpower once provided one of the most explosive labor situations in the country and John L. Lewis and his United



THE DETROIT AND MACKINAC Railway began its modernization program following World War II with this new diesel locomotive purchased in 1946. A yard locomotive first stationed at Bay City, the 646 is pulling an old coach on its trial run in the above photo.

Mine Workers were a power to be reckoned with by industry and even national presidents. Lengthy strikes—including an unpopular major stoppage during World War II—had much to do with speeding the conversion of industry from coal to oil. Use of coal for industrial and residential uses was becoming too un dependable because of shortages caused by strikes.

One of the major users of coal was the nation's vast railroad network, which was the prime transporter of coal and utilized this fuel in its steam motive power. This feature briefly tells of the conversion of one railroad—the Detroit and Mackinac—from coal to oil shortly after World War II, becoming the second railroad in the country to convert completely to diesel power.

The Detroit and Mackinac, with its general office at Tawas City-East Tawas, was a prime candidate to make the major step from coal to diesel power. The railroad started its history in the lumbering days with wood smoke billowing out of the balloon stacks of its tiny engines. The conversion to coal came in the late 1880s and increased business saw the purchase of modern steam locomotives and rolling stock in the early 1900s.

The major portion of the new equipment, purchased from 1903 to 1912, was to serve beyond even the usual life of the indestructible steam locomotive. Automobiles and trucks changed the country's transportation picture and the D&M had to make do with its older equipment. The railroad was always noted for its well maintained locomotives, but the lack of manpower during World War II caused a rapid deterioration of the ancient steamers.

The real straw that broke the back of the coal burning locomotives came in 1946 with a lengthy strike by coal miners. On March 10 of that year, The Tawas Herald announced that two passenger

trains on the Detroit and Mackinac would be canceled in accordance with the Office of Defense Transportation order to reduce operating schedules to conserve coal supplies.

In addition, general offices, shop employees and all workers on the line from Cheboygan to Bay City were placed on a maintenance of service basis only. This order dealt with 75 employees in the Tawas area and approximately 200 workers on the entire line.

As the coal strike progressed, Pullman service on the railroad was canceled and gas-electric passenger units, purchased in the late 1920s, were used from Tawas City to Alpena to conserve coal; steam engines were in use only from Bay City to Tawas City.

John L. Lewis, the nation's coal czar, stated in April 1946 that "before you get action, you've got to have a crisis and in any crisis, somebody's nerve has got to crack. I always bet that I can hold out longer than the government or the operators—my nerves won't crack first."

Lewis' nerves did not crack, but railroads began to speed up timetables for the conversion of motive power from steam to diesel. One of the first to do so was the D&M under Charles A. Pinkerton Jr., then vice president and general manager, who had just returned from military service in the South Pacific.

On July 12, 1946, the D&M announced that its first diesel, a 660-horsepower yard locomotive, had arrived at the Tawas City yard from the American Locomotive Company. That locomotive was placed in service at the North Bay City yard.

The railroad announced that this was the first of six new diesels expected to be delivered during 1946 and 1947. "Delivery of five more diesel road locomotives is awaited. These new locomotives, which will be of 1,500 horsepower capacity,

will replace the present 19 steam locomotives, which range up to 47 years old, and will make the D&M the first in Michigan to completely adopt diesel power," stated the Herald.

Two of the new locomotives were to arrive before the end of 1946 and were put into service in early November. "Others will be delivered later and the D&M will be completely modernized with new engines and other equipment," stated the Herald. "Included in the new rolling stock are two baggage cars, two combination baggage and mail cars and a passenger coach."

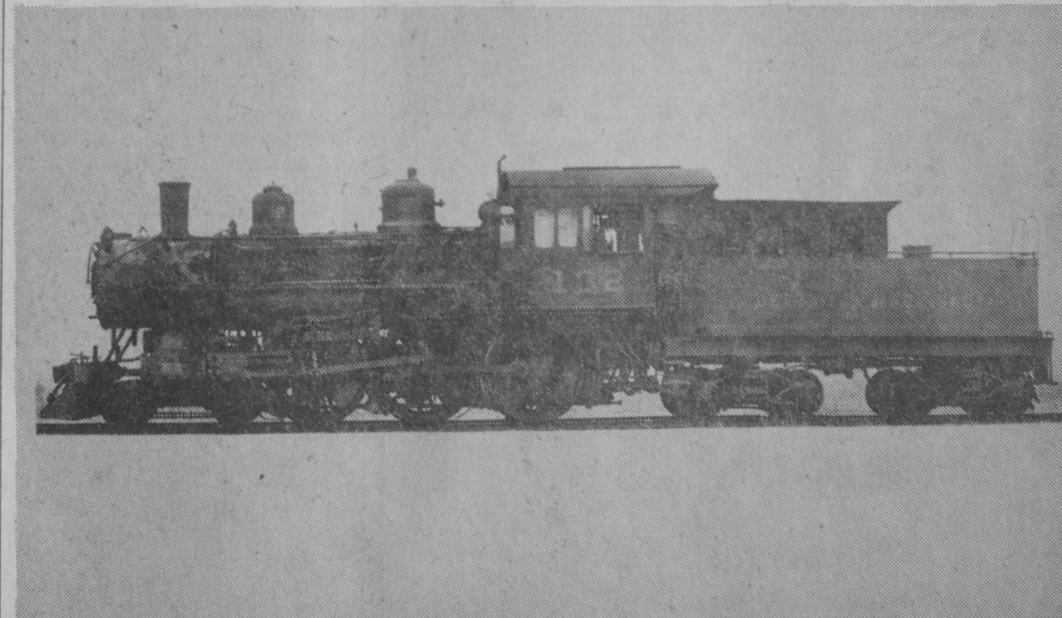
Before the year was to end, the D&M had to revise its passenger train schedule due to the critical coal situation caused by the strike of miners. Other railroads were to be dependent upon coal for some years to come and conversion to diesel power did not help the D&M in this respect.

"East Tawas and Tawas City this week began to enjoy modern railroad passenger service when the D&M put its diesel-drawn, all-steel train into operation on a new schedule," stated the Herald on November 15, 1946.

"The first train, exhibited last Saturday afternoon at East Tawas and throughout Sunday afternoon at Alpena, left at 10:00 p. m. on its initial run to Bay City, arriving at 2:00 a. m. The return was from Bay City at 4:00 a. m. with arrival at Alpena at 8:00 a. m. On the southbound trip, the train arrives at East Tawas-Tawas City at 11:55 p. m. and on the northbound trip at 6:05 a. m.," stated the Herald. At Bay City, the D&M made connections with other railroads.

"The new train has attracted considerable attention since it was put into service. The new locomotives are 55 feet long, weigh 230,000 pounds, have a top speed of 75 miles per hour and are adapted to passenger and freight service. The

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WHEN the Detroit and Mackinac Railway became the first railroad in Michigan to become completely dieselized, it scrapped its stable of 19 high stepping steam locomotives. All of the steam locomotives were 40 or more years old.

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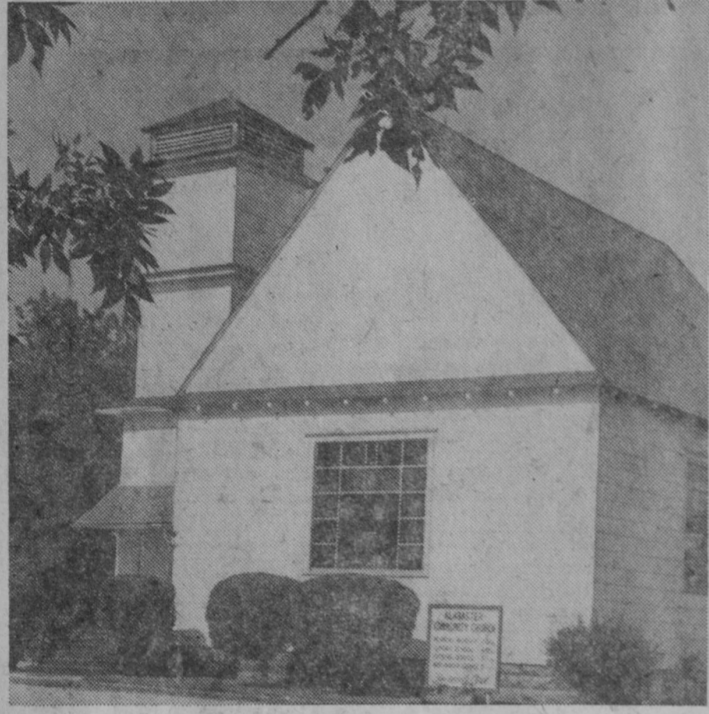
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Program July 10

Alabaster Church Marks Anniversary

Alabaster Community Church will celebrate its 75th anniversary Sunday, July 10, beginning with special Sunday School sessions at 9:45 a. m. for all age levels. The Rev. William J. Roberts, president of the Bible Protestant Church Conference, will deliver the message at the 11:00 a. m. worship service.

Lunch and open house will continue from noon until 3:15 p. m. and slides and movies of the history of the church will be shown. Old pictures will be on display. Beginning at 3:30 p. m., a special anniversary service will include former ministers and Mrs. Marvel Merton as guest speakers. The public is urged to attend this special event hosted by the Rev. and Mrs. H. W. Hilton.

Wilber News

Married June 19 at Wilber Church

May O'Brien Crane and C. Leslie Graham of Saginaw were married Sunday, June 19, at Wilber Methodist Church. The Rev. Clifford DeVore officiated. A reception followed at the home of Kenneth O'Brien, son of the bride.

Attending the event were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Graham and the Gordon Graham family of Saginaw.

The Rev. and Mrs. Stephen Meeks of Au Gres were supper guests Wednesday night at the Raymond Cross home.

Several from here attended the recent summer festival at Whittemore.

Sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Meskie and family of Pennsylvania for the loss of their son.

Tuesday night, the Allen Anschuetz family, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Anschuetz, Mrs. Frieda Cholger, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Leitzy and Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Cholger gathered at the Harold Cholger home to honor the wedding anniversaries of the Dennis Cholgers and the Anschuetzes.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Cross went to Milford and visited Mr. and Mrs. Gary Williams on Saturday, Sunday, they visited the Dennis Cross family in Ypsilanti, Sunday, Mrs. Pearl Simmons of Tawas City, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Simmons and son, Michael, of Whittemore visited at the John Newberry home.

Get-well wishes are sent to Fred Thompson Jr., who has returned home after spending a short time in St. Luke's Hospital, Saginaw.

Kenneth Sherman returned home Tuesday after a trip to Iron River where he visited Mr. and Mrs. Chris Paulson for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Baraconi spent the week-end visiting relatives and friends in Mt. Clemens.

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(Read James 4:1-8)

"Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near." (Isaiah 55:6 RSV)

A newspaper reporter came to interview me about my work as an army chaplain. His comments were very perceptive and thoughtful. It was apparent that he had seriously considered many of the basic questions of human existence and of our relationship to God. At the close of the interview, I asked him about his own faith. With a rather wistful smile, he replied, "I guess I really do not have a religious faith. Like a lot of other young people, I am just a seeker." Then, he added poignantly, "Maybe someday."

All of us are seekers. God made us that way. Intellectually, we seek answers to our basic questions about life, but at a far deeper level of being, we seek a relationship with God our Creator. We may never find answers to all our questions and so, in that sense, we may always be seekers.

But our search for God can be satisfied this very moment. He is as near as the air we breathe. Indeed, it is His spirit that draws us to Him. When our lives are content in that relationship, and we shall experience the peace that passes all understanding.

PRAYER

O God, our hungry hearts and restless spirits are vivid reminders that we are made for You and apart from You we can never have peace. Restore us, O Lord, to a right relationship with you. Amen.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

When we seek God, we find a lifelong friend.—William R. Gentry (APO New York)

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor, After reading your article in last week's paper, on the dismissal of the two candidates for council seats, in my own opinion it's ridiculous!

What's the council afraid of, someone replacing them, "who may be more qualified for the job." I think it's about time we got some new blood in the Tawas City Council. Someone who can see past their noise. I hope the people of Tawas wake up on council procedures and certain members of the council start running the council and this town to benefit the taxpayer and its people, not "themselves," or someone else.

I give Bob Rollin, Jerry Cotter and Mayor Herb Cholger a big hurra for honest intentions to help and benefit the town and its people.

RANDALL LANSKI
A concerned taxpayer

Past Matrons Held Pot-Luck

A pot-luck dinner meeting was enjoyed by Past Matrons of Iosco Chapter No. 71, Order of the Eastern Star Tuesday, June 21, at the home of Nettie Hester. Eleven members were present and the mystery package was won by Lois Kienholz.

A comedy skit was presented by Marian Rose, Marjorie Lyon, Beulah Western and Mrs. Hester. Members will not meet in July but will convene at the home of Mrs. Rose in August.

Donated Gift to Cancer Society

Elizabeth Dornbrock was voted as a new member by Tawas City Chapter No. 303, Order of the Eastern Star, Tuesday, June 21, at a business meeting conducted by Shirle Squires, worthy matron. She will be initiated at the special service July 8.

Plans for a public salad luncheon at a later date were discussed. Members elected to give a monetary gift to Iosco County Unit, Michigan Chapter of American Cancer Society.

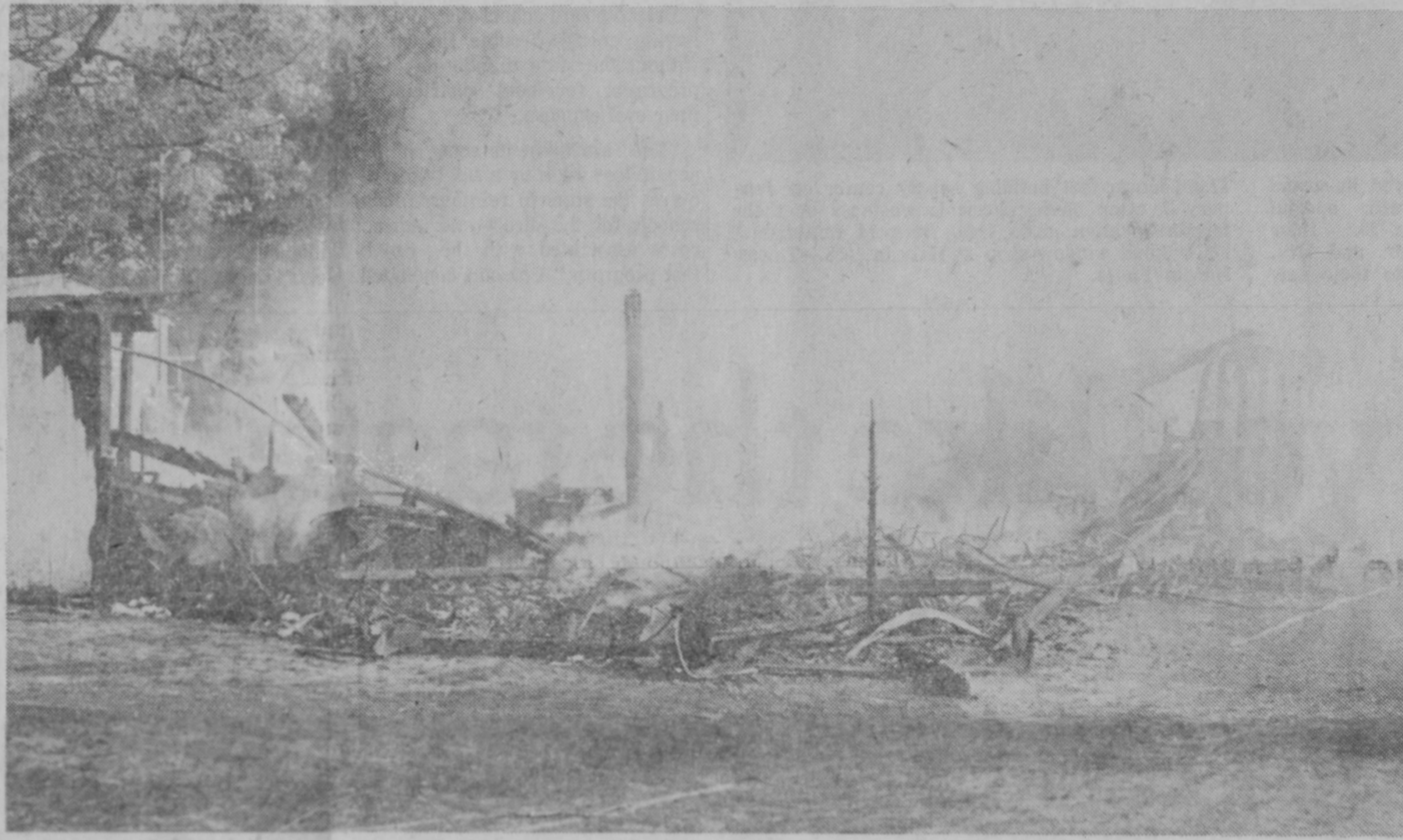
Mr. and Mrs. Lee Weeden hosted the luncheon of cake, gelatin dessert, coffee, iced tea and favors.

Saturday Morning Blaze



THIS PICTURE was snapped around 7:30 a. m. Saturday and shows firemen battling a blaze at Tawas Furniture Center, south of Tawas City in Alabaster Township. The east portion of the building was still standing at the time, but the interior had been completely gutted. The lower picture was snapped about two hours later and shows the complete destruction of the building. Flames threatened a dwelling and warehouses at the rear of the building, but firemen prevented damage to those structures. The

area is not served with municipal water and East Tawas Volunteer Fire Department utilized its 5,000-gallon water tanker to help combat the blaze. Owner Marshall Wood said he was not certain as to the actual amount of insurance he had on the building and its contents. The building was originally constructed in the early 1950s by Stanley Lane and it was known then as Bargaintown. —Tawas Herald Photos.

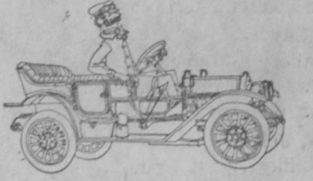


Senior Citizens Met June 22

John Reynolds, vice president, presided at the Wednesday, June 22, meeting of Tawas Area Senior Citizens at the East Tawas Community Building in the absence of Alice Proctor, president. Ninety-one members and guests enjoyed a pot-luck dinner and entertainment by Kookie Kitchen Band and Choraleers from the Senior Citizens Drop-in Center.

Plans were discussed for a moonlight trip on the AuSable River for Thursday, July 21, and a mystery trip Wednesday, August 24. Activity at the Wednesday, July 13, meeting will include slides of the trip to the Tulip Festival in Holland shown by Emil Deprest.

Prizes were awarded to Leona Art, Edward Seifert, Myrtle Reynolds, Roy Tobias and Gladys Freel.



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A life and breath reminder from the Michigan Lung Association, the Christmas Seal People
Spiral contributed by the publisher

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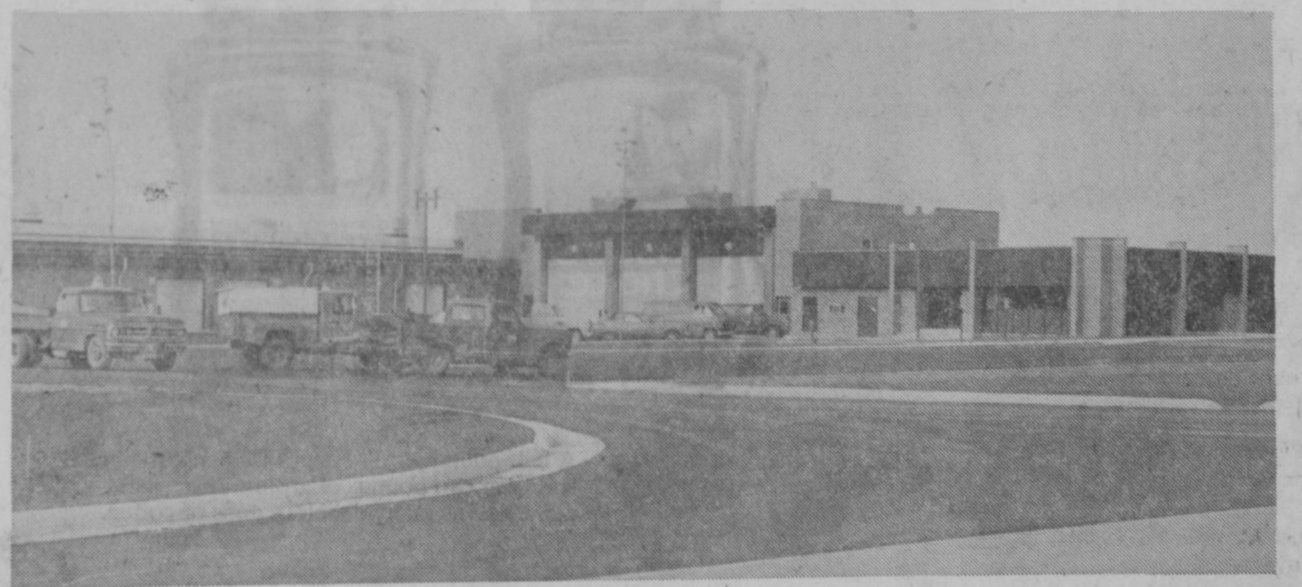
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Joye (Smith) Giroux Publishes Poetry

Joye Giroux, former Grant Township resident whose husband was the late Philip Giroux, a graduate of Tawas City High School, is one of four Big Rapids women who have authored a new book of poetry, "Four Women: Getting On With It," which was released recently.

A French teacher at Big Rapids High School since 1969, she has been writing poetry since she was 18 years old. She has published two books of poetry, "A Grain of Sand, No More," and "Where Lies the Dream," both in 1976.

Her work has appeared in a number of poetry journals and magazines from Rhode Island to California. She will also be included in an eight-poet anthology being produced by Wayside Press for release in the fall.

Theme for the title selected for the new book of poetry written by herself and three other Big Rapids women "represents their own attitudes as far as getting on with publishing their poetry." Idea for the book evolved after the four met at a poetry convention held at Ferris State College two years ago.

Mrs. Giroux's books are available from the author, 825 Cherry, Big Rapids, Michigan, or at the Readers Retreat, the Purple Peacock or the Ferris State College Bookstore, Big Rapids.

The daughter of the late Earl and Olive Smith of Grant Township, her sister is Mrs. Robert (Margaret) Richter of East Tawas.

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IN THE SERVICE—

Returns as Army Recruiter

Army Pvt. Martin Bortle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Seymore Bortle, Prescott, has returned to this area as an army recruiter aide, according to Jerry Luczak, Iosco County army recruiter.

A 1976 graduate of Whittemore-Prescott High School, the 19-year-old soldier is one of several hundred aides who have returned to their local areas across the country to help recruiters in the army's home town recruiter assistance program. As an aide, Private Bortle will talk with young people about his military experiences and encourage them to contact Luczak about joining him in the army.

Bortle, who enlisted for four years in February, recently completed advanced army training as an armor crewman, at Ft. Knox, Kentucky, where he earlier participated in basic training. He was named top crewman during the advanced course. Following his aide duty, he will be assigned to Ft. Riley, Kansas.

Private Bortle will be joined at

the Kansas army post by his wife, Erin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sullivan of Hale.

Private Bortle and his brother-in-law, Pvt. Boyd Cooley Jr., joined the army together in February. Private Cooley, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Cooley Sr. of Goodrich, and his wife, Kim, are now at Ft. Riley.

Bortle invites all those in Iosco County who are curious about army job training and educational opportunities to contact him or Luczak by calling (collect) 362-6356 or by stopping in the army office at 836 North US-23, East Tawas.



PVT. MARTIN BORTLE



TAWAS' junior baseball program completed its fourth week last Thursday. Members of the Dodgers pictured above are, back row from left, Scott Carney, Keith Cordner, Susan McGee, Lisa Seifert, Chris DeLage and John Freel. Kneeling from left are Tom Smith, Kevin Kalinowski, Russ Carney, Emil Rousseau and Bill Dalbec. Beth Dalbec and Eric Carney, shown in front, are "bat kids." Coaches standing in back are John Hubbard and Steven Shaver.—Tawas Herald Photo.



MEMBERS of the Tigers include, back row from left, Robbie Halle, Derrick Raney, Chester Dean and Ken Veriac. Kneeling from left are Donna Mester, Ailene Wilson, Patty Stephan, Eugene Desmond, Gale Erickson. Brent Loeffler is the bat boy. Managers are William Campbell and Robert Ericksen.—Tawas Herald Photo.

LOOKING BACKWARD— East Tawas Centennial in Progress

15 Years Ago—
June 27, 1962—Official opening of the East Tawas centennial celebration was held Sunday morning at the state park. More than 2,000 persons are expected to take advantage of excursion rides being offered today by the Detroit and Mackinac Railway. Climax of the program will be a parade on Saturday.

Tawas businessmen and Iosco County Board of Supervisors have joined forces to see what can be done toward development of Tawas Point State Park. The property was acquired by the state two years ago, but no development has taken place as yet.

Barry McGuire of Livonia, formerly of the Tawas, has been hired as publicity director of East Michigan Tourist Association.

Hearing on a petition to establish a boundary line between Huron Gardens and North Park Acres Subdivisions in Tawas City has been adjourned until July 17 by Circuit Judge Philip Glennie.

25 Years Ago—
June 27, 1952—Drive shaft at the city's main pumping station went out of commission Sunday and has caused a water shortage in Tawas City. Two small wells are furnishing the water supply, but a severe shortage has resulted and all lawn and garden sprinkling is forbidden until repairs are made to the main pump.

Hickock Oil Company is constructing a 120,000-gallon gasoline and fuel storage at the Tawas Hi-Speed distributing plant on First Street.

Miss Leonora Hass, county librarian, is attending a library workshop at Columbia University.

Michigan Bell Telephone Company is to inaugurate dial operation in the exchange at Oscoda.

Grand opening of the new Tawas

Drive-In Theatre is to be held July 2.

Fourth of July program in the Tawas includes yacht races, a parade, old timers' day baseball game, a benefit carnival at the Tawas City American Legion Hall and fireworks.

Nearly 2,000 farmers from nine counties attended Grass Day at the James Mielock farm in Reno Township.

35 Years Ago—
June 26, 1942—Mayor Carl Babcock asks everyone to help keep Tawas City's new black top streets in good condition. "If you find it necessary to use the streets to move or drag sharp objects, to ride or drive horses or bring the "flat" home on the rim, please travel at the side of the improved road bed," said the mayor.

With weather conditions extremely unfavorable, Iosco County farmers are faced with a huge problem of harvesting 25,000 acres of hay. The unusually early spring brought every hay field of the county to the point of practically

begging that harvesting be done at once.

The city dump at the Glen has been discontinued and what has been an eyesore for a number of years in Tawas City will be made into a beauty spot again. A new location has been found for the dump and city employees are now cleaning up the old site on Dead Creek. The property is to be landscaped in the future for a recreational park.

Lt. Edward J. Martin of East Tawas has received his wings in the air corps.

Residential users are warned that they should pay attention to their coal bins this summer. At the present time, American industry has not, as yet, reached its full wartime capacity of production for victory, but fall and early winter will see the nation at this peak period. Home owners should buy their coal now to insure a supply this winter.

All young men who have attained the age of 18 years and who have not previously registered, are ordered to register for Selective Service. Approximately 1,700 men have already been registered in Michigan.



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What's Cooking in Michigan—

By CARL OLSON
Michigan Department of Agriculture

I remember a summer in Alpena when a group of us got together on a summer afternoon to fish, swim and, in general, just have a good time. In late afternoon, we brought out an old hand-crank ice cream freezer to make delicious homemade ice cream.

There is something special about homemade ice cream. I am not putting down any of the excellent Grade A products made in Michigan dairies. But, let's face it, there is a difference. Perhaps it is the arm power contributed, maybe the companionship of good friends or just the fact that it is a lovely afternoon.

This is not a rapturous description of the ice cream we made that afternoon. Indeed, the ice cream never set, even after three hours of cranking. We must have made a grave error in mixing salt and ice in the freezer.

A recipe I use now, though, never fails and you might want to try it over the Fourth of July holiday week-end. Beat four eggs until they are light and add 2½ cups of sugar gradually, continuing to beat the mixture until it thickens. Then add six cups of milk, three cups light cream, one cup heavy cream, two tablespoons of vanilla and one-half teaspoon salt. Mix thoroughly.

Have you noticed, as does the Michigan Department of Agriculture, that everything but the vanilla is a state product?

Put the mixture into the ice cream freezer, pack rock salt and ice around it according to directions with your unit and start cranking. After it thickens, cover with old sacks or newspapers and let the ice cream "ripen" for about 20 minutes. Then, dig in.

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