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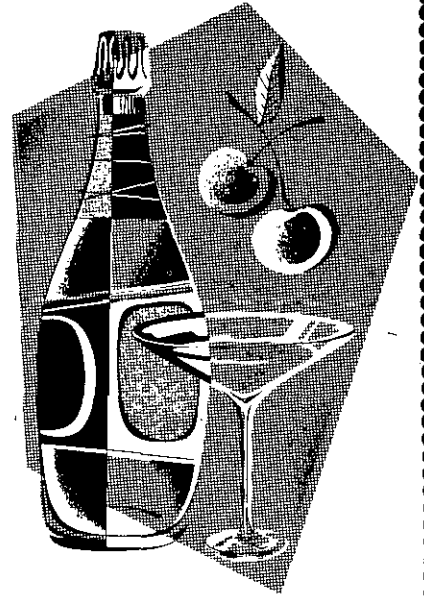
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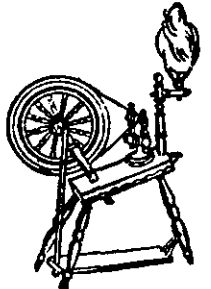
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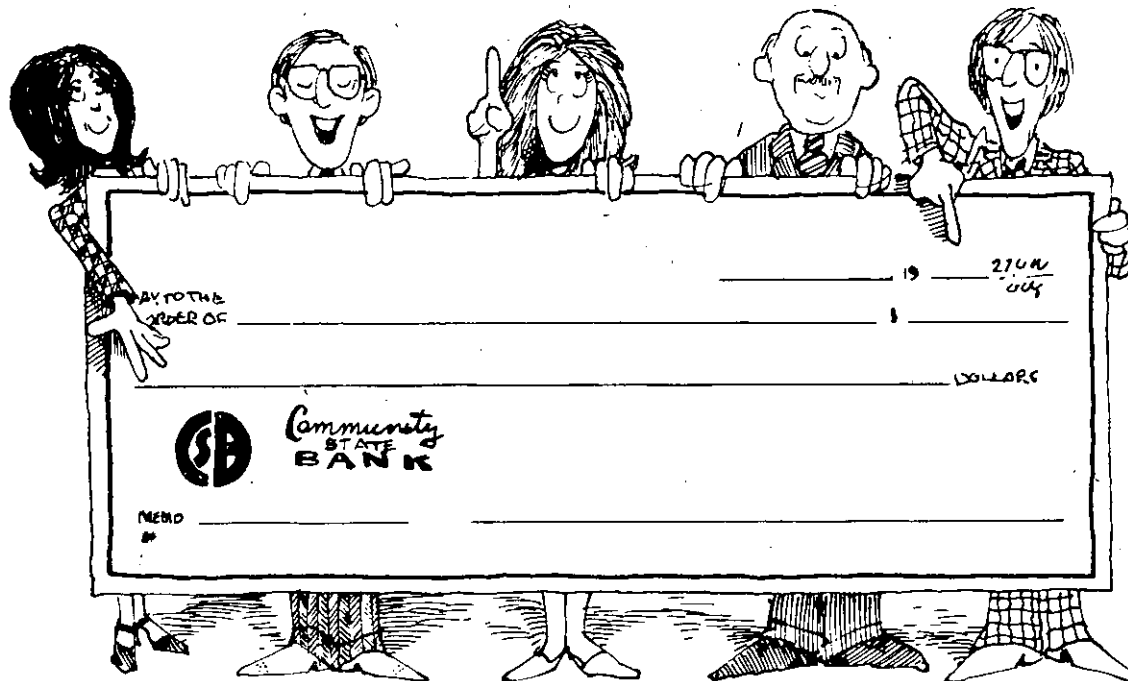
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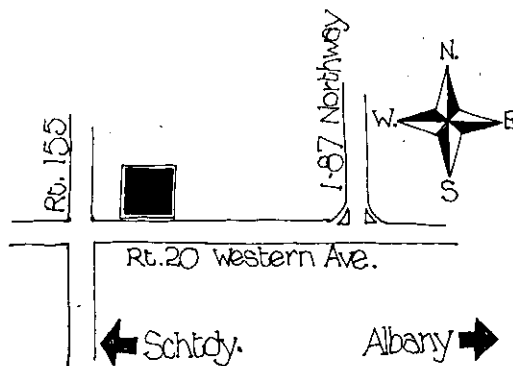
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**Bethlehem Jaycees** meet first and third Wednesdays of the month, 8 P.M., Center Inn, 9W, Glenmont.

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**Bethlehem Memorial** Auxiliary to Post #3185, Veterans of Foreign Wars, meets the third Monday of every month, at the Post Rooms, 404 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

**The Albany County Pistol Club**, Winne Place and Maewin Drive, Delmar, welcomes guests, at its indoor pistol range every Tuesday at 8 P.M. Information: Dave Herbach, 439-4372 or Tom Corrigan, 439-3301.

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**Every Thursday** at 7 P.M., Delmar Reformed Church, scout meeting for handicapped, Troop 159.

**Kiwanis Club** of Delmar meets every Monday night at 6:15 at The Center Inn, Route 9W, Glenmont.

**Bethlehem Lions Club** meets 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month at The Center Inn, Route 9W, Glenmont, 6:30 P.M.

**AARP meets** 1:30 P.M., third Tuesday of month, Delmar First United Methodist Church, Kenwood Avenue, Delmar.

**The Delmar Community Orchestra** rehearses every Monday evening from 8 to 10 at the First United Methodist Church of Delmar.

**Bethlehem Junior Woman's Club** meets 2nd Wednesday of each month, 8 P.M., Bethlehem Public Library.

**Bethlehem Recycling Program** (paper, cans, glass), Town Garage, 114 Adams St., Delmar. Mon. thru Fri., 8 A.M.-4 P.M. Papers should

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**Rosary** — St. Thomas Church, Adams Place, Delmar, every Thursday at 11:45 A.M.

**Nathaniel Adams** Blanchard Post #1040, American Legion Auxiliary, meets third Tuesday of month except July & Aug., 8 P.M., Post rooms.

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**8:15 P.M., meeting**, every Wednesday, Gam-Anon, wives of compulsive gamblers, St. Pius Church, Loudonville. 462-6916, or P.O. Box 23, Albany.

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**Glenmont Lions Club** meets 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month at LaCasa Restaurant, Selkirk, 6:30 P.M. Visitors welcome. Info: Bob Jones, 463-3141.

**Glenmont Homemakers** meet 3rd Wed. of month; Glenmont Comm. Church, 8 P.M.

**8 P.M., monthly meeting**, last Thursday of each month, Elsmere Fire Co.

**L.E.A. Nursery School**, now accepting fall registrations, '74-'75 session, 3 and 4 year olds. Contact: Mrs. Boykin, 463-0512, Mrs. Denison, 439-4019 after 5:30 P.M.

**1-5 P.M., Trap Shooting**, Bethlehem Sportsman's Club, Dunbar Hollow Road, Clarksville, every Sunday starting May 5, free instructions noon to 1 p.m. and every Wed., 7 P.M. starting June 5. Non-members welcome. More information: 439-6003.

**Bethlehem Lodge** meets on 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month, Ladies' Auxiliary meets on 2nd Wednesday of every month.

**Clam Chowder** on sale 3rd Friday of each month through September. New Salem Reformed Church, Rt. 85, New Salem. 12-4 P.M. Bring container.

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**Bethlehem Museum**, Rt. 144 and Clapper Rd., featuring "Ladies' Fashions 1870-1910" every Sunday through August 4, 2:00-5:00 P.M.

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**Bethlehem Museum**, Rt. 144 and Clapper Road featuring "Children's Toys — Dolls and Their Houses," every Sunday through Oct. 20th, 2:00-5:00 P.M.

## MONDAY, AUGUST 19

**Vacation Bible School**, Glenmont Community Church, ages 4-those entering 8th grade.

## TUESDAY, AUGUST 20

**Vacation Bible School**, Glenmont Community Church, ages 4-those entering 8th grade.

## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21

**Vacation Bible School**, Glenmont Community Church, ages 4-those entering 8th grade.

**7 P.M., Play**, Heldeberg Workshop "When the Bough Breaks," Clayton Boughton High School, Voorheesville.

**GOP Steak Roast** — Murray Jennex Park — tickets available from your committeeman or Merwyn K. Atwood, 409 Delaware Ave., Delmar. Telephone 439-5720.

**7:30 P.M.**, Evening on the Green, movie "Hombre", Beth. Public Library.

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 22

**Vacation Bible School**, Glenmont Community Church, ages 4-those entering 8th grade.

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 23

**Vacation Bible School**, Glenmont Community Church, ages 4-those entering 8th grade.

**2:30 P.M. and 7 P.M.**, Play, Heldeberg Workshop, "When the Bough Breaks," Clayton Boughton High School, Voorheesville.

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 24

**10 A.M.-4 P.M.**, Flea Market & Bake Sale, Town of New Scotland Historical Association, Route 85, New Salem. Call 765-2780 or 765-4534.

**7:30 P.M. & 9:30 P.M.**, movie, "Adam's Rib," Tri-County Women's Committee for Krupsak, 274 Washington Ave., Albany. 463-0477.

## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28

**7:30 P.M.**, Square Dancing with Al Cappetti, Evening on the Green, Bethlehem Public Library.

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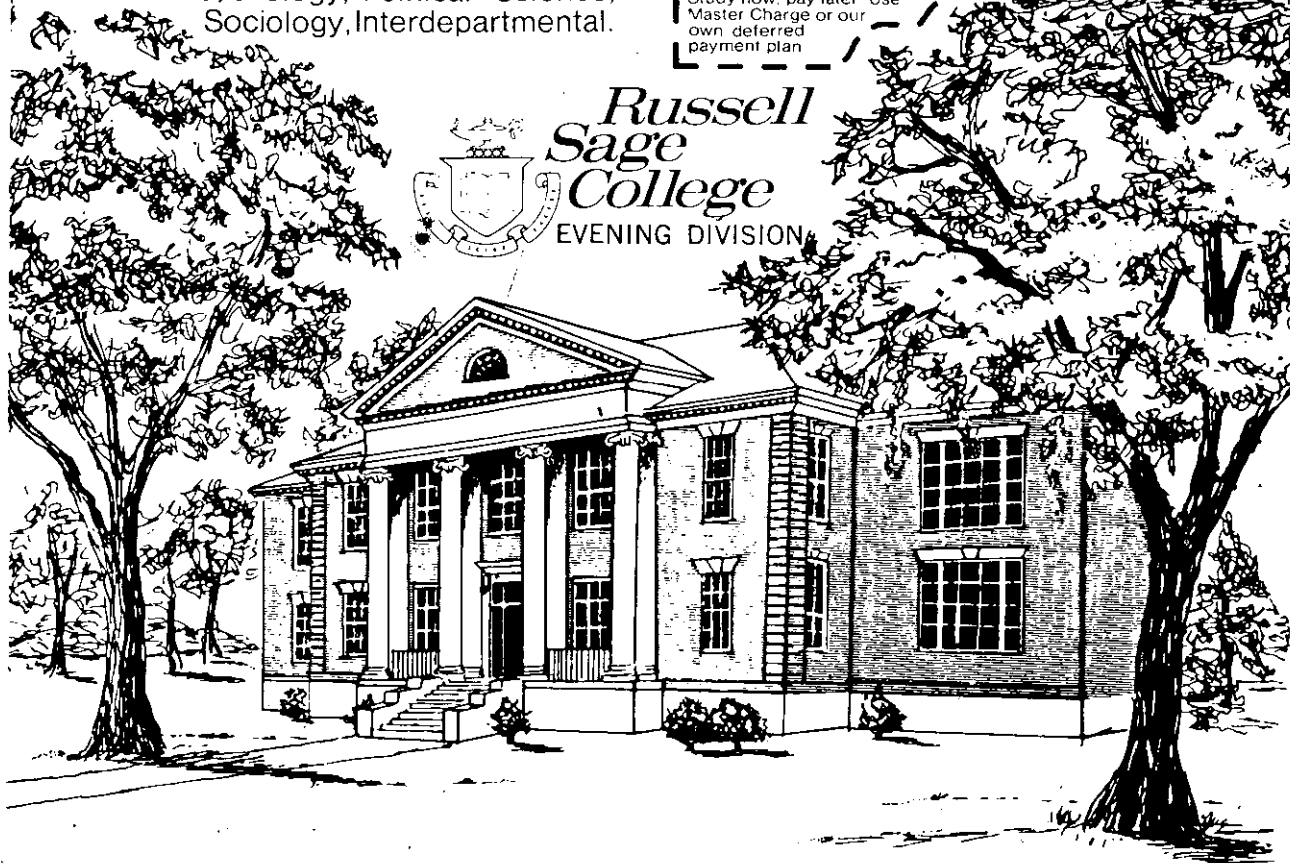
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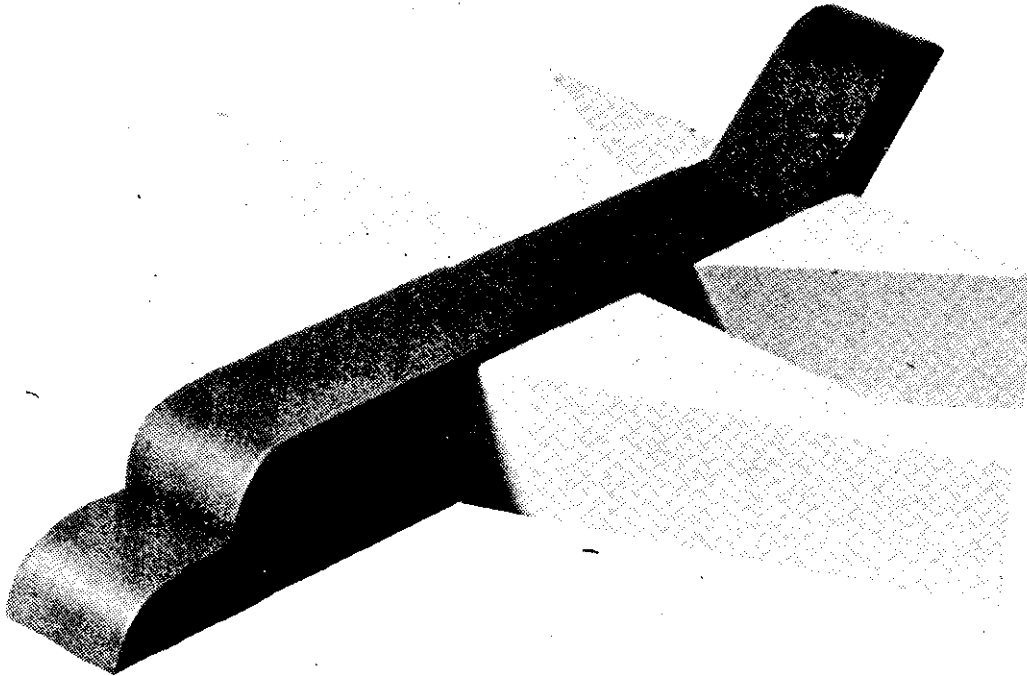
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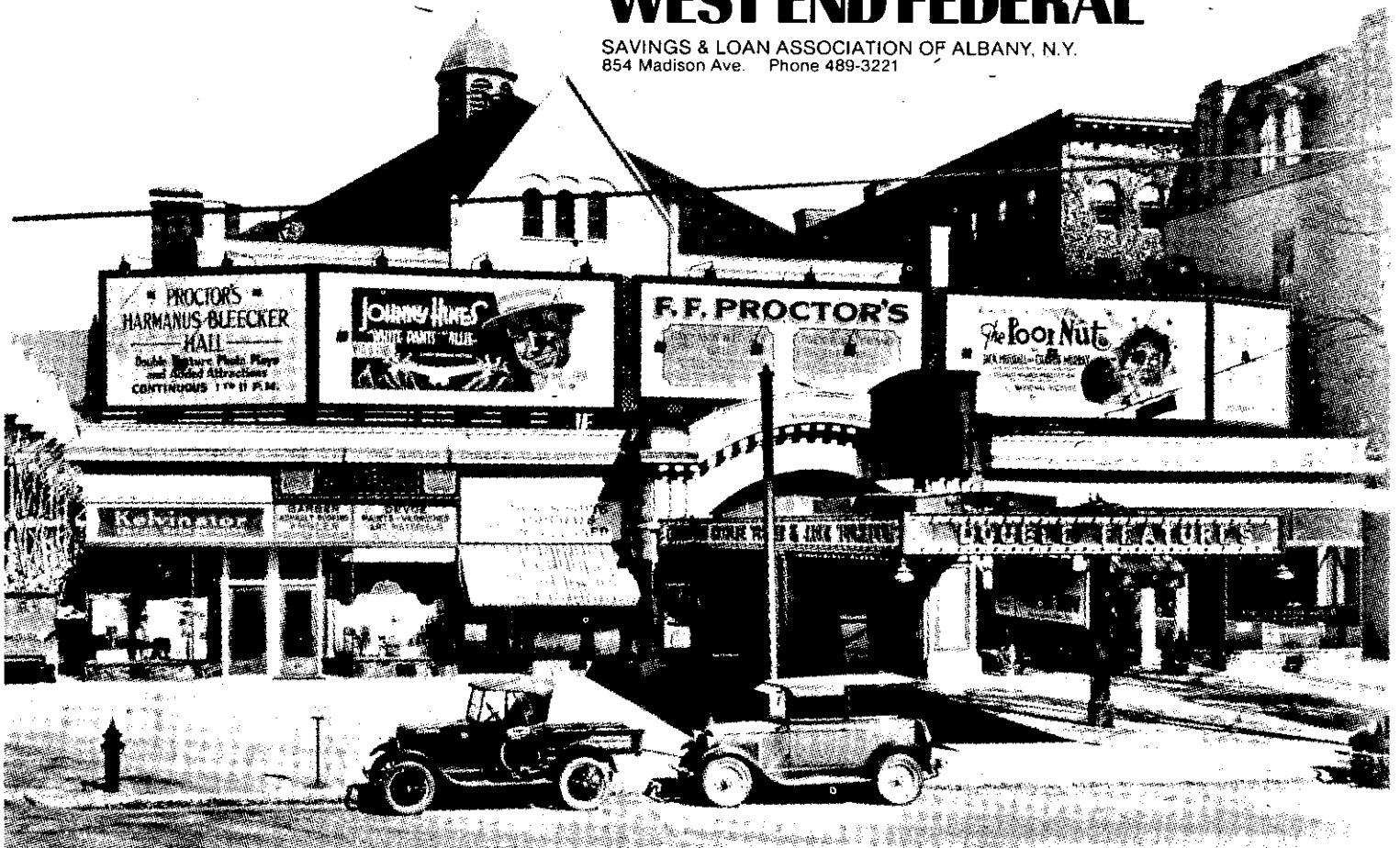
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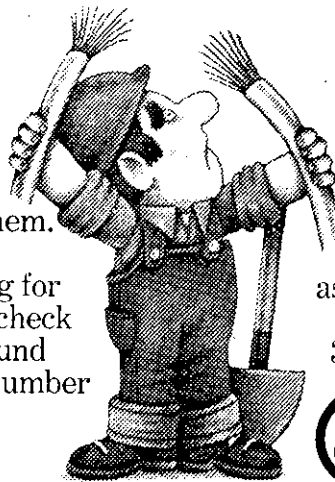
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## Guest Editorial

When you see teenagers with Nothing to Do, look ahead fifty years, and you will see a bunch of retired old folks, bored and boring — oh, so boring! Maybe grandchildren can be forced to visit once a month to sit through whines of aches and operations and the old plaint: "Nothing to do in this Rest Home but watch TV and listen to the stereo."

Right now a person of any age can discover enough activities to keep him fascinated all the days of his life, but the lucky teenager has muscles and free flowing arteries so he can climb the mountains, explore the caves, hike the nature trail.

No one should be expected to give amusement any more than he should chew your gum for you. Your brain crenulates and your expression loses that dull vapidly only with self-initiated input. So go plant a row of seeds or build a birdhouse or fly a model plane or even read a book on How to — Anything. It is later than you think.

Elizabeth W. Henk

Please write your pet peeve, humorous anecdote or guest editorial to:

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## The Spotlight Goes to School

### Propositions Passed

Both propositions which needed voter approval to be added to the contingency budget of the Bethlehem Central School District for 1974-75 were passed at a special election held last Wednesday.

Interscholastic athletics, a budget item amounting to \$68,513, received 1,816 Yes votes and 991 No votes. Pupil instructional supplies, totaling \$58,300, received 1,782 Yes votes and 1,016 No votes.

The two propositions were defeated at an earlier election in July, along with a proposition for purchase of equipment which was not put up for a re-vote. If the pupil supplies proposition had been voted down again, parents would have been billed for their children's supplies.

School officials and Board of Education members said they were very pleased with the outcome of this special election, and credited the Bethlehem Athletic Association and parent groups with "getting out the positive vote" on both propositions.

### Participation in Walkathon

Bethlehem Central students who participated in the March of Dimes Walkathon last May were responsible for contributions amounting to \$3,950. The

## COVER STORY

RECEIVING COPY OF REPORT

AT THE BETHLEHEM PUBLIC LIBRARY, Mrs. Barbara Rau, Librarian, receives a copy of the FY 1975 Annual Defense Department Report from Alexander J. Woehrle, of Delmar, who is New York State Vice President for the First Region of the Association of the United States Army. The report, issued by Secretary of Defense James R. Schlesinger, projects the national defense program for the remainder of this decade.

In making the presentation Mr. Woehrle stated: "As a service to the community this report is being deposited here for the convenience of all those who are interested in the defense posture of our nation. I hope it will serve as a reference source for all who will take the opportunity to study it to learn the impact of America's program for defense both domestically and abroad."

Jim Fuller Photo

Walkathon raised a total of about \$25,000.

A letter was recently sent to Mr. Max Carp, High School Assistant Principal, expressing the National Foundation's "sincere appreciation for your cooperation in this most worthy cause."

Among Bethlehem students who signed up sponsors and took part in the Walkathon were: Donna Cerone, Douglas Craw, Cindy Delisle, Lynne Doremus, Lori Dyndor, Joann Eidberger, Margaret Ferguson, Ricky Hazen, Carol Laffin, Ken McIntyre, Marilyn Musgrove, Robert Oskam, Corinna Rapps, Kathy Slater, Debra Smart,

Howard Snyder, Bob Tartaglia, and Phyllis Willey.

## LIBRARY NOTES

### Third Parade

The third annual parade of the Bethlehem Public Library is in the making. Those who have read the required number of books are already talking about which storybook character they want to imitate.

FOLLOW THE READER is the theme for this year's Summer Reading Program, so on August 16 at 10:00 A.M. we will "follow the reader" down Delaware Avenue to the Town Hall and come back to the Library parking lot by way of Nathaniel Boulevard and Borthwick Avenue. The readers will follow the drummers of the Village Volunteer Fife and Drum Corps and we want you to follow the readers, with your eyes, somewhere along the route.

### "Hombre"

Paul Newman, one of America's favorite actors stars in "Hombre," the film to be shown at the Bethlehem Public Library's Evening on the Green Program, Wednesday, August 21st, at 7:30 p.m. The movie will be shown in the Large Community room, and as usual, there will be no admission charge.

"Hombre" is a Western, but a western with a message about the role of the non-white American in a white society. Paul Newman plays John Russell, a white man raised by the Apaches who has willingly cast his lot with the Indian against the white man. Richard Boone appears in the movie also, as do Frederic March and Diane Cilento.

Find out what happens to Newman and his traveling companions when their stagecoach is held up and stripped of its horses, and Newman must guide the group to safety, away from the lethal desert sun and the menace of thirsty bandits.

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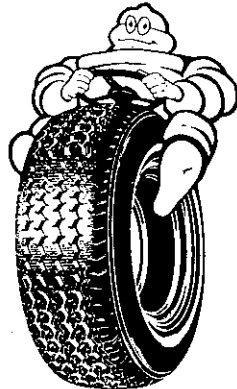
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**JOTTINGS**  
by  
Joni

Should retarded infants be allowed to die? Meaning the ones who are so severely retarded that they are vegetables. They have no brains. They cannot perform the simplest body function. According to Father Richard A. McCormick, who wrote the article "To Save or Let Die," these infants cannot even experience love; love from another being, or from God, because "the very physical substratum for any human experience is a brain."

The question I ask myself is WHO decides if the baby should die? I think only the parents can make such a decision, after given all the facts. What do you think?

### New Arrival

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bruno of Slingerlands, would like to announce the arrival of their son, Sean Patrick, born July

14. Sean has a brother, Robert. His grandparents are, Mr. and Mrs. John Brennan of Albany, and Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Bruno of Albany.

Congratulations Bob & Chris!

### Soon to be Wed

Mr. and Mrs. Walter F. Vonk of Clarksville, announce the engagement of their daughter, Melinda Gail, to James E. Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Miller of Rochester.



Miss Vonk is a graduate of Norwich University. Her fiancé a senior at Norwich University, will receive a B.S. degree in Education in May, 1975.

Mr. and Mrs. J. LeRoy Cole, Sr., of Knox, wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Lauralynn Van Natten, to Pfc. Richard C. Cutting, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Cutting of Elizabethtown.

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uate of Berne-Knox-Westerlo Central School, and is currently employed by Blue Cross-Blue Shield of Northeastern New York.

Pfc. Cutting is a graduate of the Elizabethtown-Lewis Central School, Elizabethtown, and Marine Recruit Training, Parris Island, South Carolina. Pfc. Cutting is presently stationed at the U.S. Marine Installation at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.

The couple plan a September wedding.



William J. Donlon, vice president and general manager for the eastern division of the Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation, has been named to the voluntary post of general campaign chairman for this fall's upcoming 1975 United Way Campaign of the Albany Area.

## Here & There

### Family Picnic

Dr. Raymond Harris, President and Samuel Kurzon, Executive Director of the Albany Jewish Community Center announced that on Sunday, August 18th from 1 to 5:30 P.M. the Center will hold an Annual Family Day Picnic.

At this time, Mr. Max Taub, charter member of the Center for the past 50 years will be honored for his and his family's continuous membership in the Center.

The day's program will consist of field games and races, under the direction of Jay Baran, Ass't. Physical Education Director. Pool races and free swim time will be directed by Betty Clark, Aquatics Director.

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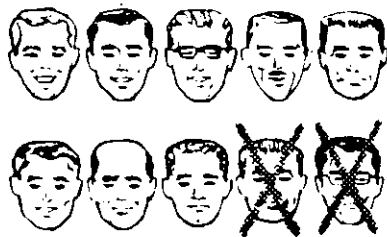
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Only three performances of **When the Bough Breaks** are scheduled. Wednesday evening, August 21, at 7:00; August 23 at 2:30 and August 23 at 7:00. Tickets are \$1.00 for adults and \$.50 for children and senior citizens. They may be purchased at the door but to insure seats, reservations may be made by calling 765-4017 before 1 p.m., and 765-4242 after 5 p.m.

**Thacher Heads Campaign**

Democratic gubernatorial candidate Hugh L. Carey announced today the appointment of Bethlehem Democratic Committee Chairman Kenelm Thacher to be his coordinator for Albany County in the September primary.

Mr. Thacher, nephew of the late Mayor of Albany John Boyd Thacher II, has been active in Democratic politics for the past ten years. He is a state Committeeman from the 102 A.D. and was an alternate delegate to the National Convention in Miami in 1972.

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**GLASS, GREENHOUSES AND GERANIUMS**

by  
**Allison Bennett**

Font Grove still retains an air of the country even though it is so near our populous and bustling tri-villages of Delmar-Elsmere-Slingerlands. It was a beautiful summer morning when I went out to visit with Frederick Goldring — the last dedicated member of a family of horticulturists who have been in the flower growing business in Slingerlands for

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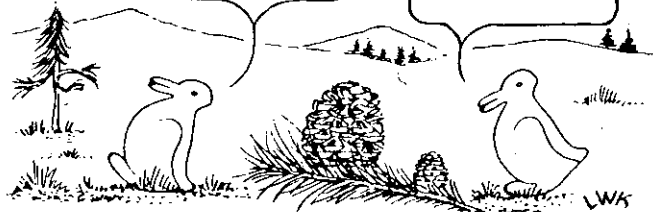
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over 70 years. Surely "Gold-rings Flowers" was one of the longest continuously operating businesses in our area. This year Mr. Goldring raised 30,000 geraniums and with the sale of the last of them, he closed the door of the greenhouses forever, to begin a well-deserved retirement.

The story of this family is typical of the millions of resourceful, ambitious people who came to America in search of advancement and by their temper shaped our country into the place where free enterprise received its own reward. Kew Gardens, just outside of London, is one of the great botanical gardens of the world. Frederick Goldring Sr. worked there as a young man. The Corning family of Albany and Kenwood had extensive rural property on Corning Hill in Kenwood. Erastus Corning, grandfather

of our present Albany Mayor, was very interested in the growing of unusual plants to enhance his properties and the grounds were full of rare species. He wanted someone to grow exotic plants for him and so in the early 1880's, Frederick Goldring left his native England and his position at Kew Gardens, to come to America and grow orchids for Mr. Corning. Frederick also found romance in the new country, because he met and married Mary Gray, the daughter of the Superintendent of the Grounds at the Corning estate. With such a beginning for the new family, how could their offspring not have attachment to the land and the flowers that grew out of it?


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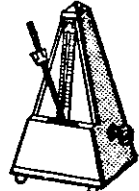


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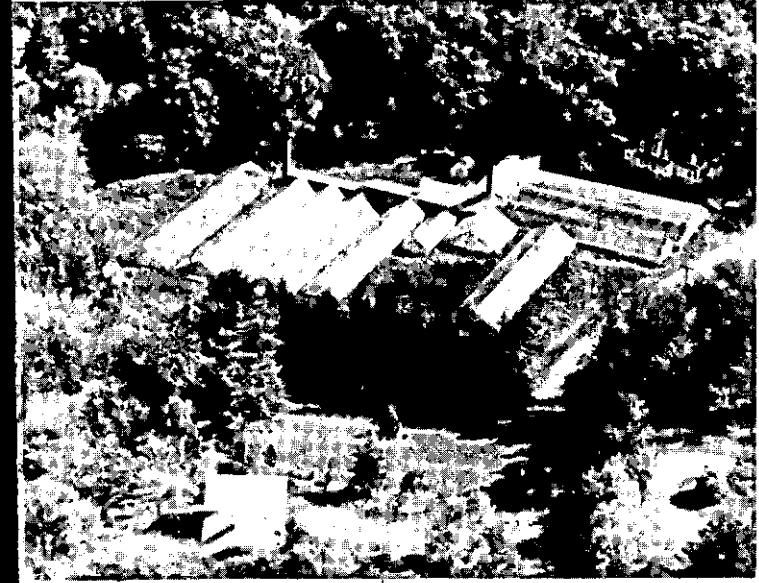
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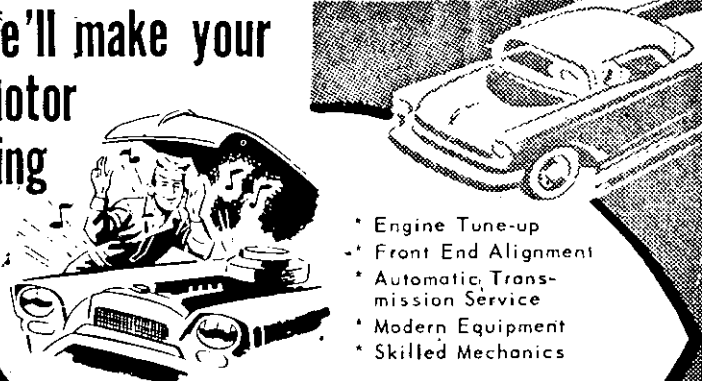
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and Lower Font Grove Road, as early as 1865. His name was Colonel James Hendrick and he added on to his properties by marrying the daughter of James Wands, who owned the farm on New Scotland Road where the Benjamin Brewster family now reside. Combining all of this property made a "plantation" right here in New York State. The Colonel built a mansion house for himself, houses for his daughters, several summer cottages for his friends from Albany (which have now been converted into permanent homes), and had extensive farming operations which at one time comprised over 400 acres, as well as containing hay and dairy barns, numerous outbuildings, stables and greenhouses. He planted spruce clipped hedges and horse chestnut trees around the property and some of these are still growing along the Font Grove roads.

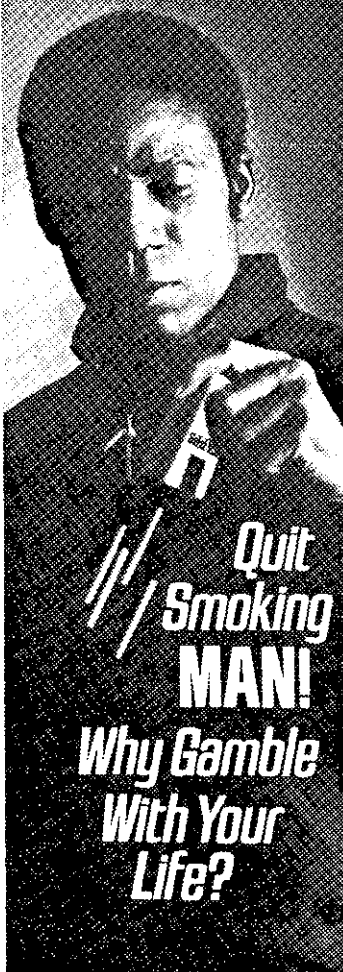
About 1890 Mr Goldring decided to make a change from orchid growing and go into business for himself, so he came to Slingerlands and rented 16 acres of land and the greenhouses from Co. Hendrick, eventually purchasing them for himself. The Goldrings started in the business of raising flowers to sell to the wholesale commission florists in the city of Albany. They also sold retail flowers and plants until twelve years ago. My own recollections of "Decoration Day" was that it was imperative to take grandmother and aunts to the cemetery on that day to care for the plots, and we always stopped at Goldring's greenhouse to get our dozen geraniums to decorate the graves before we went on to pick up the relatives for the annual pilgrimage. Not only was Goldrings directly on the way to grandmother's, but we were related to them by marriage, so we never considered getting flowers anywhere else. Besides, they had the biggest and best geraniums around!

Frederick Goldring raised something else — a family of eight girls and one son, Frederick being the youngest child. These young people enjoyed their rural life and quite naturally some of the sisters went to work with the flowers, as did Frederick.

Two sisters married and moved to the city, but the rest

remained in Slingerlands, living in the picturesque Victorian house where they were born. One sister is living there still — a way of life that is all but a memory in most of our country today. All of the girls loved the land, but one, Winifred, went off to college and came out a Phi Beta Kappa. She taught science courses at Wellesley and Johns Hopkins and got her Doctorate there. She also received two honorary degrees, from Smith and Russell Sage colleges. Later in life she went to work for New York State and was Assistant and then Chief Paleontologist for fifteen years. Getting the job had not been easy for her — she had to wage a battle in the Legislature and the State Capitol, but being perfectly qualified she finally got it and became one of the first female higher echelon State officers — is "Women's Libber" something new?

When Frederick Goldring acquired the greenhouses there were nineteen of them. All the land along Font Grove Road at



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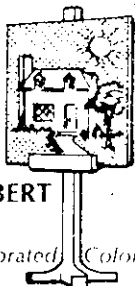
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that time was under cultivation, with apple and pear orchards, sheep grazing in the fields, as well as a huge dairy farm owned by Mr. Terry, son-in-law of Col. Hendrick. "Font Grove Dairy" milk was peddled on the streets of Albany for years. Water was always needed in the country, and especially for green houses and flowerers. The Goldrings had a system of cisterns and wells whose water was pumped by windmill and a steam driven pump. Behind the greenhouses the land was cleared then and sloped away to a stream where there was a swimming hole to relieve one on a hot summer day. In 1902, William Henry Slingerland, a civil engineer and surveyor in the Town of Bethlehem, organized the Suburban Water Company and brought water by gravity through pipe

down from a spring in the Hellderbergs to the village of Slingerlands. The water was brought up Font Grove Road and the original water main is still in and the Goldrings are still using it, and are not in Water District #1, Town of Bethlehem, which was the outgrowth of the Suburban Company.

Frederick Goldring, Jr., the son and present owner of the property, went to Milne High School in Albany, taking the train at Font Grove station to get to school. He graduated from Cornell and came home to Slingerlands to carry on the family business with the help of his sisters. In the early 1900's he remembers that his father told of growing large quantities of violets in the greenhouses — to make corsages and nosegays for Gibson Girls. Sweet peas too had their

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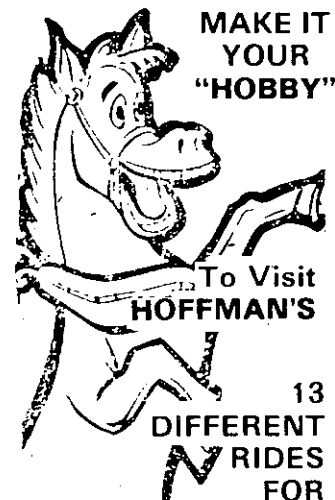
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heyday years ago, but today you can hardly find them. Calla lilies used to be popular at Easter and for funeral pieces, but they are not much grown anymore. Begonias and gladiolus were relatively easy flowers to grow and they became very popular until and after World War II. Fashions in flowers come and go and of late, geraniums have been the biggest crop. The local flower grower in recent years has been hard pressed to keep in competition with the flowers that are coming in from as far away as Peru. In Equador the temperature is just right in the mountains for growing carnations and Mexico and Costa Rica also send many flowers to the USA. Orchids come from as far away as New Zealand and even though they are most delicate looking, they are one of the longest lasting flowers around. In the early years the really big holidays

were Christmas, when thousands of poinsettias were grown, Easter and Decoration Day running a close second, but over the years Thanksgiving, Valentines Day and Mother's Day have become peak flower giving times also.

The greenhouses were heated with steam, coal being the first fuel, that being replaced with oil. Mr. Goldring has found a ready market for his huge oil storage tanks, to a bus company which has need for them in these times of energy crisis. He has begun dismantling and selling the greenhouses, one by one. The wind and hail insurance has been in force for over twenty five years and in all that time he has never lost a pane of glass.

Before long the greenhouses will be visible no more, but "Goldrings" will be remembered for many years to come because of the beauty their

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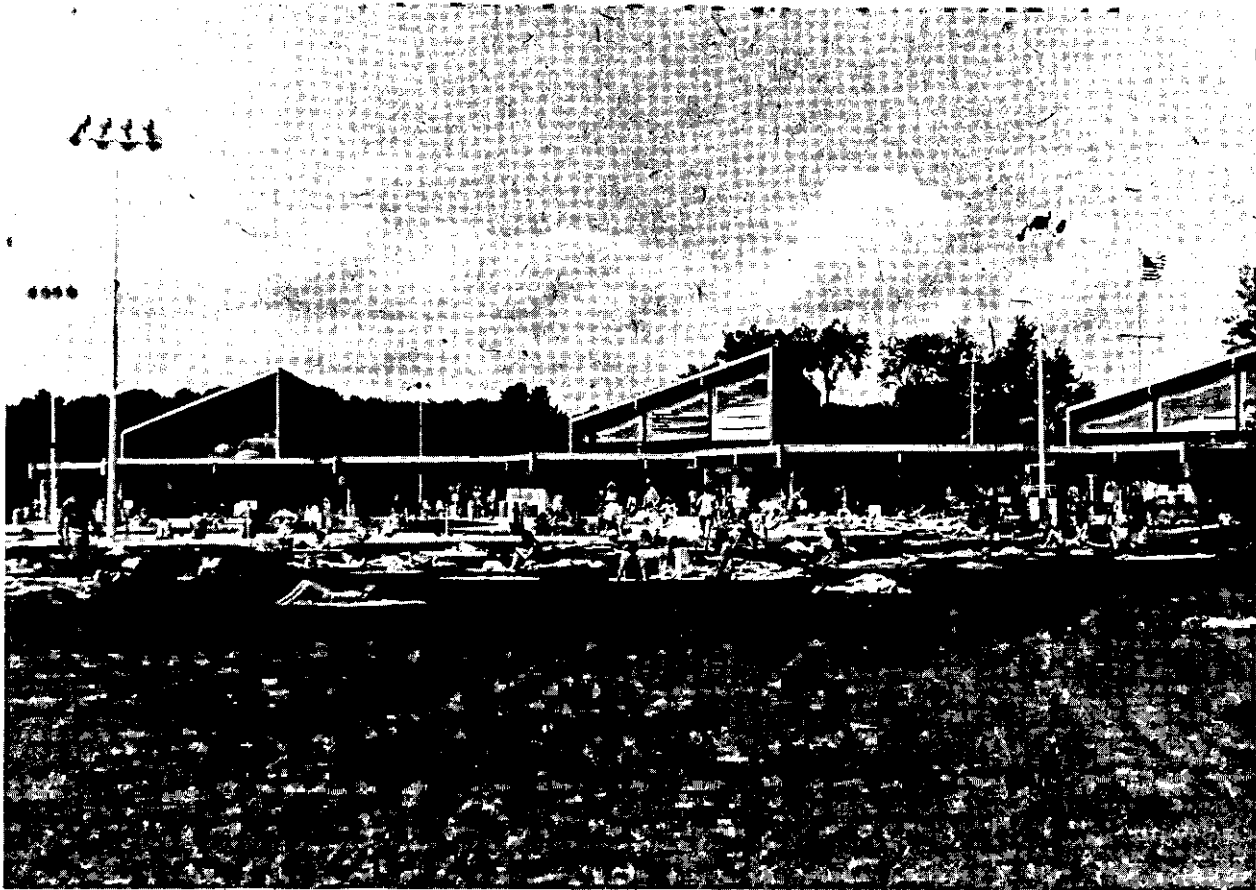
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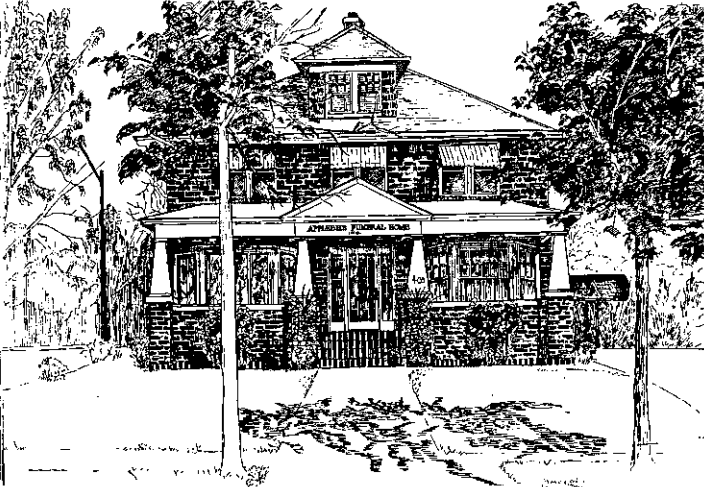
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The groom is the son of Mrs. Helen Emery, of Tulsa, Okla., and the late A. L. Emery of Delmar.

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**Milan-LaNier**

St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, was the setting May 11 of the marriage of Miss Gabrielle Jane Milan and Stephen Lee LaNier. The bride is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Albert Richard Milan of Baltimore, Maryland, and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stephen LaNier of Slingerlands, and the late Frances Larrabee LaNier.

Mrs. LaNier is a May candidate for graduation from the University of Pennsylvania where she will receive a Bachelor of Arts degree. Her husband was graduated from the same University last year and is employed as Director of Regional Planning and Fund Raising for the University of Pennsylvania Alumni Association. He is also studying for his Master of Arts degree.

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