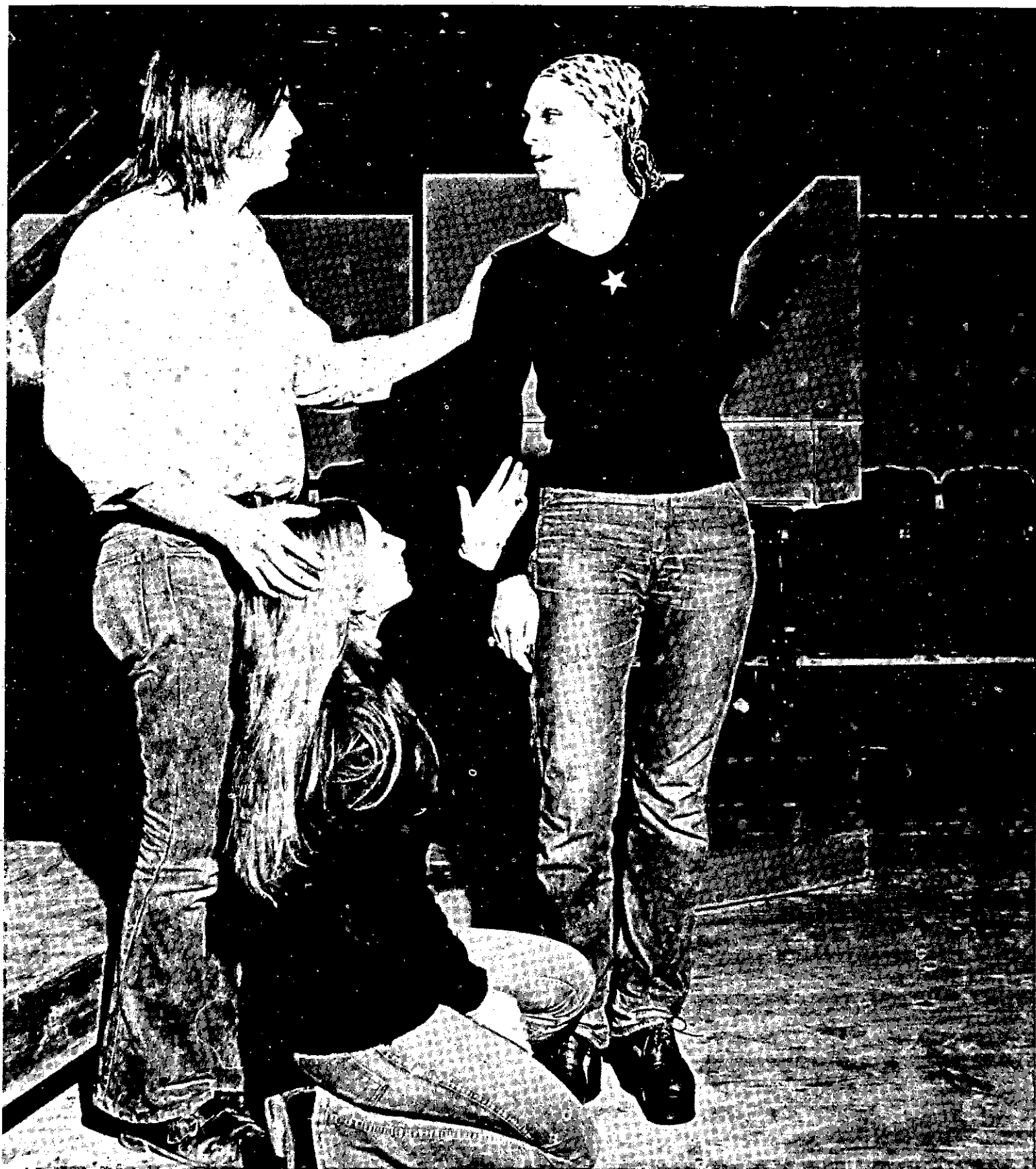


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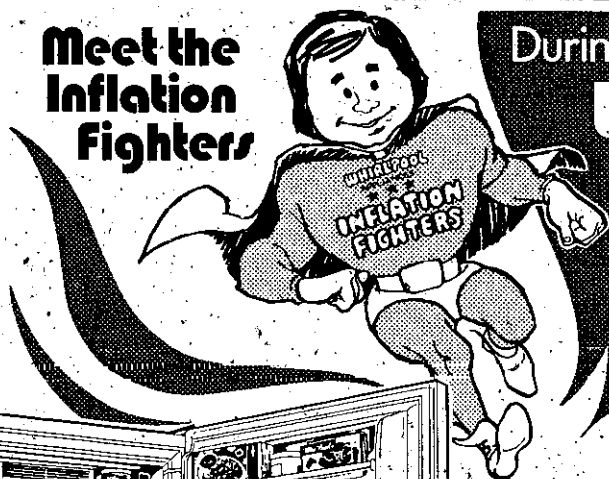
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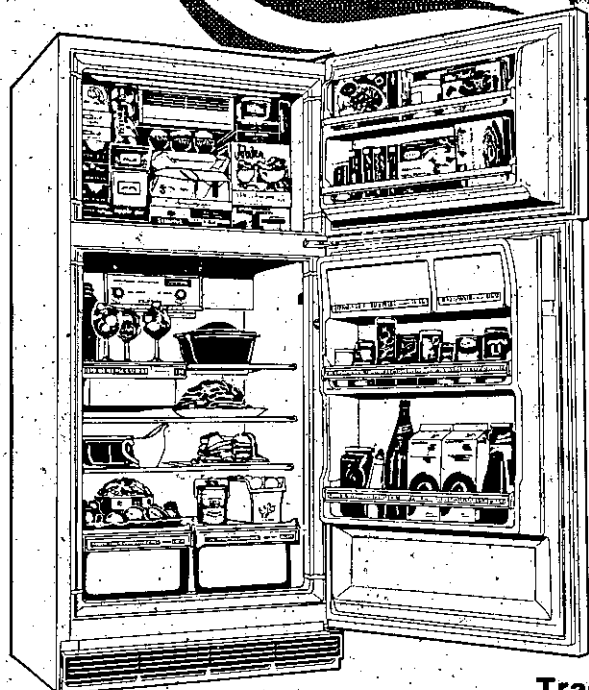


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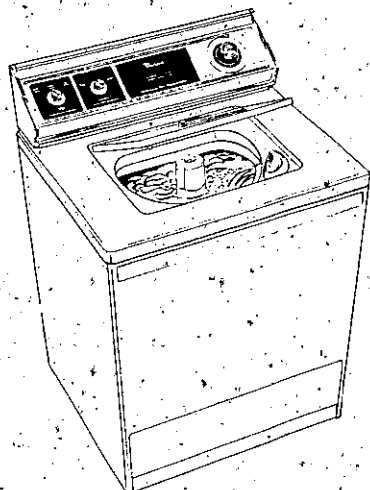
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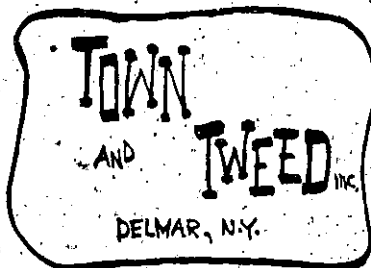
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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21

7:30 P.M., Color Slide Show, Delmar Camera Club, at Bethlehem Public Library, "On the Viking Trail."

8 P.M., meeting, Alb. Camera Club, Institute of Hist. & Art. Speaker: George Parker of Delmar.

8 P.M., meeting, Albany Camera Club, George Parker, to speak, "Print Finishing," at Albany Institute of History and Art, public invited.

8 P.M., Ecumenical Meeting, Kiwanis Club of New Scotland, New Scotland Presbyterian Church, followed by social hour. Transportation: 765-2991 or 765-2538.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22

8:15 P.M., Audubon Film, Lincoln Park School, Albany, "Acadian Reflections."

7:30 P.M., Color Slide Show, Delmar Camera Club, at Bethlehem Public Library, "How to Get Close."

BCHS Sports

JV & Varsity Basketball — Guildersland at BCHS, 7 P.M.

Varsity and JV Wrestling — Sectionals

Varsity Swimming — Easterns at Lawrenceville Academy, N.J.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23

12-3 P.M., Registration, Bethlehem Tri-Village Little League, St. Thomas School, boys 8-12 yrs. eligible. Bring birth certificate.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24

2 P.M., Movie, "Shadow Ranch," Large Community Room, Bethlehem Public Library.

Bethlehem Police Benevolent Association's Annual Dinner Dance, at Bethlehem Elks, 2233, Rt. 144, Selkirk. Information: 439-9973.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25

BCSD schools re-open today at regular time!

8 P.M., meeting, Berne Hist. Society, Town Hall. Diary of Town history on display.

BCHS Sports

JV & Varsity Volleyball — Guildersland at BCHS, 3:45 P.M.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

8 P.M., meeting, Little League mo-

thers, The Bank, Community Room, Delmar.

8 P.M., meeting, Drama Group, Delmar Progress Club, Bethlehem Library Community Room. Philip Rice, speaker.

BCHS Sports

JV & Varsity Basketball — BCHS at Columbia, 7 P.M.

8th Grade Basketball — BCHS at Burnt Hills, 3:45 P.M.

8 P.M., Meeting, Delmar Camera Club, St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Delmar. Competition, food; Gourmet's Delight.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

7:30 P.M., Color Slide Show, Delmar Camera Club, at Bethlehem Public Library, "Denmark Today."

Ash Wednesday Service, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., Delmar, 6:15 P.M., Pot Luck Supper, 7:30 P.M., Communion Service and special blessing.

8 P.M., meeting, Committee planning BCHS class of '49 reunion, Community Room, Delmar National Commercial Bank.

8 P.M., The Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem will hold a public hearing at the Town Offices, 393 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, N.Y. to take action on application of the National Savings Bank of the City of Albany, 90 State Street, Albany, New York, for a Variance from Article V of the Bethlehem Town Zoning Ordinance to allow parking in a residential zone for an adjacent commercial use, viz., their branch bank at 362-372 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, N.Y.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

8 P.M., meeting, BCSD School Board, Educational Services Center. Report: 9-3 program.

The Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem will hold two public hearings, February 27, 1974, one at 7:30 P.M. and one at 8:30 P.M., at the Town Hall, Delmar, New York, to consider a proposed increase in the maximum amounts to be expended for Sewer Extension No. 8 and also for the improvements in the Bethlehem Sewer District.

BCHS Sports

JV & Varsity Volleyball — BCHS at Niskayuna, 3:45 P.M.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28

9:30 A.M., meeting, League of Women Voters, Beth. Public Library. Subject: Local planning. Baby sitting. Info: 439-2210.

8:30 P.M., "The Tempest," by William Shakespeare presented by Slingerlands Community Players, Bethlehem Central High School.

9:30 A.M., meeting of League of Women Voters, Bethlehem Public Library, babysitting available; 439-2210.

6 P.M., meeting, Men's Garden Club, Organic Gardening, reservations; 439-9743.

7:45 P.M., meeting, Albany Panhellenic Assoc., Beth. Public Library.

BCHS Sports

Girls' Gymnastics — Shaker at BCHS, 3:45 P.M.

FRIDAY, MARCH 1

8:30 P.M., "The Tempest," by Shakespeare, presented by Slingerlands Community Players, BCHS.

BCHS Sports

8th Grade Basketball — Columbia at BCHS, 3:45 P.M.

JV & Varsity Wrestling — Sectionals

JV & Varsity Volleyball — Shennedehowa at BCHS, 3:45 P.M.

Girls' Basketball — BCHS at Columbia, 3:45 P.M.

SATURDAY, MARCH 2

8:30 P.M., "The Tempest," by Shakespeare, presented by Slingerlands Community Players, BCHS.

12-3 P.M., registration, Tri-Village Little League, St. Thomas School, boys 8 to 12 years, birth certificate.

SUNDAY, MARCH 3

1 P.M., luncheon, St. Thomas Altar Rosary Society Day of Recollection, School Auditorium. Father Alan Jupin, guest speaker. Tickets: 439-4496.

2 P.M., movie, "White Eagle," Bethlehem Public Library, Large Community Room.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6

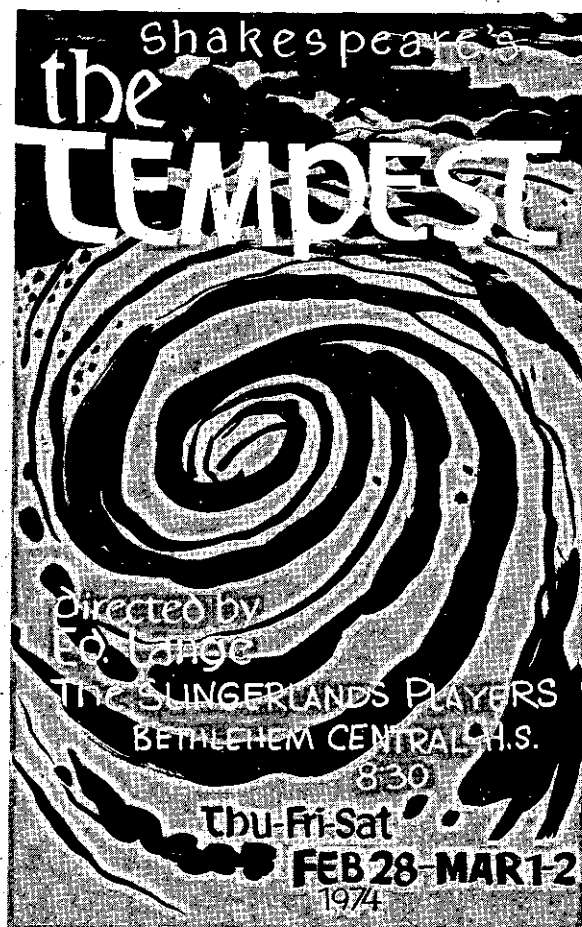
Lenten Services — Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., Delmar.

9:30 A.M., Women's Bible Study, First United Methodist Church, Delmar, Lounge.

7:30 P.M., Men's Bible Study, Delmar Reformed Church.

7:30 P.M., two films, Story Hour Room, Bethlehem Public Library, series, "Death, Bereavement and What to Do?"

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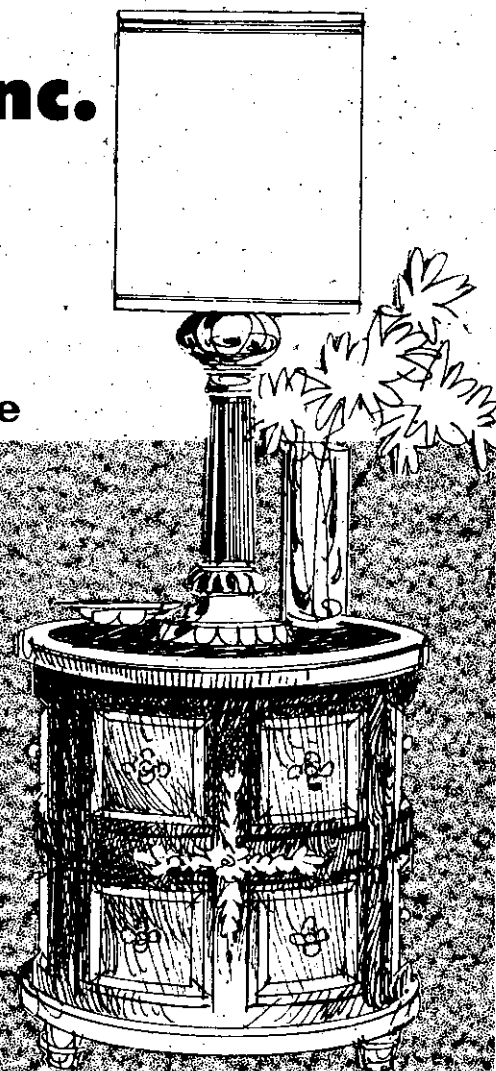
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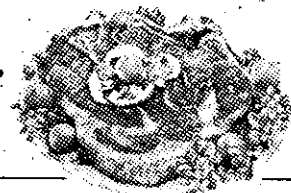
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Joni

In the February 7 issue of the **Spotlight**, I ran a puzzle and I asked if anyone could solve it. I received eight replies, six of which weren't solved according to the directions. The other two however were correct. One of the lines went under one of the houses. The two people who sent the solutions were Stan Davis of 5 Haddington Lane, and Lisa McRae of 2 Leonard Place, both of Delmar. Lisa said, after she had solved the puzzle, she found the solution in a book.

Thank you both for the solution.

On the afternoon of February 6, members and their guests of the Albany County Women's Republican Club, gathered at the Executive Mansion for their annual membership tea. They were greeted by the Governor's wife, Mrs. Malcolm Wilson; Honorable Richard Rosenbaum, New York State Republican Chairman; Miss Ruth Miner, former Deputy Secretary of State; Mrs. Richard H. Kennedy, 3rd Judicial District Director of the New York State Federation of Republican Women, and Mrs. Charles F. Walsh, President of the Albany County Women's Republican Club.

Over 200 members and guests enjoyed the tour of the mansion.



Douglas
E. Mero

Navy News!
Navy Fire-
man Recruit
Douglas E.
Mero, son of
Mr. and Mrs.
D.J. Mero of
Delmar, was
graduated
from recruit
training at
Naval Train-
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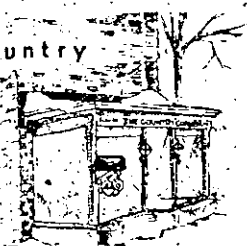
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The couple has planned a June 1 wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. William Thompson of Selkirk, announce their



Winona Thompson

daughter, Winona Rene, is engaged to William H. Weisheit, III, son of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Weisheit, Jr., of Glenmont. Winona is a graduate of Hico Union High and is employed by Heath's Dairy. William is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and is employed by Hilchie's American Hardware.

Their wedding day is planned for the 5th of April.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Kuhn of Albany announce the engagement of their daughter,



Michele Kuhn

Michele Marie, to Kenneth Allen Mayers, of Albany, son of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Mayers, Jr., of Delmar.

Michele is a graduate of Mercy High School and Maria College. Kenneth is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and is attending Hudson Valley Community College.

Both Michele and Ken are employed by Child's Hospital, Albany.

The wedding date is set for March 22.

Good luck to you all.

COVER STORY

BARD ON HIGH SCHOOL BOARDS

THE TEMPEST by William Shakespeare, the Slingerlands Players' only proscenium production of the season, opens on February 28 at BCHS auditorium and continues through March 1 and 2. Curtain for all performances is at 8:30 P.M. A rehearsal scene on our cover includes Sue Kramer, kneeling and Steve King and Rachel Follett.

In a fresh approach to this Shakespeare classic, the production is set at an indefinite time in the future. Director Ed Lange says that the timelessness and mystical quality of the play are heightened by the futuristic setting.

Students may purchase tickets at \$2 each for the performance on February 28 in blocks of 20 or more. For the performances on March 1 and 2, students may purchase tickets at the box office for \$2.50 each after 8:15 P.M. General admission tickets at \$3.50 each are available in Delmar at L. J. Mullen Pharmacy and C. M. Grover — Stationers and at The Clothes Horse at the Toll Gate in Slingerlands. General admission tickets are also available at \$3 each in blocks of 20 or more. For all block purchases, call 439-9528.

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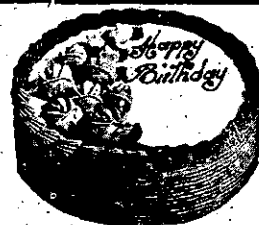
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LIBRARY NOTES

Sunday Western

Sunday afternoon at 2 P.M., February 24, in the Large Community Room of the Bethlehem Public Library will be shown another film in the Western Round-Up Series. The film to be shown is "Shadow Ranch" starring Buck Jones. There is plenty of exciting riding and a typical shoot-out in this film in which Jones comes to the aid of a friend who is helping a woman protect her ranch from greedy badmen.

New Exhibit — the Beatles?

Would you believe that ten years ago this month the Beatles first appeared in the United States on the Ed Sullivan Show? To commemorate the occasion, Sam Kaido of Albany has lent the Bethlehem Public Library a display of

Beatles' souvenirs. These will be on display in the case near the Circulation Desk until the end of February.

THE FIRST 100 YEARS

It is quite understandable that not too many organizations in our community can boast, or shall we say "claim," a hundred years of continuous existence. Bethlehem Grange #137 is one such organization which had done just that and has, during the past year, been celebrating the outstanding event in one way or another.

In looking back over a hundred years of history, one can derive a considerable amount of inspiration. Especially when we take note what our predecessors were able to accomplish, in spite of difficult conditions and almost insurmountable obstacles.

History tells us that the first meetings of Bethlehem Grange were held in a Farmers Hotel, located at 168 South Pearl Street, Albany, where it was organized under the leadership of Mr. Sprague on March 17, 1874.

The first Master of this newly formed organization with 30 members, was Jerian Winne, who at that time owned and operated a farm located at the present site of Jericho School, near to and perhaps including a part of which is now the Selkirk Yards of the Penn-Central Railroad. That Mr. Winne was a capable leader, interested in his community and dedicated to the cause of the Patrons of Husbandry, was evidenced by the fact that he was not only the first Master of Bethlehem Grange, but also the first Deputy Master of Albany County as well as the first Pomona Master and likewise served as State Treasurer of the Grange of New York for the 1874-76

term.

After one year at the Pearl Street location, the Grange organization felt that it could best serve its farmer membership by moving to its present location, where it acquired land and began an intensive building program, which in itself should be ample material for another story.

**Lions Tail
Twisters?
A "Super
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Donkey?
Sat., Mar. 9?
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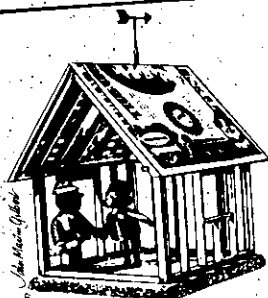
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The Spotlight Goes to School

On Fencing Team

Samuel F. Powel, a sophomore from Slingerlands, is currently performing with the 1974 Princeton University fencing team, which is rated as one of the top contenders for the Ivy League title.

The Tigers opened the season with an impressive 17-10 victory over defending Ivy champ Penn.

Powel is majoring in Aerospace and Mechanical Sciences Engineering at Princeton. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Powel, III, of Bullock Road, R.D.#1 in Slingerlands, and is a graduate of Phillips Academy.

Driving Course Scheduled

The New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law requires that all applicants for driver's license must have taken the

Three-Hour Safe Driving Course. Proof of completed training must be presented at the time of scheduling the road test appointment. Bethlehem Central Continuing Education will offer this course on March 4 and 6 at the Bethlehem Central High School, Room 19A, at 7:15 p.m. You must have your learner's permit to be admitted to the class which consists of two 1 1/2 hour sessions, 1 1/2 hours Monday evening and the other 1 1/2 hours Wednesday evening.

This course will be offered again April 1 and 3, 1974. If further information is desired call 439-4905.

Night Classes Set

Continuing Education courses for Bethlehem Central Schools will commence the week of February 25. Courses scheduled to be offered are:

Mondays: High school: Auto mechanics and beginning dressmaking; Middle school: Beginning swimming, driver education, interior decorating and conversation Italian.

Tuesdays: High School: Oil painting, auto mechanics (beginning) and beginning dressmaking; Middle School: Stenoscrypt, typing and creative stitchery.

Wednesdays: High School: Intermediate dressmaking; Middle School: Beginning art (6:30 p.m.), oil painting (8:30 P.M.), conversational French, refresher shorthand.

Thursdays: Middle School: Beginning bookkeeping, weaving, and Senior Citizens (April, May, June).

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Career Fair March 28

The third annual Career Fair to be sponsored by the Bethlehem Central High School Guidance Department will be held on Thursday, March 28, from 9 A.M. to 4 P.M., in the High School gymnasium.

"The World of Business" is the theme of this year's fair, and about 30 local businesses will be represented at the Fair with exhibits and spokesmen present.

Purpose of the fairs is to give young people the opportunity to learn more about different jobs and professions. The first Fair featured health-related careers, and last year's provided information on environmental job opportunities.

The general public is invited to visit the Fair any time during the day. Parents of younger children are particularly invited to take them to the Fair after elementary school hours.

Meetings Scheduled

Parents of pupils at the Elsmere Elementary School will have the opportunity starting next month to discuss school-related topics of their choice at informal, afternoon meetings.

The School staff and officers of the Elsmere School Community Organization decided to schedule such meetings in an attempt to meet the needs and desires of parents. Attendance

at evening ESCO meetings has waned in recent months and years, as has attendance at meetings of parent groups at many other schools.

These meetings will all begin at 3:45, when the school day ends, in the Teachers' Lounge. Topics to be discussed may be sent to Principal Richard Herrmann in advance, or may be raised at the time. The meeting schedule for parents is as follows: Tuesday, March 12, grades 1, 2 and 3; Tuesday, March 19, grades 4 and 5; Wednesday, April 3, grades 1, 2 and 3; Wednesday, April 10, grades 4 and 5; and Thursday, May 2, kindergarten and grade 1.

Band Practices

Band practice sessions for Elsmere School musicians are being held this semester on Friday mornings from 8:10 to 8:45 A.M., prior to the start of the school day, with parents providing transportation. The decision was made to hold the band rehearsals outside of regular class time so participants wouldn't have to miss any classroom instruction, and to date cooperation by all concerned has been excellent, according to Mr. Herrmann.

Gym Repair Completed

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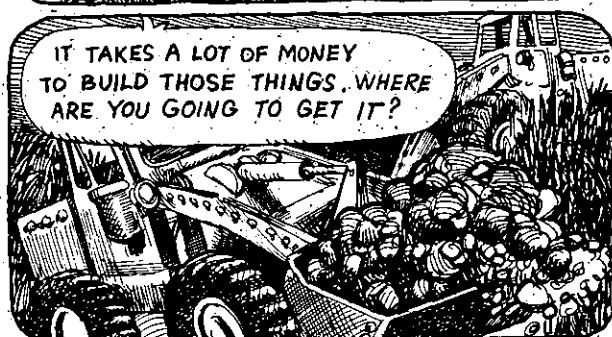
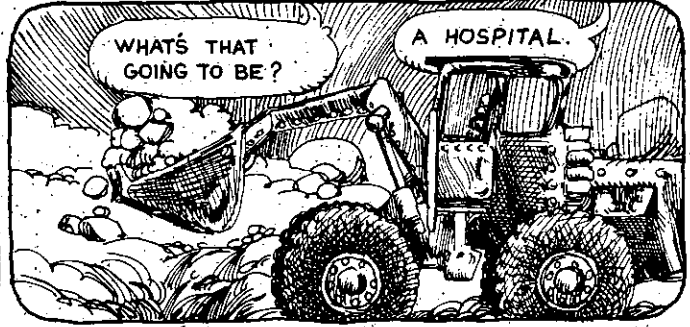
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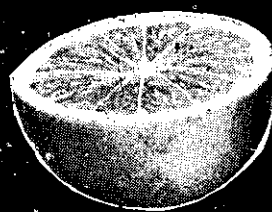
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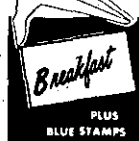
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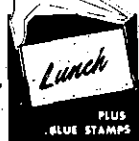
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In a recent report to the Board of Education, Ray Sliter, Director of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation, commended the Phys. Ed. staff for "adjusting to the many inconveniences" brought about by loss of the gym's use. With odd hours, crowded gyms, and re-scheduling of some activities, the teachers managed to offer a representative program of physical education classes. Some basketball practice sessions were held at the Middle School and the Delmar Elementary School.

On Dean's List

Irene B. Faust of 71 Greenock Road, Delmar, a freshman biomedical major at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, has made dean's list for the fall 1973 semester. Nearly 1,400 of RPI's 3,500 undergraduate students earned at least a 3.0 grade average out of a possible 4.0 entitling them to dean's list recognition.

DECA Winners

A delegation of 17 Bethlehem Central High School students won 9 competitive events at the Area Distributive Education Clubs of America Conference, held on January 31 at Russell Sage College.

Their advisors report that the following students have qualified to compete at the State Career Conference to be held March 13015 at the Concord Hotel in Kiamesha Lake, New York.

Winning first place in their respective competitive events were: Laura Ruff, gift wrapping; Julie Lindell, merchandise mathematics; and Cathy Link, Miss DECNY.

Others also qualifying to enter State competition were the team of William James, Charles Fritts, and Wally Reed in display construction. Lance Brisee will compete in management decision making-human relations; and in display judging events. In the girl's job interview competition will be Anne Peterson, while Mira Lewis will enter her display diorama, and Adrian Brisee will develop an advertising layout.

Other students who attended were Douglas Shanley, Sue Jenks, Gary Dingman, Lisa Beckett, Eileen Haas, Paul Casey, and Julie Patterson.

Joseph Rosetti, Distributive Education Student teacher,

attended the January 31 meeting with Mrs. Barbara Linford, Distributive Education teacher.

These students are preparing themselves for careers in marketing and distribution through

programs which integrate job training and classroom instruction. The Distributive Education Club activities and competitive events serve as the vehicles to accomplish their goals.



AT THE RECENT AREA DECA CONFERENCE, Anne Peterson, left, took 4th place in the Girls Job Interview and Julie Lindell won 1st place in Merchandising Math.



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Under the new rates, residential customers using an average 500 kilowatt-hours per month will pay \$14.57 monthly, compared with \$13.40 under the former rate schedule, an increase of \$1.17 or 8.7 per cent. Minimum monthly bills were raised from \$1.70 to \$2.50.

Leave the Driving to US!

The Snow Valley Ski Club is running a Ski Bus from Westgate and Latham Shopping Centers to the Snow Valley Ski Area, Manchester, Vermont every Saturday. \$11 per person is the total cost for bus transportation and lift tickets. Bus leaves Westgate at 7:30 A.M. and from Latham Shopping Center (behind Robert Hall) at 8 A.M. The return trip leaves Snow Valley at 4:30 P.M.

Reservations may be made by calling Bob Healy, 463-3400.

Telethon Boosters

Barbara Stiber and Dawn Watkins did their part for the CP Telethon recently by collecting \$60 in their Colonial Acres, Glenmont, neighborhood.

A good job!

Home Nursing Class

Providing home care for a sick family member or friend can be made a lot easier with a basic understanding of Home Nursing.

That's why the Albany Area Chapter, Red Cross has scheduled a series of Home Nursing Courses, including two in the Bethlehem Area.

In Bethlehem Home Nursing courses will be held at Bethlehem Central High School beginning Tuesday, February 26 from 7 to 9 P.M., Frances Bostwick, instructor.

For additional information, interested persons should call the Albany Area Chapter, Nursing Programs, 462-7461.

From Out of the Past...

When David D. Palmer started recording events that were happening in Berne in 1832 and continued his diary until 1893, he had no idea that his thoughts would be eagerly read a hundred years later by the members of the Berne Historical Society.

At its next meeting on Mon-



JOHN HOPKE, WQBK announcer, pours for Mr. and Mrs. John Geurtze of Glenmont at the Wine Tasting Party hosted by Roger Trautman (Glenmont Liquor Store) Friday evening, Feb. 15, at the Center Inn, Glenmont. It was a festive evening with some 200 wine buffs sampling the domestic and imported "best from the winemakers."

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day evening, Feb. 25, the Society will have two photocopies of Mr. Palmer's records to examine. Over 100 pages of the original are permanently in the possession of the New York State Library which has graciously permitted the Berne Historical Society to reproduce the manuscript so that there will be copies for display in its ten rooms of history. These will be viewed by the membership.

Marriages, deaths and weather details are all part of the 61-year account in the diary. The names of the antecedents of many members of the Society and their neighbors are included. It is expected that the examination of the papers by those present will uncover facts about their forebears that were never known until before.

The Town of Berne Historical Society is inviting all persons who have an interest in the area's history to join them that evening. As usual, the meeting will be at the Town Hall in Berne. A trustees' conference takes place at 7:30, to be followed by the regular meeting at 8.

Baby Sitters' Program

A Baby Sitter's Program was conducted by the Town of Bethlehem Police Department on February 4 from 7:30 to 9:00 P.M. at the Slingerlands

Fire Department, and was under the direction of Sergeant Leo E. Dorsey of the Town of Bethlehem Police Department Youth Bureau.

Bertram E. Kohinke, Supervisor of the Town of Bethlehem, stated that the program provided special instructions on: "Safety" by Sgt. Leo E. Dorsey; "Fire Prevention" by John Flanigan, Chief of Slingerlands Fire Department; "First Aid" by Jim Coughtry, Captain, Slingerlands Rescue Squad and a special film on the "ABC's of Baby Sitting" by Officer Leonard Ryan of the Bethlehem Police Department.

Mr. Kohinke indicated that, as the program progresses, dates will be announced for

future classes to be held in other Hamlets of the Town of Bethlehem.

All children in grades six through high school are urged to attend and participate in this program.

Barbershoppers Coming

The Albany Chapter of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America, Inc. will present the winter concert of their "Singing Series '74" at the Bethlehem Middle School in Delmar at 8 P.M. on Saturday evening, February 23. This performance will feature several local groups and outstanding guest quartet.



SGT. LEO E. DORSEY, of the Bethlehem Police Youth Bureau, is pictured above, explaining the fundamentals of changing baby's diaper, to thirty Webelos Scouts from St. Thomas Church. The boys attended a two-night baby sitting instruction class from 7 to 9 P.M. at the Slingerlands Fire House. Jim Fuller Photo



RAYMOND HENRY will present an illustrated lecture on the Canadian Rockies at the Retired Men's Fraternity Luncheon today (Feb. 21) at Noon at the Holiday Inn on the Albany-Schenectady Road.



YOUTH HOCKEY PROGRAM — L. R. Wilson, Jr. and J. D. Hills (extreme right) of the Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department, and Raymond Lamoy (left), coach, presented certificates of participation, registration cards and patches from the Amateur Hockey Association of the United States to this group of youngsters who are part of the more than 60 boys who registered for the local hockey program. The boys are about to board the bus to go to Troy's new Friar Park for a two-hour practice session. Due to the lack of outside ice because of wide-ranging temperatures, the boys have been making the Troy trip for the past seven weeks.

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The Spotlight

Tickets will be available at the door for a donation of \$3.50. Advance sale is being handled by Tom Cogan at 489-3661. Advance sale tickets are \$3.00 each. As a special for this concert, Senior Citizen and student tickets will be \$1.50 at the door.

The Director Speaks

The Drama Group of the Delmar Progress Club will hold this month's meeting on Tuesday, February 26, at 8 P.M. at the Bethlehem Library Community Room. The speaker will be Philip C. Rice. Mr. Rice will discuss the role of the director in community theatre with specific reference to the techniques employed and problems encountered when directing "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" presented by the Slingerlands Players this fall.

A 1969 graduate of Union



Philip Rice

College with a B.A. degree in English. Mr. Rice has studied theatre at the Boston University graduate school of Fine Arts and SUNY Albany. He

has both acted and directed a number of productions at Union and in Boston; and has since been active in area community theatres. In addition to performing at Albany Civic theatre and Slingerlands Community Players, Mr. Rice has directed "A Cry of Players" (in 1971) and this fall's production of "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" for the Slingerlands group.

The Rice family currently resides in Latham, where Philip is employed as a teacher of English and Drama at Shaker High School.

To Conduct Service

John H. Flandreau, of Delmar, will be the guest speaker at the 10 A.M. worship service of the Clarksville Community Church on February 24.

Mr. Flandreau is owner and principal consultant of the management consulting firm, "Program Support Services" of Albany and Vice President/Treasurer of The Fourth Sink



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Management Group, Inc. of Kattskill Bay and Albany. Prior to establishing his own firm, Mr. Flandreau has served the State of New York in various executive positions since the fall of 1947.

Mr. Flandreau is a candidate for a Doctorate in Public Administration from the Graduate School of Public Affairs at



MANSION HOSTS GOP WOMEN — Mrs. Malcolm Wilson was the Guest of Honor Wednesday, February 6, at a Tea for members and their guests of the Albany County Women's Republican Club. (l. to r.) Mrs. Richard H. Kennedy, 3rd Judicial District Director for the N.Y.S. Federation of Republican Women; Miss Ruth Miner of Slingerlands, former Deputy Secretary of State; Mrs. Malcolm Wilson; and Mrs. Charles Walsh, President of the Albany County Women's Republican Club. (Miss Miner is presenting Mrs. Wilson with an Honorary membership gold pin).



THE BETHLEHEM JAYCEES, represented by Rick Knight, President, and Ray Linstruth, Panel Pak Project Chairman, are pictured with Nancy Penamacoor, Treasurer, and Kathy Clyne, President of the Beta Gama Rho Sorority. The sorority assisted the JayCees in conducting a Panel Pak Program in the Bethlehem area.

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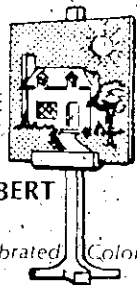
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The congregation and consistency of Clarksville Community Church cordially invite all to attend this service. A

fellowship-coffee hour will follow the service.

Good Bakers

Junior Girl Scout Troop No. 365 of Delmar has held a bake-off with cakes baked by members judged by Mrs. Richard Ferrari, Mrs. Mark Weigand and Mrs. Wolfgang Fuhs.

A cake baked by Kate Pittman was the winner, with a cake baked by Noel Moran in second place. Beth Laub won third place. Honorable mention went to Linda Wilkinson, Amy Weber, Krista Whiting, Christine Stoker, Margot Ferrari, Kay Collien and Martha

Babbitt. Miss Pittman will represent her troop at the Neighborhood bake-off March 30 at Slingerlands Methodist Church.

Classes Offered

Due to the interest and demand on the part of expectant and new parents, a unique series of classes will be offered by Tri-Cities Childbirth Instruction beginning in March. The entire first year of life will be the focus for a series of six classes starting Wednesday, March 6, at St. Peter's Hospital.

For information on registration and future classes, call Mrs. Steven Schreer, 9 Walnut Lane East, Niskayuna (785-4380).




CARE FOR THE ELDERLY AND HANDICAPPED was given special emphasis on Sunday, Feb. 3, in Humanitarian Award ceremonies which honored Dr. Carolyn May Wright (right) of Selkirk. The presentation took place at Metropolitan Baptist Church, Albany, and the plaque was presented to Dr. Wright by Dr. Eula Holmes (left), President of the Capital District Baptist Ministers Wives and Widows. Dr. Wright is known both in the United States and several foreign countries for her outstanding humanitarian work. At the Selkirk facility, both the elderly and handicapped may live completely free from worry, regardless of financial ability.



LES ENFANTS BARBERSHOP QUARTET will appear at Bethlehem Central Middle School on Saturday, Feb. 23, at 8 P.M. as part of the program, "Singing Series '74." Left to right are: Bob Daniels, Tom Cogan, George Bleezarde and Dave Price.

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With income tax payments due, we may offer thanks that we haven't the problems of Liberace. The guardians of the Bureau of Internal Revenue allow a tax deduction for the costumes of entertainers. However, this does not apply in general to actors and concert artists as their suits may be worn on the streets as well. "It's hard to make the tax collector realize that I use costumes. They obviously could not have seen my act," he complained. "Every year I have to explain that one doesn't have

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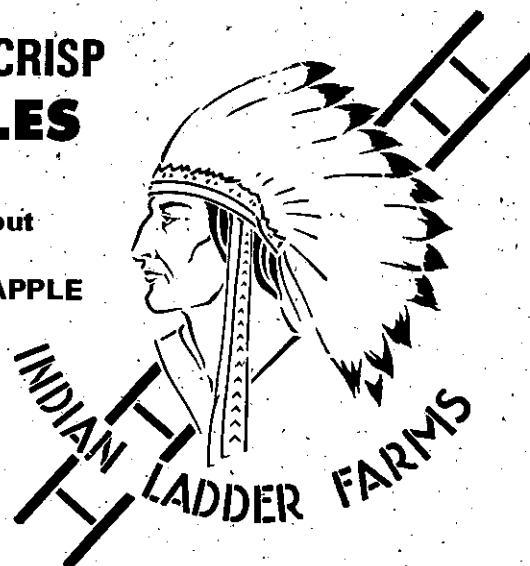
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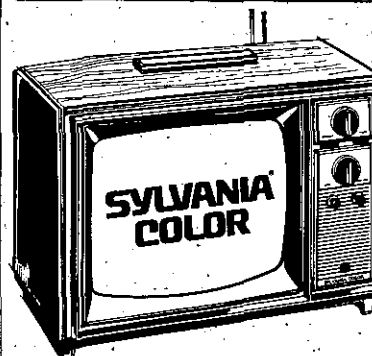
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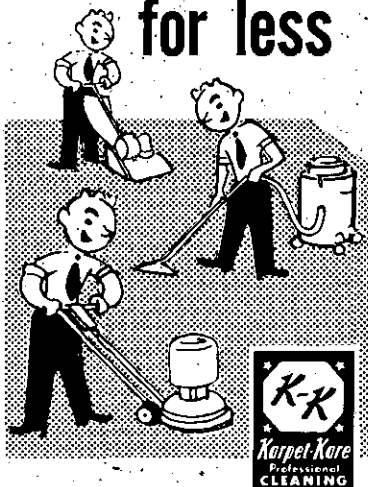
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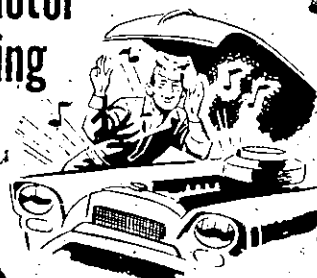
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PROBABLY READERS OF THIS are getting tired of our continual harping on the energy crisis — but it just happens that the stupid handling of it makes for easy, argumentative copy.

The latest absurd ruling (as of this writing) is the one that calls for a \$5000 fine if a gas station operator tries to take care of his own customers instead of being at the complete mercy of strangers. We know nothing about gas station operation today except that it's a hard, hazardous business — a tough way to try to make a living. It used to be (and we believe it to be true today) that the rent of a station was based on a minimum figure with an alternate of so many cents a gallon for every gallon pumped. And since no station could exist on the number of gallons represented by the minimum figure, the rent was based on "per gallon." On the face of it, this sounds like a very fair and equitable lease arrangement. It wasn't — and isn't. Because in the lease there were other figures. The minute a station reached a certain **increased** gallonage, the rent per gallon went **UP** instead of down, as it should have. In other words, the operator who worked hard and increased his gallonage was forced to hire extra help at the pumps and also pay more rent! Absolutely a ridiculous arrangement!

Years ago, gas was a "loss" item in most stations. It actually cost the operator a loss to pump it. Where he made up the loss and tried to show a profit was on the oil changes, lubes, accessories, anti-freeze, car washes, small repairs, etc. Some stations made out fairly well — but the average provided a living for the operator and not much more. His livelihood depended on the customer who gave him ALL his automotive business — not on gas sales. And now Washington's Mr. Simon says, "To hell with the customer who has been loyal over the past years — you treat him the same as you do your competitors' customers — or face a heavy fine!"

And we thought this country operated on a capitalist free-enterprise system!

TO OUR WAY OF THINKING, DAVID BRINKLEY is probably the greatest of the TV news commentators today. Mostly, he's a gentle yet slightly caustic man whose dry sense of humor is priceless. Just recently he asked this question: "How many of you pay your Federal and State income taxes because you are in fear of going to jail if you don't — and how many pay it because you think it is a fair and just tax and that your lawmakers spend it wisely?"

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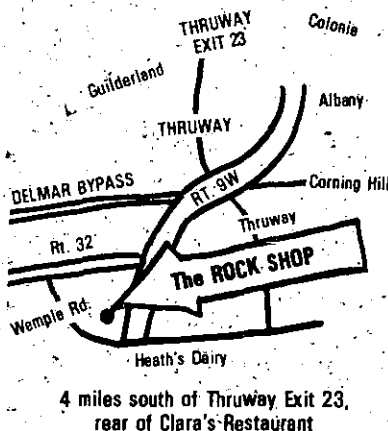
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And lest there be any wrong conclusion put on the above, we'd like to make clear that Feura Bush has one of the most efficient post offices anywhere in this country. We never fail to marvel at the way our little office handles its mail — and it has been this way for the past 30 years that we know of. It may sound strange, but the speed and efficiency of our local office is the same today as it was 30 years ago — and that's hard to believe when we see the difficulty the department in Washington seems to be having today.

MORE THAN HALF A CENTURY AGO, our father performed one very important task in the late fall. He hitched the team to the manure wagon, filled it full of horse manure and banked our house and all the water pipes that might freeze during the winter. He always used horse manure because it acted like a heater, creating its own warmth and protecting whatever it covered. This was more than 50 years ago!

During the past weeks, both TV and the daily papers have made much of an area man who has made a brand new discovery. He's covering water pipes with horse manure to keep them from freezing!

EVERY ONCE IN A WHILE WE GET A LETTER that makes us feel good all over because it is in praise of something that is right. Too often we forget to praise the good in our effort to criticize what is ill. Anyway, both Bertram E. Kohinke and Highway Superintendent Marty Cross should be happy with this one:

Dear Mr. Fuller:

I've recently moved to Delmar from Albany where I've resided all my life. I can't help but notice the different attitude with regard to snowplowing in the Tri-Village area as compared with Albany! This is the third heavy snow thus far this winter; the first two came in the night, yet, when I went out to catch the 6:50 A.M. bus, it has been obvious that the plows have been working all night to keep ahead of the storm. When I went outside, Kenwood Avenue was down to the pavement. Okay, this is a main street — but friends in my office who live on dead-end streets in Delmar tell me that theirs too were plowed. In Albany, we often waited for days before the first plow came down our street.

During the most recent storm, while waiting for my bus in the early morning darkness, I saw two bright lights coming down the sidewalk. Yes, even the sidewalk was plowed before most people ventured out! I've wondered about this before — now I know how it is done!

During the years I lived in Albany, I had often heard how our neighbors in Bethlehem could teach the city slickers a lot about snow removal. Now I'm witnessing it!

Eleanor Kirchner

We'd like to thank Miss Kirchner for her letter because it points up so well why so many people are proud to live in Bethlehem!

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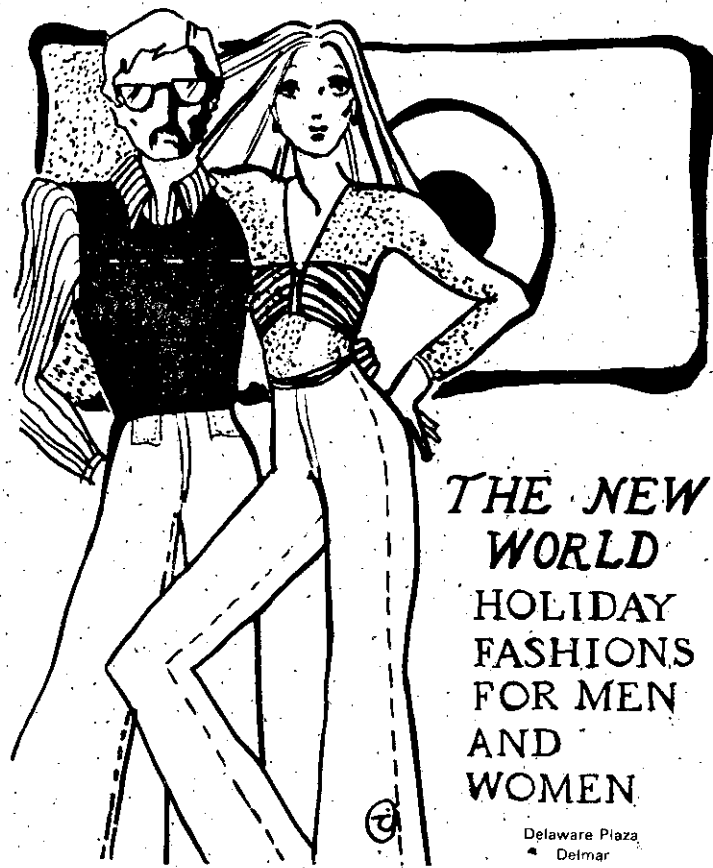
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