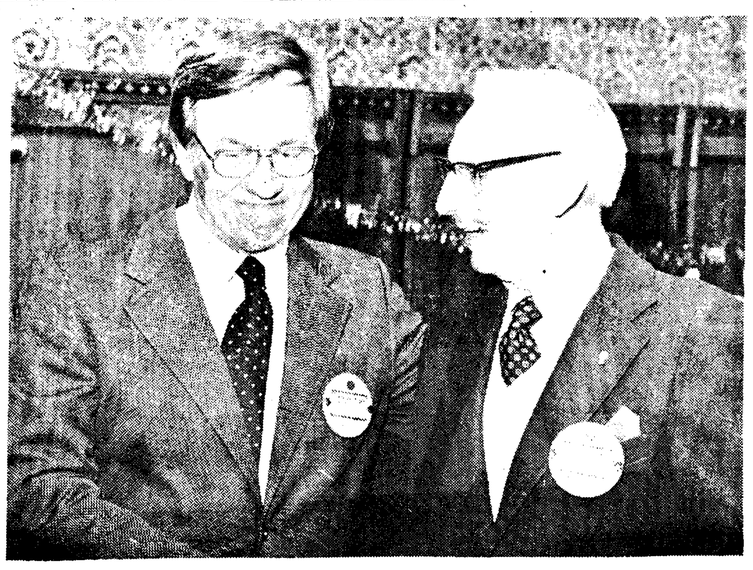


Retiring Yates County Clerk Lynn H. Carpenter (right) is congratulated by Yates County Judge Frederick D. Dugan during a meeting of the Penn Yan Rotary, Tuesday, Dec. 19. (Photo by Loree Martin)

Carpenter honored

Lynn H. Carpenter, retiring Yates County Clerk was honored with a plaque Tuesday, Dec. 19, for his 15 years of service to the Yates County court system.

He has served as county clerk since 1964, working during the terms of three county judges, the late Judge Maurice W. McCann, Judge Lyman H. Smith, now Justice of the Supreme Court and Judge Dugan.

The clerk is charged with the responsibility of administering the dockets and calendars of all Yates County Courts.

Carpenter retires on Dec. 31, at which time Deputy County Clerk Marian Mann will fill the position.

Carpenter and his wife, Dorothy reside in Dundee. He is the former editor of the Dundee newspaper.

Hospital Notes

Dec. 18-24

Admissions:

Mrs. Ethelyn Kellen, 154 Cornwell St.
Michael Cincotta, 124 Cornwell St.
Carol Henderson, 330 West Lake Road
Mrs. Mabel Carroll, 328 Liberty St.
W. Carl Schuyler, Pulteney
Melvin Weaver, Penn Yan RD1
Robert Carpenter, 216 East Main St.
Glen Preston, Dundee RD 1
Mrs. Marie Craig, 25 Main St.
Clarence Davis, Penn Yan RD 3
Anne Allen, 217 Clinton St.
Lewis Castner, Penn Yan RD 1
Michelle Ansley, 120 Flat St.
Thomas Craig, 159 Seneca St.
Kelley Smith, 15 Washington St., Dundee
Jack Tretjen, Penn Yan, RD 3

Discharges:

Donald Hopkins, Penn Yan RD 5
Lawrence Harris, 360 Liberty St.
Mrs. Diana Knapp, Penn Yan RD 1
Mrs. Julia D'Abbracci, Hilltop Inn
William Volz, 312 Elm St.
David Snyder, Reynolds Trailer Park
Mrs. Florence Caskey, Prattsburg RD 2
Harold Nichols, Penn Yan, RD 2
Carol Henderson, 330 West Lake Road
Flossie Moss, Branchport
Warren Knapton, Himrod
Paula Cleveland, 119 Clinton St.
Darwin Hammond, Branchport
Michael Cincotta, 124 Cornwell St.
Melvin Weaver, Penn Yan RD 1
Charles Harris, Italy Valley Road, Naples
Maple Carroll, 328 Liberty St.
Elsie Bloomfield, 110 Court St.
Judith Copp, Old Dundee Road
Gladys Smith, Naples
Dante Marasi, Penn Yan RD 3
Jennie Olesen, Skylock Village, Penn Yan
Dorothy Welden, 521 East Lake Road
Ethelyn Kellen, 154 Cornwall St.
Robert Carpenter, 216 East Main St.
Carl Schuyler, Pulteney

—Upcoming—

Bridle club to meet

The care of brood mares will be the topic of the 7:30 p.m. Jan. 3 meeting of the Yates Saddle and Bridle Club at the County Auditorium.

Harold Christiansen will speak on the feeding, exercise, and care of the brood mare at the time of foaling.

Ski clinic planned

A cross country ski wax clinic will be at 6 p.m. until Thursday, Jan. 11, in Weed Physical Arts Center Lounge on the Keuka College campus.

Rob Haggerty, Karhu Ski representative will present the clinic, which is free and open to the public.

Persons wishing further information should contact Mary Schleiermacher at 536-4411, ext. 249.

Dance party set

The Penn Yan Friendship Squares will have a New Year's Eve Dance Party at the Penn Yan Grange Hall on Route 54A Sunday, Dec. 31, with hats, noisemakers and door prizes.

A round dance party will be 7:30-8:30 p.m. followed by a square dance party, 8:30-12:30 a.m. A pot-luck supper will start at 12:30 a.m., and everyone is asked to bring a dish-to-pass and table service.

A night owl dance will follow the supper.

Hunters' dance set

The Seneca Lake Duck Hunters Association is having a New Year's Eve dance with Bruce Pinneo. A free buffet lunch will be served at midnight. Noisemakers and hats will be provided. All members and all guests are welcome.

CHINA & FRANCE

HONG KONG — China has signed a $13.5 billion trade agreement with Fance including two nuclear power stations, and the Peking government said it must make major increases in its imports of advanced technology.

JAMBOREE POSTPONED

GENEVA, Switzerland — The 15th World Scout Jamboree scheduled for July next year in Iran has been postponed, the World Scout Bureau said. The Jamboree had been scheduled to take place July 15 to 23 in Neishaboor, 500 miles east of Tehran.

Dugan says

'Women's movement growing'

By LOREE MARTIN

"This year more and more women have realized they are a part of the women's movement," said Marcia Dugan, a delegate to the National Conference for Women in November of 1977, at Houston.

Reflecting on the year since the conference, Mrs. Dugan said, "some women used to think they had to be for all the beliefs of the women's movement, but the definition of feminist is changing. I like Dr. Betty Bone Scheiss' definition. She believes 'any woman or man who believes she or he has been discriminated against and tries to correct it,' is part of the women's movement for equality."

Commenting on the "chain of activist women across the country," who have been working to see that resolutions presented at the conference are implemented, Mrs. Dugan said "it has not happened as fast as I would have liked to see it, but effecting change does not happen instantaneously."

Some progress has been made, however, as "the extension of the Equal Rights Amendment" ratification date would not have happened if the chain of activists were not working for it, she said.

Another plank, presented at the conference relating to rural women, has been passed this year in the new tax act, she explained. The act changes the status of women as farmers for inheritance purposes. A tax on inherited farms previously had to be paid by women who worked beside their husbands on the family farm.

Another issue involving rural areas, Mrs. Dugan pointed out, is the Rural and Health Clinic Act which provides medical and health costs reimbursement to rural health clinics.

Other progress since the conference was an act by the President to establish a National Advisory Committee of 40 women, Mrs. Dugan noted.

A member of a continuing committee to seek action on issues regarding equality, Mrs. Dugan has spoken on 33 occasions since the conference. She explained, "the real issue for equality in my mind is the employment situation. If women can't make a living wage then there is something wrong."

Explaining her reasoning for being an equal employment activist, Mrs. Dugan pointed out, "many women today are opting not to get married and 40 per cent of the marriages end in divorce. Many of those women who have to work or go back to work haven't had the training."

The Comprehensive Employment and Training Act has attempted to combat this problem with a bill for education of displaced homemakers, Mrs. Dugan said. Relating the problem to equal pay for women, she said, "Many women today work to support themselves or a family, not simply to supplement another income."

Illustrating her point, Mrs. Dugan noted, "when men came into teaching, the wages went up."

For the future Mrs. Dugan sees "people continuing to be involved by working on their own issues and establishing coalitions to work on those issues."

Since the conference "women feel they are not a voice in the wilderness anymore. They have learned leadership and the value of working in a coalition and speaking out," Mrs. Dugan said.

In her travels to speak to different organizations during the past year, Mrs. Dugan has stressed the importance of setting priorities among the group's own issues and working for those issues.

"We have to be patient," she said. "If the projects we are working for were easy, they would have been changed years ago," she added. "Not all the issues at Houston can be effected by Legislation rather they involved attitudinal changes — we are dealing with attitudes as well as the economic threat of the country now."

At least women have more of an opportunity to make their own choices now according to Mrs. Dugan and "that is what the women's movement is all about — choices."

Forum hears talk on home ec

PRATTSBURG — There was a fair turnout at the second open forum of the Prattsburg Central School Board of Education on Dec. 7.

Mary Jane Kukuk home economics teacher explained the courses she is teaching this year and the major changes in the courses for next year. In preparation for next year's courses, Ms. Kukuk attended two seminars this past summer, one in Buffalo, the other at the University of Syracuse.

She also spent a great deal of time preparing an outline of the courses to be taught next year. The courses could be taught without an outline or syllabus, but then there would be no Regent's credits, she explained.

Harry Bartz, district superintendent, commended her for the amount of work she has done and for high standings at the seminars.

Elementary home economics is taught in grades 4 through 6 one day each week. There are nine week courses for grades 7 and 8. Grades 9 through 12 have many electives to choose from. The student has to take one course from each category and must take six to nine courses depending on their length. There are a total of 23 courses.

Today many boys are taking home economics, in one course the boys outnumber the girls. The courses cover almost every aspect of home making. To mention a few, there are courses in marriage, sewing, foods, consumer education, interior decorating and child care. Each of the categories are divided up into different segments. For instance there are courses in diet foods, gourmet foods, foreign foods and so forth.

The Advisory Committee to the School Board will on Feb. 7, at another open forum meeting, have knowledgable men to explain the equalization rate. It is expected Carl Partridge, Town assessor and George Fox, county tax director will be present.

On March 7, there will be another meeting at which time the budget for the coming school year will be discussed. This meeting will give the citizens in the school district a chance to present their views as to what should be in the budget.

Refreshments were served by some members of the advisory committee.

Clouds darken more than sky for road super

Editor's Note:

Because of a space problem in last week's Chronicle-Express, the following story was drastically cut. The story appears this week, in its entirety.

By MAURICE DUMAS

When storm clouds darken and a heavy rain starts to fall on Bluff Point in the town of Jerusalem, highway superintendent Charles Hines is sure to have a problem.

The water that falls on the bluff, a ridge of land dividing Keuka Lake into two branches, slowly starts to make its way to the lake.

It trickles down through the drainage areas, picking up speed as it flows along the steep slopes of the bluff. Finally water is rushing in torrents through the hundreds of ravines that lead to the lake.

Charles Hines' problem starts when the water reaches the base of the bluff, which is rimmed by 23 miles of town road.

Many of the sluiceways which tunnel under the road are too small to handle the volume of water, which flows over the road, washing debris onto landowner's property and flooding basements.

After the August rain, flood damage along the road cost the town $20,000 to clean up.

There is no simple solution to the problem.

According to Hines' estimate, it would cost $4,000 each to replace the small three foot culverts with five-foot pipe. It would cost the town $40,000 to replace the 10 most troublesome sluiceways along the road, which has about 200 culverts in all.

If the sluiceways are enlarged, the flow of water is increased, adding to the possibility of damage to property below the road.

The town has investigated the possibility of state aid, but the Department of Transportation has said it can't help.

Meanwhile many residents along the road are unhappy with the situation. Philip Millspaugh of 1143 East Bluff Drive has retained a lawyer and presented the town with a bill of more than $2,000 for damages to his property from the August flooding.

Wilbur Goodrich of 968 East Bluff Drive has written to his state senator and congressman to complain of his plight. During the last storm his basement was flooded, the walls cracked, the sidewalks broken, and shrubbery, grass, and topsoil were washed away.

Goodrich says he may have "no alternative but to bring a lawsuit," because of the town's "continued negligence in failing to solve this problem."

The last flooding added to the problem, said Pete Tierney, a soil conservation expert who did a study of the area, because it "loosened a lot of gravel all the way up to the drainage area." Another heavy rain on the steep slopes could wash enough material down to plug the culverts and cause more widespread flooding. Tierney could find no solution to the problem that wouldn't cost a lot of money.

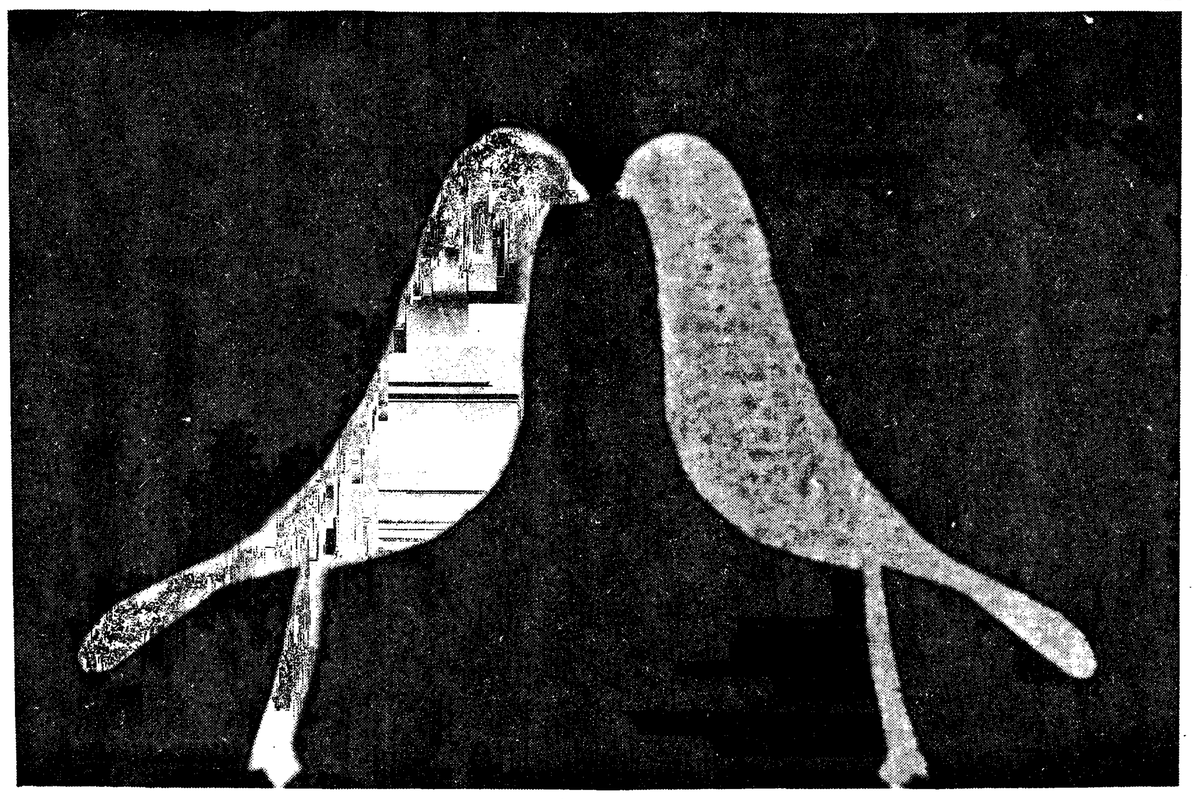
According to town supervisor John Payne, the town doesn't have a lot of money to spend on one road.

Hines adds that as long as he can remember, at least since 1935, flooding has occurred on the bluff roads.

To make the matter worse, many houses built since that time are near creek beds, and a few even straddle the streams.

Tierney adds that since the '60's, "we've learned that flood plains are not the place to build anymore."

All of which, though true, is of little consolation to those persons who have either built or bought a home near one of the bluff's numerous creeks. They, like Charles Hines, can only hope when the storm clouds form, that it doesn't rain too hard.



Two turtle doves

These two turtle doves decorate the front entrance of the Dresden Elementary School. They were made out of cardboard and cellophane paper by fourth grader Scott Hansen. (Photo by Maurice Dumas).

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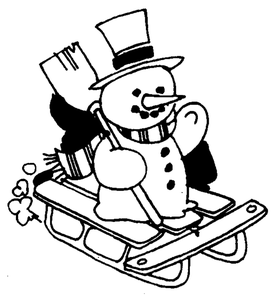

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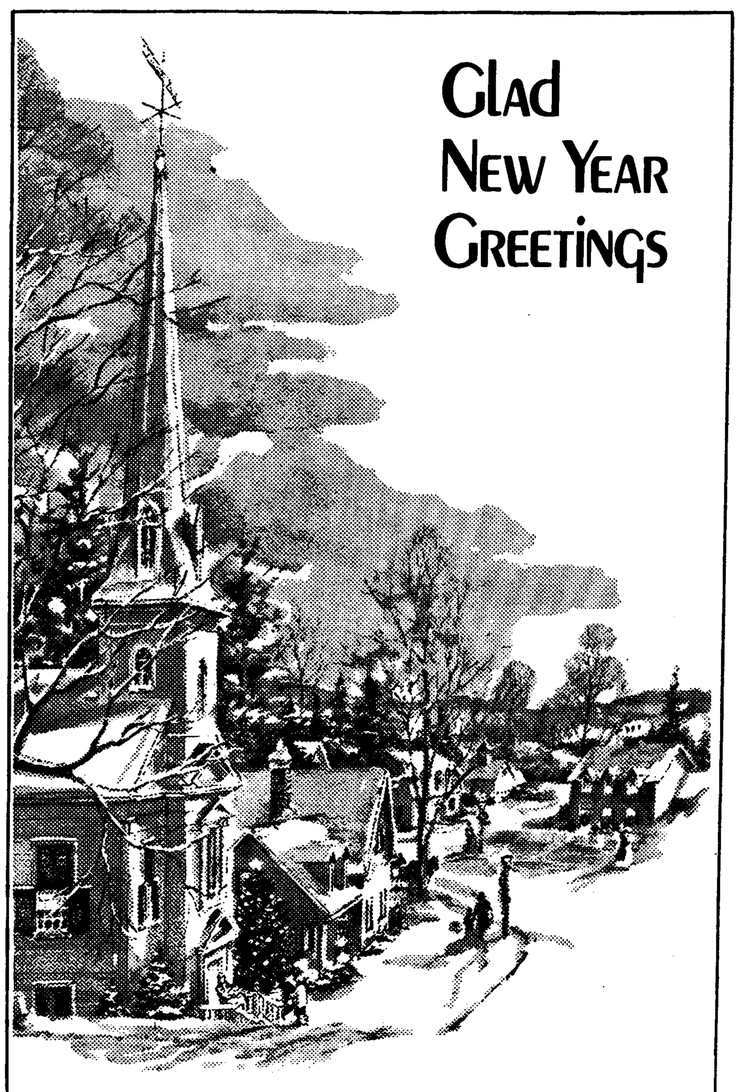

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