



## AuSable Chapter, DAR, Initiates American Flag Sale

River Aux Sables Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, initiated its sale of American flags at a family box social in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick C. Nash, AuGres, on Flag Day, June 14.

Mrs. L. Stanton Bush, chapter regent, said the sale of flags has been undertaken to fill an apparent need in area communities and that profits would enable the chapter to continue its award-winning program of supplying flags to youth groups and institutions.

Anyone desiring information about the purchase of a flag or flag kit may call Mrs. Bush in Hale at 728-5511 or Mrs. Nash, 876-8826.

It was also announced that the chapter plans a lineage research workshop in the fall and that anyone interested in research going back to the American Revolution, with a view to prospective DAR membership, may contact Mrs. Lyle Adams, chapter registrar and lineage research chairman, in Tawas City at 362-3860.

Flag Day observance began with the Pledge of Allegiance, led by two-year-old Brett Bush, and included a prayer written by a soldier of the American Revolution

### Baptized Sunday at Tawas Church

Kate Roseanne Wetzel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Wetzel of Rochester, was baptized Sunday, June 24, at Tawas United Methodist Church. The Rev. Kenneth Tousley officiated and was assisted by the Rev. Joseph Dibley, a retired minister who celebrated his 93rd birthday Friday.

Mrs. Wetzel is the former Sallian Roach, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Klenow of Tawas City. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Eber Wetzel, also of Tawas City. Great grandmother is Elsie Roach of Tawas City.

The Klenows hosted a family dinner following the service.



COLLIER'S MARINA at the mouth of the Tawas River in Tawas City has applied for a United States Army Corps of Engineers permit to build piers and dredge in Tawas Bay (Lake Huron) off the south side of the mouth of the river. Purpose of the project is to provide adequate docking facilities and water depth at the ma-

rina. These pictures show the marina located on the west bank of the river. The City of Tawas has maintained dredging operations annually to keep the river channel open. The east side of the river mouth is owned by the city and a former boat slip there is being filled under federal and state permits.—Herald Photos



### Tawas City Waterfront Park

A Red Cross certified Life Guard will be on duty in the Tawas City Park each afternoon from 1:00 to 4:00 Monday through Friday.

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### Tawas City OES Honored Masons

Tawas City Chapter No. 303, Order of the Eastern Star, met Tuesday, June 19, with Grace Weeden, worthy matron, and Roland Bugh, worthy patron, presiding. Discussion on joining the chapter with Isoco Chapter followed with a favorable vote. Further discussion will be heard July 9.

Other business included a vote to reupholster the point chairs and plans for a salad luncheon August 4.

Fathers and Masons present were honored and Elmer Squires, sentinel, and Isabelle Leslie, warder, were presented with gifts from the worthy matron.

Following adjournment, a social hour was enjoyed and the luncheon committee served various spreads and crackers with coffee.

### Funeral Held for Alice Fahselt

Funeral services for Alice Fahselt, who expired suddenly Wednesday, June 20, at her East Tawas residence, were conducted Saturday, June 23, at Jacques and Kobs East Chapel, East Tawas. The Rev. Kenneth Tousley officiated and burial was in Greenwood Cemetery.

Born November 11, 1916, in Pennsylvania, she is survived by two sons, Earl Colburn of East Tawas and Roland Colburn of Ft. McCoy, Florida; a daughter, Frances Applin of Pontiac; six grandchildren, and three sisters, Elsie Dinicola and Virginia Hinkle of Missouri and Betty Randall of Chicago, Illinois.

### Alonzo Elliott Died June 25

Funeral services for Alonzo C. (Ace) Elliott, who passed away Saturday, June 23, at Tawas Hospital, were held Tuesday, June 26, at Christ Episcopal Church, East Tawas, with the Rev. Kenneth Near officiating. Burial was in Memory Gardens Cemetery.

He was born September 8, 1905, at Burlingame, Kansas, and married the former Dorothy Withers February 23, 1938, in Detroit. He was a former member of Tawas Pool League.

Besides his wife, he leaves a daughter, Sandra Coates of Swartz Creek; a stepdaughter, Patricia Petracos of Montreal, Quebec, Canada; six grandchildren; three great grandchildren, and three sisters, Josephine Finck, Louise Miller and Dorothy Perry, all of Wichita, Kansas.

### Pearl Parker Passed Away June 25

A former resident of Tawas City, Pearl E. Parker, expired at Clare Monday, June 25. She was born January 31, 1910, in Tawas City.

The Rev. Kenneth Tousley will officiate in services Wednesday (today), June 27, 11:00 a. m., from Jacques and Kobs West Chapel, Tawas City, and burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery.

She is survived by her husband, Ace Parker; a brother, Allen Brown of Tawas City, and one sister, Gladys Pinkerton of Saginaw.

### Sherman News

Mr. and Mrs. Jack McKenna of Drayton Plains spent a few days at their home here. Joseph Wasilewski of Whittemore visited them one day.

Saturday morning, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Lichota were in Tawas. The CSA workers of St. James Catholic Church enjoyed a dinner given in their honor Friday evening.

Louise Louke is home from Tawas Hospital.

Amy Smith and Mary Lou Magalski spent Friday at the Fred Verville home.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Kelly of Prescott called on his parents one day last week. Howard Koehn was a Sunday guest.

Last Sunday, Mrs. Ann Woelke was honored at a pink and blue shower at the Sherman Township Hall.

Mrs. Dawn Revord was honored Thursday evening at St. James Social Center with a pink and blue shower.

Monday evening, Lillian Smith and son and Helen Smith were guests at the Theodore Anschuetz home.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Schroeder were Tuesday evening guests of the George Smiths.

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Schugel of Flint spent a few days at their home here.

Gail Petri; niece, Coleen Petri, and nephew, Bryan, were Friday dinner guests of Shirley Cottrell. Lonnie Petri and two sons called on her Sunday evening.

### Hattie White Died at MC Facility

A resident of Isoco Medical Care Facility from National City, Hattie A. White, passed away Friday, June 22, at the age of 92 years. She was born July 25, 1886, at Ludington.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, June 26, at Dorrell Funeral Home, with burial in Lakeview Cemetery, Ludington. A prayer service was held Sunday evening at Jacques and Kobs West Chapel with the Rev. Kenneth Tousley officiating.

Survivors include a son Al E. White of Little Island Lake; a daughter, Mrs. Harry (Elizabeth) Holbin of Clio; eight grandchildren; 11 great grandchildren, and 11 great, great grandchildren.

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## Managing Cold Water Victims Subject of Lecture

Tawas Hospital will present Dr. Martin Nemiroff lecturing on management of cold water drowning victims. Doctor Nemiroff, pulmonary specialist and assistant professor of internal medicine, University of Michigan Medical School, has done extensive work and research on the resuscitation of drowning victims, many of whom have been submerged for over 30 minutes and resuscitated without brain damage. His methods of resuscitation have met with startling success.

Doctor Nemiroff is an accomplished and dynamic lecturer. His lecture/slide presentation is geared to the rescuers of drowning victims, emergency room personnel, doctors and those responsible for public safety but any interested persons are welcome. The topic is particularly pertinent to our water-oriented resort area.

Registration will begin at 12:30 p. m. Saturday, July 7, at the door of the St. Joseph's Social Center, corner of Ogemaw and Washington Streets, East Tawas. The program will begin at 1:30 p. m. with Doctor Nemiroff's lecture, followed at 3:00 p. m. by a question and answer period. A fee is being charged.

To insure a seat, preregistration and fee payment should be made by contacting Roxanne Klinger in the Human Resources Department, Tawas Hospital.

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# Nutrition Forums Slated in Michigan

Michigan's Nutrition Commission is holding nutrition forums at eight locations around the state during June to get input from consumers, professionals, community groups and agencies. Information provided by the public during these forums will be used to develop a new state plan on nutrition services and programs.

Two forums are scheduled in northern lower Michigan. A forum at 1:00 p. m. on Thursday, June 28, will be held at the Alpena State Bank, 122 North Second, Alpena. Another is set for 1:00 p. m. on Friday, June 29, at Grand Traverse Medical Care Facility, 410 South Elmwood, Traverse City.

All interested persons are invited to speak at the forums. Topics to be considered include, but are not limited to, nutrition education,

nutrition services, federal food programs, institutions and alternate care facilities and food delivery systems.

For further information on the forums or on where to send written comments, contact the Michigan State University Cooperative Extension Service in Iosco County at 362-3449.

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# Indies Scored Seven Runs in Ninth Inning to Nip Gladwin

The old baseball adage that the game is never over until the last man is out was again demonstrated Sunday as the Tawas Indies came from behind to defeat Gladwin, 9-8.

Until the last two innings of the game, another pitchers' battle developed between Brad Potts of Tawas and Larry Hooper of Gladwin. Neither pitcher was to finish the game.

Hooper, who had thrown a one-hitter against Tawas earlier in the season for a 2-0 win, had given up seven hits in the first six innings of play and was holding a 2-0 lead. Potts gave up four hits in the first seven innings of play, including a second inning homer by Jack Garber.

Tawas scored one run in the second inning when Frank Jordan doubled and scored on Wayne Revord's single. After Garber's homer, Gladwin scored a run in the third on a walk, an error and a single by Steve Boyer.

Action this Sunday finds Tawas hosting AuGres in a double-header. The first game starts at 1:00 p. m.

TAWAS	AB	R	H
P. Jordan, 3b	5	1	1
Link, cf	3	1	0
Parsons, ss	4	1	2
T. Gracik, lb	3	1	1
Potts p	5	1	2
F. Jordan, rf	5	2	2
J. Gracik, ss	4	2	3
Revord, lf	4	0	2
Haglund, c	2	0	0
Milan, 2b	2	0	0
	37	9	13

GLADWIN	AB	R	H
Durkee, cf	5	1	1
R. Boyer, c	4	1	1
Fruchey, ss	4	1	0
Hooper, p-3b	2	2	0
Card, lb	5	1	2
Garber, 3b-p	5	1	2
S. Boyer, lf	4	0	1
Ellis	1	0	0
J. Boyer rf	2	0	1
Edick, 2b	4	1	1
	36	8	9

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## Lead Changes in Hale Area Tennis League

Bob Hetherington took over first place in the Hale Area Tennis League by defeating Pete Holley in two matches.

Holley dropped into third place behind Theo Helms, who now holds second place. In fourth place is Dan Peters, followed by Winston Bailey, Lyle McKenzie, Don Palmer, Darrell Grosz, Bill Holzheuer, Rex Darlington, Mark Braun, Rick Braun, Jerry Peters, Larry Clark, Dave Brumfield, Bruce Hewitt, Barb Darlington and Jane Peters.

The last two names are ladies who have decided to challenge the league, which has to this point been all male. As of last week, the women met each other on the court and have yet to play a male opponent.

Action in the league had the following results:

McKenzie defeated Darlington, 7-6, 6-1; McKenzie downed Mark Braun, 6-1, 6-0; B. Darlington defeated Jane Peters, 6-1, 6-4; Grosz won a pair over M. Braun, 6-1, 6-2; Hetherington won over Holley, 6-4, 7-6.

## Tawas Lanes Undefeated in Softball Loop

Tawas Lanes holds the top spot in Tawas Bay Women's Softball League with a record of three wins and no losses.

Action last week saw WIOS defeating Lakeside Bar, 26-0; Tawas Lanes took the measure of Provincial House, 16-4; Jerry's Marina sailed to an 8-6 win over The Place.

Thursday night results had WIOS over Tawas Bar, 10-1; Lakeside Bar crept past Provincial House, 19-12. All other teams were off.

STANDINGS

	W	L
Tawas Lanes	3	0
Tawas Bar	1	0
Jerry's Marina	1	1
Lakeside Bar	1	2
Provincial House	1	2
The Place	0	2

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## Tawas Tennis Club Sponsors Kids Tourney

Tawas Area Tennis Club will sponsor a kids tennis tourney in connection with the dedication of the Dewey Durant Park Saturday, July 28. Entries will be classified into three age groups: 10-11 Years, 12-13 years and 14-15 years. Winners and runner-ups will receive ribbons to be presented by East Tawas Mayor Robert Bolen at the 5:00 p. m. dedication ceremony.

Ribbons are being furnished by Tawas Kiwanis Club and the Gamble Store is donating a can of tennis balls for the 14-15-year-old division winner.

A collegiate clinic will also be conducted during the day.

Entrants may register in advance at Nordic Sports, Lubig-Miller Shoes or the Gamble Store, or on the morning of the tourney at the Dewey Durant Park on Franklin Street in East Tawas between 8:30 and 9 o'clock. Play begins at 9 o'clock.

No entry fee will be required, but each entrant must furnish his own racket and one ball. Each match will be one set and will be supervised by a tennis club member or a Kiwanian. Boys and girls are welcome, according to Allan C. Miller, Tawas Area Tennis Association and Kiwanis chairman.

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# Young Endorses Gasohol Program

After actively participating in Gasohol Day in Lansing, State Sen. Robert Young, Saginaw, was impressed by both the outstanding turnout of approximately 500 people and the growing interest in the manufacture and distribution of gasohol.

"Gasohol Day was a huge success, in my opinion, especially because of the number of people who were willing to come to Lansing from all over the state to learn more about this substance, gasohol," said Young. "In light of what happened this week when the truckers in this state blocked the transportation of what little gasoline there is, this conference just helped point out the need to discover other energy resources—and quickly."

During Gasohol Day, Young chaired a legislative panel which discussed proposed gasohol legislation. He has long been a supporter of gasohol manufacture and is the cosponsor of legislation to establish a gasohol conservation and research project which would also exempt alcohol-based fuel from taxation.

"My hope is that through legisla-

tion we can provide incentives for manufacturers in the private sector to develop gasohol and make it more available to both public and private consumers," explained Young.

Gasohol is a blend of nine parts gasoline and one part ethyl alcohol, made from agricultural products and by-products, which may be used as fuel without carburetor adjustment. Gasohol is already being marketed on a limited basis in Michigan and in several other states with good results.

## Schreck Won Annual Tawas-Alpena Race

Charles Schreck of East Tawas and his "Woodpecker," a new 37-foot sloop, won the annual Tawas-Alpena Memorial Race held Saturday and Sunday.

Starting at East Tawas, a fleet of nine boats sailed from Tawas Bay on an overnight course across Saginaw Bay, back to AuSable Point, then to Whitestone Point and back up Lake Huron to Alpena.

Schreck finished the course, which started from here at 1:00 p. m., in 11 hours, 22 minutes.

Eight boats finished the race and behind Schreck were Dr. Ben Ohmart of Alpena, in "Respite;" Greg Houston, Alpena, "Bald Eagle;" Al Fletcher, Alpena, "Colt 45;" Chris McCoy, sailing in an unnamed Cal 330.



## 25th Anniversary

TAWAS BAY YACHT CLUB'S boat basin and harbor have been developed gradually over the past 25 years. In 1953, the club composed then of 35 members purchased land on Tawas Point and made a temporary ramp to launch sailboats. This was followed by the start of construction on a clubhouse in 1954. The club now has excellent

facilities and marks the milestone of its start on construction 25 years ago with a fish fry Saturday night. The boathouse of the Tawas Point Coast Guard Station is shown in the background in the picture above.—Tawas Herald Photo.

## THE FOREST AND YOU

Protecting The Forest From Nature

This article has been prepared by Georgia-Pacific, the growth company interested in protecting our natural resources.

Surprisingly, nature constantly threatens the life of a forest.

Fire is the danger most associated with forest destruction, and it remains a constant danger to any forest. Lightning can cause fires. Through cooperative protection by timber companies, state and Forest Service foresters, fires are kept down.

Millions of trees are killed or damaged each year by such dangers as insects and disease. The loss is appalling. Some can be controlled by insecticides and biologically. For others there is no real answer yet.

A few of the insects afflicting various trees are spruce budworm, gypsy moth, hemlock looper, pine butterfly, larch casebearer. Not managing a forest properly can produce a mess of spunworm, mountain pine beetle, Douglas fir beetle, needle miner, European spruce sawfly, California flatheaded borer, lacebug, job demanding great exper-



Sometimes trees like these pines are destroyed by insects.

canerworm and many others. Diseases add their toll: such things as root decay fungi, blight, darker, rusts, cankers, drought and more. Strong winds can spell disaster for some trees, and downed trees can create insect infestations. Raising trees is a science. Not managing a forest properly can produce a mess of spunworm, mountain pine beetle, Douglas fir beetle, needle miner, European spruce sawfly, California flatheaded borer, lacebug, job demanding great exper-

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## Owner Changed Mind About Window Repair

During a routine inspection of premises at Custom Gunstocks, North US-23, East Tawas, an Iosco County Sheriff's Department road patrol found that the front window of the establishment had been smashed in an attempted burglary. Owner Gordon F. Bohmier was notified and he told officers that the windows were barred and that it would be practically impossible for anyone to reach through the opening to steal any merchandise. He felt that damage to the window could be repaired later in the day.

The owner apparently changed his mind when one of the officers reached through the bars and withdrew an expensive compound bow. Investigation disclosed that two bows had been taken in the burglary. The window was repaired.

## Court Lifts Restraining Order for Village Inn

An order restraining operation of the Village Inn, Tawas City, has been discontinued by Iosco County Circuit Judge Allan C. Miller, who also canceled a show cause hearing set for June 26.

Following an inspection of the premises May 24, the Michigan Department of Public Health had asked the court for an order restraining operation of the business and a show cause hearing date had been established to determine if a permanent injunction should be issued.

The health department made complaint to the court that kitchen facilities and adjoining rooms open to the public were in an unsanitary condition.

A spokesperson for the circuit court said that corrections had been made by the owner and the judge suspended the court action.

## Commence Suit Over Mobile Home

Suit has been commenced in Iosco Circuit Court by Plainfield Township vs. Robert Ruckie alleging a zoning ordinance violation.

The township claims that the defendant placed a mobile home on property located at 6888 Curtis Road without a permit. The suit claims that no provision was made for a sewage disposal system.

The township asked the court to order the defendant to cease and desist from further construction or occupancy of the mobile home and to issue a temporary restraining order for a show cause hearing to determine if a permanent injunction should be issued.

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11. Open-mouthed  
12. Eagle's nest  
13. Probation  
14. Manacles  
15. Gull-like bird  
16. Leave out (abbr.)  
17. Street (abbr.)  
18. Flower  
22. High card  
23. Autumn ground covering  
25. Land measure  
26. Erect  
28. Apportions  
30. In a higher place  
31. Burns slightly  
33. Wheel projection  
35. Frosted  
36. Pronoun  
38. Nibble  
40. Pluff  
42. Roman magistrate  
44. Man's nickname  
45. Part of hi-fi set  
48. Bring upon oneself  
47. Missile weapon  
48. Playing marble

DOWN  
1. Units of power  
2. Wading bird  
3. Den  
4. Springer and water  
5. Norse goddess of death  
6. Cebine monkey  
7. Main character in play  
8. Fragrance  
9. Unduly dainty  
10. Assayers  
11. Half diameters  
20. After III  
21. Coarse, grass-like plant  
23. Chinese measure  
24. Young tree  
26. Pails  
27. Honest (slang)  
29. Like  
32. North Carolina (abbr.)  
34. New England state  
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43. Blunder  
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*Commission Anticipates Benefits*

# Iosco County Buys Computer

Iosco County Board of Commissioners executed a contract Wednesday for purchase of a B-800 computer system from the Burroughs Corporation. The contract is subject to a 30-day legal review. The equipment, costing \$40,000, is to become a part of the equalization department's operation and will be used for preparation of tax rolls and statements, as well as to provide the county with budget information and preparation of pay-rolls.

Action by the board in the afternoon followed an informal discussion in the morning with Robert Schilling, whose Oscoda-based audit firm has considerable experience with computers. Schilling advised the board to be aware of possible pitfalls; that computers provide more information, but do not necessarily save money.

In Iosco County's case, it presently costs \$15,000 annually for its contracted service with a Midland firm, which provides tax rolls and tax statements.

Schilling estimated that it would cost approximately \$70,000 to \$75,000 annually for this county to operate its own program, which includes a salary from \$8,000 to \$12,000 for the operator.

From his own experience, he said that one firm spent three years getting its computer program started and he believed that converting the taxroll and tax statement preparation from a private contractor to the county's own system would require considerable time and expense.

Schilling pointed out, too, that while the basic \$40,000 cost for equipment seemed reasonable, the selection and design of "software" (material used for printouts) would probably increase the total cost to around \$120,000.

He felt that utilization of computer service would be advantageous to the county and said the B-800 equipment furnished by Burroughs was a good choice.

One of the advantages of having a computer department at the county building is that tax roll information would be immediately available locally, rather than the present contractual system with the Midland firm where considerable time is required to communicate such information.

John Rose, county equalization director, said that Schilling may have been looking at the proposed computer system from an accounting standpoint and the equalization director did not believe that the actual cost to this county for operation would be as high as Schilling estimated.

Rose told the Herald Thursday that his department presently has key punching equipment to provide information for the computer firm at Midland and four members of his department have experience with the equipment.

He believed that a computer would eliminate the need for hiring additional people in his department, that inhouse control would provide more accuracy because of the immediate availability of information.

Rose said that a software program similar to one used by Lapeer County would be established

(See COMPUTER, page 6.)



THESE PICTURES graphically show the destruction being caused to areas of Huron National Forest by off road vehicles. The area pictured was the former ski hill at Silver Valley and the top picture shows the hill last year with only slight damage. The lower picture shows damage last week caused by four-wheel drive vehicles and motorcycles. Although entry into the Silver Valley area was again opened last year, after being closed to vehicles in order to "heal"

environmental wounds such as this, cross country use and hill climbing is prohibited as vehicles are restricted to marked trails. Donald R. Hoppe of the Tawas District Ranger's office estimates that it would cost \$1,000 to repair the damage on this one hill and about \$18,000 to repair damage in other areas within the district. Operators of off road vehicles are urged to cooperate by abiding with United States Forest Service regulations concerning operation of vehicles.



RADIO enjoyed an amazing growth in the 1920s and commercial broadcasting can trace its history back to the days when ham operators introduced phonograph music to the air waves. Before

long, folks were wearing earphones or seated around a super-heterodyne, the focal point of practically every living room, listening to their favorite programs over WWJ-Detroit.

The radio is but one twentieth century development which is commonplace and taken for granted today by the average person. It was not always that way.

"Folks just would not believe me when I told them I heard a human voice and a ukulele over my wireless telephone."

Recalling his early days as a ham radio operator was Albert H. Buch, retired register of deeds for Iosco County. Nineteen years ago, in December 1960, Buch was honored by the Michigan chapter of the Quarter Century Wireless Association for his many years of active participation in and promotion of amateur radio.

Since his retirement, Buch no longer maintains a radio shack—he and his wife spend their winters in Florida and return to their home in Tawas City for the summer—but he still retains his familiar call letters, W8AMS, possibly one of the oldest amateur radio operator designations in the state.

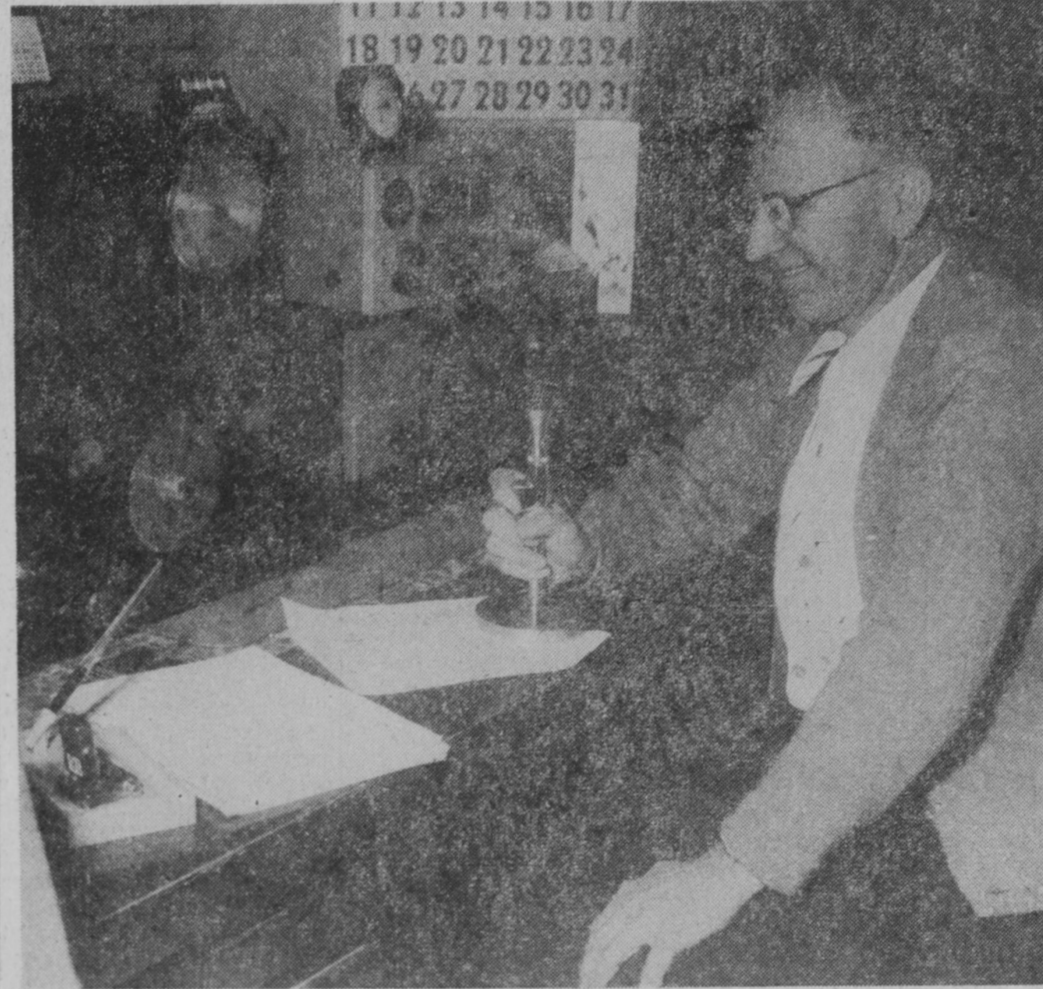
Radio was still in its infancy and Lee deForest's three-element vacuum tube was a scientific wonder when Buch first became interested in radio as a high school student. The Italian, Guglielmo Marconi, had sent the first radio signals in 1895, about seven years before Buch was born in Tawas City, but many more years of experimentation were required before a practical use was developed for the discovery.

Just prior to World War I, Buch read an article in a scientific magazine which gave instructions on how to construct a spark transmitter, the assembly utilizing a round tube of cardboard (A Mothers Oats box) with a wrapping of fine copper wire. His father owned a meat market and grocery store so the youngsters had access to the raw materials heeded to build his radio.

Two other young Tawas men, J. William Anderson and Harold Grise, were also interested in this new hobby, but even limited range amateur radio was banned in the United States because of this country's entry into the war.

When the ban on amateur radio was lifted after the Armistice, the 17-year-old Buch and his two friends began construction of transmitters and receivers. Radio regulations at that time did not require licensing unless the amateur interfered with other services. Adopting self-assigned calls, Buch's first call letters were TAB.

According to his radio log, Buch sent his first message to SMN (Anderson) on December 7, 1919, at 5:30 p. m. Earlier, he had heard



ONE OF THE STATE'S pioneer radio hams, Albert H. Buch, has closed his radio shack in Tawas City, but his familiar call letters are still heard occasionally from his mobile unit. Buch got his start in the days when one interested in

the hobby had to build his own radio. A major raw material used by Buch to assemble his first set was an empty Mothers Oats box.—Tawas Herald Photo.

his first radio code message on September 26, 1919, and received radio time and weather signals from Arlington, Virginia, on October 18, 1919. The government ban on radio during the war apparently did not pertain to receiving signals.

His first two-way contact with HG (Grise) was on December 21, 1919, and with SMN on December 25, 1919. That was pretty heady stuff for kids rapping out messages in Morse code on a wireless transmitter key. Their fellow rustics around the small community wondered what the world was coming to when a message could be sent across town without the benefit of wires.

During the next four months, Buch was busy sending and receiving messages and on May 10, 1920, after boosting the power of his equipment to 500 watts, heard his first wireless telephone message. This happened before the word "radio" was coined.

The man's voice coming in over the air waves said, "stand by for a while" and he then played some Hawaiian selections on his ukulele—accounting for the statement in the second paragraph of this article when people here would not believe that the youngster had heard music over his wireless set.

The next development witnessed by Buch was establishment of the first commercial radio stations, KDKA of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and WWJ of Detroit, which made the first regular broadcasts in 1920.

Commercial radio started in the way many programs are broadcast today—with recording. KDKA's broadcast of the Harding-Cox election returns in 1920 has been celebrated as the first great popular event in radio history.

Buch's interest in amateur radio increased, despite the fact that both Anderson and Grise moved to the Detroit area to seek employment. Notes in his log indicate that during January 1921, he heard code transmission from Guantanamo Bay, Cuba; Key West, Florida; Arlington and Norfolk, Virginia, and New York.

He constructed a combination CW (key) and phone transmitter in 1923, but he used only the key because of the cost of keeping a phone transmitter on the air was prohibitive. There were no AC powered radio tubes at that time and the equipment was powered by batteries.

Stacks of QSL cards from all parts of the United States and all continents except Asia represent many years of world-wide amateur radio contacts by W8AMS, the call letters which he was assigned after new government regulations.

During those early days of radio, Buch had many interesting experiences. He once heard messages from Wireless North Pole when Comm. Donald B. MacMillan was exploring that area. Nearly 30 years later, Buch met MacMillan when the arctic explorer was here to present a lecture on his adventures and the Tawas City "ham" told him that he had monitored his broadcasts from Etah, Greenland.

Radio has come a long way in the more than 60 years since Buch constructed his first spark transmitter out of the food cartons—sans the rolled oats. He still has this primitive equipment in his garage, but it has not been used in years. As a local curiosity, Buch's transmitter and radio log were once the subject of a program before the Iosco Historical Society and probably should be "rediscovered" by a younger generation.

The wireless telegraph was originally intended as a means of instant communications between stations, first through coded messages using a key and later by voice. Commercial broadcasting—a stepchild of amateur interest—is now in its 50th year and the amateur radio hobby continues to expand, especially since many former citizens band radio devotees discovered the advantages of becoming a "ham."



THIS BATTERY OPERATED RADIO was the latest word in the mid-1920s when folks sat around the living room wearing earphones. Some ingenious radio buffs even connected their sets to the phonograph in order for friends to hear

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Too many of us are daily disregarding the speed limit and it is costing lives, as well as eating up critical fuel supplies. Because of the seemingly daily crises in our lives caused by gasoline shortages, it may be advisable to amend the law by providing mandatory stiff fines and jail sentences for exceeding the 55 MPH speed limit.

If everyone used a little common sense, such drastic action would not be necessary.

LETTERS to the EDITOR

An open letter to the people of Tawas City.

Do you care about your town? Do you want your town to grow and prosper? Do you think that your town should be run via the rules laid down by our charter that you passed by an overwhelming margin in 1970? Do you believe in the democratic process that the majority should settle an issue? If you really care you should sit up and take notice of what is happening in your town!

I was elected to the city council, along with five other council members and our mayor. We have a strong city manager form of government in which the administrative duties of the city are, by charter, to be handled by the city manager. The council directs the city manager as to what direction they desire the city to go, and it is his obligation to carry out these directives. The mayor's position is no more important than that of a councilman, except that he is charged with chairing the council meetings and must sign official documents, as required by the charter. He has a vote the same as each member of the council. We have a planning commission, parks and recreation board, cemetery board, etc., on which the council relies for advice and input into the affairs and direction of the city. These boards are composed of public spirited citizens that serve our community with no remuneration. We have a professional consulting firm that advises the planning commission and city. The foundation is all here for a progressive and growing community.

The efforts of the council since I was elected have been to utilize the thinking of our various boards to move the city forward in a positive direction that will make our community attractive to business and industry, and to be a source of pride to its residents. I have listened patiently to many opinions, and feel that everyone is entitled to his opinion. However, there comes a point where decisions have to be made and when votes are cast to take specific direction. Then, you must go with the majority vote.

Shall the tail wag the dog? Your council has made some decisions by five to two margins. These decisions were carefully made, after evaluation by our planning commission, parks and recreation board, guidance by our professional planning consultants and other duly appointed committees. It is unfortunate that these decisions could not be unanimous. However, they were made after careful study of the facts and the input of our various official committees. It would seem to me that once a decision is made we should all cooperate so that we can accomplish our goals. I am always open for constructive criticism or suggestions. However, I will not be influenced by the pressure tactics of a group of 15 or 20 agitators (some of whom are not even residents of the community) that either refuse to hear the facts or choose to ignore them! One of the criticisms that keeps coming up is the purchase of the Bilow property at the river mouth. The facts are the city has been trying to acquire and develop this area for at least 20 years. The facts also are that a group of citizens approached the council and urged us to move forward and buy this property. They indicated they would be happy to support millage to pay for this important project. Now some of these same people are objecting to paying for this property. I voted to buy this property, and believe the city should own and develop it. It is unfortunate that we had to use a tax anticipation note for the purpose because it requires three mills to meet this obligation in November. The city budget calls for 16.45 mills and if you crank out the

three mills for this purchase, the new budget is less than last year.

Another criticism is our purchase of the Adamek property adjacent to the present city hall. By innuendo and misinforming statements, Mayor Cholger and Councilmen Rollin's group would have you believe I am personally benefiting from this purchase. If you pursue the facts, the acquiring of this property was under consideration by official committee before I was elected to council, and I had no input whatever in the original planning. If you look at the facts, at one time every member of the council, including the mayor (although he professes to not remember) thought the city should buy this property. If you will check the facts you will find no member of the council will personally benefit from this purchase. This action was by a five to two vote of the council. Should the tail wag the dog?

There is one more issue now being proposed by this self-appointed group that wants to do so much for Tawas City. That is the return to the ward system of electing councilpersons. I am sorry I was absent on the June 4 vote by council on this question. I was one of nine citizens who helped to write our charter, with the assistance of a professional consultant. The ward system of representation was studied thoroughly, and the feeling was very positive that election of councilpersons at large was most preferable in a small community where at times it is hard to get people to run from specific areas. The really good part of non-partisan election at large is that you get people who are really interested in their community, and think about the city as a whole—and not just one area. This takes a lot of the politics out of city government. If you have a good candidate on German Street, run him or her for office. If there is one on Fifth Avenue, run this person for office. Don't make it mandatory they must be from a specific area. I feel our charter needs no change at this time. We have five council members now from the south end of town. Do you see any special consideration being given to the area in which these men live? No you don't! We all represent the City of Tawas City—not any one ward—the whole city! Shall the tail wag the dog?

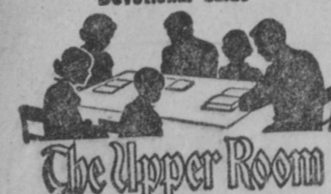
Our five to two decisions have created another problem. Council would take action and the following morning the mayor would be down pounding on the city manager's desk telling him he could not follow the directive of the council! This cost us a city manager who could not stand the continual harassment and quit his job! Check the facts! Ask him. We now have Lowell Thomas as our city manager. He is doing an excellent job of administering the city. In the short time that he has been here, he has been quick to understand the needs of our community. You have read in the papers his projected long-range program that he outlined for our city. We must proceed positively on all fronts as he has suggested for the welfare of our town. This means the water front, sewage, downtown improvement, industrial development, neighborhood improvement, etc. In order to proceed positively we must be cooperative. I resent implications that I have any motives other than the betterment of our town! We need a new city hall, firehall and library. Defeat by 11 votes of a bond proposal to build is not necessarily indicative that the majority of our citizens do not want such improvements. I believe if the issue of consolidation had been settled before the bond vote on the proposed complex, a majority would have voted in favor. We cannot sit on our hands. We must take cooperative positive action. It is up to you, Mr. and Mrs. Citizen of Tawas City. I invite you to attend our council meetings and to explore the facts. Please ignore the self-appointed champions that are doing their best to confuse the issues and facts. Talk with the long-time dedicated members of our boards and commissions. I may not always agree with council decisions but I will always pull with the majority once the decision is made. I will not "let the tail wag the dog!"

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Sometimes later, we crossed the same stream at St. Louis, Missouri. Wade across it? Not a chance! That little stream had become a mighty river.

I wonder if this is not the pattern of most of our lives. We start small, but things begin to change. The ordinary becomes the extraordinary.

Jesus was always making this point throughout His ministry. When He compared the kingdom of heaven to a grain of mustard seed, He was seeking to make clear how the ordinary can become extraordinary.

This kingdom of heaven within each of us has great possibilities. Its growth is nourished through prayer, worship, Scripture reading, adherence to the life and teachings of Jesus.

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Highlights And Sidelights

Environmental Issue of the 1980s

EAST LANSING—A Michigan State University research team is helping set the stage for what may be one of the biggest environmental issues of the 1980s.

The controversial subject is the dredging of the St. Mary's River, which connects Lake Superior to Lake Huron. The aim of this Army Corps of Engineers project is to widen and deepen shipping channels for year-around shipping of iron pellets and other materials and products on the Great Lakes.

The growing conflict is focused on the potential for environmental damage from, first, the dredging and the disposal of sediment; second, the passage of ships through the channel in the winter and possible toxic spills.

A winter navigation demonstration project had been under way on the Great Lakes since 1970, mainly to permit one firm, United States Steel Corporation, to ship pelleted ore to its plants. But, opponents of the dredging project point out that environmental impact studies have been neglected. That is where MSU comes in. A 14-month research study is gathering before and after dredging information on the physical properties, plant and animal life and sediment chemistry of the St. Mary's River.

Based on this information, the MSU research team will have to make predictions about the possible environmental effects of the dredging, the disposal of the material removed from the channel

and the churning of the river by passing ships.

Although major opposition to the project concerns its effect on the environment, other opponents to winter navigation argue that spending millions of tax dollars would benefit only a few private corporations; others point out that existing railroads which need industrial traffic to survive could adequately handle shipments during winter months.

An editorial published by this newspaper earlier this year pointed out that no consideration has been given to the high risk involved to men and ships in winter navigation, plus the tremendous cost involved for purchasing new ice breakers and operation during winter months.

Important Court Rulings for State

LANSING—Two important court rulings affecting either the environment or pocket books of Michiganders have been announced during the past two weeks.

The Michigan Natural Resource Commission's rule prohibiting the use of phosphates in detergents was upheld by Wayne County Circuit Judge Myron H. Wahls; the United States Supreme Court issued an order formally taking jurisdiction of a major natural gas case filed jointly by Atty. Gen. Frank J. Kelley and the attorney generals of seven other states.

In the first instance, Judge Wahls of Detroit denied a request by the Soap and Detergent Association asking the court to nullify the no-phosphate rule, arguing that the natural resources commission did not have legal authority to enact it. Judge Wahls' ruling held that the

commission did have such authority.

The phosphate prohibition rule, designed to protect waters of the state from pollution, has been successfully defended for the third time by the attorney general's office, first in circuit court, then in the court of appeals and again in circuit court.

The ban has had a significant effect upon the water quality in the state and a survey reveals that dire predictions by soap manufacturers that the nonphosphate detergents would not properly clean clothes were unfounded.

The second case instituted by Michigan and joined by Maryland, Illinois, Indiana, Massachusetts, New York, Rhode Island and Wisconsin, charges that Louisiana's recent imposition of a tax upon natural gas flowing to northern

states in interstate pipelines violated a number of constitutional provisions.

The Louisiana tax took effect April 1 on natural gas entering that state, primarily from the federally-controlled outer continental shelf. It is estimated that the Louisiana tax during its first year will yield revenues of nearly a quarter-billion dollars, of which over 30-million dollars would be collected from Michigan gas customers.

Michigan claims this tax violates the interstate commerce clause and has argued that the tax, if allowed to stand, would encourage other states along pipeline routes to impose similar taxes.

In addition to granting the state's motion requesting review of the case, the supreme court ordered the defendant to file responsive pleadings within 60 days.

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