

Ah, woe is us!

An old friend laments, and we think appropriately, elsewhere today that folks do not attend funerals so well as they once did.

Time was when a funeral was an assemblage of mourners - family, friends, members of the community who barely knew the deceased - who went there to share their common grief.

Today we go to the funeral home, often in getups that would shame a beachcomber, considering the purpose of the visit, for a myriad of reasons, almost none of which is associated with community grief. And it's out of sight, out of mind.

As the values of the slow lane diminish, we are firstly concerned that the best ones seem to go first.

Haven't they heard about sugar?

One need not look far to find plentiful evidence that regulating bodies in Ohio have repeatedly disallowed requests by purveyors of electric power for increased retail rates to fund developmental expenses leading to generation of nuclear power, which is no more, and no less, than improvement of the system.

That the intent is to change the source of power from coal to splitting of an atom is not material. What is important is that these governing bodies have said time and again "The time to seek a raise in rates is when the service is in place, not before."

By contract, the City of Willard engages itself to furnish water to the Village of Plymouth at a fixed rate. It has sought to increase that rate by 17 per cent, an effort resisted by the village. A common pleas court referee and his immediate superior, the common pleas judge, have so far ruled against the village. Appeal has been taken and the three member court of appeals is expected to hand down a decision shortly.

What is at issue here is this:

Does the supplier of a utility service have the right to increase the rate at which it contracted to furnish that service to reimburse it for improvements to the system as a whole, not specifically, indeed not in any way demonstrated to be, evident or intended to ensure or to improve the supplier's ability to carry out its contractual obligation to a specific customer.

Consider the small hotel keeper who contracts with the owner of a dairy farm to buy a given quantity of milk over a specified term. It is clearly the duty of the dairyman to manage his herd so that he can honor his contract. To fail to do so is clearly breach of contract. That repetitive breeding of the cows to ensure the flow of milk is implicit in the contract. Is it the duty of the buyer of the milk to fund the purchase of a new bull? Or of a younger cow or two? Hardly. That's the responsibility of the dairyman, to honor his end of the contract.

What Willard has done - and it admits this - is to lump all of its expenditures to maintain and/or improve its entire system and to expect Plymouth to pay a part thereof. It argues that it is Plymouth's legal and moral duty to do so, that he who pays to drink from the fountain should also pay extra for a new pump at the well.

Plymouth, for its part, and we think correctly, says "Nothing doing. Show us in dollars and cents what Willard spent to meet its obligations under its contract with Plymouth. No expenditures that directly benefitted Plymouth, no increase in rates. That's what the contract means."

Now is somebody making a mistake, and let Willard in for more than it can or wants to chew, we've got an old card issued by an Army chaplain. It's been punched a few times, but one can still read "T.S.", which means in gentry circles "tough sledding". And there's room for perhaps 20 or 25 punches.

But who's being gentry?

Willard certainly isn't. Nor is its most recent spokesman.

Han't anybody ever heard that one catches more flies with sugar than with vinegar?

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Blaze destroys house

Fire of so far undetermined origin destroyed the residence of the Charles L. Halls, 507 West Broadway, shortly after midnight Sunday.
The family was roused by the barking of the family dog.
Plymouth firemen said "the place was engulfed by the time we got there." They fought the blaze for four hours, latterly with the help of Willard and Shiloh-Cass-Bloomington departments.
Fire Chief Terry Hopkins estimated loss at about \$60,000. A car in the garage also went up in flames.
The family's belongings were a total loss.
The Hall's elder child, Bertha, is a student in Mansfield General hospital school of nursing, intending to be graduated this year. The younger child is co-captain of the Big Red basketball team. He is Terry Hall.

Chimney afire, little damage

Firemen answered a call to the Larry Brown residence in Henry road Friday about 7 a.m.
The blaze was in the chimney. There was little damage.

USPO cuts service hours to 40 a week

First visible effect of budget reductions in the postal service was announced last week by the postmaster.
Window service on Wednesdays and Saturdays will be curtailed.
Wednesdays hours are now 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Saturday hours are now 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
Lobby is open around the clock for access by lockbox holders and those wishing to purchase postage stamps.

Vandals hit Shiloh church

Nineteen windows were broken, a steel door was damaged and walls, pews, blackboards and curtains were punctured, whether by shot or sharp instrument, at Wesley Evangelical church, Route 61 east of Shiloh, the night of Jan. 31.
A sheriff's deputy said he found three calibre .22 lead bullets in the church together with several calibre .22 long bullet casings.
Damage is estimated at \$1,900. Investigation continues.



Big Red girls would be at sea without rudder or paddle without Shari Wagers, No. 40, a fine shooter, strong passer, dependable in the clutch, the player responsible more than any other for three of team's victories.

\$1 million loss in value School district to lose revenue

A \$1 million drop in tax valuation, \$997,000 to be exact - has hit Plymouth Local school district.
A new appraisal of real estate now in effect on tax bills has cut farm land almost 40 per cent. Some homeowners have also seen a reduction in their 1987 tax bills. Others have seen a small increase.
Result is the schools are asking for five mills, designed to bring in \$175,000 a year over a four year period.
The administration and Board of Education had hoped the millage would be under five mills. Figures from the county auditor show that is impossible.
Apparently when the board approved its budget, the reduced taxes were not taken into consideration.
Supt. Jeffrey Slauson has planned a public meeting Mar. 2 to explain the need for the passage of the five mill levy which will appear on the May 3 primary ballot.
It will be at 7 p.m. in the Shiloh building, which he said can accommodate more people than the Plymouth High school library.
Slauson also asked the board to allow him to send letters concerning supplemental contracts for activities, including athletics, now rather than next month when they are normally sent. What this does is to terminate present contracts until they are reconsidered.
Brian J. Neff, high school athletic director, asked the board to approve a new constitution for the Athletic Control board. He said

it had not been revised since Sept. 3, 1974. Apparently there are a number of older constitutions around and this new one correlates the problems in a better fashion. There will be some minor changes from the one in use now.
Resignation of Mrs. Salvatore J. Glorioso, long time cook in the Plymouth Elementary school cafeteria, was accepted. She wished to retire.
Slauson told the board Mrs. A. George Miller, manager of the school cafeterias, wants to adjust some hourly assignments in the Plymouth cafeteria so that there are more workers during the busy lunch periods.
Mrs. Glorioso will be replaced by Mrs. Carolyn Beebe, who has been a substitute.
Maternity leave for Mrs. Paul Gass, elementary teacher at Shiloh, was approved. She is the former Joyce Sloan.
She was delivered of a child Jan.

19 and will take a 30-day leave, so as to return to her duties Mar. 1, to return to her duties Mar. 1.
Vocal music teachers, Daniel Donoghue and Sue Roberts, obtained approval to take fifth grade pupils to a Heidelberg college concert at Tiffin Feb. 28 at 3 p.m. School bus transportation was authorized.
Drama club obtained permission to present some one act plays.
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Villager held for violence

A charge of domestic violence was laid Thursday at 9:30 p.m. against Rodney Matthew Strong, 22, 103 Trux street.
Complaining witness is his wife, Deanna, 24, same address, after police reported there.
Strong turned himself in at police headquarters about 10 p.m. and he was lodged in Huron county jail.

Berserk '86 grad arrested

A former Plymouth High school basketball player was arrested at Norwalk property damage and public intoxication Saturday night.
Bryan K. Christoff, 19, Class of 1986, went berserk at 11 Ford avenue, where he smashed in the front door of the family with whom he was staying, having returned to the home and the door locked.
Police say Christoff broke the door and glass and door jamb. Then he went into the house, they say, broke a window, a metal dog cage, a microwave oven and other household items, scattering the pieces about the house.
Police say Christoff also threw missiles at his girl friend, Michelle Irvine, 13 Ford avenue.
Christoff was held in the Norwalk jail until he sobered up.

14 PHS pupils make 4.0, 35 honor, 60 merit roll

Fourteen Plymouth High school pupils achieved 4.0 grade-point averages during the second period, their principal, Granville S. Pasher reports.
Thirty five were named to the honor roll (3.5 and above) and 60 to the merit roll (3.0 to 3.49).
Perfect grades were recorded by Krista Kastle, Lance Combs, Sherry Blankenship, Terry Hall, Peggy Helms, Laura Paul and Ronald Stephens, 12th graders; Charles Pennell, 11th grader; Todd Gundrum, David Onoy and Allison Tackett, 10th graders; and Kathy Myers, Thomas Tackett and Melissa Young, ninth graders.
Honor roll grades were assigned to Angie Cook, Erin Echelberry, Scott Gano, Tammy Gayheart, Jeffrey Staggs, Theresa Stator, Laura Stroup, Shari Wagers and Kathy Welker, 12th graders.
Also, "Travis Alsept, Kathy Farmer, John Ganzhorn, Kim

Gibson, *Rebecca Jamerson, Aaron Keinath, Trene Snipes and Jeffrey Studer, 11th graders; Alice Nancy Beverly, Brian Carter, Shane Garrett, William Hass, Amy McClure, Michelle McQuate, Robert Roberts and Oma Shepherd, 10th graders; Andrew Bowman, Kerri Claus, Erika Faulkner, Amy Franklin, Michelle Kriete Meyer, Jarrin Nichell, Wendy Rianey, Jennifer Ritchie and Tammy Spears, ninth graders.
Merit roll pupils are Donell Branhart, Alfonso Del Pozo, Scott Edler, James Elliott, Mariane Franceschi, *Margie Hamilton, Patricia Harmon, Gary Horner, Libby Martin, Michelle Martin, *Jeffrey Nickles, David Powers, Stephen Roethlisberger, Wilke Schutte, Angie Sexton, Robert Smith and Laura Sponebiller, 12th graders.
Also, *Michael Bailey, Jeffrey

Blomfield, Brian Bowman, Jennifer Chase, Rachel DeLombard, Ed Gwitz, Penny Home, Adam Keene, *Jamie Moyer, *John Myers, Rhonda Neesley, Cindy Sexton, Jeffrey Smith, Timothy Snipes and Jennifer Young, 11th graders.
* denotes Pioneer Joint Vocational School, Painesville, Frank Burks, Terri Dials, Darren Elliott, Melissa Gayheart, Chris Hixon, Heath Howard, Clayton Loehn, Lisa Rath, Tracy Reinhart, Danell Smart and Russell Stroup, 10th graders.
Also, Duane Adams, Theresa Armstrong, Rebecca Bebes, Melody Brown, Robin Krus, Krista Chaffins, April Clark, Sarah DeLombard, Craig Gowitka, Shari Hixon, Tricia Howell, Debra and Tracy Loney, Betsy and Robert Smith and Jack Winans, ninth graders.

15 in SMS make 4.0's; 42 pupils on honor roll

Fifteen Shiloh Middle school pupils made 4.0 grade-point averages during the third six week period, their principal, John Hart, reports.
Forty-two pupils were named to the honor roll and 68 to the merit roll.
Perfect grades were recorded by Hwy Bernathos and mrs. Reidman, eighth grader; Jeffrey Gundrum, Elaine Hawk, David Cary and Devon Balley, seventh graders; and Eric Felver, Christopher Gullett, Amy Bond, Glenn Coulter, Christy Wagers, Nathan Buzard, Kelly Rath, Audrey Rettig and Connie Ross, sixth graders.
Honor roll grades were assigned to Amy Heller, Homer Hawk, Scott Howard, Jessica Ritchie, Christopher Roberts, Chris Ross, Neil Schuller, Justin Slauson, Kirsten Bond, John Ferguson and April Gayheart, eighth graders.
Also, Jeffrey Smedley, Jason

Root, Kelly Cooke, Kelley Getler, Chris Moyer, Douglas Studer, Rebecca Fore, Andrew Fennel, Brandon Keirna, Richard Adams, Erica Bailey, Terry Stroup, Chris Blankenship, Scott Gibson, Jessica Martin, Nikki Robinson and Chad Stumbo, seventh graders; Also, Jamie Bistline, Kara Feuser, Kisha Gasparac, April Gayheart, Eric Riemer, Lori Root, Glenda Branhart, Curtiss Handshoe, Matthew Harrison, Jason Snyder, Brett King, Mark McClure and James Neff, sixth graders.
Merit roll grades were recorded by Lorie Cole, Randy Hall, Darla Howard, Margaret Smith, Bryan Verburg, Stephanie Boggs, Kobe Boyer, Tracy Neesley, Todd Smart, Belinda Thompson, Shanelene Hass, Bridget Neesley and Pamela Wireman, eighth graders; Also, Amy Hettner, Ann Fazzini, Mandy Deakins, Raina Barber, Michelle Smart, Jenny Draft, Amy

Root, Monica Lauer, Michelle Ony, Kim Gowitka, Gordon Stroup, Pamela Johnson, Lana Beverly, Carrie Chase, Timothy Collins, Joseph Heden, Lucinda Leid, Tomia Porter, Jason Hill, Shari Hunter, Brian Kennard and Vickie Sergeant, seventh graders; Also, Frank Bell, Kiesha Dye, Vernon Felty, Tina Haynes, Holly Stephens, Sherri Tackett, Adam Taylor, Becki Wilson, Brian Loehn, Donnie Roberts, Andrew Burrell, Faith Dalton, Brian Handshoe, Angela Howard, Jeanne Humphrey, Beth Jones, Craig Powers, Ricky Reeder, Amanda Riecher, John Thompson, A.J. Blanton, Korre Boyer, Rochelle Guthrie, John Helms, Beth Jessie, Jennifer Woodmansee, Nicole Koss, Bronwyn Puckett, Shannon Reynolds, Lemarr Rhoades, Michael Sergeant and Quinn Sexton, sixth graders.

Here's what folks did 25, 20, 15, 10, 5 years ago

No such thing as perfect cook, Auntie insists

25 years ago, 1963
James P. Moore, 35, died suddenly of heart seizure.
Edward O. Ramsey was re-elected president by Plymouth Chamber of Commerce, which chose Dr. Pierre E. Haver as first vice-president, H. James Root as second vice-president, Mrs. R. Earl McQueen as secretary, J. Benjamin Smith as treasurer, Charles F. Karnes as trustee for two years. Holdover trustee is Donald J. Willet.

Nine boys have reached Eagle Scout rank here in 25 years. They are Gregory E. Cashman, Arthur L. Paddock, 3rd, James W. Fetters, Earl Hankamer, Jr., Paul Scott, Gordon Zehle, P. Siddall Thomas, Kenneth Echelberry and John R. Hampton. Hampton has died.

For the third successive year, Richard Sprouts was won first place in Richland county in the annual American Legion patriotic essay contest. He is an 11th grader. Barbara Williams won among 10th grade girls.

A third daughter was born at Rapid City, S.D., to the Larry Berbericks. Grandfathers are Frank Pitzen and Albert Berberick.

Prices: Round steak, 77¢ lb.; sirloin steak, 88¢ lb.; boneless rump or sirloin tip roast, 99¢ lb.; ground chuck, 66¢ lb.; bacon, 55¢ lb.; bologna, 44¢ lb.

Union 69, Plymouth 37, Phil Fletcher scoring 13, Jimmy Hamman 11.
Return of Jimmy Hamman, out with an injury, sparked Plymouth to a better performance as the Big Red nailed Fredericktown, 63 to 50. He scored 12. Allen Arnold had 19, Phil Fletcher 15, Earl Hess 10, Dave Myers seven.

Chester L. Beer foreclosed on Russell and Ruby Keith, operating a super market in Mansfield, for default on a debt of \$18,083.
George W. Francis, 44, a former villager, died at Mansfield.

20 years ago, 1968
Mrs. Jeandine Booker Miko, 18, and her close friend, Danny Patrick, 21, pleaded not guilty to first degree manslaughter in the death of her infant daughter.
Grandson of Mrs. Carl Booth, Arthur N. (Nick) Watts, 17, Willard, died in collision in Route 224 about 1.2 miles west of Atwood. He was the son of the Woodrow Wattes.
Mayor William Fazio's nomination of his son, Donald Stein, to be a patrolman was tabled by village council.

Two high school pupils made 4.0 grade-point averages. Cathy Moore, 12th grader, and Deborah Gullett, 11th grader.

The Richard Chapmans, New Haven, will mark No. 63.
The Charles Whatmans will mark No. 58.

Sewer delinquencies will be vigorously pursued as soon as a new administrator can be found and engaged.

Richard D. Hamman, Class of 1963, received the baccalaureate degree in biochemistry from the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, N.D.

Here's menus in cafeterias —

Here's menus in Plymouth school cafeterias for the week:
Today: Beef stew or taco bowl, bread and butter, corn, fresh fruit, milk;
Tomorrow: Spaghetti with meat sauce or calico beans, bread and butter, lettuce salad, cheese stick, applesauce, milk;
Monday: No classes;
Tuesday: Hot submarine or toasted cheese sandwich, mixed vegetables, celery with peanut butter, baked fruit, milk;
Wednesday: Saucy frankfurters and potato chips or nachos and cheese, green beans, fresh fruit, milk.

Clear Fork 73, Red 65. Ray Hughes bagged 25 points.
Prices: Fryer parts, 49¢ lb.; roasting chickens, 49¢ lb.; pork steak, 88¢ lb.; wieners, 79¢ lb.; pork tenderloins, 99¢ lb.; pork cutlet cube steak, \$1.09 lb.

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10 years ago, 1978
Miss Anita L. Riedlinger, elected clerk-treasurer in 1975, resigned. So did Judson A. Morrison, fire chief for 20 years.
Mother of Mrs. Homer Lamb, Mrs. Harry E. Laughbaum, 88, Bucyrus, died there.
Mrs. Fred F. Fransens, 88, daughter of an early settler in Celeryville, died at Willard.
Big Red 66, Mapleton 55, Blaine Baker with 14 points.
Henry Gremmer, 88, World War I veteran and member of Ehren-Farrel Post 447, American Legion, died at Celeryville.

The Frederick H. Lewises will observe No. 25.
Dawn Elyse Kucinic pledged to marry Robert Neil Martin, Attila.
Prices: Turkeys, 25¢ lb.; pork steak, 59¢ lb.; boneless pork roast, 69¢ lb.; coney, 59¢ lb.; stewing hams, 15¢ lb.; Boston butt pork roast, 49¢ lb.

Big Red staggered to its 13th victory, beating Loudonville, 48 to 39, Vance Hoffman scoring 25.
Mrs. Dorothy Willford Adams, 99 Franklin street, was married in First Evangelical Lutheran church to Robert Ward, Shelby. A boy born Jan. 18 was adopted by Sgt. and Mrs. Wayne Kessler, Las Vegas, Nev., and named Ray Nelson Kessler.

15 years ago, 1973
Thomas F. Baker was named village administrator with six months of probation.
Gross personal income per capita in the village in 1970 was \$2,741.
Elven made 4.0 grade-point averages in the high school: Ariene Brown, Melinda Humbert and Larry Reynolds, 12th graders; Karen Bloomfield and Deborah Moorman, 11th graders; Hazel Kline, 10th grader, and Jackie Dye and Dianna Hale, ninth graders.

Two pupils at Shiloh made 4.0 grade-point averages: John Harpet, eighth grader, and Jennifer Kranz, seventh grader.

Father of Mrs. Arthur Jacobs, Francis G. Heuberger, 72, Shelby, died there.

The Ralph Pattons bought the Howard Clark property at Wall street and Mills avenue.
Larry Bailey bought the Vernon Johnson property in Maple street.

Mark N. Brouwer, publisher of the Willard Times, is the new president of the Buckeye Press association.

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Mrs. Geter Stover, 56, long ill, died at Columbus.
Mrs. John Eyrner, mother of Mrs. J. Harris Poolema, left \$278,897.
Prices: Fryers, 47¢ lb.; turkey, 69¢ lb.; boneless hams, whole or half, \$1.69 lb.; grade A eggs, large, 59¢ doz.; frankfurters, \$1.19 lb.; fryer breasts, 59¢ lb.; legs and thighs, 78¢ lb.

Plymouth lost its 12th straight game, 65 to 69, Blaine Baker scoring 25. Against Loudonville, he scored 12 and Plymouth lost, 63 to 54.
Girls defeated Clear Fork, 43 to 20, Kathy Brown bagging 18 points.

Five years ago, 1983
John H. Noble, 81, a former villager, died at Mansfield.
Avraduth Pal-Dhungat, M.D., Greenwich, will open a medical practice at 10 East Main street.

A 1943 alumna of Shiloh High school, Mrs. Phillip Wuthrich, 57 nee Joyce Elaine Witche, died of cancer at West Palm Beach, Fla.
First Frelands conference victory ever came here against Mapleton, 71 to 69, Rod Hampton scoring 21 and Greg Polachek 20. Western Reserve 75, Plymouth 44, Hampton with 15, Polachek 13. Girls edged Crestview, 50 to 48, Lisa Daron with 22 and Rhonda Branham with 18.
Miss Daron scored 19, but Seneca East won, 55 to 53.

Presbyterians . . .
First United Presbyterian church will serve a potluck supper, Ash Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the church rooms.
Communion will be offered around the tables afterwards.
Each Wednesday through the Lenten season the church will conduct a special service at 7 p.m.

First Evangelical Lutheran church will conduct its Ash Wednesday service at 7 p.m.
It will be preceded with soup and sandwiches at 6 p.m.

Methodists . . .
A joint Ash Wednesday service will be conducted in the Plymouth church for the congregations of Plymouth and Shiloh United Methodist churches at 7 p.m.
The church will be open all day for prayer.
First ecumenical Lenten service will be Feb. 24 in the Shiloh church. The Rev. Wayne Nieminer, pastor of Mt. Hope Lutheran church will conduct the service.
Soup and sandwiches will be served beginning at 6 p.m. in the church rooms. A small donation is requested.

**Academic Boosters
to meet Tuesday**
Election of officers and the academic awards presentation will be on the agenda Tuesday when Viking Academic Boosters meet at 7:30 p.m. in the high school library.

By AUNT LIZ

Our favorite daughter-in-law has developed a horrible problem. She is feeling inferior to a brother-in-law.

She says he is such a terrific cook, and she is so ordinary. She isn't! All our kids have turned into excellent cooks, even the boys.

One can whip up a pizza that could put Pizza Hut and Domino out of business. Another can do hamburgers that could do away with McDonald's and Wendy's. There really isn't such an animal as the perfect cook. That is where a couple of four legged furry friends come in handy. They can eat the horrible results and feel like they're eating at the Waldorf.

In there one soul in this world who has ever had a soufflé not soufflé or a cake come out lopsided? Did you ever forget to put raisins and nuts in a zucchini bread recipe and end up poking them into the dough after it was in a pan ready for the oven? It is easier to do that way than to pour the dough back into a bowl, wash the pan and start all over.

Over the years we have had some great experiences. Like the time I made a cherry pie and did not know the canned cherries had the pits in them. Otherwise it was quite tasty, and thank heavens our one dinner guest was a nice, understanding young man.

We once had a Dutch friend who really prided herself on her cooking, and she was good. But when she asked you to dinner about a week ahead, she spent the whole week telling you how good it was going to be, so when the night arrived you were convinced it was delicious. It usually was because she could combine French with Chinese, which is about the best combination you can think of.

While doing a little house-cleaning the other day, I found something I had forgotten we had. We never throw out a good recipe and that is why I had it.

It's onions and the onion market in Berna from our Swiss days.
On one side of the paper was a

description of the market, which is lovely: "Saturday evening before the onion market, big trucks and carriages full of baskets and bags filled with onions arrive in Bern, drive up to the Waisenhausplatz and unload their cargoes. The merchandise is left like this over Sunday and nobody would dream of helping himself in the dark of the night. The onion market requires no guards". The sale begins on Monday morning. It is sort of a Swiss festival to begin the winter season because they can be stored through the cold months.

It has been years since I made this. The catch is it has to be times so is only for friends who understand how important it is to be on time.

It is a soufflé and worth the trouble.
Boil a pound of onions until they are soft, then mash them through a sieve. Possibly a vegetable processor will work, but I did not have one then; they had not been invented.

Then melt four tablespoons of butter, add four tablespoons flour and a dash of Dijon mustard. Stir until smooth. Gradually add a third of a cup of the water that the onions were cooked in and a third of a cup of cream (the real stuff). When it is smooth, add the mashed. When it is smooth, add the mashed-up onions. Let it cook until it boils. Season with some salt and pepper. Then fold in three well-beaten egg yolks and fold in very gently the three beaten egg whites. Put into a buttered casserole and bake for a half hour at about 325 degrees.

It has to be eaten immediately out of the oven.
Even if this does not rise like it should, it is good. Just don't announce that it is a soufflé. Call it a new vegetable dish.

Meanwhile I am having a delicious broiled wieners with tarragon mustard for lunch. And if you have not tasted that mustard, it is worth a jaunt to California to get it. It somehow does not exist here.

Shiloh couple seeks to marry



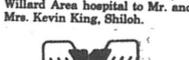
Edward Dean Myers and Dianna Faye Harris, each of 86 West Main street, Shiloh, have applied in Richland county probate court for a license to marry.

Three at OSU on dean's list for autumn

An 8 lb. 11 oz. son, Jared Scott, was born in Shelby Memorial hospital Thursday to the Michael Mawhorns. Mother is the former Vickie Fazzino, youngest daughter of the John Fazzino. The Richard Mawhorns of Shelby are the paternal grandparents.

Three Plymouth students and two from Shiloh have been named to the dean's list by Ohio State university for the autumn quarter. These are Jeannette L. Faeth, Pamela Goines and Kevin M. Taylor, Plymouth, and Jennifer Lynn Moore and Anne N. Neer, Shiloh.

A daughter was born Friday in Willard Area hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Kevin King, Shiloh.



All about town . . .

Feb. 11
Calvin Tuttle
Mrs. Lowell E. Keith
L.G. Williston
Kimberly Gibson

Feb. 12
Carol Fuller
Thomas L. Meiser
Tammy Tackett
Mrs. David Clevenger
Raymond H. DeWitt
James W. Fetters
Charles Beverly
Jennifer Gano

Feb. 13
John J. Laach
Robert Kennedy
William Taubee
David Wayne Henderson

Feb. 14
Mrs. John Kleer
Dwight A. Vogel
Ramon Brown
Debra J. Cole
David Alan Howard
Jennifer Hale

Feb. 15
Clyde J. Laach, Jr.
Mickey H. Jones
James Clark
Austin Elder
Scott Thomas Corbin
Mrs. James Wechter

Feb. 16
Norman B. McQuown
Lois B. Hamilton
H. James Shutt
Rhonda Faye Stone
Curt Reinhart
Jeffery Allen Beaver
Charles Henry Riedlinger
Stephen Thomas

Feb. 17
Karen Hughes
Mrs. Robert Martin
Mrs. Gordon Horne
Mrs. F.W. McCormick
Candace
Mindy Nichole Taylor

Wedding Anniversaries
Feb. 14
The M. Echelbergs
The D.B. Shavers

Tuesday's meeting of the Adult Farmers sponsored by Plymouth High school vocational agriculture department will be in fire prevention.

Plymouth Fire department will present the program.

To celebrate the birthday anniversary of Mrs. A.L. Paddock, Jr., 78 Plymouth street, on Sunday, the John E. Hodema, 41 Birchfield street, were hosts at dinner to the Paddocks and Alvin Garrett, Ross Moser and Albert (Pete) Ferrell, all of Shiloh.

An memorial donation for Leo McQuillen from the Plymouth Policemen's association has been recorded.

The first class, woodworking, will begin Mar. 9.

Other classes and their beginning dates are skin care and make-up, Mar. 14; darkroom techniques, Easter microwaving, survival course in small engines and rearing positive children, Mar. 15. There will be a second session of the last named class beginning Apr. 13.

On Mar. 16 beginning quilting, beginning exercise and floral design will be given. Others are successful money management, Mar. 17; beginning large canvas painting, cake decorating, basic block laying and investments and CPR. A second CPR class is set for Apr. 20.

Lite microwave cooking will be Apr. 5, graphoanalysis, recreational Ohio and 35-mm. photography Apr. 6, keeping your car fit and driving Apr. 12, stained glass Apr. 13, quick easy microwaving Apr. 19, folk art May 2 and cool microwave cooking May 3.

The school may be called for further information as to time and fees.

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What's the problem?

The problem was, and still is the financial distress caused by changes in the nature of medical care funding by the federal government and major insurers; the growing preference by these payers for outpatient treatment over inpatient admission; and the inroads of inflation in the health care field. Even with the most professional management, Willard Area Hospital cannot make ends meet and continue to maintain its facility and update its equipment.

The hospital is a non-profit corporation. This means there are no stockholders to satisfy with quarterly dividends. It also means we can't sell stock to raise money to meet deficits, losses, or costs of capital improvement.

However, residents of the hospital's service area — generally recognized as being the Willard City School district and the local school districts of South Central, Plymouth, Buckeye Central and Seneca East — expect and have a right to expect:

— That they can get primary medical/surgical treatment in Willard, which has offered such services for over 73 years.

— That qualified and competent health care professionals are ready to treat their ailments promptly, appropriately, and within a reasonable distance of their home.

— That they will have ready access to specialty physicians, when necessary, to deal with illnesses of a special, specific nature.

Meeting these health care expectations requires a viable hospital.

Willard Area Hospital has survived, but only barely, despite our best efforts.

This table shows results of operations over the past five years.

	No. of admissions	Profit or (loss)
1983	1983	(\$389,814)
1984	1911	\$468,025
1985	1856	(\$269,919)
1986	1866	\$77,693
1987	1819	(\$75,136)

How was it dealt with?

Three years ago, we hired Hospital Management Professionals, Inc.

(HMP), a professional firm that deals exclusively with management of non-profit hospitals. It nominated, and we approved, an administrator. With our guidance and support, he and his staff applied the most modern techniques to turn our financial situation around.

Considerable progress was made. Improvements — conspicuous improvements — were noted on almost a dozen fronts. But after a time it became clear that such innovations, along with vigorous management techniques, were subject to the laws of diminishing returns.

Where to go next? In April, 1987, HMP recommended to the trustees that a merger with another hospital would be the most sensible solution.

How did negotiations proceed?

Willard Area Hospital — the prospective bride — made it known to five potential suitors that it was interested in a marriage. The offers of four suitors were thought to be less attractive than those of a fifth. So — to carry the analogy further — we became engaged to Mercy Health Care System (MHCS), a system of 15 not-for-profit hospital corporations operated by a religious order, the Sisters of Mercy.

Negotiations, confidential by necessity, continue. The Board's goals in negotiations continue to be:

— Retaining hospital service in Willard that will meet the needs of almost everyone most of the time. There is no intent (even if it were possible) to make of WAH a Mayo Clinic, for instance, or a Massachusetts General.

— Affording the present medical community every opportunity to practice state-of-the-art medicine in a facility absolutely dedicated to helping it achieve its health care mission.

— Preserving WAH as a local hospital, governed by local people, aimed at serving local people. The precept of "maximum local control" is central to the philosophy of MHCS.

Is it a successful solution?

Time will tell. If everyone — the Board, medical staff, administration, employees, business and industry, and the general community — works together, focusing on mutual goals, then it should be a great success.

If Mercy Health Care System is willing to commit up to \$1 million, and

assume payment of our debt, to help assure the viability of WAH, it is only natural to expect it to help oversee how the funds will be used. It proposes to do so through the appointment of four Sisters of Mercy to the hospital's Board of Trustees.

WAH will become a full member of MHCS, whose headquarters is in Cincinnati. As such, we will have equal standing with other northwestern Ohio hospitals in the system, including Tiffin, Lima, Oregon and Toledo.

Where do we go from here?

A special committee of trustees has been delegated to reach an agreement with MHCS by which Willard Area Hospital will affiliate with Mercy Health Care System.

This involves:

— A new lease of hospital grounds and buildings between the City of Willard and MHCS, with the latter replacing WAH as lessee. This document will, in timely fashion, be submitted to Willard City Council for its consideration and, we hope, approval. It is proposed that a nominee of the council will be seated as a hospital trustee.

— A different role for the Willard Area Hospital Association, as requested by MHCS. Its exact new form is not firmed up. Negotiators have looked into repositioning the association with strong public relations obligations and as the linch pin in fund raising activities. It is intended that a nominee acceptable to the association shall be seated as a trustee.

— A signed statement of commitment and support from the medical staff, sought by the Board of Trustees and MHCS. Specifically, physicians are being asked to affirm their support of WAH after affiliation, to maintain or expand their admissions to the hospital as appropriate, to support development of professional relationships with the medical staff at Mercy Hospital of Tiffin, and to support expansion of the medical staff membership at Willard as needed to serve the hospital's market area.

The purpose of these statements is to demonstrate our collective desire to fulfill our commitment to available and quality health care in Willard, in our hospital. MHCS wants to enhance services here with specialty physicians willing to work here with our medical staff. Our medical staff is asked to

support this affiliation to the best of its ability — no more, no less.

These expectations seem reasonable to us.

And down the road?

We shall make every effort to provide Willard City Council with full details of the proposed affiliation as soon as it is feasible to do so.

When the council has approved the proposal, we shall present the same details to the Association and ask for its approval. We hope, fervently, this all may come to fruition by Apr. 15.

It's apparent there are many questions that need to be answered. The one we've heard most is this:

What's in it for Mercy?

Looking to the future, Mercy Health Care System is evolving its current strong system into a full service health care from birth through old age. Meeting this challenge requires well-managed, successful, caring, highly technical individual facilities located in key communities like ours. An alliance with Willard Area Hospital furthers the commitment of the Sisters of Mercy to a health care ministry that emphasizes quality, compassion and wholistic care.

Yes, the hospital will pay a fee to MHCS for its management expertise and corporate support.

Yes, MHCS will nominate an administrator who must be acceptable to a majority of the trustees.

Yes, some of the money advanced by MHCS is subject to repayment at rates of interest that are at or below the prime rate.

Is there an alternative?

There may be. What it is, or might be, we don't honestly know. What we do know is that this solution seems to offer the best opportunity to survive and to bring to us — to our families, our friends and neighbors, the folks down the road beyond the bend — the best sort of hospital care that honest effort and strong conviction can produce.

Won't you join us?

Trustees are ready to answer further questions. Their telephone numbers are set here, beside their names.

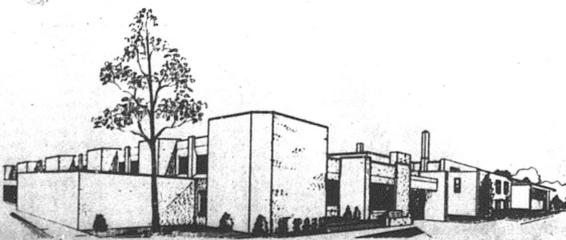
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In league play —

Last-ditch rally raises Red over Mapleton

It was supposed to be a walkover and, indeed, it started just like that.

Plymouth got a run of six midway through the first period at Polk Friday night and built an 18 to 9 lead over Mapleton, thanks for the most part to some stellar work by Ron Stephens, who converted his first four shots and added two freshrows.

When the shouting and tumult died down, the Big Red led by point, 54 to 53, to even its record at 8-and-8 and set its Firelands conference slate at 7-and-5.

It was a free throw by Jeff Bloomfield with 12 seconds left that won it for Plymouth.

He was fouled by Marcus Neuhaus and went to the line for two shots with the score tied at 53. The Mounties asked for time out to freeze the shooter, who maintained his composure and fired the first one through the hoop. He missed the second and Mapleton rebounded and moved to the attack.

Plymouth forced the advance and forced an erratic shot at the buzzer.

The Big Red gave up the lead with 2:17 left in the first half and played catch up basketball until 4:59 remained, when Ron Stephens cannot rebound. Eric Breznicki's shot from the corner sent Plymouth to the lead at 47 to 43 after Bloomfield had fired one home.

The Mounties ran seven to lead at 50 to 47. Stephens rebounded to score at 2:09 and Terry Hall's shot at 1:51 gave the Big Red a lead of one at 51 to 50.

When Mapleton tied it, Breznicki threw in two free throws. Jeff Stuart closed the gap to zero with a jumper from the key.

This set the stage for Bloomfield's dramatics.

It was a remarkable effort by a young team, comprised almost wholly of 10th graders, that has won just one game.

Mapleton was outreached yet it beat the pants off Plymouth on the offensive boards. Plymouth outbounded Mapleton, 32 to 31. Each team made 26 mistakes on offense.

Plymouth fired for field goal 52 times with 23 successes. Mapleton unloaded 47 times and hit with 19, of which five were three pointers.

Each team had 20 free throws. Plymouth shot eight. Mapleton 10.

Wilke Schutte was a starter for the first time in his schoolboy career. Todd Wilson did not start but when he was sent to the floor he could not be contained.

Stephens scored 16 and Hall 10.

Here're results of last week —

Here're scores last week:
South Central 82, Mapleton 40;
Crestview 76, Black River 59;
Plymouth 54, Mapleton 53;
Western Reserve 78, Monroeville 58;

New London 83, St. Paul's 52;
Buckeye 67, Black River 51.

Girls to meet Lucas quintet in tourney

Big Red girls (9-6) will play Lucas (9-9) in the first round of the Division IV girls' basketball tourney at Bucyrus Feb. 23 in the second game.

Winner will advance to play Buckeye Central (12-3) on Feb. 27 in the second game.

Upper bracket draw pits Mansfield Christian (5-10) against Crestline (4-10) on Feb. 23 winner to play in first game Feb. 27 against St. Peter's (14-2).

Tickets: Adults \$3, pupils \$2, all tickets at door \$3.

Two receive PJVS awards

Three Plymouth High school pupils attending Pioneer Joint Vocational school have received a second award of a "Pioneer Pride" pin for perfect attendance during the first two grading periods of the school year.

These are John Myers, machine trader; Amy Laser, skill stenographic; and Jeffrey Nickles, data processing.

Students for perfect attendance during the second grading period went to Thomas Woodmansee, electronics, and Travis Alespi, auto body.

Chad Ringler with 23 was game high and Stuart collected 12 for the Mounties.

Mapleton won't go anywhere this year. Barring misfortune the Mounties will get their men in 1988-89.

Plymouth seemed to lack consistency and showed no cohesiveness in the middle quarters. Bloomfield did not score well. Indeed, he did not try to do so. He took eight shots and converted three, well below his average. Hall played his best game of the season. Breznicki off the bench was credible.

The Big Red was eight of 13 in the first eight minutes and seven of 11 in the last. What a pity it did not do so well the second (four of 15) and third (four of 14)!

Ringler is not big but he can play with anybody. When the Mounties develop an inside game, look out!

Lineups:
Plymouth
Combs 0 3 0 6
Stephens 0 6 4 16
Bloomfield 0 3 2 8
Schutte 0 3 0 6
T. Hall 0 5 0 10
To. Wilson 0 2 0 4
Breznicki 0 1 2 4
Totals 0 23 8 54

Mapleton
Stuart 0 5 2 12
Ringler 4 3 5 23
Linder 1 2 0 7
Neuhaus 0 1 3 5
Black 0 2 0 4
McKay 0 1 2 2
Totals 5 14 10 53

Score by periods:
P 18 9 10 17 — 54
M 15 14 11 15 — 53

Red reserves ran off with an easy 10-point win, 52 to 42.

Lineups:
Plymouth
Beebe 1 0 0 3
Stone 1 5 2 13
Gibson 0 3 0 6
Chaffins 0 6 0 12
Myers 0 2 1 0
Wagers 0 3 0 6
Totals 2 21 4 52

Mapleton
Dressbach 0 0 2 2
Keeben 2 0 1 7
Kinter 0 4 3 11
McKay 0 1 2 4
Kline 0 2 5 9
Totals 5 7 13 42

Here's slate this week —

Here's Firelands conference basketball slate for this week:
TOMORROW:
Western Reserve at Black River;
Monroeville at New London;
Crestview at St. Paul's.

SATURDAY:
Black River at Mapleton;
Plymouth at Monroeville;
Hilldale at Crestview;
St. Paul's at South Central;
New London at Western Reserve.

Some changes in ordinances were considered during last week's council committee meeting.

Principal change will be in the distribution of local income tax money. Instead of being divided half-and-half between the general fund and capital improvements, it will be changed to 75 per cent to the improvement fund and 25 per cent to the general fund.

Reserve funds for the water and sewer departments are to be set up for improvements.

Current pay ordinance is to be revised in one instance. This was an oversight in January. No provision was made for a substitute utility clerk. What is included is a combined clerk-dispatcher at \$6.45 an hour. The new salary will be \$5 an hour with no dispatching duties.

Rules committee is to review ordinances concerning the tearing down of dilapidated buildings and the erection of signs in tree lawns.

Mayor Keith A. Hebble is choosing a committee to study the improvement of sidewalks. The ordinance has existed since 1941 and has not been well enforced.

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No. 12 is Tony Haymond. No. 1 or No. 2 off the bench, he has developed into a capable player, a better than average passer, equally so as a rebounder, runs hot and cold as a shooter (but don't they all?).



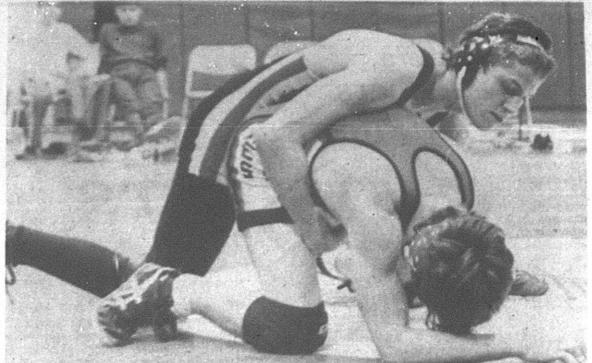
Todd Wilson, No. 20, is a trin, which means there are two siblings with the same birth date. He's the more advanced of the three, on the court, anyway, and starts at guard. Also a fine baseball player, this year he tried football. Result: excellent.



Eric Breznicki is a bench player. And when he is good, he is very, very good: a strong rebounder, a better than average shot, a good floor player, not subject to tight hand. He's a 12th grader, up from last season's reserves.

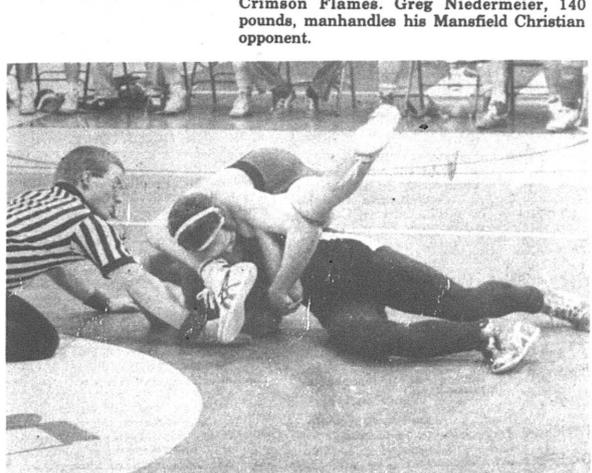


Trema Snipes is No. 1 or No. 2 off pinewood. She shows signs that seasoning has done her as much good as to a fine steak. A good passer, a fair-to-good shooter, she's a team player and leader.



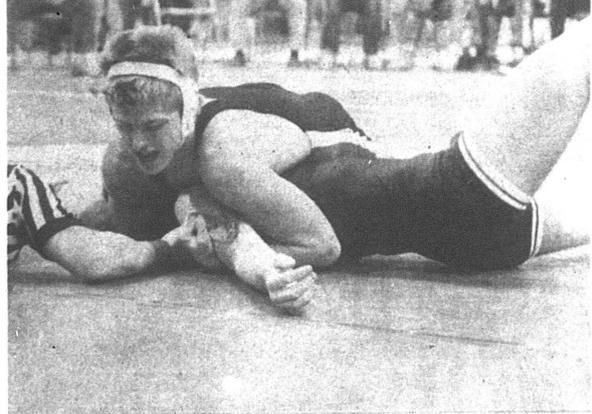
Plymouth took on Mansfield Christian and Crestview at Mansfield Friday. Result: a tie at 36 with the Cougars, a 47 to 22 defeat of the Crimson Flames. Greg Niedermeier, 140 pounds, manhandles his Mansfield Christian opponent.

Win and draw



Robert Smith, 130 pounds, in black outfit, wrestled from beneath against Mansfield Christian grappler Friday.

Oopsy-daisy!



Jeff Staggs, 145 pounds, seeks pin of Crestview entry.

Schools lose \$1 million —

including some written by members of the school's English classes.

Mark Sheely, elementary principal, said a fifth grader at Shiloh, Alisha Bloomfield, has had a look at the district as a whole before you make cuts in the elementary staff only. Have you It is the only one chosen outside the Columbus area. It will be performed in Ashland schools the Mar. 15 and 16. Sheely hopes he can arrange to have it performed here, too.

The board accepted the calendar for the 1988-89 school year, which is consistent with other districts in Richland county. Classes will begin Aug. 29.

The board acknowledged a letter signed by 13 Shiloh Elementary teachers concerning the cut-back of four elementary teachers for the coming school year. It follows:

"We as teachers share with you the common goal of seeking quality education for the young people of this school district. Therefore we are asking you to carefully consider the student to classroom teacher ratio at the high school, the middle school and the elementary school? We would like to invite you into the schools to spend a day with a teacher at each of the levels — high school, middle school, and elementary. In this way you can get a first hand knowledge of the education our children are getting.

"We realize that any cuts in our educational system affect the education of our children negatively, but when cuts have to be done they should be done in those

areas where the least damage is done and where the education cannot be obtained elsewhere, such as Pioneer Joint Vocational school.

"We ask you to visit the schools, spend a day with a teacher at each level, and then re-evaluate the cuts you feel must be made."

Sincerely yours,
Members of the Shiloh Elementary Staff
Christina Creamer
Cathy Anderson
Denise Thompson
Carol Knapp
Kathleen A. Draiger
Elaine Root
Robert East
Linda Cline
Linda Bloomfield
Ethel L. Briggs
Diana D. Smart
Michelle Dawson
Denny E. Blanchard

12 charges continued

Seven against Willard man dealt with yesterday

Twelve charges, seven of them against one man, were continued in the court of Mayor Keith A. Hebble Feb. 3.

Accusations of public intoxication, possession of marijuana, no operator's license, tire peeling, drunken driving, eluding an officer and disorderly conduct against James Eric Hicks, Willard, were continued, along with drunken driving against Carl Eugene Elliott, Plymouth; false utterance against Marcel Vance, Willard; operating while under suspension against Ronald D.

Stanfield, Rochester, N.Y.; suspension of justice against Roberto G. Handahoe, Plymouth, and of furnishing beer to a person under age against Randy L. Postema, Plymouth, were continued, all of them save those against Hicks to yesterday.

Erby Stamper, Norwalk, pleaded no contest to theft. He was fined \$100 and costs. A total of \$76 was suspended on condition of no similar violations for one year.

Debra Crisp, Plymouth, convicted of false utterance, was fined

\$100 and costs. Fine was suspended on condition of no similar violations for one year.

Teresa L. Vanderpool, Greenwich, was fined \$100 and costs, of which \$50 was suspended on condition of no similar violations for one year, for having no operator's license.

Ronald L. Brooks, Jr., Plymouth, pleaded guilty to operating while under suspension and was fined \$100 and costs, of which \$50 was suspended on condition of no

similar violations for one year.

Kenneth E. Deskins, Shiloh, was fined \$50 and costs, of which fine was suspended, for public intoxication. A charge of disorderly conduct was dismissed.

Disposition of other charges: Kenneth H. Phelps, Omaha, \$26; Raybery Collins, Plymouth, \$24; Donald I. Miller, Bellevue, \$42; Hazel R. Ferguson, Republic, \$22; Cheryl A. Dallas, Willard, \$22; Gregory M. Kirk, Galion, \$24; Doris J. Holmer, \$26; Clifford E. Bruner, Shelby, \$22, speeding.

Also, Ronald D. Stanfield, Rochester, N.Y., expired license plate, \$15; Robin G. Hicks, Plymouth, public intoxication, \$30; Daniel J. Ireland, Plymouth, no headlamps, \$15; Richard A. Conkle, Doylestown, improper left turn, \$15.

Here're excerpts from the log of Plymouth Police department:

Feb. 2, 8:13 a.m.: Assistance requested at 88 West Broadway.

Feb. 2, 10:47 a.m.: Assistance requested at 27 Sandusky street.

Feb. 2, 11:20 a.m.: Assistance requested at high school.

Feb. 3, 2:56 a.m.: Property found at 27 Sandusky street.

Feb. 3, 5:32 a.m.: Assistance requested in Route 61.

Feb. 3, 5:24 p.m.: Trash accumulation at 111 West Broadway complained of.

Feb. 3, 7:08 p.m.: Assistance requested at 25 East Main street.

Feb. 4, 12:22 a.m.: Open door found at high school.

Feb. 4, 10:59 a.m.: Out-of-town police assisted in Opdyke road.

Feb. 4, Vehicle complaint at 51 Portner street looked into.

Feb. 4, 11:48 a.m.: False utterance complained of at 57 Brazilian street.

Feb. 4, 2:45 p.m.: Civil grievance at 65 Trux street dealt with.

Feb. 4, 5:25 p.m.: Assistance requested at Plymouth East road and Mills road.

Feb. 4, 6:53 p.m.: Request for assistance in Preston road referred to sheriff.

Feb. 4, 7:05 p.m.: Threatened suicide by caller at station dealt with.

Feb. 4, 7:40 p.m.: Danny R. Montgomery arrested for failure to appear on a non-injury collision.

Feb. 4, 8:34 p.m.: Vehicle complaint received from Route 61.

Feb. 4, 8:50 p.m.: Domestic dispute at Spring and Sandusky streets may result in filing of charges against the defendant.

Feb. 4, 9:15 p.m.: Property recovered may have been stolen;

investigation continues.

Feb. 5, 12:52 a.m.: Open door found at high school.

Feb. 5, 8:10 a.m.: Assistance accorded Richard county sheriff.

Feb. 5, 10:30 a.m.: Domestic dispute in No. 14, Plymouth Villa, looked into.

Feb. 5, 12:25 p.m.: Animal complaint at 173 Beelman street dealt with.

Feb. 5, 2:20 p.m.: Auto obstruction at former LOMOodge lock dealt with.

Feb. 5, 5:53 p.m.: Auto obstruction on Riggs street hill dealt with.

Feb. 5, 11:12 p.m.: Person at high school requested assistance.

Feb. 6, 12:52 p.m.: Road obstruction in Route 98 deal with.

Feb. 6, 2:37 p.m.: Person in Springfield road requested assistance.

Feb. 6, 4:20 a.m.: Person at high school requested assistance.

Feb. 6, 6:54 p.m.: Person in East Main street assisted.

Feb. 6, 6:27 p.m.: Richland county sheriff assistance with abandoned vehicle in Shiloh-Norwalk road.

Feb. 7, 12:53 a.m.: Open door found at high school.

Feb. 7, 1:10 a.m.: Ice chest at Mack's Market found open.

Feb. 7, 10:25 a.m.: Animal complaint received from 173 Beelman street.

Feb. 7, 6:50 p.m. Juvenile complaint received at station.

Feb. 7, 8:23 p.m.: Ronald Gurney, Shelby, arrested on warrant.

Feb. 8, 1:46 a.m.: Street department assisted at 507 West Broadway in spreading salt at fire scene and at hydrant used by tankers in Public Square.

Ex-PLW hand, Carlos Luna, 86, dies at Willard

A retiree of Plymouth Locomotive Works, Carlos Luna, 86, died at his home in Willard, Ohio, on Thursday of a brief illness.

He retired in 1966. He was a communicant of St. Francis Xavier Roman Catholic church, Willard, where a funeral mass was said by the Rev. Jose Corral, St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church, Fremont, Saturday at 10 a.m. Interment by Secor Funeral home was in St. Joseph's cemetery.

He is survived by his wife, nee Hilda Marie Perez, to whom he was married in 1928; six sons, Carlos, Jr., Eliazar, Nicolas, Ruben and Roberto, all of Willard, and Baldemar, Columbus; three daughters, Mrs. Maria Zoila Rodriguez, Mrs. Matia Hilda Redondo and Mrs. Rebecca Hale, all of Willard; two brothers, Nicholas, Jr. and Lauro, both of Edinburg, Tex.; two sisters, Mrs. Anastasia Solis, Raymondville, Tex., and Mrs. Zenida Gonzalez, Edinburg, Tex.; 37 grandchildren and 39 great-grandchildren.

Three brothers, a sister, one grandchild and two great-grandchildren died earlier.

HOSPITAL NOTES

After surgery in Mansfield General hospital, Raymond P. Kleman is recuperating at his home, 341 Willow drive. His father-in-law, Lesland Briggs, Route 98, willard, is recuperating at Mansfield to correct a peccoral ailment, is at home recuperating.

R. Harold Mack, Plymouth East was released Saturday from Willard Area hospital.

H. James Root, 1001 Sandusky street, cardiac patient at Willard, was released Friday.

Village native, C.G. Boardman succumbs at 90

Born here Jan. 4, 1898, Cecil G. Boardman, 90, died in Hillcrest Nursing center, Grove City, Pa., Feb. 3.

He farmed near here most his life. He was the son of Benjamin A. and Edith McBride Boardman, at Willard Area hospital.

He is survived by a son, Glenn, Mansfield; three daughters, Doris Jean, now Mrs. Lundy McFadden, Shelby; Miriam, now Mrs. David Wagner, Mansfield, and Arlene, now Mrs. Roger Smith, Grove City, Pa.; seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Two brothers, Eldon and Ray, and a sister, Mrs. Helen Ross, died earlier.

WWI veteran, village native, buried at Shiloh

Interment took place in Mt. Hope cemetery, Cass township, Monday at 4 p.m. of Herman Forsythe, 88, a World War I veteran who died in Heritage Care center, Shelby, Thursday of a lengthy illness.

Born in Plymouth Nov. 4, 1899, he was a retired truck mechanic who lived most of his life in Mansfield. An Army veteran, he was a member of Post 201, American Legion, Louisville, Ky., and of AMVETS Post 26.

A daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Lombardo, in California; a sister, Mrs. Helen Becker, with whom he resided in Mansfield, and two brothers, Robert, Mansfield, and Shannon, in Tennessee, survive.

Two sisters and a brother died earlier.

The Rev. Paul Engelbert, St. Matthew's church, Mansfield, conducted the graveside service.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Audrey Bernhardt, Shiloh, was a patient in Willard Area hospital Feb. 12.

So was Hester Ireland, Plymouth, from Feb. 2 to 6.

Lettie Hall, Shiloh, and Lizzie Waddles, Plymouth, admitted at Willard Feb. 7.

So was Loren Puckett, Shiloh. Buford Sexton, Henderson, Shepherd and Lizzie Branham, Plymouth, were discharged at Willard Feb. 1. Cynthia Lynch, Plymouth, was discharged Feb. 2.

Sparkes to mark anniversary

Married Feb. 15, 1948, in North Fairfield United Methodist church, the Gens Sparkses, Delphi, will celebrate No. 40 Sunday with open house at their home from 2 to 4 p.m.

She is the former Joyce Ring, a retired beautician. He is a retired farmer with an abiding interest in harness horse breeding and racing.

They have a son, Donald G., Plymouth, and three daughters, Mrs. Bonadine Ryan, Willard; Mrs. Janet Marie Emerson, Plymouth route 1, and Mrs. Karen Lee Turner, Norwalk. There are nine grandchildren.

The children will be hosts at the open house.

Driver, 27, held after collision on icy road

A 27-year-old Plymouth driver was summoned Saturday just after noon when his 1985 GMC pickup truck struck a 1984 Plymouth sedan and forced it into a ditch.

The driver was eastbound in Boughtonville road when he collided with Robin L. Burrer, 28, Willard. Lewis' truck blocked the westbound lane.

Fazzini in favor of single hauler

James C. Root, village administrator, submitted a report from Kenneth Echebriy, cemetery sexton. He suggested purchase of equipment and additional land for the future.

Mr. Root said he is not happy about the council abolishing the cemetery board and has received letters from several persons, who have made generous donations to the future, agreeing with him.

He also said he is unhappy over the fact that the position does not carry paid vacation and longevity time. These had not been paid in the past because the position was not considered full

New videos available at library

New Beta cassettes at Plymouth Public library are "Cartoon Classics, Here's Mickey," "Curious George," "Flight of the Navigator," "Out of Bonds," "Psycho," "A Room with a View," "Salvador" and "Teddy Ruxpin: The Treasure of Grundo".

VHS's are "Auntie Mame," "Cartoon Classics, Here's Mickey," "The Story of Elijah - The Children's Heroes of the Bible," "Crocodile Dundee," "Danger Man," "Dirty Harry," "Emler and the Detectives," "Extremities."

Also, "Faulty Towers: The Builders, The Wedding Party, The Psychiatrist," "Flight of the Navigator," "Honeyuckle Rose," "Manhunter," "Meet Me in St. Louis," "Mother Goose Treasury, I," "The Night Dracula Saved the World," "Nothing in Common".

Also, "The Philadelphia Story," "Ran," "Rear Window," "A Room with a View," "The Smurfs and the Magic Flute," "The Snowman," "Soul Man," "Teddy Ruxpin: The Treasure of Grundo," "Telefon," "Vagabond" and "Village of the Damned," and "Year of the Dragon".

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Sir:

Recently I received word that a friend, Thomas Strohmger, had died of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS). Tom and I graduated from PHS in 1968. He was senior class president, active in the band and thespians, an honor student, etc. He was, if not a friend of everyone in our class, known to all. Approximately 45 per cent of the class still lives within a 30 mile radius of Plymouth. Surely many of this percentage knew of Tom's death.

I expected to see numerous familiar faces at Tom's memorial service in Mansfield. There were four people whom I knew; two were members of our class. The fact that no others attended puzzled and disturbed me. I hope ignorance about and unfounded fear on AIDS did not keep people away.

Tom Strohmger, as have many people, fought numerous battles during his life. He faced his final and greatest one with courage and dignity. His family, with his illness and death with these same qualities, albeit sadly.

It disappointed me that most of the people who knew Tom and his family did not possess the above mentioned qualities. Tom deserved our respect.

In closing, let me mention that the Surgeon General's office will soon send each household in the country a pamphlet concerning AIDS. I urge you to study it, the misconceptions many people have about AIDS can be as deadly as the disease. AIDS is not a disease of only the communities of gays and intravenous drug users; it simply attacked these communities first. Read the pamphlet.

Sincerely,
Elizabeth Peckler

Police report 120 warnings vs. 90 summonses

Police department warned 120 traffic violators during January and issued 90 summonses.

Of the 60 investigations begun during the month, 56 were completed.

The department announced 210 reports, of which 10 were for disturbances, five for theft, seven for vandalism and three for assault. Five non-injury collisions were investigated.

Police Chief Stephen J. Caudill reports that Coker/Explores post donated 77 working hours and the auxiliary officers 173.

Grove fines in the mayor's court amounted to \$10,390. Collections were \$7,139.

Gaich seeks commissionership; races assured in Richland

George Gaich, unsuccessful candidate for Iron county commissioner last time around, will file a nominating petition to run as a Democrat for the seat to be vacated by Thomas Carabin (R-Norwalk).

A retired teacher, Gaich now serves as member of Willard Board of Education, an office to which he won reelection.

Carabin is a candidate for Richland county commissioner. His Republican colleague, Roy Palm, New Haven, will not seek reelection.

His seat will be sought by Gordon Beck and Robert Smith, Democrat, as well. Each may also seek Carabin's seat.

William Conway, also a retired teacher, a Democrat, and Republican Kenneth Ball, Richard Houck and Gene Shepherd are Palm's chair.

One Republican race and one Democratic competition for the right to contest the Richland county commissionerships with incumbent Dale E. Cook (R-Mansfield) and Edward Olson (R primary).

Robert E. Reimsmeyer, Shelby, a Democrat, and guidance counselor, will seek the Democratic nomination to contest Cook's seat. So will Bruce W.

Hoefler, Mansfield.

Donald J. Walter, owner of Bisbee Auto Sales and a stout opponent of a piggyback sales tax - he has organized two attacks on the tax, one that failed because of irregularities in the signatures of registered voters and one that succeeded in repeal of the tax by referendum, will seek to defeat Cook for the Republican seat.

Olson is not opposed, as yet, in his party's Democratic opposition in November is likely to be Dean Myers, a Jackson township trustee whose cachet is that he opposes a landfill in that township.

Thomas E. Beck, a Republican member of Ontario Board of Education, will seek to oust Marion (Duke) Schaus, who aims for a third term of four years.

Beck is 46 years old. He is employed by R.G. Beer Corp.

Petitions must be filed with the county board of elections by Thursday at 4 p.m.

Dale Shetler, incumbent sheriff, appointed to succeed the resigned Richard Petty, who quit to escape a prison term after he was convicted by a jury of willfully concealing evidence, has filed his intentions to seek nomination as a Democrat. The 41-year-old officer, who lives in Shelby, was chief deputy to Petty, whose attorneys

now seek a new trial, alleging in their brief filed before the Court of Appeals a number of irregularities and unfair acts by the presiding judge during the trial.

Shetler was graduated by Shelby High school in 1964 and, save for service in the Marine Corps in Vietnam as a helicopter pilot, has mostly been in police work since. He earlier served for four years as county sheriff in Wayne county and has been a member of the Richland county department since 1977.



DALE SHETLER

What're traits of village?

Milan Wall and Vicki Luther, Ph. D., are co-directors of the Heartland Center for Leadership Development, Lincoln, Neb. They've studied successful small towns and found they showed evidence of 20 special traits.

Among them:

1. Community Pride. Pride shows up in community festivals and events that celebrate the community, its history and heritage.
2. Emphasis on Quality in Business and Community Life. People are doing something better than doing is worth doing right. Facilities are built to last, as are homes and other improvements.
3. Participatory Approach to Community Decision-Making. Authority is shared and shared. Even the most powerful opinion leaders work through formal and informal systems to build consensus.
4. Realistic Appraisal of Future Opportunities. Realizing that they are unlikely to land a giant industry, and that too much reliance on one industry is unwise, these small towns build on their own inherent strengths.
5. Active Economic Development Program. An organized, active approach to economic development involves both public

and private sector initiatives, often working together.

6. Deliberate Transition of Power to a Younger Generation of Leaders. People under 40 often have key positions in both civic and business affairs.

7. Acceptance of Women in Leadership Roles. Women are elected mayors and presidents of chambers of commerce and are hired to manage health care facilities and develop entrepreneurial ventures.

8. Strong Belief in and Support for Education. Good schools are a point of pride, as well as a stable employment force.

9. Sound and Well-Maintained Infrastructure. Successful rural communities work hard to maintain key infrastructure: streets and sidewalks, water systems and sewage treatment facilities.

10. Conviction that, "In The Long Run, You Have To Do It Yourself". Although outside help is sought when appropriate, thriving small towns believe their destiny is in their own hands.

Wall and Luther say, "The towns we studied, they didn't identify themselves as being successful. They would have said, 'We're not successful, else would we have, nor did they believe that 'things would turn out if they just sat back and waited.'"

Jeffrey H. Schiff, executive director, National Association of

Towns and Townships, said at the same time economic solutions must be customized to fit individual communities. "For instance, senior citizens volunteers can be tapped to staff a new restaurant, proximity to a state park can help define a town as center of tourism."

Sometimes one wonders what sort of thing these wrap in their cigarette papers.

Neither Wall or Luther or Schiff dealt with the greatest problems: how do we overcome natural inertia and how do we draw the ordinary citizen to such leadership as the small town can offer, for as everybody knows, he who can lead, he who has moxie, gets up and gets out. Which if we are told, the whole purpose of a college education.

Nor did any of the experts deal with how almost everyone has swallowed the notion that if the line is somehow held, the state (or Uncle Sam) will come forward with more money, which is what the official line in promoting the forthcoming school levy in Columbus will eventually come through with more than 67 per cent of the operating dollar to run our schools.

There will be fun entertainment and wassail at the editor's office next Tuesday for everyone who can show why he believes this.

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TO CONTRACTORS
Sealed bids will be received by the
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outh Local School District, Rich-
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the Treasurer, Plymouth Local
School District, 365 Sandusky St.,
Plymouth, Ohio 44865, until 12:00
noon, Eastern Standard Time,
Thursday, February 25, 1988, and
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aloud for the following areas:

1. School Bus Chassis (one 65 passenger)
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